CATHEDRAL BASILICA OF SAINT LOUIS

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
OCTOBER 4, 2020

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)
From the Office of the Archbishop

Dear Friends in Christ,

The call to be deacon is to serve. On Sunday, October 4, 2020, there will be a special collection for the formation of permanent deacons in the Archdiocese of St. Louis. This collection relieves some of their financial burden for studies to become a deacon.

Since 1977, 487 men have been ordained as permanent deacons in the Archdiocese. There are 211 active deacons ordained for the Archdiocese and 102 retired deacons. There are 44 men in formation at this time.

When the permanent diaconate program was initiated in the Archdiocese in January 1977, men went through a two-year formation program, with a third year of post-ordination formation. Since then, the program has gradually expanded to five years of formation, plus three more years of post-ordination formation.

Deacons serve in parishes, hospitals, archdiocesan agencies, and other organizations. They offer their time, talent and energy to strengthen our church in St. Louis and do not receive compensation for their work. Their service extends into many areas of parish life, including the proclamation of the Gospel, liturgical functions, administration, and charitable works. Many active deacons continue to be employed full-time, requiring them to balance family lives and professions with their ministry as a deacon.

Please promote the special collection for the Formation of Permanent Deacons on Sunday, October 4, 2020.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

++ Mitchell T. Rozanski
Archbishop of St. Louis

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Mass Intentions

Sun., October 4 – 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 a.m. - For the Parish Family
10:00 a.m. - Special Intentions of the Archbishop
12:00 p.m. - John Kilby Cummings
5:00 p.m. - Nick Theiss

Mon., October 5 – Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos
9:00 a.m. - Peter Weber
8:00 a.m. - Teresa and Francis Farrow & Family
12:05 p.m. - Helen Klunk

Tues., October 6 – St. Bruno
7:00 a.m. - Stephen Michael Murray
8:00 a.m. - Charles E. Whitten
12:05 p.m. - Melissa Forney

Wed., October 7 – Our Lady of the Rosary
7:00 a.m. - Lucille Davis
8:00 a.m. - Anne Marie Nguyen K. Nhuong
12:05 p.m. - Charles Drury, Sr.

Thur., October 8 – Weekday in Ordinary Time
7:00 a.m. - Helenmary Judge
8:00 a.m. - In Memory of Lloyd Taaffe III
12:05 p.m. - Fannie Thorpe

Fri., October 9 – St. Denis and Companions
7:00 a.m. - Gerald Marie Phung N. Quan
8:00 a.m. - Penny Chrisler
12:05 p.m. - George Hickenlooper

Sat., October 10 – Weekday in Ordinary Time
8:00 a.m. - Margaret Joan Dayton
5:00 p.m. - Joseph Chapo

Sun., October 11 – 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 a.m. - Janet Tafra
10:00 a.m. - Special Intentions of the Archbishop
12:00 p.m. - Conrad S. Kee
5:00 p.m. - Nick Theiss
FROM OUR RECTOR

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.

Monsignor Henry Breier

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ARCHBISHOP’S COLUMN

Form conscience in accord with Catholic teaching

After the election, our mission to proclaim and give witness to the Gospel will remain

There was a scholar of the law who stood up to test Jesus and said: “Teacher, who should I vote for in the upcoming election?”

OK, that didn’t really happen. But, one month before the election, it sure feels like that’s the question on people’s minds. And people would like the Church, or me, or their pastor, to answer it.

Well, the Church doesn’t answer that question for anyone, and neither will I, and neither should any pastor. The fundamental reason isn’t because IRS regulations forbid it (though that’s also true). The fundamental reason is that it’s a decision for the conscience of each person, and I’m not called to replace anyone’s conscience — that’s a place where each of us stands alone before God.

What I am called to do, and every pastor is called to help with, is to form consciences in accord with Catholic teaching. That’s why, every four years, the U.S. bishops publish Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship. I recommend it! It contains a robust treatment of how a Catholic should approach elections - it’s detailed and nuanced in a way that meets the complexity of our situation.

If I can highlight just two points from the document, to help form and challenge the consciences of everyone in preparation for the election, it would be these.

First: If you don’t hold that abortion is the pre-eminent moral issue of our time, and if you don’t struggle to justify voting for a candidate whose record or policy would favor or even expand abortion, then you probably aren’t forming a Catholic conscience in preparation to vote.

Second: If you think that other serious issues like race, immigration and the environment can be dismissed or ignored, and if you don’t struggle to justify voting for a candidate whose record or policy would be contrary to Catholic teaching on these matters, then you probably aren’t forming a Catholic conscience in preparation to vote.

To be sure, the issues I just named aren’t the only ones to be weighed - there are plenty of others to be placed on the scales. But those two points are enough to challenge everyone for the moment.

The conclusion to be reached after giving all the issues their appropriate weight? That’s not mine to say for anyone but myself. I will steadfastly refuse to tell anyone what conclusion they should reach. No one who works or teaches for the Church should presume to do so, either.

But I know one thing. I notice one thing, and I want to encourage one thing.

