



Basilica of Saint Louis, King of France

THE OLD CATHEDRAL

FIRST CATHOLIC CATHEDRAL WEST OF THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER



FOUNDED IN 1770

PRESENT CHURCH DEDICATED IN 1834

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD MAY 29, 2022

PASTORIAL STAFF

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The Most Reverend
Mitchell T. Rozanski

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MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday Masses
5:30 PM (Sunday Vigil)
8:00 AM, 10:30 AM, 12:00 PM,
and 5:00 PM

Daily Masses
Monday through Friday
7:00 AM and 12:10 PM
Saturday - 7:00 AM

Live Stream Mass
7:00 AM Weekdays & 10:30 AM Sunday
Access live streams at oldcathedralstl.org

Devotions
Perpetual Help Devotions:
Tuesdays - 12:00 PM

SACRAMENTS

Confessions
Monday through Friday,
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM
Saturday, 4:30 PM - 5:15 PM

Marriage
Please arrange at least six months in
advance of the desired date.
To reserve a date, or for more
information, please contact
Tracy Marklein at 314-308-0091
tracymarklein@archstl.org

Baptisms
Sundays, following the 12:00 PM Mass
Please call 314-231-3250 to arrange

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, May 29

8:00 AM Edward Schnieders
 10:30 AM Jon Detrick
 (Live Streamed)
 12:00 PM Parish Family
 5:00 PM Celebrant's Intention

Monday, May 30

7:00 AM Norma May

Tuesday, May 31

7:00 AM Father Tom Haley
 12:10 PM Celebrant's Intention

Wednesday, June 1

7:00 AM Celebrant's Intention
 12:10 PM Kay Jacobsmeyer

Thursday, June 2

7:00 AM Bernard Kinsock
 12:10 PM Jim Ludwig

Friday, June 3

7:00 AM Celebrant's Intention
 12:10 PM
 Oscar & Dominga Actis

Saturday, June 4

7:00 AM Celebrant's Intention
 5:30 PM Ruiz Gonzalez Family

Sunday, June 5

8:00 AM Parish Family
 10:30 AM
 Michelle & Robert Romine (NS)
 (Live Streamed)
 12:00 PM Joseph Caris
 5:00 PM Celebrant's Intention

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 29, 2022

Sunday: *Ascension:* Acts 1:1-11/ Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6]/Eph 1:17-23 or Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23/Lk 24:46-53
 Monday: Acts 19:1-8/Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab/Jn 16:29-33
 Tuesday: Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6/Lk 1:39-56
 Wednesday: Acts 20:28-38/Ps 68:29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36ab/Jn 17:11b-19
 Thursday: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/Jn 17:20-26
 Friday: Acts 25:13b-21/Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab/Jn 21:15-19
 Saturday: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31/Ps 11:4, 5 and 7/Jn 21:20-25
 Next Sunday: Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Rom 8:8-17/Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 14:15-16, 23b-26

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 29, 2022

Sunday: The Ascension of the Lord
 Monday: Memorial Day - 12:10pm Mass is Cancelled
 Tuesday: The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
 Wednesday: St. Justin, Martyr
 Thursday: Sts. Marcellinus and Peter, Martyrs
 Friday: St. Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs
 Saturday: Easter Weekday
 Next Sunday: Pentecost Sunday



**JOIN US FIRST FRIDAY TO CELEBRATE
 THE SODALITY OF THE MOST SACRED HEART**

Friday, June 3

11:30am - Noon Adoration & Benediction

12:10pm Celebration of the Mass



Join us every first Friday of each month to celebrate the Sacred Heart of Jesus

**OLD CATHEDRAL
 WEEKLY GIVING**

The Old Cathedral has long been recognized as one of the most historic and beautiful churches of its time.

Our parish is proud of its more than 240 year history as a self-supporting Roman Catholic Parish.

Your presence, prayer, and generous kindness continue to make it so.

