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)
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 once again being offered at various times by appointment 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.
Dear Parishioners,

In response to the most recent natural disaster, Hurricane Ian, the Archbishop has asked for a special collection to be taken up this weekend. The funds collected will be part of the Bishops Emergency Fund and will be used to support the efforts of Catholic Charities USA and/or Catholic Relief Services. You will find envelopes in the pews for this collection.

Prayer, and specifically prayer of petition, is the theme of today’s Mass. There are many kinds of prayer: praise, thanksgiving, intercession and petition. There is mental and vocal prayer. There is meditation and contemplation. We can pray privately on our own or in the company of others. There is private prayer and the public prayer and worship of the Church, which we call liturgy. Each one has its time and place.

In today’s Gospel Jesus speaks about prayer of petition, asking God for what we need – as opposed to just what we want or would like to have.

The Gospel is a parable about a judge and a poor widow who is seeking justice. The point is that if even a totally corrupt person who cares neither for God nor man can be made to yield to the pestering of a totally defenceless and resourceless (no money to bribe) widow, how much more will a loving and caring God take care of his children? The lesson, then, is to keep on asking.

Does that mean we can keep asking for just anything? If I pray to win the mega lotto is it a prayer that we could seriously expect God to honor. And, if I had won, would that have been an answer to a prayer or simply good luck?

The widow, on the other hand, asked for something which God would certainly want for her – justice. Jesus elsewhere compares God to a decent, caring parent. Would such a parent give a child a stone when he asked for bread? Would a parent give a scorpion to a child who asked for an egg? If even worldly parents will give their children what they need, says Jesus, how much more will a loving God see to the needs of his children?

On that occasion, Jesus concluded his teaching by saying that God will always give good things to those who ask him. Luke’s version says that God will give the Holy Spirit to those who ask.

What are these “good” things? How do we ask for the Holy Spirit? Surely it means asking for those things which will bring us closer to God; what helps us to know, love and serve him better; what helps us reach a deeper understanding of his teaching. It means, above all asking to know what his will is for us and the strength to carry it out. It is asking that his will become our will so that there is a complete harmonization of the two. I want to do what God wants me to do. His will and mine are one. And I end up doing what I want! Isn’t that wonderful!

Monsignor Henry Breier
When we open our hearts to God, He transforms our desires

God is preparing to give us something great, but to receive it, we need to open our desires to Him in prayer.

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Queen Esther lived in a time of grave peril for the Jewish people — and let’s be clear: That is not our situation! Still, we can draw inspiration from her story. This is a time of great transition in the Archdiocese of St. Louis. It’s probably not a time any of us would have chosen for ourselves. But, like Queen Esther, God has chosen this time for us! Like her, we need to move forward with faith, boldness and creativity.

St. Augustine wrote a letter to a woman named Proba on the nature of prayer. The Church includes selections from it in the Office of Readings this week. One of St. Augustine’s main points concerns the relationship between desire and prayer. He says that the purpose of opening our desires to God in prayer is not so that God can be informed about what we want. God already knows what we want! Instead, St. Augustine writes, “He wants us rather to exercise our desire through our prayer, so that we may be able to receive what He is preparing to give us.” What God wants for us is even more than we can imagine. When we open our hearts to God, God starts to work and transform our desires.

I think that’s an important lesson as we engage in the listening sessions of All Things New. I believe God is preparing to give us something great! But in order to receive it, we need to open our desires to Him in prayer.

We celebrate the feast of St. Luke this week (Oct. 18). He was a companion of St. Paul — so he received something important from St. Paul. But Luke didn’t simply stay in the background, content with what he had received. Rather, at a pivotal point in Church history, St. Luke had something powerful and beautiful to contribute to the Church’s mission: the two-volume work of the Gospel of Luke and the Acts of the Apostles.

That’s a lesson for us, too, I think. Like St. Luke, we have received much from others. Like St. Luke, we stand at a pivotal time in the history of the local Church. Like St. Luke, we need to open ourselves to the powerful and beautiful things God wants us to contribute to the Church’s mission.

