# **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

#### SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JULY 17, 2022

#### PASTORIAL STAFF

**Archbishop of St. Louis** The Most Reverend Mitchell T. Rozanski

Rector

Father Nicholas Smith

In Residence

Father Charles Samson

Deacon

Deacon Luke Koebbe

#### 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, July 17
8:00 AM Cheryl Hale
10:30 AM Parish Family
(Live Streamed)
PM Louise Maria Concagn

**12:00 PM** Louise Marie Concagno **5:00 PM** Elizabeth Meagher

#### Monday, July 18

**7:00 AM** Celebrant's Intention **12:10 PM** Louis Fagas

#### Tuesday, July 19

**7:00 AM** Celebrant's Intention **12:10 PM** Larry Weber

## Wednesday, July 20

**7:00 AM** John "Jack" Collins **12:10 PM** Donald Volansky

#### Thursday, July 21

**7:00 AM** Celebrant's Intention **12:10 PM** Nancy Stockton

#### Friday, July 22

**7:00 AM** Celebrant's Intention **12:10 PM** Michael Amantea

#### Saturday, July 23

**7:00 AM** Celebrant's Intention **5:30 PM** Mary Diane Giesler

#### Sunday, July 24

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

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#### READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 17, 2022

Sunday: Gn 18:1-10a/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 5 [1a]/Col 1:24-28/Lk 10:38-42 Monday: Mi 6:1-4, 6-8/Ps 50:5-6, 8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mt 12:38-42

Tuesday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 85:2-4, 5-6, 7-8//Mt 12:46-50
Wednesday: Jer 1:1, 4-10/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5-6ab, 15 and 17/Mt 13:1-9
Thursday: Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13/Ps 36:6-7ab, 8-9, 10-11/Mt 13:10-17

Friday: Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

Saturday: Jer 7:1-11/Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6a and 8a, 11/Mt 13:24-30

Next Sunday: Gn 18:20-32/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6-7, 7-8 [3a]/Col 2:12-14/Lk 11:1-13

#### OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 17, 2022

Sunday: 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: St. Camillus de Lellis, Priest
Tuesday: Weekday in Ordinary Time

Wednesday: St. Apollinaris, Bishop and Martyr

Thursday: St. Lawrence of Brindisi, Priest and Doctor of the Church

Friday: St. Mary Magdalene Saturday: St. Bridget, Religious

Next Sunday: 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

## 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.

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#### Sunday - 7/10/2022

Online Donations \$
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\$ 1,064.00 \$ 4,046.00 \$ 5,110.00



#### 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: Sunday, August 7

For group tours of 10 or more email oldcathedral@att.net

Please call if you have any questions: 314-231-3250



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### FROM OUR RECTOR

Dear Old Cathedral Parishioners and Visitors:

In the beginning of Chapter 18 of Genesis, God comes to Abraham in human form, as three travelers. Sensing he is in the presence of God, Abraham greets his three guests in the singular as "Sir," or Lord, and shows them hospitality.

God has revealed himself as a trinity of persons to Abraham. Abraham is informed that he and Sarah will receive an answer to their greatest prayer — to become parents. In the same chapter, we learn that Sarah is beyond child-bearing years and has never had a child, but Abraham trusts in the Lord and his faith is greatly rewarded.

Hospitality is also the focus of today's brief Gospel from Luke. Jesus has stopped at a village a short distance from Jerusalem. He is visiting the home of Martha and Mary, the sisters of Lazarus.

Martha and Mary have very different ideas about how Jesus should be welcomed into their home. For Martha, he is an important guest, and she feels it is necessary to lay out a feast. Mary seems aware that Jesus will not be with them much longer and therefore she does not want to leave his feet for even a moment. Indeed, Jesus' first prediction of his death occurred in the previous chapter.

Martha is incredulous that Jesus sides with Mary, so sure is she that Mary should be serving the guest, not wasting time at his feet. Jesus favors Mary as having chosen the better part, if only by making time to be in his presence instead of being distracted by other tasks.

