FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT
NOVEMBER 28, 2021

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 by appointment, as is access to the Cathedral Gift Shop.

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 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,

During this past week, we celebrated Thanksgiving. Some of us were able to gather with our families, many of us were not. But in either case, the holiday still gave us pause to recall the many blessings that God has bestowed on us. While this celebration is a secular feast, it reminds us all of the importance of giving thanks to Our Heavenly Father for all He does for us and to thank all those in our lives we take for granted. Saying our thanks indicates how important they are to us and confirms our love for them.

We have now entered into the Advent Season. It is, above all, a season of preparation by means of purification. The words of Saint John the Baptist, which express his mission in the world, uncover the meaning of our Advent observance: “Prepare the way of the Lord, make His paths straight.” (Mt 3:3) Even as Saint John the Baptist prepared the way of our Lord’s coming into the world in time, so too we get ready to welcome our Lord more completely into our lives now. We may then be ready to welcome Him finally and fully on the day of His coming in glory at the end of time.

How do we prepare ourselves for the coming of the Lord? Over the next four weeks, we will be spending much of our time decorating our homes, writing Christmas cards, and purchasing gifts for our loved ones. These are all things we do to prepare to celebrate Christmas day with great joy. To experience even greater joy, you and I must prepare ourselves. As we prepare our homes, so we prepare our souls.

Here are a few simple suggestions for Advent:

- Time for Silent Prayer each day – (perhaps Eucharistic Adoration)
- Receive Holy Communion – Daily if possible
- Time for Spiritual Reading
- Pray the Rosary
- Examine your Conscience
- Go to Confession

These are only suggestions and you can employ all or just one of them. Increasing your prayer life will help each one of us make the promises and prayers of the Advent Season more intense. Thus, we will become more ready to welcome the Child of Bethlehem. It is He who shows us the truth of a God who reveals Himself in weakness and humility.

Monsignor Henry Breier
Archbishop Rozanski encourages the faithful stewards of the Archdiocese of St. Louis to participate in #iGiveCatholic on #GivingTuesday, November 30, 2021.

#iGiveCatholic is a giving day event held on #GivingTuesday for the Faithful to unite and donate both online and offline to their favorite Catholic parishes, schools and ministries. There are over 125 Catholic organizations across the area participating in our Archdiocese’s first-ever Catholic day of giving!

This giving day offers all of us a special opportunity to engage deeply and meaningfully in the mission of the Church across the entire archdiocese. By visiting stl.igivecatholic.org anytime between now and November 30, 2021, you can make a difference with your gift(s) to any of the organizations that have chosen to participate in this collaborative effort.

Follow us on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter and share the excitement of our Catholic giving day with family and friends. And remember to "Give Catholic" on #GivingTuesday, November 30.

**HOW TO DONATE**

Visit stl.igivecatholic.org

- Mail a check to an organization(s) on the list and indicate your gift is for #iGiveCatholic
- Text the keyword "iGIVE" to 243725
- Use the QR Code to the right
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 Saint 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, Saint Louis, MO, 63108.

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Total number of remembrances ________ X $10 each = Total Payment of $ ________

Please make checks payable to the Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis

Given by: ___________________________________________ Phone ______________________
Your Email Address ___________________________________ 

Order deadline:
Monday, December 13
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 Aubermann
Janice Bachford
Barbara Beckemeyer
Sydney Cole
Joe Dubuque
Deborah Harlan
Lenore Molloy
Edwin Ayala Padilla
Pauline Price

Dorothy Quinn
Kelvin Ayala Reyes
Mary Riley
Vivian Rachel Rossen
Resy Sanchez
Mickey Shears
Mary Anne Work
Betty Ytzaina

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 28, 2021 through December 5, 2021