What I know is this: Jesus is not running for office. The day after the election our primary mission will be the same: to proclaim and give witness to the Gospel in all its fullness. The winners will make some parts of that easier, and some parts incredibly hard. Either way, we’ll have a lot of work to do.

What I notice is this: The way we talk to one another makes me uneasy. How we form our relationships before the election makes a big difference in whether or not we’re going to be able to work together after the election.

For many years now, we haven’t been doing such a good job.

What I want to encourage is this: Let’s talk to one another differently in the coming month. Let’s listen to each other more deeply - to the reasons, the hurts and the hopes. Yes, the election really matters! But something matters more - our shared identity in Christ, and our shared mission to serve the Gospel.

Our culture is drifting ever farther from the Gospel - and by that very fact becoming more and more in need of it. We have too much work to do together to let the powers of the world alienate us from one another.

Note: this column appeared in the St. Louis Review for Oct 5-11 and may be read in the print edition or at https://bit.ly/35ciOxR.
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.

Margaret Aunbermann
William H. Bachmann
Sandy Dubuque
Sidney Edwards-Cole
Lucila Garcia
Tereso Garcia
Alvin Griffin
Paula Littleton
John Mangona, CM
Lenore Molloy
Janice Noack
Dorothy Quinn
Teresita Sanchez
Sr. Patricia Sevik
Rita Sheftall
Rose Teran
Darlene Throop
Willia Washington
Richelle Weisbrod
Mary Anne Work
Betty Ytzaina

A Thought on The Sanctity Of Life

“The Gospel of life is intrinsic to the whole Christian life and foundational to the decisions we make on a daily basis. For, “the Gospel of God’s love for man, the Gospel of the dignity of the person and the Gospel of life are a single and indivisible Gospel” (EV 2).

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Good Works

We as Catholics believe in the efficacy of both faith and good works for our salvation. Works of the Law do not justify us. However, as Paul tells us in Galatians 5:6, “faith working through love” is what truly matters. The faith we have must manifest itself in good works. Otherwise, it is useless. If we truly have faith, we will bear fruit for the salvation of the world. As the readings remind us today, the Lord expects us to do His will and to labor in His vineyard so that others may encounter His love and enter into His joy. Christ has given us the gift of sharing in his salvific mission. We should not remain idle and static but instead should bear fruit in the world and spread the Gospel message with others, sharing our faith and hope.

For more, visit archstl.org/live-the-faith.

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 4, 2020 through October 11, 2020

Sunday: Is 5:1-7 Ps 80:9, 12-16, 19-20
Phil 4:6-9 Mt 21:33-43
Monday: Gal 1:6-12 Ps 111:1-2, 7-9, 10
Lk 10:25-37
Lk 10:38-42
Wednesday: Gal 2:1-2, 7-14 (or Acts 1:12-14)
Ps 117:1, 2 Lk 11:1-4 (or Lk 1:26-38)
Thursday: Gal 3:1-5 Lk 1:69-75 Lk 11:5-13
Friday: Gal 3:7-14 Ps 111:1-6 Lk 11:15-26
Saturday: Gal 3:22-29 Ps 105:2-7 Lk 11:27-28
Sunday: Is 25:6-10 Ps 23:1-6
Phil 4:12-14, 19-20
Mt 22:1-14 or 22:1-10

Pro-Life Mass

Remember to join us at the Cathedral Basilica on the third Saturday of each month for a pro-life Mass at 8:00 a.m., followed with a rosary procession to Planned Parenthood at Boyle and Forest Park. The next Mass is scheduled for Saturday, October 17.

Welcome Jurists

In keeping with an ancient custom of invoking the Holy Spirit upon the judicial season now commencing, the Cathedral Basilica hosts the Archdiocesan Red Mass today at 10:00 a.m. Celebrated annually for judges, prosecutors, public defenders, attorneys, law school professors and students, and government officials, the “red” of the Red Mass is symbolic of the Holy Spirit as well as for the red vestments worn for the Mass. Archbishop Mitchell Rozanski and the clergy of the Cathedral Basilica welcome members of the legal and government communities as we invite all in attendance to join us in prayer seeking God’s blessing upon all the officers of our national, state, and local judiciary.
Stewardship Alive!

Anima Christi Young Adults

All young adults interested in growing the fellowship of our young adult community are invited to the next young adult gathering scheduled for Thursday, October 8. We begin with dinner in Boland Hall at 6:00 pm, followed by Adoration and confessions in the church at 7:00 pm (enter through the west door by the playground). Please join us, in full or in part, to deepen your relationship with Christ and with one another.

For additional information, please e-mail the group at AnimaChristiStL@gmail.com.

Offertory Collection for The Weekend of 09/27/2020

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Weekly Thoughts on Giving

“The stone the builders rejected has become the corner stone…” - Mt 21:42

Jesus was rejected by the religious and political leaders of his day, as well as ordinary citizens. Living a stewardship lifestyle may cause you to be “rejected” by others in today’s society. For example, saying grace before a meal in a restaurant may attract some strange looks from some. But to others it is sign that God is alive and well!

