TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
OCTOBER 1, 2023

MASSES ON THE LORD’S DAY
5:00 pm Sat (vigil)
8:00 am, 10:00 am,
12:00 noon, 5:00 pm
LiveStreaming of
Sunday Mass and daily
Mass offered at 8:00 am

WEEKDAY MASSES
7:00 am (Mon-Fri)
8:00 am (Mon-Sat)
12:05 pm (Mon-Fri)

OPEN WEEKDAYS
6:30 am – 5:00 pm

LITURGY OF THE HOURS
Evening Prayer
4:30 pm (Sat)

OPEN SATURDAY/ SUNDAY
7:00 am – 6:30 pm

CONFESSIONS
7:30–8:00 am
(Monday through Friday)
3:30–4:50 pm (Sat)
9:00–9:50 am (Sun)
11:00–11:50 am (Sun)

PERPETUAL HELP DEVOTIONS
Following 8:00 am &
12:05 pm Mass (Tues)

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION
3:30 pm–4:30 pm (Sat)
8:30 am–11:45 am
(Every First Friday)
Welcome to Our Visitors

Archbishop Mitchell T. Rozanski and the people of the Archdiocese of St. Louis welcome you and hope that your time in our Mother Church may be an opportunity to share our faith and joy in Jesus Christ.

Please enjoy the beauty of this building dedicated to the glory of God and built for the inspiration of all who enter. Public tours of the Cathedral led by volunteer guides are available most weekdays, call for availability.

All visitors who are not of the Catholic faith are welcome to join us in prayer, but not to receive Holy Communion. Reception of Holy Communion is a sign of unity of faith and full membership in the Catholic community. Together let us pray for the eventual unity of all believers.

If you desire to become a member of the Catholic Church or to become a member of the Cathedral Basilica Parish, please complete a registration card, available at the entrances the church.

All contributions to the Cathedral Basilica parish, ministries, and maintenance are sincerely appreciated.

Cathedral Concerts
314.533.7662

Tours
314.373.8205

Mass Intentions
Specific Mass intentions for each scheduled Mass listed regularly in this bulletin are made by individual request. Requests for Mass intentions may be directed to the rectory by calling 314-373-8202.

Cathedral Tours
Tours of our beautiful church are available during the week (pending other events). To book a tour, please visit our website to submit a “tour inquiry” form (https://cathedralstl.org/tour-info) or contact Susie Irons at 314-373-8205.

If you are interested in volunteering as a docent, please contact Susie sirons@cathedralstl.org

Mass Intentions
Sun. Oct. 1st - Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 a.m. Richelle Weisbrod
10:00 a.m. Thom M. Digman
12:00 p.m. Bob & Shauna Mann
5:00 p.m. Joseph & Kathryn Darpel

Mon. Oct. 2nd - The Holy Guardian Angels
7:00 a.m. Teresa & Francis Farrow & Family
8:00 a.m. Pal Leible
12:05 p.m. Protestants in Purgatory

Tues. Oct. 3rd - Weekday
7:00 a.m. Robert Weisbrod
8:00 a.m. Marie De L’Assomption Phung Van Khahn
12:05 p.m. Phyllis Reynolds

Wed. Oct. 4th - St. Francis of Assisi
7:00 a.m. Peter N. Weber
8:00 a.m. Joseph & Kathryn Darpel
12:05 p.m. Charles E. Whitten

Thur. Oct. 5th - St. Faustina Kowalska; Bl. Francis Xavier Seelos
7:00 a.m. Christine Jochem
8:00 p.m. Joseph Olivastro
12:05 p.m. Robert Gebken

Fri. Oct. 6th - St Bruno; Bl. Marie Rose Durocher
7:00 a.m. Kayden Mattingly
8:00 a.m. Rose Marie Bergholtz
12:05 p.m. Bruno Godhino

Sat. Oct. 7th - Our Lady of the Rosary
8:00 a.m. Libby Shea
5:00 p.m. Joseph & Kathryn Darpel

Sun. Oct. 8th - Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 a.m. Phyllis Reynolds
10:00 a.m. Marie Roncal Camacho
12:00 p.m. Connie Steinhaus
5:00 p.m. Nick Theiss
Dear Parishioners,

On October 4, 2008, I had the wonderful opportunity to drive a group of Franciscan Sisters of the Martyr St. George from Rome to the City of Assisi for the celebration of the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi. The day commemorates the death of one of the most beloved saints in the world, who left everything to marry “Lady Poverty” and to live in imitation of Christ. St. Francis has the merit of having saved Catholicism of his era from corruption and richness, re-establishing the link between the Church and poorer classes.