Sunday: Jer 33:14-16 Ps 25:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14
1 Thes 3:12--4:2 Lk 21:25-28, 34-36
Monday: Is 2:1-5 Ps 122:1-9 Mt 8:5-11
Tuesday: Rom 10:9-18 Ps 19:8-11 Mt 4:18-22
Wednesday: Is 25:6-10a Ps 23:1-6 Mt 15:29-37
Thursday: Is 26: 1-6 Ps 118:1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a
Mt 7:21, 24-27
Friday: Is 29:17-24 Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14
Mt 9:27-31
Saturday: Is 30:19-21, 23-26 Ps 147:1-6
Mt 9:35 10:1, 5a, 6-8
Sunday: Bar 5:1-9 Ps 126:1-6 Phil 1:4-6, 8-11
Lk 3:1-6

Gift Shop Sale

Mark your calendars! Sunday, December 12, 2021 from 9am - 2 pm, the Cathedral Basilica will be hosting a HUGE sale including a great selection of Christmas gifts, ornaments, religious items, books, jewelry and so much more! The sale will be held in the Cathedral School with entrance by the playground.
Complimentary coffee and donuts while supplies last. We hope to see you there!

Cathedral Inspired Christmas Cards

The Cathedral Basilica Christmas cards are back again this year! You can view the four card designs on the Cathedral website under the SHOP tab. The cost is 12 cards with envelopes for $5.
We are happy to ship them to you for a flat rate of $12 or you can order online and pick up in the Parish Office Monday—Friday during regular business hours. If you have any questions, please contact Chrissy Chapo at 314-373-8220 or email-chapo@cathedralstl.org.

Eyeglass Drive

"The Spectacle Project," an eyeglass recycling program, will be accepting donations of quality used eyeglasses next Sunday, December 5, in the baskets near the sanctuary at the side aisles.

Christmas Mass Schedule at the Cathedral Basilica

Friday, December 24 - Christmas Eve
Vigil Mass at 5:00 p.m.
Midnight Mass at 12:00 a.m.
Midnight Mass will be preceded by a choral presentation, which will begin at 11:30 p.m.
Saturday, December 25 - Christmas Day
Masses at 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., and 12 noon
Note: The Masses at Midnight, 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. will also be livestreamed.
**Women of the Cathedral**

With Advent signaling the start of a new church calendar year, the Women of the Cathedral will gather at a new time and place. To begin, all women of the Cathedral are invited to attend the 8AM Mass at the Cathedral Basilica on Saturday, December 4th celebrated by our spiritual director, Msgr. Mikesch, who will also offer a welcoming blessing for the Women of the Cathedral. Immediately after mass we will move to Boland Hall for a light breakfast and fellowship. Please RSVP to Barbara Murray 314-974-6900 by November 30, 2021 so we can get a count for breakfast. A notice about the meeting will be in the Sunday bulletin over the next few weeks. Encourage, invite, and bring other women to join us who are interested in our faith and fellowship.

**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, December 2**. Our gathering begins with a Holy Hour in the church at 6:30 pm *(enter through the west door by the playground)*, followed by a dinner at 7:00 pm. Please join us, in full or in part, to deepen your relationship with Christ and with one another. For additional information, please e-mail us at AnimaChristiStL@gmail.com.

**Weekly Thoughts on Giving**

*“But when these signs begin to happen, stand erect and raise your heads because your redemption is at hand.”*  
(Luke 21:28)

We celebrate Advent each year in preparation for the birth of Jesus, His first coming, as we await His second coming. What will you do differently this Advent season to grow in friendship and love with Jesus? How will you inspire others to do the same? Start by sharing your God story with others, especially those closest to you. Invite and accompany them on their faith journey this Advent.

**Eucharistic Exposition**

The Blessed Sacrament, the very presence of Christ’s body and blood in the Eucharist, is reserved in the tabernacle of the Blessed Sacrament Chapel to the east of the main sanctuary. At all hours the Cathedral is open, people may be found praying there before the Lord "face to face." **Each Saturday afternoon**, beginning at 3:30 p.m., the Eucharist is displayed for prayer and adoration in public exposition in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel for a holy hour. Following this holy hour, the Evening Prayer of the Church with Benediction is celebrated. **Additionally, the Blessed Sacrament is displayed for public adoration and prayer on the First Friday of the month.** First Friday Adoration begins at approximately 8:30 a.m., following the completion of the 8:00 a.m. Mass, and concludes with Benediction at 11:45 a.m. Our next First Friday Adoration will be held **Friday, December 3**.

