CATHEDRAL BASILICA OF SAINT LOUIS

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
November 26, 2023

Masses on the Lord’s Day
5:00 pm Sat (vigil)
8:00 am, 10:00 am,
12:00 noon, 5:00 pm
Live Streaming 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 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
Dear Parishioners,

In comparison to other kings throughout history, Jesus is far different. He is not controlling or domineering or cruel or even a political figure. Jesus as King is a shepherd and a servant leader. He tells us that He has not come to be served but to serve. He humbles Himself by washing the feet of His disciples, the role of a servant. He truly cares for us like a good shepherd tending to his flock. He is willing to leave the 99 to find the one who has gone astray. Jesus is not a king who, like a judge or tyrant, sits on a throne demanding to be feared. He came to be the model of Christian living.

The Gospel message is simple: we will be judged by how we treat others, by how much we offer for the least among us, and by how closely we follow the example of Jesus, the Good Shepherd. This is Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. The lesson from the Gospel is that we should never allow the world to convince us that small acts of kindness are not important. Jesus reminds us that as often as we do these things for the least among us, we do unto Him. By doing these small and seemingly insignificant acts of kindness, we help to build the Kingdom of heaven on earth. The preface for the Mass today describes the Kingdom as, “An Eternal and Universal Kingdom, a Kingdom of Truth and Life, a Kingdom of Holiness and Grace a Kingdom of Justice, Love, and Peace.” Each time we say the Our Father we pray for the coming of that kingdom. Thy Kingdom come.

Next Sunday, December 3, we begin the Season of Advent. The word “Advent” is from the Latin “Adventus,” which means “coming.” Advent is the beginning of a new liturgical year (in the Western churches), and encompasses the span of time from the fourth Sunday before Christmas until the Nativity of Our Lord is celebrated.

Like Lent, Advent is a preparatory season. It has significance because it is a season of looking forward and waiting for something greater — both for the annual celebration of the event of Christ's birth, and for the time when Christ will come again.

Mark your calendar for Saturday, December 9, when we will welcome Archbishop Rozanski to the Cathedral for a Advent afternoon of recollection. It will begin at 1:00 pm and include a reflection by the Archbishop, which will be followed by a reflection by Father Patrick Hough, SJ. There will be time for prayer, Sacrament of Penance and Eucharistic Adoration. If you are unable to be present, please be with us via our livestream at cathedralstl.org/live.

Msgr. Henry Breier
Thankful for the ways God is at work with in the archdiocese. Even though times may be challenging, our hearts are being forged together as we walk through changes.

Note: This column appeared in the St. Louis Review for November 18-19 and may be read in the print edition or at https://it.ly/35ejOXr

Christmas Memorial Poinsettias

The beautiful poinsettias and greenery that adorn our Cathedral are a special part of the celebration of Christmas at the Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis. This year, we invite all parishioners and visitors to share in the experience through a memorial or thanksgiving gift by purchasing one or more of the poinsettias decorating the Nativity Scene or the Baptismal Font. Memorial Poinsettias are $10.00 each. In addition, names of person(s) being honored will appear in the weekend and Christmas bulletins.

Please indicate in whose memory, or in whose honor you wish the flowers to be dedicated. Completed forms and payment may be placed in an envelope and dropped into the weekend offertory baskets, OR mailed to: Cathedral Basilica of St Louis, c/o Memorial Poinsettias, 4431 Lindell Blvd, St. Louis, MO, 63108

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Please make checks payable to:
Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis
Order by Monday, December 11
Experience Great Music in a Great Space!
2023 - 2024 Season

Chamber Music Concerts
Our series of 3 FREE concerts that brings the great music to you.
The featured players in each concert are Jennifer Mazzoni, flute; Kristin Ahlstrom, violin;
Shannon Farrell Williams, viola; Bjorn Ranheim, cello; Matthew Mazzoni, piano

Friday, Sept. 8, 7pm
Mary Queen of Peace
676 W. Lockwood, 63119

Sunday, Sept. 10, 3pm
Immaculate Heart of Mary
8 West Highway D, New Melle, 63365

