



SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT DECEMBER 6, 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)



SCHEDULE FOR LATE ADVENT & THE CHRISTMAS SEASON

Fourth Sunday of Advent:

Saturday, December 19 - 5:00 PM Sunday, December 20 - 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, 12 noon, and 5:00 PM

Christmas Eve Mass, Thursday, December 24:

3:00 PM Christmas Vigil5:00 PM Christmas Vigil11:30 PM, Musical Program followed by Midnight Mass

Christmas Day Mass, Friday, December 25:

8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, and 12 noon (Church will close following noon Mass)

Feast of the Holy Family:

Saturday, December 26 - 5:00 PM Sunday, December 27 - 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, 12 noon, and 5:00 PM

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God:

Thursday, December 31 - 5:00 PM Vigil Mass Friday, January 1 - 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, 12 noon, and 5:00 PM

Alert for the Holy Day

The Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a holy day of obligation, is on **Tuesday, December 8**, Masses will be celebrated at 7:00 a.m., 8:00 a.m., 12:05 p.m., and 5:30 p.m.

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.

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MASS INTENTIONS

Sun., December 6- Second Sunday of Advent

8:00 a.m. - Bertha Bader

10:00 a.m. - For the Parish Family

12:00 p.m. - Charles E. Whitten

5:00 p.m. - Nick Theiss

Mon., December 7– St. Ambrose

9:00 a.m. - Teresa and Francis Farrow & Family

8:00 a.m. - Vi Phung

12:05 p.m. - Salvadore and Joy Alatorre

Tues., December 8– Immaculate Conception

7:00 a.m. - For the Parish Family

8:00 a.m. - Reverend George Landicho Atok

12:05 p.m. - Thomas Hitchell

5:30 p.m. - Edward P. Rose

Wed., December 9– St. Juan Diego

7:00 a.m. - Terry Hendren

8:00 a.m. - Maximo Alacar

12:05 p.m. - Ken & Amy Reese

Thur., December 10- Weekday in Advent

7:00 a.m. - Joe W. Wiley & Family

8:00 a.m. - In Memory of Lloyd Taaffe III

12:05 p.m. - Janice Bush

Fri., December 11– St. Damasus I

7:00 a.m. - Children of Teresa and Francis Farrow

8:00 a.m. - Charles Drury, Sr.

12:05 p.m. - Daniel Carlsen

Sat., December 12- Our Lady of Guadalupe

8:00 a.m. - Margaret & Bernard Porzucek

5:00 p.m. - Conrad S. Kee

Sun., December 13- Third Sunday of Advent

8:00 a.m. - Janet Tafra

10:00 a.m. - Louis H. Gummersbach

12:00 p.m. - For the Parish Family

5:00 p.m. - Nick Theiss



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FROM OUR RECTOR

Dear Parishioners,

If you are a part of our parish Flocknote email system, you received a message from me informing you that Father Povis had tested positive for the Coronavirus. On Monday afternoon, he began to manifest symptoms, which was a feeling of fatigue. Father Povis is very good about wearing his mask and those who had direct contact with him were notified.

Father Povis will return to the Cathedral Basilica after completing the quarantine period and receiving medical clearance as is health department COVID-19 policy.

Out of an abundance of caution, I remained under quarantine as well until I could be tested and be cleared with those test results. For the remainder of the week, we had a visiting priest celebrate the 7 and 8 am Masses at the Cathedral.

Msgr. Mikesch has been away from the parish and had little to no contact with Father Povis. During this time, he was living at Vision of Peace Hermitages and commuting in each day to celebrate the 12 noon Mass.

These are difficult and strange times for all of us. If I can be of any assistance to you, or if you have further questions, I will make every effort to help.

This coming Tuesday, December 8, we will celebrate the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, which is a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses for the holy day will be celebrated at 7:00 am, 8:00 am, 12:05 pm, and 5:30 pm.

Mary Immaculate helps us to rediscover and defend what lies within people, for in her is a perfect transparency of the soul in the body. She is purity in person, in the sense the spirit, soul and body are fully consistent with one another and with God's will. Our Lady teaches us to be open to God's action and to see others as He sees them, starting with the heart, by looking at them with compassion, love and infinite tenderness, especially those who are lonely, despised or exploited.

This feast finds its origin in a moment in time when Our Lady appeared to Saint Catherine Laboure in the year 1830. The message of the Blessed Mother was to have a medal made with the words: "O Mary conceived without sin pray for us who have recourse to thee." The wearing of this medal quickly spread and led to a great devotion to Our Lady as the Immaculate Conception, which was declared to be a teaching of the church in 1854.

Monsignor Henry Breier

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Midweek Music Series

On the first Wednesday of each month, the Cathedral presents a "Midweek Music" organ recital. Please note a slight schedule change: our next Midweek Music is scheduled for Wednesday, December 9, at 4:00 p.m..

These recitals feature 20-30 minutes of music on our magnificent Cathedral organ. We invite you to join us online or in-person Please note that the wearing of masks and other social distancing guidelines remain in effect for inperson attendance.

Christmas Mass Schedule

at the Cathedral Basilica

Thursday, December 24 – Christmas Eve Vigil Masses at 3:00 p.m. and 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.