On October 3, the ancient walls of the city are lined with oil lamps and lit all the way up the mountain. Looking up to Assisi from the town below it looks like a gigantic birthday cake—the lights beckoning pilgrims to the city. That evening a procession of hundreds carry candles as they walk reverently into the Porziuncola of Santa Maria degli Angeli where St. Francis died.

From the cross in the neglected field-chapel of San Damiano, Christ told him, “Francis, go out and build up my house, for it is nearly falling down.” Francis became the totally poor and humble workman.

He must have suspected a deeper meaning to “build up my house.” But he would have been content to be, for the rest of his life, putting brick on brick in abandoned chapels. He gave up all his possessions, piling even his clothes before his earthly father—who was demanding restitution for Francis’ “gifts” to the poor—so that he would be totally free to say, “Our Father in heaven.” He was, for a time, considered to be a religious fanatic, begging from door to door when he could not get money for his work, evoking sadness or disgust to the hearts of his former friends.

During the last years of his relatively short life—he died at 44—Francis was half blind and seriously ill. Two years before his death he received the stigmata, the real and painful wounds of Christ in his hands, feet and side.

On his deathbed, Francis sang Psalm 141, and at the end asked his superior’s permission to have his clothes removed when the last hour came in order that he could expire lying naked on the earth, in imitation of his Lord.

This week, as we celebrate the Feast of Saint Francis of Assisi, may his life inspire us to greater devotion to Our Lord and holiness of life.

Monsignor Henry Breier
Actions and inactions can have dire consequences for the nation

Valuable lessons from the prophets can help us reshape fidelity to our covenant with God and each other

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

We’re not particularly good with nuanced approaches: for example, knowing what to do with someone who’s in partial communion with the Church. We tend to have an “all or none” approach. With the exception of formal programs like RCIA (which are good!), most Catholics don’t know what to do with them on an individual basis. What would it look like if we could bring a more nuanced approach?

Lest you misunderstand me, I don’t mean offering Communion to those who aren’t in full communion. That would be a betrayal of Church teaching going back to the time of St. Justin the Martyr (100-165 A.D.), who said of the Eucharist: “No one may take part in it unless he believes that what we teach is true, has received baptism for the forgiveness of sins and new birth, and lives in keeping with what Christ taught.”

The Eucharist is the greatest treasure the Church has to offer! But it’s not the only treasure the Church has to offer. When Jesus dined with tax collectors and sinners, He wasn’t telling them that everything was OK, that they were already in full communion with the Kingdom of God. He dined with them to invite them more deeply into the mystery of His life, to draw them closer toward the point where they would be ready for a full communion with Him.

I wonder if we could get better at going out and drawing in. I think we need to get better at that! And I think that’s one key to understanding what Pope Francis means when he says there’s room for everyone in the Church.

Note: This column appeared in the St. Louis Review for September 30 -October 1 and may be read in the print edition or at [https://it.ly/35rjOxr](https://it.ly/35rjOxr)
SAINT LOUIS CATHEDRAL CONCERTS

VOCES8

Friday, October 20 8:00 PM

THE 2023 GRAMMY-NOMINATED BRITISH VOCAL ENSEMBLE VOCES8 IS PROUD TO INSPIRE PEOPLE THROUGH MUSIC AND SHARE THE JOY OF SINGING. TOURING GLOBALLY, THE GROUP PERFORMS AN EXTENSIVE REPERTORY BOTH IN ITS A CAPPELLA CONCERTS AND IN COLLABORATIONS WITH LEADING MUSICIANS, ORCHESTRAS, CONDUCTORS AND SOLOISTS. VERSATILITY AND A CELEBRATION OF DIVERSE MUSICAL EXPRESSION ARE CENTRAL TO THE ENSEMBLE’S PERFORMANCE AND EDUCATION ETHOS WHICH IS SHARED BOTH ONLINE AND IN PERSON.