Tuesday, Sept 12, 7pm
Peace Lutheran
737 Barracksview Road, 63125

Voices of St. Alphonsus
Danny DuMalne, Director
Sunday, September 24, 2023 2:30pm
Welcomed by Coldwell Banker Realty - Gundaker
and Paul & Amy Mittelstadt

VOCES8
Friday, October 20, 2023 8:00pm
Welcomed by Bruce & Linda Ryder

Vienna Boys Choir
Monday, November 13, 2023 8:00pm

Christmas at the Cathedral
with the St. Louis Archdiocesan Choirs & Orchestra
Saturday, December 2, 2023 10:30am (NOTE TIME)
Sunday, December 3, 2023 2:30pm
Welcomed by Favazza’s Restaurant
and Michael Bavisk & Kathleen Skelly

Missouri State University Chorale
Cameron LaBarr, Director
Friday, January 12, 2024 8:00pm

North City Deanery Choir
Simeon A. Layne, Jr., Director
Friday, February 2, 2024 8:00pm
Welcomed by Coldwell Banker Realty - Gundaker
and Paul & Amy Mittelstadt

St. Louis Symphony & Chorus
Wednesday, February 28, 2024 8:00pm

Chanticleer
Monday, April 8, 2024 8:00pm

The Boston Camerata
Friday, April 19, 2024 8:00pm

Artists & Dates subject to change

CathedralConcerts.org  314-533-7662
The Gospel of the Lord

Jesus said to his disciples:

“When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit upon his glorious throne, and all the nations will be assembled before him. And he will separate them from one another, as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. He will place the sheep on his right and the goats on his left.

Then the king will say to those on his right, ‘Come, you are blessed by my Father. Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me, naked and you clothed me, in prison and you visited me.’

Then the righteous will answer him and say, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? When did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? When did we see you ill or in prison and visit you?’

And the King will say to them in reply, ‘Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for the least brothers of mine, you did for me.’

Then he will say to those on his left, ‘Depart from me, you accursed, into the eternal fire prepared by the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me no drink, a stranger and you gave me no welcome, naked and you gave me no clothing, ill and in prison, and you did not care for me.’

Then they will answer and say, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or ill or in prison, and not minister to your needs?’

He will answer them, ‘Amen, I say to you, what you did not do for one of these least ones, you did not do for me.’

And these will go off to eternal punishment, but the righteous to.”

Matthew 25:31-46

The Caring Kingship of Christ

The readings for today tell us that the kingship of Jesus Christ is one of a caring and nurturing master who longs for us to live together in the joy of His kingdom. The first reading tells of the Lord gathering in His flock and tending to them. The Lord promises to act as a shepherd to His scattered flock. He will rescue, pasture, and give them rest. He will seek the lost, return the strayed, heal the sick, and bind the injured. The Psalm for today echoes that the Lord is our shepherd who will always meet all of our needs, He will guide us and sustain us all the days of our lives. We will dwell in His house forever, surrounded by His goodness and kindness. The second reading reminds us that everything is subject to Jesus Christ, including death itself. However, death should not be feared because Christ has risen, which initiates the resurrection for all. He will reign for eternity, even after all enemies including death are defeated. The Gospel reading from Matthew tells the reader of the Judgement of the Nations, where those who served Him in this life will be separated from those who did not.

In the Gospel Jesus is telling his disciples about the return of the Son of Man in which during the final judgement people will be separated like sheep and goats. Those who helped the needy will inherit eternal life, being told that their good deeds were done unto Jesus himself. However, those who neglected the needy will face eternal punishment. The Gospel described the Corporal Works of Mercy which are feeding the hungry, visiting the sick, and clothing the naked. This highlight the importance of compassion for our neighbors. Jesus identifies suffering when he states that acts done to “the least of these” are being done to Him, which suggests that there is a very real and deep connection between God and those who suffer.
Women of the Cathedral

The mission of the Women of the Cathedral is to promote friendship and fellowship among the women of the Cathedral parish. Our group offers encouragement, friendship, hope, support and spiritual enrichment to all women in their many roles of life as mothers, grandmothers, wives, daughters, sisters, and friends.

