“THIS TEMPLE OF GOD, THIS HOUSE OF PRAYER AND GATE OF HEAVEN STANDS AS THE CENTRAL POINT OF THE CITY OF NEW ORLEANS, AND FROM THIS PLACE ALL DISTANCES ARE MEASURED. HERE CHRIST DWELLS IN YOUR MIDST, PRESENT IN WORD AND SACRAMENT, MAKING THIS A PLACE OF GRACE AND BLESSING FOR ALL THE PEOPLE OF GOD.”

SAINT JOHN PAUL II
Welcome to the Cathedral-Basilica of St. Louis King of France...

On behalf of our Archbishop, Most Rev. Gregory M. Aymond, our parishioners, deacons, and priests, I welcome you to St. Louis Cathedral and hope that your visit will be a memorable one.

I invite you to consider the Cathedral your parish away from home. It is my prayer that your time here will be a spiritually uplifting experience. I appreciate your generosity in the support of our Cathedral. It is with your help that we are able to maintain its beautiful state, that we may continue to worship God within these walls as has been done since 1718. May God enrich you with many graces and blessings.

M. Philip J. Landy

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Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 20, 2020

Turn to the LORD for mercy;
to our God, who is generous in forgiving.
— Isaiah 55:7b

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TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — Turn to the LORD who is generous in forgiving (Isaiah 55:6-9).

Psalm — The Lord is near to all who call upon him (Psalm 145).

Second Reading — Live your lives in a way worthy of the gospel of Christ (Philippians 1:20c-24, 27a).

Gospel — The last will be first, and the first will be last (Matthew 20:1-16a).

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PRAYER INTENTIONS


If you are ill or know of someone who is ill and should be included in our prayers, please contact the parish office.
Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
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**DIRECTION**

Isaiah tells us something that we already know, and yet seem to forget every now and then. He tells us, essentially, that God is God and we are not. When we’re confused and troubled and can’t figure everything out, it might be wise to recall Isaiah speaking on the Lord’s behalf and explaining that God—who is on a much more, well, Godly wavelength than we are—moves in ways we can’t even imagine.

Saint Paul, by comparison, has everything figured out. Kind of. At least he understands his calling in life—to magnify Christ in everything he does. That should give all of us the direction we need. Jesus gives us direction, too, explaining to us once again in the parable of the workers in the vineyard that the last will be first, and the first, last.

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**The Church in the Crescent:**  
**Three Hundred Years of Catholicism in New Orleans**

*Due to governmental advisories related to the coronavirus, the museum remains closed at this time.*

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**Cathedral Sanctuary Lamp**

Our Sanctuary Lamp burns this week in memory of  
**Kathleen Blanco**

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**Archbishop Aymond’s Prayer**  
(when faced with fears of Coronavirus)

Loving and faithful God, the coronavirus reminds us that we have no power and we are dependent on You. We place ourselves in Your loving hands. Please give eternal rest to all who have died from the virus. Please put Your healing hand on those who are ill, and give Your protection to us in this time of fear and uncertainty. Please, calm our fears and help us to trust You as our faithful God. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Our Lady of Prompt Succor, pray for us in this time of need.

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**Gift Shop Hours**

The Cathedral gift shop is now open from 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Monday through Saturday and on Sunday from 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. During this time of uncertainty related to the Coronavirus pandemic we have received many calls concerning the availability of blessed candles and bottles of holy water. We are happy to inform you that both are now available in the shop at the entrance to the Cathedral for minimal donations. We are also selling Cathedral masks. Please stop in and visit.

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**Prayer During Hurricane Season**

God, Master of this passing world, hear the humble voices of your children. The Sea of Galilee obeyed Your order and returned to its former quietude. You are still the Master of land and sea. We live in the shadow of a danger over which we have no control: the Gulf, like a provoked and angry giant, can awake from its seeming lethargy, overstep its conventional boundaries, invade our land, and spread chaos and disaster. During this hurricane season we turn to You, O loving Father. Spare us from past tragedies whose memories are still so vivid and whose wounds seem to refuse to heal with passing of time. O Virgin, Star of the Sea, Our beloved Mother, we ask you to plead with your Son on our behalf, so that spared from the calamities common to this area and animated with a true spirit of gratitude, we will walk in the footsteps of your Divine Son to reach the heavenly Jerusalem, where a stormless eternity awaits us.

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**Please pray for**  
**Vocations**
POPE FRANCIS’ PRAYER INTENTION FOR SEPTEMBER

Respect for the Planet's Resources
We pray that the planet's resources will not be plundered, but shared in a just and respectful manner.

A MESSAGE FROM ARCHBISHOP AYMOND

Please pray for peace in our world, in the United States, in our hearts, families and community. There is great destruction today not only of buildings and statues – but also the destruction of the hearts of so many people. Anger abounds. Goodness will overcome evil. May the God of love come to our aid and protect us. May the spirit of Jesus lead us to respect all and erase hatred from our hearts.

REMINDERS

For the health and safety of all during this pandemic we remind you of the following mandates and ask that you observe all during your visit to the Cathedral:

• Please be seated in a pew marked reserved and be seated by a cross, Families may be seated together.
• Masks covering nose and mouth are required.
• Social distancing of 6 feet must be practiced at all times, including while standing in line for Communion.
• It is requested that Communion be received in the hand.
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