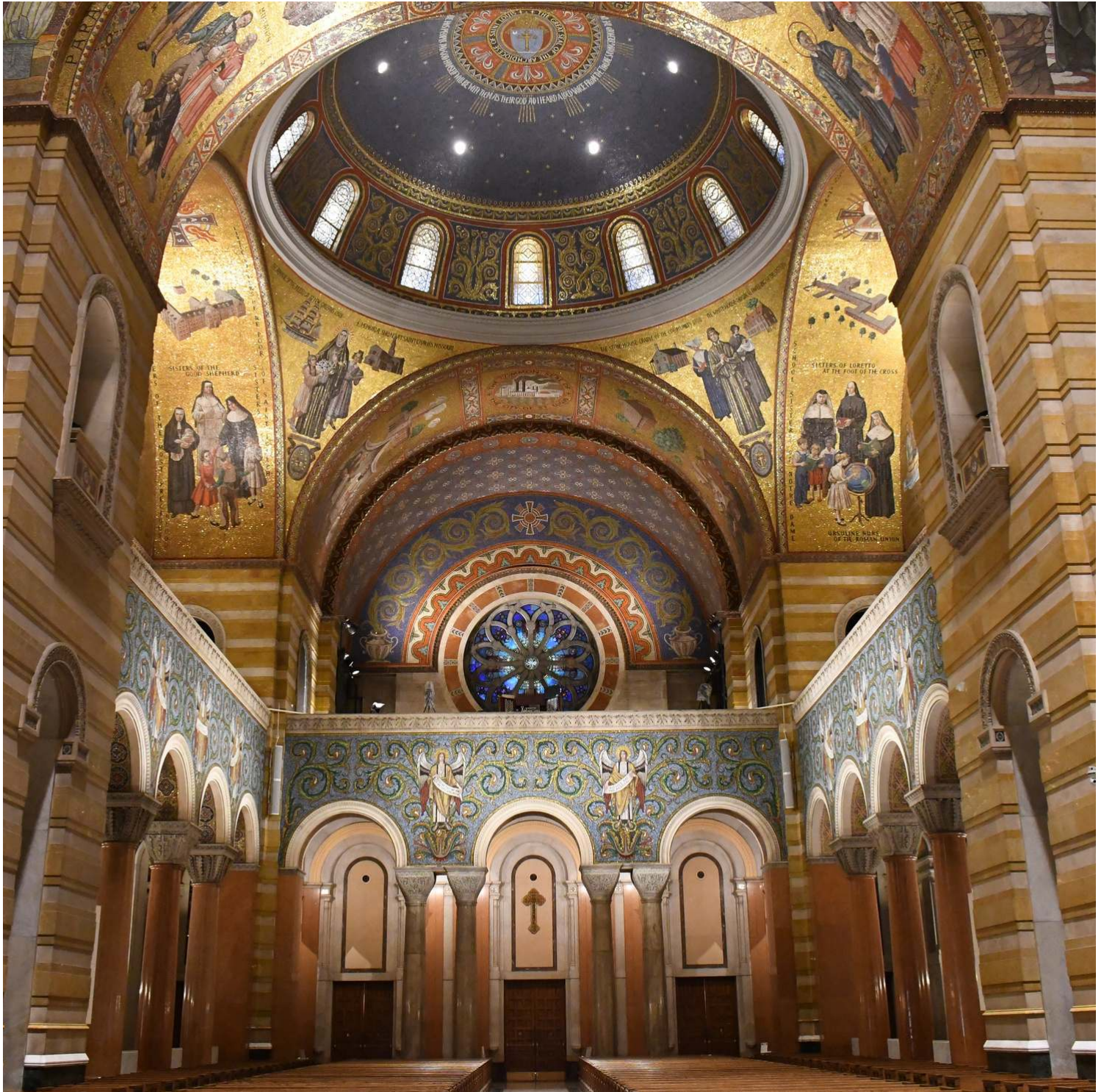




CATHEDRAL BASILICA OF SAINT LOUIS

September 20, 2026 | Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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MASS INTENTIONS

