

CATHEDRAL
BASILICA



OF SAINT LOUIS



FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
JANUARY 29, 2023

**MASSSES 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)

**EUCCHARISTIC
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*.

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.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sun. Jan. 29th - Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Ava Josephine Sewell
10:00 a.m. Julie Endraske
12:00 p.m. Felix Delmares
5:00 pm Nick Theiss

Mon. Jan. 30th - Weekday

7:00 a.m. Teresa & Francis Farrow & Family
8:00 a.m. Nadine Weinkam
12:05 p.m. Len Dino

Tues. Jan. 31st - St. John Bosco

7:00 a.m. Sr. Susan Marie
8:00 a.m. Fr. Edward Broom, OMV
12:05 p.m. Richard Smith

Wed. Feb. 1st - Weekday

7:00 a.m. The Arnett Family
8:00 a.m. Joseph & Kathryn Darpel
12:05 p.m. Bobbi Donze

Thur. Feb. 2nd - The Presentation of the Lord

7:00 a.m. Fr. Andrew Auer
8:00 a.m. Megan Jo Specht
12:05 p.m. James C. Moore

Fri. Feb. 3rd - St. Blaise; St. Ansgar

7:00 a.m. Robert Weisbrod
8:00 a.m. Alice & Eugene Owens, Sr. & Family
12:05 p.m. The Probst Family

Sat. Feb. 4th - Weekday

8:00 p.m. Kayden Mattingly
5:00 p.m.

Sun. Feb. 5th - Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Linus Pottebaum
10:00 a.m. DCN. Joseph Chathaparampil
12:00 p.m. Bobbi Donze
5:00 p.m. Nick Theiss

**FROM OUR RECTOR**

Dear Parishioners,

This coming Thursday, we celebrate the Feast of Jesus' Presentation at the temple 40 days after his birth. It places before our eyes a special moment in the life of the Holy Family: Mary and Joseph, in accordance with Mosaic law, took the tiny Jesus to the temple of Jerusalem to offer him to the Lord (Lk 2: 22). Simeon and Anna, inspired by God, recognized that Child as the long-awaited Messiah and prophesied about him.

A tradition that occurs on the Feast of the Presentation of Our Lord is the blessing of candles; hence, it is also called Candlemas. We will gather in the All Saints Chapel and bless the candles for use in the Cathedral for the following year. We will also be blessing candles for the faithful to take home with them, which can be lighted before a Holy Icon in times of serious sickness or the threat of a storm to implore Divine Protection, as the family is gathered in prayer.



Bringing her Son to Jerusalem, the Virgin Mother offered him to God as a true Lamb who takes away the sins of the world. She held him out to Simeon and Anna as the proclamation of redemption; she presented him to all as a light for a safe journey on the path of truth and love.

The words that came to the lips of the elderly Simeon: "My eyes have seen your salvation" (Lk 2: 30), are echoed in the heart of the prophetess Anna. These good and devout people, enveloped in Christ's light, were able to see in the Child Jesus "the consolation of Israel" (Lk 2: 25). Simeon was the bearer of an ancient hope and the Spirit of the Lord spoke to his heart. For this reason he could contemplate the One whom numerous prophets and kings had desired to see: Christ, a light of revelation for the Gentiles.

We are in the presence of this mystery, each time we gather for the celebration of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. This same Christ who Mary and Joseph offered in the temple of the Lord is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world, which we receive in the Holy Eucharist. On this feast day may we contemplate the great mystery of Jesus Christ, true God and true man who offers himself for us.

Monsignor Henry Breier

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ARCHBISHOP'S COLUMN

With faith, we can receive all that Jesus wants to offer us

**ARCHBISHOP
MITCHELL
ROZANSKI**

Our engagement will bear positive fruit if the process of change is rooted in faith, not cynicism

**SERVE THE LORD
WITH GLADNESS**



Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

The word “faith” comes up exactly seven times in the readings this week — as though we were meant to focus on it!