**Men of the Cathedral**

Please join and bringing your friends, neighbors and family members for the next Adoration evening scheduled for November 30th at 6 PM.

The Men will be hosting a chili and cornbread cook-off! A donation of $20 is suggested. Please RSVP by **November 29th** to Michael Weisbroad at 314.918.2893 or michael.weisbroad@rcfsl.org

**For the Poor**

On the first Sunday of every month, the Cathedral Parish collects foodstuffs and canned goods *(non-perishable items only, please!)* for delivery to food pantries in the area. **Our next parish food drive will be held next Sunday, December 5.**

**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. **Cathedral casserole organizers will host our next "touchless" drop-off in the parish parking lot on Thursday, December 9, from 1:00 – 2:00 p.m.**
Share the Joy of Christmas!

Catholic Charities
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Christmas Volunteer Opportunities

Cardinal Ritter Senior Services needs help wrapping gifts in early December at St. Agnes Apartments in south city. Contact Emily at e.deubois@ccssstl.org or call 314-918-9610 for more information.

St. Patrick Center needs donation box volunteers at Trevisano Teddy Bear Christmas Land light display in Crestwood. Shifts are available Thursdays - Sundays, 6-8 pm, or 6:30-8:30 pm Thanksgiving through Christmas.

Christmas Giving Opportunities

Cardinal Ritter Senior Services asks you to sponsor a senior for the holidays by purchasing gifts or donating through our “Three Wishes” program https://bit.ly/CRSS3WISHES. Contact Emily at e.deubois@ccssstl.org or call 314-918-9610.

Good Shepherd Children & Family Services needs support for their gift registry at Target goodshepherdstl.org/get-involved/christmas-gift-card-drive/ and a Gift Card Drive at goodshepherdstl.org/get-involved/holiday-gift-card-drive/. Please contact Julie at jrudden@ccstl.org or call 314-854-5706.

Marygrove Christmas Champions help make over 140 children’s wishes come true. To participate or learn more, visit marygrovechildren.org/get-involved/donate-now/christmas-donations/ or contact Annie at a.orenz@mgstl.org or 314-830-6249.

St. Francis Community Services serves over 230 immigrant families and seniors in need of support. To learn more visit sfccstl.org/adoptafamily /or contact Meredith at m.mratij@ccstl.org. Adult and children’s winter hats and mittens are needed, as well as $25 QT gift cards for clients getting to job interviews.

St. Patrick Center’s Santa Shop needs headphones, Legos, Axe and Old Spice body sets, men’s and women’s winter coats. $20 gift cards for Target and Schnucks are also appreciated, for clients awaiting housing placement. Contact Katie at k.joseph@stpatrickcenter.org or 314-802-1976 for more information.

These agencies do not host Christmas giving programs, but in-kind gifts or financial support are always appreciated!

Queen of Peace Center: gopeacestl.org/donate or Casey at clocey@ccstl.org or 314-531-0511.
Saint Martha’s Hall: saintmarthas.org/ways-to-help/ or Maura at m.mara@stmarthas.org.
Saint Louis Counseling: saintlouiscounseling.org/donate/ or bhildwein@ccstl.org or 314-748-5647.

Blessings and much gratitude from the Catholic Charities of St. Louis Agencies!
Joy to the World: a Christmas Concert is a celebration of community and faith to benefit Catholic Charities of St. Louis. The performance will be livestreamed from the Cathedral Basilica on Dec. 3, 8-10 pm, at ccstl.events.

Learn more and register for the livestream at ccstl.events. For those unable to view live, a recording will be posted Dec. 4.

Performers include Cathedral Concerts Musicians; the Archdiocesan Handbell Choir; and Cor Jesu Academy, SLUH, and Visitation Academy Choirs.
LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR DECEMBER 4-5, 2021

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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, 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 at 314-792-6460.

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