Sun Sept 20 - Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8:00 a.m. Rosemary Shaughnessy
 10:00 a.m. Michael Monahan
 12:00 p.m. Dr. & Mrs. Darryl Ross
 5:00 p.m. Louis Vanni

Mon Sept 21 - St. Matthew

- 7:00 a.m. John
 8:00 a.m. Catherine Schlatt
 12:05 p.m. Bobby Whitehead

Tues Sept 22 - Weekday in Ordinary Time

- 7:00 a.m. Carl Anthony Dischert
 8:00 a.m. Margaret Harder
 12:05 p.m. John LaBarge

Wed Sept 23 - St. Pius of Pietrelcina

- 7:00 a.m. Farrah Mojica
 8:00 a.m. Ashley Clover
 12:05 p.m. Gloria Ann Altepeter

Thur Sept 24 - Weekday in Ordinary Time

- 7:00 a.m. James A. Miller
 8:00 a.m. Albertina Alvarez Gaspar
 12:05 p.m. The Stan Schulz Family

Fri Sept 25 - Weekday in Ordinary Time

- 7:00 a.m. Stacy Newlon
 8:00 a.m. Louise Leckinger
 12:05 p.m. Bernie Duda

Sat Sept 26 - Sts. Cosmas and Damian

- 8:00 a.m. Amara Francine C. Javier
 5:00 p.m. Luis Actis

Sun Sept 27 - Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8:00 a.m. Robert Wuerz
 10:00 a.m. Father Thomas C. Bryon
 12:00 p.m. Gustavo Ruano Amparan
 5:00 p.m. Vinnie Catanzaro

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 most weekdays, call 314.373.8205 for availability.

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 & 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 Cathedral Basilica Parish please go register at

<https://cathedralstl.org/new-parishioner-registration>

All contributions to the Cathedral Basilica parish, ministries, and maintenance are sincerely appreciated.



SCHEDULE

Masses on the Lord's Day

5:00 pm Sat (Vigil)
 8:00 am, 10:00 am,
 12:00 noon, 5:00 pm

Confessions

7:30-8:00 am (Mon-Fri)
 3:30-4:50 pm (Sat)
 9:00-9:50 am (Sun)
 11:00-11:50 am (Sun)

Weekday Masses

7:00 am (Mon-Fri)
 8:00 am (Mon-Sat)
 12:05 pm (Mon-Fri)

Liturgy of the Hours

4:30 pm (Sat)
 Evening Prayer

Live Stream

10:00 am (Sun)
 8:00 am (Mon-Sat)

Perpetual Help Devotions

Following 8:00 am &
 12:05 pm Mass (Tues)

Eucharistic Adoration

3:30-4:30 pm (Sat)
 8:30-11:45 am
 (First Friday)

Hours

6:30 am - 5:00 pm (Mon-Fri)
 7:00 am - 6:00 pm (Sat-Sun)

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 made online <https://massrequest.cathedralstl.org>

Dear Parishioners,

In our Gospel this Sunday, Jesus recounts the parable of the owner of the vineyard who, at different hours of the day, hires laborers to work in it. And in the evening he gives them all the same wages, one denarius, provoking protests from those who began work early.



That denarius clearly represents eternal life, a gift that God reserves for all. Indeed, those who are considered the "last", if they accept, become the "first", whereas the "first" can risk becoming the "last".

It is St. Matthew who recounts the parable found in this Sunday's Gospel, and whose liturgical feast day we celebrated on September 21. Before Jesus called him, he worked as a tax collector and was therefore seen as a public sinner and excluded from "the Lord's vineyard". But everything changed when Jesus passed by his table, looked at him and said to him: "Follow me".

Matthew rose and followed him. From a publican he immediately became a disciple of Christ. From being "last" he found himself "first", thanks to God's logic, which - for our good fortune! - is different from the logic of the world. "My thoughts are not your thoughts", the Lord says, speaking through the mouth of Isaiah, "neither are your ways my ways" (Is 55: 8).