Friday, December 25 - Christmas Day Masses at 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., and noon

Reservations will be required for all Mass times
Reserve your seat by visiting the Cathedral Basilica website at
www.cathedralstl.org/christmas

Note: the Masses at Midnight, 8:00 am, and 10:00 am will also be livestreamed



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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.

William H. Bachmann Myra Richardson Liz Ballman Teresita Sanchez Sr. Patricia Sevik Sidney Edwards-Cole Breanna Evans Rita Sheftall Alvin Griffin Rose Teran Paula Littleton Darlene Throop John Mangogna, CM Richelle Weisbrod Lenore Molloy Mary Anne Work Janice Noack Betty Ytzaina Dorothy Quinn

A Thought on The Sanctity Of Life

"Jesus calls each of us to 'care for the other as a person for whom God has made us responsible' (EV 87). ... The encyclical The Gospel of Life recognizes the full range of threats against human life, from poverty and malnutrition to murder and war. Particular emphasis, however, is placed on threats to life at its beginning and end—precisely when it is most in need of protection. In modern times, children in their mothers' wombs and those approaching the end of their lives are certainly among the 'least of these' in our world's estimation."

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Catholic Radio

Seasons come and seasons go, but our pillar of Faith remains in season and out. Keep your radio set on AM 1460 or FM 92.7, Covenant Network Catholic radio. You are sure to find many educational and inspirational programs to nurture your faith and devotional programs throughout the day and night-time hours to support and enrich your faith life. In addition to the radio stations, you can listen live, day or night, on our free Covenant Network app or on our website: ourcatholicradio.org.

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 December 6, 2020 through December 13, 2020

Sunday: Is 40:1-5, 9-11 Ps 85:9-14

2 Pt 3:8-14 Mk 1:1-8

Monday: Is 35:1-10 (or Eph 3:8-12) Ps 85:9-14

Lk 5:17-26 (or Jn 10:11-16)

Tuesday: Gn 3:9-15, 20 Ps 98:1-4

Eph 1:3-6, 11-12 Lk 1:26-38

Wednesday: Is 40:25-31 Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10

Mt 11:28-30

Thursday: Is 41:13-20 Ps 145:1, 9-13

Mt 11:11-15

Friday: Is 48:17-19 Ps 1:1-4, 6 Mt 11:16-19 Saturday: Zec 2:14-17 **or** Rv 11:19; 12:1-6, 10

Jdt 13:18, 19 Lk 1:26-38 **or** Lk 1:39-47 Is 61:1-2, 10-11 Lk 1:46-50, 53-54

1 Thes 5:16-24 Jn 1:6-8, 19-28

Pro-Life Mass

Sunday:

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, December 19.**

It's Time

Autumn gives way to winter and the Church begins to prepare for the coming of the Lord. And preparing for the Lord always involves our wholehearted openness to the God who comes to save His people from their sins. The **Sacrament of Penance**, **Reconciliation**, **and Confession** is needed now more than ever. Every Catholic should recognize that the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation is a gift from the Lord to us to be used frequently and effectively. It is meant to be a positive meeting with the Lord, challenging us to recognize that our relationship to the Lord is central to all we are and all we do... in **every** season and time. Prepare for the Lord this Advent season and make use of this great gift of God.

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**, **December 10**. We begin with Adoration and confessions in the church at 6:30 pm (*enter through the west door by the playground*), followed by dinner in Boland Hall at 7:30 p.m. 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**.

Tis the Season for Giving

The Cathedral Basilica's Advent Giving Tree is located in the west transept and, as is our custom, we are requesting monetary donations rather than the purchase of specific items. By taking a red envelope from the tree and dropping it into Sunday's offertory basket with your donation, you will help provide necessary items for Fr. Dempsey Charities and the residents of both Bernard West Pine Nursing Home and St. Elizabeth Hall. Visa gift cards or gift cards to appropriate stores (such as Schnucks or Walmart) are also greatly appreciated. Thank you, and may God bless all who so generously participate in this very special parish program!

Why A Registered Parishioner

Due to the number of requests for baptisms and weddings, the Cathedral Parish adopted a policy years ago that generally requires parents to be registered parishioners of the parish before their infant may be baptized here, or for an engaged person to be a registered parishioner and practicing Catholic for a minimum of one year for preferred dates and for a more modest stipend. Non-parishioners must be registered in a Catholic parish somewhere and will need to secure their pastor's permission to be baptized or married outside of their proper parish before we can schedule any ceremony. If you attend Mass at the Cathedral regularly, call the parish office for more information on how to get registered today!

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!

Weekly Thoughts on Giving

"Prepare the way of the Lord..." - Mk 1:3

We are all called to live a holy life. We are all called to invite others to live holy lives. Living a stewardship lifestyle, being grateful and generous with our gifts, puts us on the path to holiness and is an example for others to be holy, too. We are responsible not only for our own lives, but for the lives of others as 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.

Cathedral casserole organizers will host our next "touchless" drop-off in the parish parking lot on Thursday, December 10, from 1:00 –2:00 p.m. Please call Skip or Nicki Batchelor at 916-834-4843 for additional information.