Your weekly envelope donations can be made by mail or in person, or online at:

oldcathedralstl.org/give

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

Sunday - 5/22/2022

Online Donations \$ 663.00
Collection \$ 4,328.00
Total \$ 4,991.00



**OLD CATHEDRAL
 FIRST SUNDAY
 TOURS**

We are pleased to offer Old Cathedral tours on the first Sunday of the month following the noon Mass

Tour on Sunday, June 5 is cancelled due to deacon celebration

Next Tour: Sunday, July 1
 Please call if you have any questions: 314-231-3250



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FROM OUR RECTOR

Dear Old Cathedral Parishioners and Visitors:

The Ascension celebrates Jesus' heavenly homecoming and his return to the Father's house. It marks the completion of his earthly mission. He returns to heaven as a Savior, having conquered humanity's greatest enemies – sin, Satan, and death – on the cross. During the 40 days between his resurrection and ascent into heaven, the risen Christ appeared to his Apostles in various forms and in various places to assure them that he is indeed truly risen. He is not a ghost. They are not being haunted or experiencing a hallucination. He is risen indeed.

As the ascending Christ gives his commission to the Apostles he leaves behind, their task is to convince and convict others of this same truth – that Jesus is risen and all who believe in him have the same opportunity to live again and forever.

As Jesus makes his journey home to heaven on this 40th day of Easter, he promises he will send his Apostles the Holy Spirit of God and that he will return, at the end of time. In our human experience, it is easier to say good-bye to someone when we believe we will see them again. It is even better when they leave something behind for us to remember them by. On the Ascension, Jesus does both.

News of the coming of the Spirit and the hope of Jesus' return made it much easier for the Apostles to let go of Jesus as he returns to heaven. Still, something was missing. The Apostles converted no one to the faith between Easter and the Ascension. Indeed, it was not until they received the promised Holy Spirit of God that they finally found their faith and their voice. Up until that point, they were afraid they would be the next ones to die for the faith. Once the Spirit proved to them that Jesus was alive, never to die again, they, too, found themselves willing to go forth and risk their lives to spread the Gospel. Once they were no longer afraid to die, the Apostles became less afraid to live.

Jesus gave the prophetic promise of the coming of the Holy Spirit both at the Last Supper and as he ascended. In both cases, he also stated he would come back again at the end of time to bring this world to its end and the kingdom of God to its fulfillment. We hasten his return in as much as we carry on the work he gave to the Apostles – to be disciples and make disciples.

It is worth noting that Jesus ascended from the village of Bethany, two miles from Jerusalem. It is the same place where he raised his friend Lazarus from the tomb immediately prior to Palm Sunday and his passion. This location serves as a reminder that the Resurrection and the promise of eternal life are not just a reward given by God to Jesus for a job well done. Rather, the promise of eternal life is for any and all who profess that Jesus is Lord, who confess their sins and live for the kingdom and for the glory of God.

In the Acts of the Apostles, the angels ask the Apostles why they are standing around looking at the sky, as if to suggest that time is wasting, get busy, there is a Gospel to preach, a Church to build, and a kingdom to prepare. The task given to them is the task entrusted to us by our baptism – to be his witnesses to the ends of the earth until he comes again.

Blessings on your Easter Season. Have a safe Memorial Day weekend!

-Father Smith

OLD CATHEDRAL TOUR

On Friday, May 20, a group including several visitors from Spain toured the Old Cathedral.

The group, including Kristine Sjostrom from Seville, Spain, came to St. Louis to attend the opening of the *American Revolutionary War in the West* exhibit and book launch at the St. Charles County Heritage Museum. The exhibit's companion book was co-authored by 13 authors from the US and Spain, including Sjostrom. Sjostrom also shared a copy of her extensive research on the original burial site of Fernando de Lyba, Lt. Governor of Spanish, Illinois, who were interred in the second log church on this site on June 28, 1780.