St. Paul also experienced the joy of feeling called by the Lord to work in his vineyard. And what a lot of work he accomplished! Yet, as he himself confessed, it was God's grace which worked in him, that grace which transformed him - from persecutor of the Church into an Apostle to the Gentiles, to the point of saying: "For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain". Paul clearly understood that working for the Lord is already a reward on this earth.

Please mark your calendar for our Parish Dinner on Saturday, October 10, following the 5:00 p.m. Mass.

Members of the Parish Council, along with the Men of the Cathedral and Women of the Cathedral, will be helping to host this special evening. The parish dinner is a wonderful opportunity to enjoy good food and fellowship, reconnect with familiar faces, meet new parishioners, and strengthen the sense of community that makes the Cathedral such a special parish.

We hope you will join us for this enjoyable evening of fellowship and community!

Msgr. Breier

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Forming Our Consciences Isn't Something We Can Do Properly in Isolation

In both a political and spiritual sense, we only come to life in the context of community

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Let's think about the apostle and evangelist St. Matthew, whose feast day we celebrate this week (Sept. 21).

What stands out to me: Jesus did not come down and hand us a written text and say, "Follow this." Instead, He came and planted the seed of a community. And one of the things that community did — only one, mind you — was to write accounts of His life. Then, the community preserved those accounts. And then, when questions arose, the community selected some of those accounts as thoroughly authentic witnesses to what Jesus said and did. St. Matthew's Gospel is one of those authentic accounts.

At every stage the Scriptures relied on a living community of faith. The living community of faith existed first. Some of its members — like Matthew — wrote those Scriptures! Then the living community of faith preserved those Scriptures. The Church — that living community of faith — existed before the Scriptures, and has always provided the context within which the Scriptures exist.

As Americans, we want — or think we want — written policies about everything. And don't get me wrong — written policies have their legitimate place. We do, after all, have the Code of Canon Law!

But we're tempted to treat written policies and documents as though they provide us access to the truth apart from the living community. The historical fact that the living community came first is also a systematic fact: We don't have access to the truth of the documents apart from the living community. As Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger (later Pope Benedict XVI) said: "The message of Jesus has never been able to live and mediate life except in this communion. Even the New Testament, as a book, presupposes the Church as its subject. It grew in and from the Church."

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SERVE THE LORD
WITH GLADNESS



The letters of St. Paul are another great example of this. We would have no St. Paul without the community that received him, healed him, baptized him and instructed him. And what we have from him in the New Testament are letters — letters to a community, a community that existed before the letters were written! The community exists before the writings exist; and the community is the living context within which the letters make sense.

So what?

Well, first, the same is true of our spiritual lives. To think that we can have an isolated spiritual life apart from the living community of the Church is like thinking that we can have the New Testament apart from the living community of the Church. Both historically and systematically, it doesn't work that way.

Second, the same is true of the formation of our conscience for voting as Catholics. Forming our consciences isn't something we can do properly in isolation. If we're going to do it as Catholics, it requires an immersion in the living community of faith. So, I warmly recommend that you read the U.S. Bishops' document "[Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship](#)" as you consider the upcoming election. Just as we need to understand the Scriptures in the context of the Church, and place our spiritual life within the context of the Church, we need to think about our civic duties in the context of our Catholic faith.

To borrow an image from Ezekiel, we're dry bones when we try to do these things as isolated individuals. We only come to life in the context of community.

Note: This column appeared in the St. Louis Review for Sept 21 - 28 and may be read in the print edition or <https://www.stlouisreview.com/column/serve-the-lord-with-gladness/>

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Robert Austermann	Nicole Pace
Linda Baldwin	Edwin Ayala Padilla
Barbara Beckemeyer	Ron Pallman
Juliana Brown	Tiffany Pitts
Craig Campbell	Kelvin Ayala Reyes
Shamelia Clark	Resy Sanchez
Barbara Garrett	Mark Stephens
Doreen Kelly	Michael Theiss
Mary Leah Kovarik	Tronda White
Deborah Lee	Bobby Whitehead
Judy McGrath	Goldie Wirth
David Moss	Mary Anne Work
Andrew Nolen	Betty Ytzaina

It is our responsibility in the Lord to remember the sick, who are especially close to the Redeemer in their suffering.