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CATHEDRAL BASILICA OF ST. LOUIS 4431 LINDELL BOULEVARD 63108
CATHEDRAL BASILICA

TRIVIA NIGHT

28th October 7 PM

BOLAND HALL
DOORS OPEN AT 6:00 PM
(FOLLOWING 5:00 PM MASS AT THE CATHEDRAL)
BEER, SODA, & WATER PROVIDED
$20 per person
Tables of 8 for $160
or
Tables of 10 for $200
PARTICIPANTS ARE WELCOME TO BRING SNACKS

10 ROUNDS OF QUESTIONS
FIRST PLACE TABLE RECEIVES $400
SECOND PLACE TABLE RECEIVES $200
MULLIGANS ARE AVAILABLE FOR $1 EACH; ONLY ONE CAN BE USED PER ROUND

PLEASE RESERVE YOUR TABLE BY OCTOBER 21, 2023
CALL 314-373-8208
Men of the Cathedral

The Men of the Cathedral cordially invite all parishioners and visitors to join them with Adoration of the Holy Eucharist on Tuesday, October 24th. **Please note the change in date due to our regular date falling on Halloween.**

Adoration will begin promptly at 6PM. Confessions will be heard during Adoration.

All are welcome for Adoration!

As we approach November and our thoughts turn to Thanksgiving and Christmas, this is a great time to reflect on God’s blessings bestowed upon each of us.

All men are invited to drinks and dinner in Boland Hall immediately after the conclusion of Adoration. A suggested donation of $20 is appreciated.

**We will again host the chili and cornbread cookoff for the dinner. If you wish to enter the contest, please let Michael Weisbrod (info below) know!**

For dinner reservations, please contact Michael Weisbrod at 314-918-2893 or michael.weisbrod@rcfstl.org by Monday, October 23rd.

The Gospel of the Lord

Jesus said to the chief priests and elders of the people:

“What is your opinion? A man had two sons. He came to the first and said, ‘Son, go out and work in the vineyard today.’ He said in reply, ‘I will not,’ but afterwards he changed his mind and went. The Man came to his other son and gave the same order. He said in reply, ‘Yes, sir,’ but he did not go. Which of the two did his father’s will?’ They answered, “The first.” Jesus said to them, “Amen, I say to you, tax collectors and prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God before you. When John came to you in the way of righteousness, you did not believe him; but tax collectors and prostitutes did. Yet even when you saw that, you did not later change your minds and believe him.

Matthew 21:28-32
A Thought on The Sanctity Of Life

“Radical solidarity compels us to come alongside vulnerable mothers in profound friendship, compassion, and support for both them and their preborn children. It requires us to address the fundamental challenges that lead an expectant mother to believe she is unable to welcome the child God has entrusted to her. We must do all we can to provide mothers, children, and families with the support they need to flourish. This cannot be accomplished by laws or policy alone, but requires the continual transformation of our own hearts.”

What Catholics Believe

Join us at the Cathedral Basilica two Wednesdays a month, when Fr. Povis will present an in-depth theological reflection on the articles of the Apostles’ Creed.

-6:30pm in Boland Hall
-50 minute presentation followed by social
-Feel free to bring food and drink
-Designed for adults, but all are welcome!

Next Session

October 4th
He Descended into Hell

October 18th
On the Third Day He Rose again from the Dead

Daily Readings for the Week...

The readings are included each week so that the parishioners who are unable to join us for daily Mass will be able to consider and pray them in union with the whole Church.