St. Patrick Casserole Program

Casseroles and other offerings collected by volunteers of the St. Patrick Casserole Program provides one week of dinners for the Women’s Shelter, and one night of dinners for the Men’s Alumni Club.

To promote social distancing and limit time away from home, Cathedral casseroles organizers are hosting "touchless" drop-offs in the parish parking lot. Our next drop off is scheduled for Thursday, October 8, from noon until 1:00 p.m. If you are unable to make this new time, please call Skip or Nicki Batchelor at 916-834-4843 to make other arrangements.

Thank you for your continued support of this most worthy program!

St. Vincent de Paul Membership

Members of the Cathedral St. Vincent de Paul Society meet weekly. Members are committed to aiding fellow parishioners and neighbors with necessities such as food, clothing, utilities, and rent—all in the context of the Christian imperative. If interested in becoming a member or in learning more about the Society and our Conference, please leave a message on the SVDP HotLine at 314-373-8288.

You Can Help Carry the Burden

Our Parish is blessed with significant demographic diversity. While many of us live comfortably, a significant number within our Parish boundaries are not nearly so fortunate. The Poor Box, located near the main aisle in the rear of the church, is the primary source of funding for the assistance provided by the Cathedral Chapter of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. Any help you can give is greatly appreciated.

For the Poor

Today, and on the first Sunday of every month, the Cathedral Parish collects foodstuffs and canned goods for delivery to local food pantries. Please place donations in the baskets near the sanctuary at the side aisles. Thank you for your generosity!

Eyeglass Drive

Today, and on the first Sunday of every month, "The Respectacle Project", an eyeglass recycling program, is accepting donations of quality used eyeglasses. Please place donations in the baskets near the sanctuary at the side aisles. Thank you!
SAINT LOUIS CATHEDRAL CONCERTS

Scott Kennebeck  Tenor
John Powel Walsh  Organist

Sunday, October 18, 2020 2:30 PM
MUSIC DEDICATED TO
THE BLESSED MOTHER

CONCERT WILL BE STREAMED ONLINE AND HAVE
LIMITED SEATING IN THE CATHEDRAL.
THIS CONCERT IS FREE BUT RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED.

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or call: 314-533-7662
CATHEDRAL BASILICA OF ST. LOUIS 4431 LINDELL BOULEVARD 63108
Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)
The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (or RCIA) enables those who are interested in the Catholic faith and have never been baptized, were baptized in another Christian tradition, or were baptized Catholic but have never celebrated Confirmation or received First Communion.

The 2020-21 RCIA session has begun, but it’s not too late to get involved! For more information or to register, contact Msgr. Breier at 314-373-8206.

Infant Baptism
According to the mind of the Church, parents are obliged to see that infants are baptized within the first weeks after birth. As soon as possible after the birth, or even before it, parents should request the sacrament for their child and arrange to be properly instructed in preparation for it. If you are a registered parishioner who is or is about to become a parent or godparent, please contact the rectory at 314-373-8202 to schedule a baptism.

The Rosary Month
October has long been time within the Church’s life when the holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary has been prayed with special concentration and intention. The devotion of the Rosary has been a strength of Catholic Faith for centuries. It is the prayer of the little ones as well as the powerful. It is an open invitation to holiness by immersing oneself in the mysteries of Christ using the eyes and heart of His mother. Everyone is encouraged to pray the Rosary daily.

Have You Considered Online Giving
On Line Giving is a secure and convenient web-based service to make your weekly or monthly contributions to Cathedral Parish from your computer, or lap top, or tablet. Simply access the Cathedral website (www.cathedralsf.org) and click on the bright red DONATE button on the home page. Watch the 5 minute “Watch Help Video” and 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. All of information is encrypted and stored securely.

In honor of all who minister in the healthcare profession
Join Archbishop Mitchell Rozanski for the celebration of the annual

White Mass
Sunday, October 11, 2020
10:00 a.m.

Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis
OCEAN OF MERCY
At the dawn of the twentieth century, three voices rose up from Poland—St. Faustina Kowalska, St. Maximilian Kolbe, and Pope St. John Paul II—to proclaim an urgent message, a message powerful enough to alter the course of an age plunging into spiritual darkness.

LECTIO: PHILIPPIANS WITH DR. TIM GRAY
Towards the end of his life, under arrest and awaiting trial in Rome, Saint Paul writes a short but powerful letter to the Philippians. In six sessions, Dr. Tim Gray combines insight and practical guidance using the lectio divina disciplines to make the Scriptures come alive in Philippians: Life in Christ.

BROTHER FRANCIS: THE BAREFOOT SAINT OF ASSISI
If you think you know Francis of Assisi, you're in for a surprise. Discover the astonishing life of Brother Francis, the fun-loving son of wealth and privilege who gave up everything for the sake of Christ.

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**LITURGICAL MINISTERS OCTOBER 10-11, 2020**

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**Registration in Parish**
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**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 Laura Voeglie at 314-373-8202.

**Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults**
For persons interested in becoming Catholic, contact the parish 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 at 314-792-6460.

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