If you have someone to be added to the list, please call the rectory at 314.373.8202

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

September 12-13, 2026

Offertory	\$10,197.00
Online Giving	\$6,120.00
Loose	\$5,034.48
Cathedral Candles	\$644.03
Cathedral Landscape	\$60.00
Cathedral Maintenance	\$95.00
Catholic Education	\$350.00
Catholic University	\$5.00
Kenrick Glennon Sem.	\$2.00

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 September 20 - September 27

Sun:	133: Is 55:6-9 Ps 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18 Phil 1:20c-24, 27a Mt 20:1-16a
Mon:	643: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13 Ps 19:2-5 Mt 9:9-13
Tues:	450: Prv 21:1-6, 10-13 Ps 119:1, 27, 30, 34-35, 44 Lk 8:19-21
Wed:	451: Prv 30:5-9 Ps 119:29, 72, 89, 101, 104, 163 Lk 9:1-6
Thurs:	452: Eccl 1:2-11 pS 90:3-6, 12-14, 17bc Lk 9:7-9
Fri:	453: Eccl 3:1-11 Ps 144:1b, 2abc, 3-4 Lk 9:18-22
Sat:	454: Eccl 11:9-12:8 Ps 90:3-6, 12-14 17 Lk 9:43b-45
Sun:	136: Ez 18:25-28 Ps 25:4-9 Phil 2:1-11 or 2:1-5 Mt 21:28-32

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APPOINTMENT WITH FATHER MARCO

Father Marco is available for confession and spiritual discussion. To make an appointment to meet with Father Marco, please call 314.373.8202
Thank you!

RED MASS



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2026 10:00 AM
CATHEDRAL BASILICA OF ST. LOUIS
CELEBRANT: ARCHBISHOP ROZANSKI

The Red Mass is a Catholic liturgical service held at the start of the judicial year for members of the legal profession, including judges, attorneys, and legislators, to seek the wisdom of the Holy Spirit for justice. The Red Mass dates back to 1245 when, St. Louis, King of France had Pope Innocent IV celebrate a Mass in the Cathedral of Paris for the Ecclesiastical Judicial Court.

WHITE MASS

Honoring all members of the healthcare profession: doctors, nurses, pharmacists

Sunday, October 11, 2026 10:00 am
Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis
Celebrant: Archbishop Rozanski



The White Mass is a Catholic liturgical celebration specifically for healthcare professionals, named for the white coats they traditionally wear. It asks for God's blessing on doctors, nurses, and other healthcare workers and often involves gathering under the patronage of Saint Luke, the patron saint of physicians. This Mass is celebrated to honor and support those in the healing professions.

Coffee



Sponsored by: Anima Christi

Please join us in
Boland Hall
following the
8 & 10 am Masses

MOOSE MINISTRIES PRESENTS

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Cathedral Parish Fall Dinner

SAVE THE DATE

Saturday, October 10
following 5pm Mass
Boland Hall

RSVP by October 2
Please bring a dessert to share!

Italian Feast

Register at
cathedralstl.org/dinner

CATHEDRAL CONCERTS

Experience Great Music in a Great Space!
2026 - 2027 Season

 **VOCES8 with LYRA**
Tuesday, October 6, 2026 7:30pm
Welcomed by Bruce & Linda Ryder

 **Vienna Boys Choir**
Monday, November 2, 2026 7:30pm

 **St. Louis Chamber Chorus**
Sunday, November 8, 2026 3:00pm

 **Tenebrae**
English Vocal Ensemble
Saturday, November 14, 2026 7:30pm

 **Christmas at the Cathedral**
with the St. Louis Archdiocesan Choirs & Orchestra
Saturday, December 5, 2026 10:30am (NOTE TIME)
Sunday, December 6, 2026 2:30pm
Welcomed by Favazza's Restaurant
and Michael Bavisk & Kathleen Skelly

The Aeolians of Oakwood University
Friday, January 15, 2027, 7:30pm

The King's Singers
Monday, February 15, 2027 7:30pm

**Vox Una with St. Louis
Area High School Choirs**
Sunday, February 21, 2027 2:30pm

The Boston Camerata
Songs of Mystic Spain
Friday, March 12, 2027 7:30pm

Artists & Dates subject to change

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Sacrament of Marriage

Congratulations to Mr. & Mrs. Anthony & Tara Zuber (pictured left) who were united in the Sacrament of Marriage at the Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis on Saturday, August 29, 2026 at 11:00 in the morning.

