EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
JULY 31, 2022

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)
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.

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,

This past week we said goodbye to Cindi Gerber, our Office Manager, who has faithfully served the Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis Parish for the past 12 months. During her time with us, Cindi has poured her heart and soul into the parish and I am so grateful for all she has accomplished in her time with us. Cindi has taken a position at Queen of All Saints Parish, which is much closer to her home. I wish her all the best, and she will be greatly missed.

The Gospel of this Sunday opens with a question asked by two brothers. They asked Jesus to intervene in an inheritance dispute. In dealing with last wills, many relatives look at each other with hostility and are ready to pounce one over the other to grasp the better part of the inheritance! Jesus refuses to intervene on this level. He is not a teacher of how to divide up property.

He intervenes in people's hearts, not their inheritance. For the two brothers, the real problem are not things, but their hearts, which are full of greed. Jesus turns to everyone present and says, "Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions." Jesus does not want to look down on earthly goods. He knows well that they are useful. But those who seek their happiness by relying only on goods invest falsely.

The parable that follows is an illustration of this. The protagonist is a rich landowner whose business has gone very well. He even has to build more barns in which to store his enormous harvest. The problem is obviously not the production of wealth in itself but the landowner's attitude. For him, the accumulation of material possessions for himself, or at most for his family, equals tranquillity and happiness.

But there is foolishness in his calculations. He has taken into account everything except the most important thing: the hour of his death. He thought about his days, but not his last day. And we all know that when we die, we take nothing with us except the love and the good we have done.

In his letter to the Colossians the apostle Paul has some wisdom for us today and aptly speaks to us: "Set your minds on things that are above, not on the things that are on earth." The things that are above are not abstract; they are love and the good works we do on earth.

This Gospel sounds scandalous in our world where accumulating for oneself seems to have become the only true rule of life. But, in truth, it is the wisest way to overcome divisions and clashes, and to build a life of greater solidarity and happiness.

Monsignor Henry Breier
Let’s receive Jesus more deeply in the tension of our lives

Examples from the Scriptures this week highlight the mixture of grace and sin that is still present today

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

St. John Vianney, whose feast day we celebrate this week (Aug. 4), once wrote: “Some men immerse themselves as deeply in prayer as fish in water, because they give themselves totally to God. There is no division in their hearts … How unlike them we are!”

Truly, we admire such people. Just as truly, most of us don’t have such undivided hearts! Our response to God is yes and no; our lives are a mixture of grace and sin.

The week’s readings provide some direction, because they’re full of examples of such division. And, if we read them rightly, they offer a great vision for the All Things New pastoral planning process.

We hear the false confidence of the prophet Hananiah — that the yoke of the Babylonian Exile would soon be broken — contrasted with the hard truth spoken by the prophet Jeremiah — that the yoke of the exile would be strengthened and extended. We all know what that tension is like in our own experience: turning away from something hard because we wish it wasn’t true, rather than facing the hard thing with quiet courage. (Everyone who’s ever needed to initiate a hard conversation with someone knows what this is like!)

We hear Jeremiah proclaim the bad news of sin and exile, and we know what it’s like to receive such a diagnosis: “Incurable is your wound, grievous is your bruise; there is … no remedy for your running sore, no healing for you.” But we also hear him proclaim the good news of mercy and restoration, and we know what it’s like to experience this in our bodies and our relationships: “I will restore the tents of Jacob … city shall be rebuilt upon hill, and palace restored as it was.”

We see Peter walking on the water because he’s a man of great faith. And we see him sinking because he’s a man of little faith. How well we know that combination in ourselves!

We see Peter commissioned by Jesus as the Rock of the Church because of the great spiritual insight he has about who Jesus is. We see Peter rebuked by Jesus — even called Satan! — because of his great spiritual blindness regarding what it means for Jesus to be the Christ. We know that combination of insight and blindness in our own lives!

At each and every turn in the readings this week — whether we’re reading about the history of Israel or the episodes of Peter’s life — we encounter a tension that we can recognize as the pattern of our own lives. This tension, rightly understood, can serve as a launching pad for All Things New.

Because we encounter that tension in our own lives, we know that we need healing. So we turn to Jesus — not ignoring the tension, but precisely because we’re aware of it — to receive more deeply from Him. Unless we receive deeply from Him in the midst of our own brokenness, we have little to offer the world.

Then, when we turn toward the world, we see that same tension reflected in other people’s lives. So we go out with Good News — not because we ourselves can heal the the world, but because we can give witness based on our own experience that we have encountered the One who can heal brokenness.

So let’s receive Jesus more deeply in the tension of our own lives. And let’s go out and give witness more readily to the world: Jesus Christ can make all things new.
The Cathedral Choir

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Have you ever thought about becoming a Catholic? Do you know someone who might be interested in becoming Catholic? Are you interested in finding out more about the Catholic Church? Is your spouse, fiancé, neighbor, or friend interested?

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (or RCIA) enables those who are interested in the Catholic faith to “find out what it is all about”. Most often, people come because they are invited. Be the voice of Christ and offer the first invitation to someone you know who might be interested in the Catholic faith!

RCIA is for persons who have never been baptized, were baptized in another Christian tradition, or were baptized Catholic but have never celebrated Confirmation or received First Communion. Anyone who is interested in deepening their understanding of the Catholic faith is also invited to attend!