Please watch this space for updates on Women of the Cathedral, and for dates and times of upcoming gatherings. Thank you.

Advent Giving Tree

- Take an envelope from the tree
- Insert your monetary donation or Gift Card (Schnucks, Walgreens, Walmart, and Visa gift cards are very welcome)
- Drop sealed envelopes into the Sunday offertory collection baskets

Donations to benefit Fr. Dempsey Charities and residents of Bernard Nursing Home and St. Elizabeth Hall

Thank you for your generosity!
A Thought on The Sanctity Of Life

“Having received the gift of the Gospel of Life, we are the people of life and a people for life. It is our duty to proclaim the Gospel of Life to the world. To proclaim Jesus is to proclaim life itself. Gratitude and joy at the incomparable dignity of the human person impel us to bring the Gospel of life to the hearts of all people and make it penetrate every part of society.”

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities
“The Gospel of Life: A Brief Summary”

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
December 6
He Ascended into Heaven

December 20
He Ascended into Heaven (Part II)

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
November 26, 2023 through December 3, 2023

Sunday: 160: Ez 34:11-12, 15-17 Ps 23:1-3, 5-6
  1 Cor 15:20-26, 28 Mt 25:31-46
Monday: 503: Dn 1:1-6, 8-20 (Ps) Dn 3:52-56 Lk 21:1-4
Tuesday: 504: Dn 2:31-45 (Ps) Dn 3:57-61 Lk 21:5-11
Thursday: 684: Rom 10:9-18 Ps 19:8-11 Mt 4:18-22
Friday: 507: Dn 7:2-14 (Ps) Dn 3:75-81 Lk 21:29-33
Saturday: 508: Dn 7:15-27 (Ps) Dn 3:82-87 Lk 21:34-36
Sunday: 2: Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 24:2-7 Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19 1 Cor 1:3-9 Mk 13:33-37

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
Therese Terri Svehla
Deborah Lee
Lawson Burford
Margaret Aubermann
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, November 30th. Our gathering begins with Holy Hour at 6:30pm (enter through the west door, by the playground). 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.

Appointment with Fr. Marco
Due to the tuckpointing project on the exterior of the Cathedral Basilica, Fr. Marco is no longer in his office in the vestibule. He is, however, available for confession and spiritual discussion in the rectory of Cathedral through appointments.

To schedule an appointment with Fr. Marco, please call Andrew, our office manager, at 314-373-8202.

Welcome New Parishioners
A very special welcome to our new parishioners! We have been blessed with many families joining the Cathedral Basilica parish this month. The Cathedral clergy, rectory staff, and your fellow parishioners joyfully welcome you and pray for you and your families.

If you are interested in ways that you can become involved at the Cathedral, please contact Andrew at 314-373-8202.

Adoration in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel
We invite you to take a few moments and spend some time in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel this month. These few moments in adoration are meant to give each one who participates in it a quiet moment with the Lord.

Catholic Charities
Catholic Charities is grateful for the support from the Cathedral Basilica this past year. You have helped to bring the healing, help, and hope of Jesus Christ to those in need in our community. Your generosity has helped impact the lives through the work of our family of ministries which are Cardinal Ritter Senior Services, Good Shepherd Children & Family Services, LAMP, Marygrove, Queen of Peace Center, Saint Louis Counseling, Saint Martha’s, St. Francis Community Services, and St. Patrick Center.

For more information or to get involved, please contact your parish ambassador, Alissa Goessling at 314-256-5904.

Weekly Thoughts on Giving
“...whatever you did for one of the least of my brothers, you did for me.” – MATTHEW 25:40

Most of us are generous when it’s convenient for us. We are generous when we have the time or the money. But, real generosity is the opposite of that. It means giving of one’s time, money, compassion, forgiveness or mercy when it’s not convenient to us, when it’s not on our schedule, but on the other person’s timeline.
Parish Information

Registration in Parish
To join our parish, please register online at [https://cathedralstl.org/about-basilica/parish-life](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.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR DECEMBER 2 & 3, 2023

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