We hear about some of the great figures of ancient Israel — figures like Daniel — whose persecution was turned into triumph because of faith. We’re told that Jesus is “the leader and perfecter of our faith.” We’re urged to “Remember your leaders who spoke the word of God to you ... and imitate their faith.” We see Mary and Joseph on the feast of the Presentation (Feb. 2): Their simple act of obedience to the law — an act of faith on their part — turned into a blessing for others, an unexpected blessing for them and was an important step in the fulfillment of God’s plan.

We hear laudatory tales. The woman who suffered from hemorrhages for 12 years was healed because of her faith. The daughter of Jairus was raised from the dead after Jesus told him: “Do not be afraid; just have faith.” When we have faith, we can receive all that Jesus wants to offer us.

We also hear cautionary tales. In contrast to the possessed man who was healed and begged to remain with Jesus, the Gerasene people beg Jesus to leave their territory because they lack faith. Jesus returns to His hometown of Nazareth, and He “was not able to perform any mighty deed there” because of their lack of faith. When we lack faith, we end up rejecting what Jesus offers.

I mention all of that not only because it’s in the readings this week, but because I think it’s a good point for us to consider as the All Things New process moves forward.

I receive a lot of feedback about All Things New! Some of it is enthusiastic, and some of it is resigned; some of it is a critique of the process, and some of it is angry. But all of that feedback is easy to bear when it’s rooted in faith. There’s a depth to what people say when it’s rooted in faith, and that depth comes through, even when the words are initially hard to hear. I’m grateful for all the feedback that’s rooted in faith. I believe it will bear fruit in helping us receive what Jesus is offering us.

Some of the feedback, however, seems more rooted in cynicism than faith. “This whole process is a sham: You’ve already decided what to do!” Actually, I haven’t. I’ve spent a lot of time and energy, and I have a whole team spending a lot of time and energy, listening to feedback and reformulating proposals. “This whole project is shameful: You’re just trying to take our money.” Actually, I’m not. Monies will stay with parish communities, however they’re reconfigured.

My point, though, is not so much the response I can give to each point, as the fact that some feedback doesn’t seem to be rooted in faith. There’s shrillness rather than depth in that feedback. I will still listen to it! But I don’t think it bears good fruit.

When we pray the Rosary, we pray for an increase in the virtue of faith. I hope we’ll all continue to engage in the All Things New process with faith. I believe that if we do, then all of our support and all of our critique will help us to receive what Jesus is offering us in the present moment.

Note: This column appeared in the St. Louis Review for January 28 & 29 and may be read in the print edition or at <https://it.ly/35ejOXr>



The Beatitudes

Today's Gospel reading from Matthew is the beginning of Jesus' Sermon on the Mount. During this sermon, Jesus introduces the eight Beatitudes to the crowd. The form of Beatitudes, in this sense, are not unique to Jesus. In fact, beatitudes can be found in the Old Testament, throughout the Psalms, and especially in the Wisdom books of the Bible. They have always served as a way to teach who will find favor with God.

A quick read through of the Beatitudes that Jesus lists in the Gospel show the reader that the people who Jesus refers to as "blessed" and "happy" are not people that we would normally consider to be overly blessed or happy. For example, the poor in spirit, the meek, and even the persecuted. The Gospel seems to have everything backwards. Jesus' roadmap to happiness does not reflect what the world tells us is happiness.

This juxtaposition of what Jesus teaches us about happiness and what the world wants us to believe about happiness has led to some substantial soul-searching for Christians. This is evident by the feeling of unease that is stirred up each time we read or hear the Beatitudes. However, Jesus never intended for them to be anything other than an encouragement for us. The biggest mistake is that often the reader equates the Beatitudes with the Ten Commandments. Yet, they make no demands, they are not law, and they do not lay any additional burdens on us. In only eight sentences the Beatitudes describe the fantastic freedom which the truly devout soul enjoys. Jesus, of course, is speaking from experience because he lived the Beatitudes during his life on earth, and it is only by living them in our own lives that we can discover how truly freeing they are.

"Blessed" can be translated to "happy" or "favored." Jesus is telling the crowd and the reader that divine favor is upon those who are poor, those who mourn, and those who are persecuted. Thinking about the crowd that Jesus was preaching to that day, we can imagine that they were probably surprised and even felt that Jesus' news was a breath of fresh air.