The 2022-23 RCIA session will begin on Sunday, September 11. To register or for additional information, please contact Fr. Zac Povis at 314-373-8204 or email zacharypovis@archstl.org
Sunday, August 7th at 1:30 p.m.
Saint Angela Merici Catholic Church
3860 N. Highway 67 • Florissant, MO 63034

Mass for Father of All Mankind

In 1932, God the Father dictated the following message to Mother Eugenia:
I desire only this –

I desire that one day, or at least a Sunday, be dedicated to honoring Me in a special way under the title of Father of All mankind. If you prefer to offer Me this special devotion on a Sunday, I choose the first Sunday of August. My hour has come! I must be known, loved and honored by men, so that having created them I can be their Father, then their Savior and finally the object of their eternal delight.
A Thought on The Sanctity Of Life

“A woman with an unexpected pregnancy may have any number of fears and challenges: facing judgment from her friends and family, losing her job or housing, or being abandoned by the father of her child. Following Mary’s example, we can ask ourselves how to better know these mothers, listen to them, seek understanding, and help them obtain the necessities of life for themselves and their children.”

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities “Called to Serve Moms in Need”

Parking lot repairs
Due to rain delays, the parking lot repairs initially scheduled for August 1-3rd will be August 9-11.

Hours for Fr. Marco
Fr. Marco offers spiritual discussion and confession Tuesday through Friday from 10am—noon and 2pm—4pm. You will find him just off the Narthex of the Cathedral. Walk-ins are welcome and no appointment is necessary.

First Friday Adoration
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, 8/5.

Welcome New Parishioners
A very special welcome to our new parishioners! The following families have recently joined the Cathedral. The Cathedral clergy, rectory staff, and your fellow parishioners joyfully welcome you and pray for you and your families.

Rich Galati and family, Philip & Joanne Kostrzewski, Bryan Luettgen, Emma Blanner, Grace Herr, Kate Drilling, Dana Glaser & Juan Torres, Laura Ng, Sophia Howard, Steven Ahillen, Fernando Leon-Quintero, John & Lauren Orbe and family, and Dana Glaser.

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
July 31, 2022 through August 7, 2022

Sunday: Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23 Ps 90:3-6, 12-14, 17  Col 3:1-5, 9-11  Lk 12:13-21
Monday: Jer 28:1-17 Ps 119:29, 43, 79-80, 95, 102  Mt 14:13-21
Tuesday: Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22 Ps 102:16-23, 29  Mt 14:22-27 or 15:1-2, 10-14
Wednesday: Jer 31:1-7  Jer 31:10-12b, 13  Mt 15:21-28
Thursday: Jer 31:31-34 Ps 51:12-15, 18-19  Mt 16:13-23
Friday: Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7  Dt 32:35c-36b, 39abed, 41  Mt 16:24-28
Saturday: Dn 7:9-10m 13-14  Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9  2 Pt 1:16-19  Lk 9:28b-36
Sunday: Wis 18:6-9  Ps 33:1, 12, 18-22  Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 or 11:1-2, 8-12  Lk 12:32-48 or 12:35-40

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  Pauline Price
Janice Bashford  Dorothy Quinn
Barbara Beckemeyer  Keith & Terri Reason
Joe Dubuque  Kelvin Ayala Reyes
Wayne Eultgen  Mary Riley
Deborah Harlan  Vivian Rachel Rossen
Jennifer Jaswal  Resy Sanchez
Joaquinta Jones  Mickey Shears
Lenore Molloy  Mary Anne Work
Edwin Ayala Padilla  Betty Ytzaina

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Women of the Cathedral

Dear Cathedral Parish Ladies,

We invite all of you to come grow in faith and fellowship together at the monthly gatherings of the Women of the Cathedral.

On Saturday, August 6, 2022 we will gather beginning with 8am Mass in the Cathedral, and then move to Boland Hall for a light breakfast hosted by two of our very generous and creative ladies. After brief introductions, an informative program will be led by Msgr. Mikesch, our spiritual director, with closing prayer at 10am.

Our July gathering was a joyful, heart-searching, and thoughtful sharing of faith in fellowship with many “who knew” connections made around the table. Among questions posed were: “When did we first encounter Jesus?” and “What is beauty?” For more information and to RSVP for the breakfast, please text or phone Barbara Murray at 314-974-6900 or email murraybj@swbell.net by August 3, 2022.

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, August 4th. Our gathering begins with a Holy Hour in the church at 5:30pm (enter through the west door, by the playground), followed by Mass at 6:30pm. After Mass we will gather for dinner in Boland Hall. Please join us, in full or in part, to deepen your relationship with Christ and with one another. For additional information, please email us at AnimaChristiStL@gmail.com.

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 next Sunday, August 7th.

For the Poor

On the first Sunday of every month, the Cathedral Parish collects foodstuffs and canned goods for delivery to food pantries in the area. Our next parish food drive will be held next Sunday, August 7th.

Weekly Thoughts on Giving

“Take care to guard against all greed, for though one may be rich, one’s life does not consist of possessions.” Luke 12:15

The Gospel message is contrary to modern culture that continually tries to convince us that our joy comes from the material things we possess. That the more we acquire, the happier we will be. Jesus shows us that our true joy comes from our “invisible” gifts like love, mercy and forgiveness. True joy comes from “emptying” ourselves, giving of ourselves rather than always taking. We are called not to hoard but to share. True joy comes from living a grateful and generous lifestyle; become more “God-centered” and less “self-centered.”
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.

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 at 314-792-6460.

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