Congratulations to Mr. & Mrs. Austin & Courtney Kramer (pictured below) who were united in the Sacrament of Marriage at the Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis on Saturday, August 29, 2026 at 1:30 in the afternoon.

"Love is patient, love is kind. It is not jealous, is not pompous, it is not inflated. It is not rude it does not seek its own interests, it is not quick-tempered, it does not brood over injury, it does not rejoice in wrongdoing but rejoices with truth. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never fails."

- 1 Corinthians 13:1-8



Men of the Cathedral

Catholic Men, both Cathedral parishioners and guests: Are the pressures and responsibilities of daily life keeping you from private prayer time? Are you looking for a way to come closer to Jesus?

You are not alone. Please join the Men of the Cathedral for monthly Adoration and Dinner on Tuesday, September 29 at 6pm in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel. Bring your friends and family members. Everyone will enjoy their time with our Lord and like-minded men! Adoration begins at 6pm, followed by dinner, drinks and fellowship in Boland Hall.

Confessions will be heard during Adoration.

The evening is a terrific way to thank God for all the blessings He has bestowed upon us and to enjoy the friendship and fellowship of other Catholic men seeking religious fulfillment.

Please RSVP to Michael Weisbrod at michael.weisbrod@rcfstl.org by Monday, September 28.

The suggested offering is \$20 per person at the door and includes dinner and beverages.

Cathedral Basilica & Rosati Kain Blood Drive

Sunday, September 27

9 am - 2 pm

Rosati Kain Academy Cafeteria
4389 Lindell Blvd

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Women of the Cathedral

Meetings for the Women of the Cathedral group are back! We will have gatherings the second Saturday of the month. We plan on beginning each gathering with Mass at 8am. We will follow Mass with discussion and snacks. At gatherings we will have discussions to focus on the pillars we are basing the group on, they are - Spirituality, Fellowship, and Service.

Please save the date for our next meeting on Saturday, October 10.

Questions contact Phoebe at pdcl33@gmail.com

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. Our next meeting will be September 24, 2026. We will begin with Holy Hour at 6:30 pm followed by dinner in Boland Hall.

Please enter the Cathedral across the parking lot from the playground on the west side of the Church.

Email AnimaChristiStL@gmail.com or see the Anima Christi Facebook page for more details.



LITURGICAL MINISTERS

September 26-27, 2026

5:00 pm (Sat)

Lectors:

- Claire Sommers
- Alex Burkart

Ushers:

- Bob Sutter, Jerry Pastore
- Matt Colvin, Pat McCann

8:00 am

Lectors:

- Pat Harper
- Jonathan Klimpel

Ushers:

- Dave Meyer, Frank Snyder
- Joe Schilli

Ministers of Care:

- Paul, Hagen, Klimpel, Harper

10:00 am

Lectors:

- Patricia Rice
- Brian Ragen

Ushers:

- Sue Metheny, Dan Mangus
- Roger Willis, Vito Alu

12:00 Noon

Lectors:

- Mark Burmester
- David Parr

Ushers:

- Willie Stevens, Skip Batchelor
- Lawanda Reason, Mark Burmester

5:00 pm (Sun)

Lectors:

- John Willard
- John Stith

Ushers:

- Willie Kelsey, Charlie Hapke, Don Burns
- Pat McCann, Krystle Hatter

Registration in Parish

To join our parish, please register online at <https://cathedralstl.org/about-basilica/parish-life>

Online Giving

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, contact the rectory at 314-373-8202

Order 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