Therefore, the Beatitudes can be used as a solid foundation for Christian living. Our calling as Christians is not to be first in the eyes of this world, but rather to be first in the eyes of God. By referring to all the good things that the faithful will experience, Matthew reminds us that those who act in the manner that Jesus describes in the Beatitudes will find their reward with God.

These "happy attitudes" are ideal, and like most ideals, they are mostly unattainable. Most likely, Jesus is not asking us to go home after Mass and donate all of our possessions. That is simply not sustainable for our families. What is the point of the Beatitudes then? They are the heights that we aim for and what we measure our own standards against. They are the hope of the promise of the Kingdom to come. Fortunately, throughout history we have witnessed rare examples of individuals who are the incarnation of one of the Beatitudes. We can look to St. Teresa of Calcutta or Pope St. John Paul II for inspiration. As Paul states in the reading from today: "You, God has made members of Christ Jesus and by God's doing he has become our wisdom, and our virtue, and our holiness, and our freedom."

The eight Beatitudes are depicted in the Cathedral Basilica located in the Historic Bay. Standing in the center of the church looking toward the vestibule is the brilliant blue cornice with the vine of Christ and eight Byzantine style angels proclaiming the Beatitudes, which was installed in 1927.





Men of the Cathedral

January Adoration

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is a joy beyond words, as we can come close to our Lord in a very special and personal way. That joy and fulfillment is greatly enhanced when you share the experience of Adoration with others.

Begin your 2023 spiritual life by joining the MEN OF THE CATHEDRAL for the January Adoration scheduled for January 31st at 6:00 p.m. All are invited for Adoration!

Confessions will be heard during Adoration.

Following Adoration, all men are invited to Boland Hall for fellowship and dinner. An offering of \$20 is suggested. Please RSVP by Monday, January 30th to Michael Weisbrod at michael.weisbrod@rcfstl.org to reserve your dinner spot!

2022 Giving Statements

An error was made in the preparation of the 2022 Giving Statements for the Cathedral Basilica Parish. The data entered into Servant Keeper, our contribution manager, has been corrected.

Corrected statements were emailed to those who have email addresses and sent via postal mail to those without emails. If you need a copy of your giving statement and you have not received one, please call Andrew Specht at 314.373.8202 for a copy. In addition, if you find an error also, please call the Rectory.

Our sincerest apologies for any inconvenience this has placed upon you.

Women of the Cathedral

Women of the Cathedral– February 4, 2023

Dear Ladies of the Cathedral Parish,

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

We will gather next on Saturday, February 4, 2023.

We will begin with 8am Mass in the Cathedral, and then move over to Boland Hall for a light breakfast. 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 ladies shared with each other their heartfelt hopes for the new year.

To learn more, and RSV for breakfast, please contact Barbara Murray at 314-974-6900 or email murraybj@swbell.net by February 1, 2023. Please send your questions for “Ask Msgr. Time” when you RSVP.





Sacrament of Baptism

Congratulations to **Jonah Zezito Pimenta Pereira** son of **Keith Pimenta Pereira** and **Mirella Barboza** baptized in Christ on January 22, 2023 here at the Cathedral Basilica.

May the blessing of the Lord be always upon him, and may God watch over and cherish all children whom He has blessed with the grace of Baptism.



Nordic Choir

A special thank you to Nordic Choir who performed a beautiful concert at the Cathedral Basilica on Friday, January 27, 2023 at 8:00 p.m.

The longstanding traditions within the Nordic Choir that include holding hands during performances, wearing sapphire velvet robes, and, since 1948, singing Pavel Chesnokov's *O Lord God* as the signature benedictory was truly an honor to witness.



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.

Use this opportunity for a time of reflection, self evaluation, or self examination. It could be a time for prayer of gratitude for the past year and dedicate the new year to the Lord.