The week concludes with the feast of St. John Paul II (Oct. 22). I want to recall two things he said, from which I think we can draw inspiration.

First, in his inaugural homily as pope, he said: “Be not afraid! Open wide the doors to Christ!” That message has not gotten old!

Second, in his apostolic letter “Novo millennio ineunte,” which was meant to launch us into the new millennium, he said: “Duc in altum — set out for deep waters!” Listen to his words, which I think speak directly to our moment:

“Duc in altum! [Set out for deep waters!] These words ring out for us today, and they invite us to remember the past with gratitude, to live the present with enthusiasm and to look forward to the future with confidence” (“Novo millennio ineunte,” #1).

Note: This column appeared in the St. Louis Review for October 15 & 16 and may be read in the print edition or at https://it.ly/35ejOXr
NEXT WEEKEND we will celebrate World Mission Sunday. Pope Francis invites the entire Church to PRAY and GIVE GENEROUSLY in support of mission dioceses in Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands, and parts of Latin America and Europe. Your prayers and generous help in next week’s collection for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith will support priests, religious and lay leaders who serve the world’s most vulnerable communities. Thank you!

You Shall Be My Witnesses
Acts 1:8
Men of the Cathedral

October Adoration

The Men of the Cathedral cordially invite all parishioners and visitors to join them with Adoration of the Holy Eucharist on Tuesday, October 25th.

Adoration will begin promptly at 6 PM. 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 have a chili and cornbread cook-off for the dinner. If you wish to enter the contest, please let Michael Weisbrod (info below) know!

We will have a guest speaker, Deacon Keating speaking on “The Eucharist and Marriage”

For dinner reservations, please contact Michael Weisbrod at michael.weisbrod@rcfstl.org or 314.918.2893 by Monday, October 24th.

Women of the Cathedral

Dear Cathedral Parish Ladies,

Come grow in faith and fellowship together with other parish ladies at monthly gatherings of the Women of the Cathedral.

We will gather next, on Sunday, October 29, 2022, a week earlier due to a calendar conflict. We will begin with Mass in the Cathedral, and then move to Boland Hall for a light breakfast hosted by our gracious ladies. After brief introductions and social time, an informative program is led by Msgr. Mikesch, our spiritual director, with closing prayer at 10am. A popular highlight is “Ask Msgr. Mikesch Time.”

At our last gathering the influences of family in passing on faith traditions were identified by each of us around the table. Mothers were often named as most influential in shaping our faith. One can only imagine what this must have been life for Mary and Joseph with Jesus.

To learn more and RSVP for breakfast, contact Barbara Murray at 314-974-6900 or email murraybj@swbell.net by October 26, 2022. Send questions for “Ask Msgr Time” when you RSVP. Thank you.

40 Days for Life

The Cathedral Basilica has adopted Sunday, October 30th as its day for the 40 Days of Life fall campaign and needs prayer vigil volunteers.

Volunteers simply pray quietly during a one-hour shift on the sidewalks outside of Planned Parenthood on Forest Park Avenue.

Volunteers can sign up for any hour between 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at http://www.coalitionslife.com/vigil.calendar-stl/ or by writing to bryankirchoff@att.net with the desired time.
SAINT LOUIS CATHEDRAL CONCERTS

Fauré Requiem
& other music for All Souls
Sunday, October 30, 2022 2:30 PM
St. Louis Archdiocesan Choir & Orchestra
Andrew Kreigh, Director
Welcomed by The Ottolini Family in memory of Dr. James & Barbara Ottolini

THE LORD IS MY SHEPHERD  JOHN RUTTER
DO NOT BE AFRAID  PHILIP STOPFORD
EGO SUM PANIS VIVUS  PALESTRINA
REQUIEM  GABRIEL FAURÉ
FREE No Tickets Required

The King’s Singers
Friday, November 4, 2022 8:00 PM
Tickets: $42, $29, & $29

www.CathedralConcerts.org
or call: 314-533-7662
CATHEDRAL BASILICA OF ST. LOUIS 4431 LINDELL BOULEVARD 63108
A Thought on The Sanctity Of Life
“Mary, Mother of the Church, graciously help us build a culture of life and a civilization of love, together with all people of good will, to the praise and glory of God, the Creator and lover of life. Amen.”

