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### Mass for the Preservation of Peace and Justice on Sunday

**What:** Mass for the Preservation of Peace and Justice

**Where:** Cathedral Basilica of Saint Louis (4431 Lindell)

**When:** Sunday, January 17, 2016, 2:30 p.m.

**Who:** Archbishop Carlson, celebrant; Rev. Arthur Cavitt, homilist

**ST. LOUIS** – Most Reverend Robert J. Carlson, Archbishop of St. Louis, will celebrate the annual Mass for the Preservation of Peace and Justice at 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, January 17, the day before Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. Rev. Arthur Cavitt, Executive Director of the St. Charles Lwanga Center, a Catholic ministry rooted in the African-American community, will deliver the homily. This year marks the archdiocese's 40th annual commemoration of the birth and legacy of Martin Luther King, Jr.

"We have serious issues in society today that must be addressed," Father Cavitt said. "Those issues include the recognition of the dignity of all human beings, which is incumbent upon all of us. Acknowledging how we contribute to these issues is a first step towards finding common ground and solving them."

A reception and awards presentation ceremony for the 2016 Martin Luther King, Jr. Model of Justice Honorees will take place in Boland Hall after Mass. A complete list of honorees can be found on the website of the [St. Louis Review](http://St.LouisReview.com).

Members of the media are invited to attend. For additional information about the event call the St. Charles Lwanga Center at 314-367-7929.

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