ARCHBISHOP'S COLUMN

Guided and measured by the goal of a clearer proclamation of the Gospel

If we live more deeply in the Spirit we'll give witness to Jesus more boldly and clearly

**Archbishop
Mitchell T. Rozanski**



Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

We celebrate the feast of the Visitation this week (May 31):
pregnant with Jesus, visits Elizabeth, pregnant with John the Baptist. Mary,

The feast day raises two good questions for us: 1) How do I bring Jesus to others, as Mary did? 2) How do I recognize when others bring Jesus to me, as Elizabeth did?

These are two key questions for us to ask as we engage in the All Things New pastoral planning process. Answering them will help us to proclaim the Gospel more boldly and clearly.

This week the readings bring us to the end of the Acts of the Apostles and the end of the Gospel of John. Acts ends by saying, of St. Paul: "With complete assurance and without hindrance he proclaimed the Kingdom of God and taught about the Lord Jesus Christ." The Gospel of John ends by saying, of St. John: "It is this disciple who testifies to these things and has written them, and we know that his testimony is true."

"Begin with the end in mind," that's the old adage. Both of these New Testament books end with the proclamation of the Gospel and witness to Jesus. That's another lesson and challenge for us as we think about All Things New. This week we begin the summer. This week we begin the month of June. This week we begin the one year countdown to the unveiling of the All Things New pastoral plan. With all of these beginnings we need to keep the end in mind. Everything we do over the next year needs to be guided and measured by this goal: a clearer proclamation of the Gospel and a clearer witness to Jesus.

All of that will only work, of course, if we allow ourselves to receive and be guided by the Holy Spirit. So, as we prepare for Pentecost, here are three things that can help us reflect more deeply on what it means to receive the Holy Spirit.

First, read Luke chapters one and two, and reflect on the characters who Luke tells us are "filled with the Holy Spirit." The results are slightly different in each case, but it's always related to Jesus. Ask yourself: What does it look like when they're filled with the Holy Spirit, and what would it look like for me to be filled with the Holy Spirit?

Second, read Galatians 5:22-23, which lists the fruits of the Spirit. Wherever you find these in your own life, you're seeing the effect of the Spirit's presence. But whatever leads you away from these — and St. Paul gives a helpful list of deviations in Galatians 5:19-21 — leads you away from the Spirit. Ask yourself: What parts of my life help me and others enjoy the fruits of the Spirit, and what parts of my life lead me and others away from those fruits?

Finally, think about what St. Cyril of Jerusalem once said: that the grace of the Holy Spirit in our lives is like the effect of water on plants. While always remaining itself, water allows different plants to bring forth different kinds of fruit. Similarly, while remaining itself, the Holy Spirit produces different fruits in different people. Ask yourself: How can I rejoice in the different works of the Spirit, rather than envying gifts that I don't have? And how can I contribute the gifts I do have, with greater confidence that God wants to do something in and through me?

If we live more deeply in the Spirit we'll give witness to Jesus more boldly and clearly. Let's keep that end in mind, as we lean more deeply into All Things New.



Save the Date

RELICS OF ST. BERNADETTE

Friday, July 8 - Old Cathedral

Saturday, July 9 - Cardinal Rigali Center

(20 Archbishop May Drive, St. Louis, MO 63119)

Sunday, July 10 - Old Cathedral

For the first time ever, the relics of St. Bernadette are touring the United States, visiting 32 parishes in 26 dioceses. The Old Cathedral and the Cardinal Rigali Center are pleased to be chosen to host the relics.

We are working to put together an expansive schedule of events at the Old Cathedral and the Cardinal Rigali Center to allow as many of the faithful as possible to venerate the relics while they are here.

Please visit oldcathedralstl.org for updates.

Learn more about the tour and St. Bernadette at stbernadetteusa.org.

JOIN US

Old Cathedral Eucharistic Celebration & Reception

Deacon Luke Koebbe

Sunday, June 5

Noon Mass – Reception Immediately Following

Join us to celebrate the first Mass with our newly ordained deacon, Luke Koebbe. Reception immediately following.

**ORDINATION TO THE SACRED ORDER
OF THE PERMANENT DIACONATE**

Saturday, June 4 at 10am

Archbishop Mitchell Rozanski, Presiding

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