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities “A Prayer for Pregnant Mothers"

St. Louis Catholic Resident Physicians and Medical Students
Interested in joining a community of Catholic resident physicians and medical students? Scan the QR Code to sign-up!

The Gift That Has No Season
Over the years, it has been gifts left to the Cathedral Basilica in wills, Bequests, and memorials that have largely enabled us to continue to operate as a place of worship. As we approach year end and consider the upcoming tax season, please remember the Cathedral Basilica Parish in your will or charitable giving plans.

WEEKLY READINGS

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 16, 2022 through October 23, 2022

Sunday:  Ex 17:8-13 Ps 121:1-8 2 Tm 3:14– 4:2 Lk 18:1-8
Monday:  Eph 2:1-10 Ps 100:1-5 Lk 12:13-21
Tuesday:  2 Tm 4:10-17 Ps 145:10-13, 17-18 Lk 10:1-9
Wednesday: Eph 3:2-12 Is 12:2-6 Lk 12:39-48
Thursday: Eph 3:14-21 Ps 33:1-5, 11-12, 18-19 Lk 12:49-53
Friday:  Eph 4:1-6 Ps 24:1-6 Lk 12:54-59
Saturday: Eph 4:7-16 Ps 122:1-2, 3-4, 5 Lk 13:1-9
Sunday:  Sir 35:12-14, 16-18 s 34:2-3, 17-18, 19, 23 2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18 Lk 18: 9-14

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.

Linda Baldwin
Janice Bashford
Barbara Beckemeyer
Joe Dubuque
Deborah Harlan
Jennifer Jaswal
Joaquinta Jones
Edwin Ayala Padilla
Pauline Price

Dorothy Quinn
Keith & Terri Reason
Kelvin Ayala Reyes
Mary Riley
Vivian Rachel Rossen
Resy Sanchez
Mickey Shears
Mary Anne Work
Betty Ytzaina
**Stewardship Alive!**

**"Sock Angel"**

Drop NEW Socks in the Box
A new campaign whose goal is to donate new socks to the local needy. Please be an Angel.

Beneficiaries:
- Peter & Paul Community Services
- St. Patrick’s Center

Thank you for your generosity

**Have You Considered Online Giving**

Online Giving is a secure and convenient web-based service to make your weekly or monthly contributions to Cathedral Parish from your computer, laptop, or tablet. Simply access the Cathedral website (www.cathedralstl.org) and click on the ONLINE GIVING 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.

**Offertory Collection for The Weekend of 10/8-9/2022**

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**St. Patrick Casserole Program**

**Pick up on Thursdays**

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.

**Cathedral casserole organizers will host "touchless" drop-off in the Portico of Boland Hall-Thursday, October 13, November 10 & December 8 from 1:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m.**

Please contact Skip or Nicki Batchelor at

**Eyeglass Drive**

"The Respectacle Project,” an eyeglass recycling program, facilitates the redistribution of quality used eyeglasses to those in need both locally and abroad. Donations are typically accepted on the first Sunday of every month. **Our next eyeglass drive will be held Sunday, November 6th.**

**A Lasting Gift**

Looking for a special gift to memorialize a loved one, or celebrate a birth or wedding? Consider a commemorative brick in the Cathedral Basilica Jubilee Prayer Garden! Contact the parish office at 314-373-8202 for more information.

**Weekly Thoughts on Giving**

“...proclaim the word, be persistent whether it is convenient or inconvenient...” 2 Timothy 4:2

It is not always convenient to be a good steward, especially when all the temptations of our busy and materialistic world get in the way. Now add our own pride and ego into the equation and living a stewardship lifestyle may be downright uncomfortable! Remember, God didn’t call us to be comfortable. He never said that we would have an easy life. Rather, He called us to be faithful!
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.

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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 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 at 314-792-6460.

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