ALL THINGS NEW
STEADFAST IN FAITH
FORWARD IN HOPE



Learn more about the
Strategic Pastoral
Planning Initiative
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A Thought on The Sanctity Of Life

Many people are unaware that someone they know personally is silently suffering from participation in abortion. If a friend confided in you tomorrow that she had an abortion, would you be able to respond in a way that brings her closer to healing? Learn how in "How to Talk to a Friend Who's Had an Abortion": <http://bit.ly/friend-had-abortion>

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities

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

February 1

"And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord" (part 2)

February 15

"Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit"

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 January 22, 2023 through January 29, 2023

Sunday: 67: Is 8:23– 9:3 Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 1 Cor 1:10-13, 17 Mt 4:12-23 or 4:12-17
Monday: 317: Heb 9:15, 24-28 Ps 98:1-6 Mk 3:22-30
Tuesday: 318: Heb 10: 1-10 Ps 40:2, 4ab, 7-8a, 10-11
Wednesday: 519: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22 Ps 117:1-2 Mk 16; 15-18
Thursday: 520: 2 tm 1:1-8 Ps 96: 1-3, 7-8, 10 320: Mk 4: 21-25
Friday: 321: Heb 10:32-39 Ps 37:3-6, 23-24, 39-40 Mk 4: 26-34
Saturday: 322 Heb: 11: 1-2, 8-19 (Ps) Lk 1:69-75 Mk 4: 35-41
Sunday: 70: Zep 2:3; 3:12-13 Ps 146:6-10 1 Cor 1:26-31 Mt 5:1-12a

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
Jennifer Jaswal
Edwin Ayala Padilla
Pauline Price
David Washington
Dorothy Quinn
Kelvin Ayala Reyes
Mary Riley
Vivian Rachel Rossen

Resy Sanchez
Mickey Shears
Mary Anne Work
Betty Ytzaina
Sharon Kay Moore
Richard Franklin
Roslie Mullins



STEWARDSHIP ALIVE!

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 but have not yet registered, register online at <https://cathedralstl.org/about-basilica/parish-life> or call the parish office for more info!

Let's Keep in Touch

Don't miss out on the latest parish news this summer! Flocknotes is a fast and easy email distribution platform used by the Cathedral Basilica to keep in touch with our parishioners. Text **CATHEDRALSTL** to 84576, logon to cathedralstl.flocknote.com, or call the parish office to sign up today!

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 web site (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.

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, February 2**. Our gathering begins with a Holy Hour in the church at 6:30pm (enter through the west door, by the playground). Afterward 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.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR THE WEEKEND OF 1/21/2023-1/22/2023

Offertory	\$9,724.18
Loose	\$2,395.22
Online Giving	\$3,875.00
St. Louis Review	\$120.00
Catholic Education	\$5.00
Cathedral Landscaping	\$220.00
Cathedral Maintenance	\$70.00
Cathedral Candles	\$346.96
Year End Gift	\$750.00

Weekly Thoughts on Giving

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven." MATTHEW 5:3

The phrase "poor in spirit" can be confusing. Think of it in this sense – poor in spirit means depending on God's providence and not depending on our own self-reliance. Being detached from earthly things (power, money, and comfort) and being attached to heavenly things (charity, sacrifice, and mercy). Denying ourselves from satisfying our desires and helping others obtain their basic needs.



LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR FEBRUARY 4–5, 2023					
	Extraordinary	Lectors	Ministers of Care	Servers	Ushers
5:00 p.m. (Sat)	No Cup Ministers At Any Mass This Weekend	Barb Murray Mary Ann Cheng		Doug Weber	Bob Sutter Jerry Pastore Matt Colvin Chris Newgent
8:00 am		Michael Pajor Phoebe del Castillo	Gregory, Robinson, Taylor	Doug Weber Kevin Mattingly	Dave Meyer Frank Snyder
10:00 am		Mike Roth Sr. Maria Howell		TBD	Barb Murray Susan Metheny Jerry Danekas
12 Noon		Doug Weber David Parr		TBD	Willie Stevens Vito Alu Lawanda Reason Barb Murray
5:00 pm		Thomas Gregory David Parr		Brak Welby	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 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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