Readings for the Week
October 1, 2023 through October 8, 2023

Monday: 455: Zec 8:8:1-8 Ps 102:2, 16-23 650: Mt 18:1-5, 10 see 650: Ex 23:20-23
Tuesday: 456: Zec 8:20-23 Ps 87:1-7 Lk 9:51-56
Thursday: 458: Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12 Ps 19:8-11 Lk 10:1-12
Friday: 459: Bar 1:15-22 Ps 79:1-5, 8-9 Lk 10:13-16

PRAY FOR THE SICK

It is our responsibility in the Lord to remember the sick, who are especially close to the Redeemer in their suffering.

Roxanne Ali
Linda Baldwin
Janice Bashford
Barbara Beckemeyer
Edwin Ayala Padilla
Pauline Price
David Washington
Dorothy Quinn
Mary Leah Kovarik
Janetta Williams
Kelvin Ayala Reyes

Mary Riley
Nicole Pace
Resy Sanchez
Mickey Shears
Mary Anne Work
Betty Ytzaina
Sharon Kay Moore
William McCarty
Therese Terri Svehla
Deborah Lee
Lawson Burford
Anima Christi Young Adults
Anyone between the ages of 18 and 39 is invited to join in prayer and fellowship with the young adult community of the Cathedral Basilica on **Thursday, October 5th.** Our gathering begins with Holy Hour at 5:30pm (enter through the west door, by the playground). Followed by Mass at 6:30pm. Afterward there will be dinner in Boland Hall. Please join us, in full or in part, to deepen your relationship with Christ and with one another.

Divine Mercy Chaplet
On October 5th we celebrate the Feast of St. Faustina Kowalska. Throughout the month of October, we invite everyone to take some time to pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet with your family and loved ones.

The Chaplet is a form of intercessory prayer that can be recited for one’s own needs, and the needs of others. As a prayer of intercession, it is made in union with the offering up of Christ’s Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity.

**Stewardship Alive!**

**All Souls Novena At The Cathedral Basilica**

As the seasons change and we anticipate the beginning of November, our thoughts turn to our deceased loved ones as we prepare for the liturgical feasts of All Saints and All Souls. We remember them in life and we pray that “perpetual light will shine upon them” and God will welcome them into eternal joy.

You are invited to remember deceased loved ones in prayer during the Cathedral Basilica’s All Souls Novena, nine days of prayer for the departed beginning on November 2nd. Please send us the names of the deceased loved ones you wish to be included in the Novena, and they will be remembered collectively in a Mass each day for nine days.

Weekly Thoughts on Giving

“Do nothing out of selfishness; rather, humbly regard others as more important than yourselves...” Philippians 2:3

Pride and ego are hard things to control. We see how others act or dress and think we are superior to them. We idolize our own self-image. But, if we truly believe everything is a gift from God, we recognize all the people that God has put in our lives as gifts! We are grateful for how they enrich our lives. Pray every day for the people in your life: your family, your friends and those who make

### Offertory Collection for The Weekend of 9/16/2023-9/17/2023

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Parish Information

Registration in Parish
To join our parish, please register online at https://cathedralstl.org/about-basilica/parish-life or call the rectory at 314-373-8202.

Online Giving is a secure and convenient web-based service to make your weekly or monthly contributions to Cathedral Parish from your computer, or laptop, or tablet. Simply access the Cathedral website (www.cathedralstl.org) and go to Parish Online Giving under the “GIVE” tab. Then follow the easy instructions to set up your secure account and authorize your contributions to be automatically withdrawn from your bank account on the date you specify.

Baptism of Infants
Parents requesting Baptism should be registered members of the parish. To schedule baptisms or register for baptismal preparation classes for parents or godparents, contact the rectory at 314-373-8202.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults
For persons interested in becoming Catholic, contact the rectory at 314-373-8202.

Anointing of the Sick
Parishioners facing surgery or struggling with serious illness may request this sacrament by calling the rectory at 314-373-8202.

Vocations to Christian Marriage
Couples planning to marry at the Cathedral Basilica may contact Mary Ann Fox at 314-373-8208.

Vocations to Holy Orders and Consecrated Life
Those who feel called to this life are invited to call the Archdiocesan Office of Vocations.