This is an important and challenging lesson for Martha and for all of us. We can become so busy – so distracted and overwhelmed with the affairs of daily life – that we sometimes find it hard to make time to be in the presence of God or to find any peace when we do so. Making time to go to Mass, participate in eucharistic adoration, or pray at home requires two things – sacrificing the time and whatever else we could be doing. Abraham's sacrifice was rewarded and so was that of Mary of Bethany. We, too, seek to find balance between prayers and labor, doing all things for God's glory and for the good of others, for God will not be outdone in generosity.

Blessings on your week. Stay safe!

-Father Smith



## SINFONIAN CHORUS CONCERT

Friday, July 22

4pm

Basilica of Saint Louis, King of France The Old Cathedral

FREE & OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

This performance is part of a FREE concert series taking place throughout the city of St. Louis Learn more at oldcathedralstl.org

#### Presented by Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia

Under the direction of Chase Moore, this all-male chamber choir provides a unique and moving program designed to educate and entertain audiences. Mr. Chase Moore has conducted the chorus since 2018, and he currently serves as the Chair of the music department at Eastern Arizona College.

#### ARCHBISHOP'S COLUMN

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## Archbishop Mitchell T. Rozanski

Let's fashion our lives on the model of Jesus, who said: "This is my body, given for you"





Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

We'll be reading from the prophet Jeremiah this week and all across the next three weeks.

One of the patterns of Jeremiah's prophetic message was a contrast between the basic elements of infidelity in Israel — both in worship and in morality — and a call to return to fidelity in every aspect of the nation's life.

One way to describe the central contrast between fidelity and infidelity in our own time is with these two phrases: 1) This is my body, given for you. 2) This is your body, taken for me.

"This is my body, given for you" is the central dynamic of the Christian life. It's rooted in the example of Jesus, both in the institution of the Eucharist and in the sacrifice of the cross. Every good marriage follows this pattern. Every fruitful priesthood is built on this pattern. A Christian conception of work and parenting is rooted in this pattern of self-gift.

"This is your body, taken for me" is the central dynamic of the lure of sin. Abortion is aptly described by this pattern. Slavery is aptly described by this pattern. Pornography and every form of lust is aptly described by this pattern.

In saying these things, I have no interest in being a "culture warrior." My interest is solely in being a shepherd of souls. And as a shepherd of souls I want to say this: There is a Christian pattern of living, it's possible to deviate from that pattern and the consequences of deviating from that pattern are serious — eternal, even.

As a shepherd of souls, I also want to encourage this: Let's use these two patterns to assess our daily words and deeds. All day, every day, we're pulled in the direction of these two patterns: "This is my body given for you" or "this is your body taken for me." All day, every day, every married couple is pulled in these two directions. All day, every day, every priest is pulled in these two directions as we carry out our daily work and relationships.

Because we live in a fallen world, "this is your body taken for me" is easier to choose — it requires less energy at the start. But this pattern is contrary to who God is, and contrary to who we are as creatures who bear God's image and likeness. That's why everything begins to fall apart when we follow this path.

Because of our fallen nature, "this is my body given for you" is harder to choose — it requires more energy at the start. But God revealed Himself in the Eucharist and on the Cross, and that's the God whose image we bear. Therefore this pattern is also more satisfying: If it requires more energy to choose, it also gives more energy back.

"They have forsaken me, the source of living waters; they have dug themselves cisterns, broken cisterns, that hold no water." This was God's lament, spoken through Jeremiah 2,600 years ago. When we make "this is my body, given for you" the pattern of our lives, we choose to live close to the source of living waters, and our life becomes a gift to others. When we make "this is your body, taken for me" the pattern of our lives, we fashion broken cisterns that hold no water, and form a culture of selfishness.

Let's learn from salvation history and from our own experience. Let's model our lives on the life of Jesus: "This is my body, given for you."



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## SAINT BERNADETTE

Your presence and support for the almost 2500 pilgrims is greatly appreciated. Her time with us truly touched so many.