Infant Baptism

According to the mind of the Church, parents are obliged to see that infants are baptized within the first weeks after birth. If you are a registered parishioner who is or is about to become a parent or godparent, please contact the parish office at 314-373-8202 to schedule a baptism.

Have You Considered Online Giving

On Line Giving is a secure and convenient webbased service to make your weekly or monthly contributions to Cathedral Parish from your computer, or lap top, or tablet. Simply access the Cathedral web site (www.cathedralstl.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.

Offertory Collection fo The Weekend of 11/22/202	
Offertory	\$8,411.00
Loose	1,890.00
Landscaping	36.00
World Mission, Human Development Campaign, and Catholic University of America	706.00
SVDP/Thanksgiving	135.00
Religious Retirement Fund	130.00
Christmas Memorial Poinsettias	110.00
OnLine Giving	3,729.00

Offertory Collection for The Weekend of 11/29/2020				
Offertory	\$9,196.00			
Loose	2,231.00			
Landscaping & Maintenance	30.00			
Human Development, Religious Retirement, SVDP/Thanksgiving	1,540.00			
Year End Gift	250.00			
Flowers/Memorial Poinsettias	580.00			
Giving Tree	60.00			
OnLine Giving	3,453.00			

A Note on Décor and Christmas

The Cathedral Basilica will be decorated with the usual festive holyday greenery and floral display, but not until the last days before Christmas, allowing the Advent season to have its own identity. Commercial interests decorate early and remove the decorations immediately after Christmas Day. The Church maintains the integrity of Advent, and then uses Christmas decorations until the end of Christmas time.

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.

Baptism

We should be grateful that we have been baptized and claimed for Christ. The Holy Spirit has come into our hearts and Christ has washed away the stain of original sin. As a result, we are able to enter into heaven and attain union with God in eternal beatitude (CCC 1213-1216). The work is not done, though. We still suffer from concupiscence, our natural inclination to sin, and must face trials and temptations in our spiritual journey of life. Fortunately, the Holy Spirit guides us to repent and to turn away from our sins. He enables us to accept our adoption as sons and daughters of God who walk in the light of Christ. What is holding you back from fully embracing your status as a child of God? How can you more fully repent and experience the grace of God working in your life? For more, visit archstl.org/live-the-faith.

Your Caution is Requested

A necessary caution is directed to all who visit the Cathedral Basilica: carefully avoid leaving purses, packages, computers, and other valuables on the car seats or otherwise in plain view when parked on the lot or surrounding streets, even for short periods. Lock belongings in the trunk out of sight. Everyone should exercise prudent responsibility.



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.

		In honor of (those still living):				
Name of person/family	being honored:					
Please check one:	In memory of OR	In honor of (those still living):				
Name of person/family	being honored:					
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Name of person/family	being honored:					
Total number of remembrances X \$10 each = Total Payment of \$						
Please make checks payable to the Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis						
Given by:						
Your Email Address		Phone				

Order deadline: Monday, December 14

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CATHEDRAL INSPIRED CHRISTMAS CARDS

Because we need Christmas more than ever this year, the Friends of the Cathedral will be selling Cathedral-inspired Christmas cards at drastically reduced prices!

This year there are four Christmas card designs available for purchase (see below).

The cost is \$5 for 12 cards/envelopes.

Please email **cchapo@cathedralstl.org** or call Chrissy at 314-373-8220 to order your cards. Shipping is available upon request or you may purchase/pick up the parish office during normal business hours.

All proceeds benefit the Friends of the Cathedral.



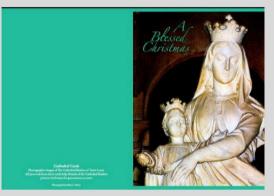
Message Inside: May His love bring you peace at Christmas and always



Message Inside:
Blessings of Christmas throughout the Year!



Message Inside: The Spirit of Peace be upon you during these Holy Days and throughout the year!



Message Inside: A Child is God's gift to us- a gift of love, a gift of hope a gift of peace. Merry Christmas

LITURGICAL MINISTERS DECEMBER 12-13, 2020							
	Extraordinary Ministers	Lectors	Ministers of Care	Servers	Ushers		
5:00 p.m. (Sat)	No Cup Ministers At Any Mass This Weekend	Elizabeth Abraham Kevin Reese		Doug Weber Matthew Brewer Joseph Brewer	Jerry Pastore Matt Colvin Robert Sutter Luke Koebbe		
8:00 am		Mitch Smith Sandy Doyle		Doug Weber Kevin Mattingly	Dave Meyer Tom Doyle Frank Snyder		
10:00 am		Sr. Marie Paul Lockerd Sr. Marysia Weber		Brak Welby Thomas Jackson	Victor Stuart Barb Murray Susan Metheny		
12 Noon		Barb Murray Luke Koebbe		John Paul Blanner Simon Blanner	Kenneth Brandl Rebecca Brandl Jerry Danekas		
5:00 pm		John Stith Christina Stankey		Sacristan	Willie Kelsey Charlie Hapke Pat McCann		

Parish Information

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 Voegelie 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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