

# THE FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

*"Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth  
to those who keep your covenant."*



**February 18, 2024**

## MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 4:30pm (*anticipatory*)

Sunday 8:30am & 10:30am

Tuesday 12:05pm

Wednesday 12:05pm

Thursday 12:05pm

Friday 12:05pm

## CONFESSION

*Saturday 3:30-4:15pm during Lent*

## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday through Friday  
8:30am - 4:30pm

To contact the Parish Office call:  
612-379-2259

For information on the parish  
and its programs and events,  
please visit [lourdesmpls.org](http://lourdesmpls.org)



## OUR LADY OF LOURDES CATHOLIC CHURCH

**REMINDER: 2-hour Parking Vouchers for ramp parking  
are available after all weekend liturgies at Lourdes!**

*See personnel in the back of church. At this time we are unable  
to verify if there are meter charges on street parking,  
so don't take the chance on a ticket!*



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## From Father Bauer

One of my guilty pleasures is reading the daily bridge column in the Star Tribune. I am only an average bridge player at best, but I love it when I occasionally get it right and figure out how a particular bridge hand should be played. A couple weeks ago Frank Steward, the author of the “Daily Bridge Club” began his column by saying: **“You need to keep your mouth shut in three situations: when you’re swimming, when you’re angry and when you misplayed a contract, but made it anyway.”**

While I appreciated and agree with Steward’s comments, I also would like to suggest that there are several other occasions when we should keep our mouths shut. One, in particular, that comes immediately to mind is when we are praying. Now in saying this I want to be clear. When we pray it is good and important to thank God for the many blessings we enjoy in our lives. It is also important to make our petitions known to God. Equally important, though, is that we shut our mouths, and quiet our minds so that we might understand what God wants us to know or how God might be responding to our prayers.

In regard to the above, it is important to remember that God doesn’t necessarily communicate with us in the way we communicate with each other. God is not limited to words when God communicates with us. God can communicate with us in the yearnings of our hearts, in the movements of our spirit and in the searching of our minds. If we are only listening to God with our ears, we will miss much that God wants us to know.

I don’t believe it is a coincidence that God likes to wait for our stillness before God makes God’s self known to us. How else can God show us that God loves us for who we are, not just what we do, and that God is as gentle and patient as God is powerful?

Keeping our mouths shut is not easy. I believe this is especially true in prayer. But it is only when we grow quiet, that God can finally get a word in edge wise, and let us know anew how much God loves us and how great is the grace God offers us.



## COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND

If you are aware of a parishioner who is homebound this winter and unable to get to church, please contact the parish office. We have pastoral ministers who are trained to bring Communion to those who aren’t able to come to church.

The USCCB has asked all dioceses to host listening sessions this Lent to provide more feedback ahead of the second part of the Vatican Synod in October 2024. Archbishop Hebda is hosting two virtual events where participants will gather in breakout groups and participate in “Conversations in the Spirit,” as they were practiced by Vatican Synod delegates last October. Feedback provided by attendees in breakout groups will be shared with the USCCB, who will compile a national report to send to Vatican Synod leaders. Please participate in one of these two sessions by visiting <https://www.archspm.org/vatican-synod-listening-sessions/> to register and receive a link. Registration is required to ensure there are enough trained small group facilitators.

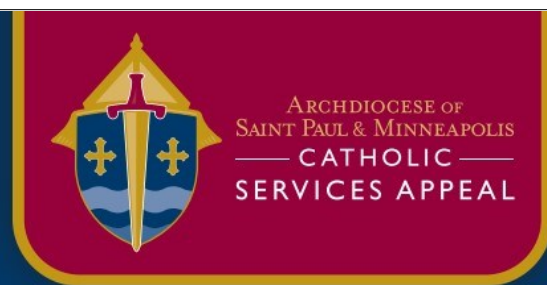




# UPCOMING EVENTS AT LOURDES

**Mark your calendars and save the dates for these upcoming parish events**

- **Stations of the Cross:** Fridays in Lent (2/16, 2/23, 3/1, 3/8, 3/15, 3/22) at 5:00pm, Church
  - Stations on Good Friday, March 29, will be at 12:00pm NOON
- **Lenten Parish Fish Fry Dates:** February 23, March 8, and March 22, 5:30pm, Hofstede Hall
- **Soirée Musicale:** Saxophone quartet, organ & piano with Richard Dirlam and Dr. Jacob Benda, February 22, 7:00pm, Church
- **Anointing Mass:** Saturday, March 2, 4:30pm
- **Parish Lenten Retreat:** Saturday, March 16, 9:00am-Noon, Hofstede Hall



## 2024 CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL

We need your help to meet the many needs of those around you. Jesus says that, "As to what is within, give alms, and behold, everything will be made clean for you"

(Luke 11:41).

The Archdiocesan Catholic Services Appeal is in full swing and we encourage you to take this opportunity to help us help others. The goal for the entire Archdiocese is \$8.5 million.

All parishes are assigned a goal and if met, results in rebates back to the parish.

Our Lady of Lourdes goal is \$32,127.

Please see the hand out in the pew.

Envelopes are available in the back of Church.

*Thank you!*



## Lent at Lourdes

### Adult Faith Formation

February 18th, 25th; March 3, 10 & 17th  
from 9:30am to 10:15 am

we will be offering a speaker series on the different ways to enter into prayer. Please join us for these opportunities to listen, learn and share with fellow parishioners and friends!

### ANOINTING OF THE SICK AT MASS



We will celebrate the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick at the 4:30 Mass on Saturday, March 2nd. We invite all those who are sick, anticipating surgery, dealing with a chronic illness, or experiencing a decline in health to attend that Mass and be anointed.

## SOIRÉE MUSICALE: RÊVES DE JOIE FOLLE THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22 AT 7:00PM

**Le Quatuor International de Saxophones**, including **Richard Dirlam** on Baritone Saxophone, will be performing music for saxophone quartet, organ, and piano.

**Dr. Jacob Benda** will also be returning to Lourdes to play the Ralph Strangis Memorial Pipe Organ.

PLEASE [SEE OUR WEBSITE](#) FOR MORE DETAILS!  
NO CHARGE-NO RESERVATION

## LENTEN RETREAT MORNING: SAVE THE DATE!

**Saturday, March 16  
9:00am-Noon in Hofstede Hall.**

Dr. Diane Millis will present a retreat entitled

**Looking, Listening and Lingering with God: An Invitation to Prayer.**

## PARISH LEADERSHIP

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**Bert Colianni** - Parish Trustee

**Deb Hamilton** - Parish Trustee

**Mike Rainville** - Chair, Parish Council

**Gene Rerat** - Chair, Parish Finance Council

**Monica Shearon** - Chair, Pastoral Care Ministry

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF FEB 18

<b>Sunday</b>	Gn 9:8-15; 1 Pt 3:18-22; Mk 1:12-15
<b>Monday</b>	Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Mt 25:31-46
<b>Tuesday</b>	Is 55:10-11; Mt 6:7-15
<b>Wednesday</b>	Jon 3: 1-10; Lk 11:29-32
<b>Thursday</b>	1 Pt 5:1-4; Mt 16:13-19
<b>Friday</b>	Ez 18:21-28; Mt 5:20-26
<b>Saturday</b>	Dt 26:16-19; Mt 5:43-48

## Rite of Sending for Lourdes RCIA Candidates

This year we have four candidates from our community who are seeking full Communion with the Catholic Church. **Sunday, February 18, this weekend, these four candidates and their sponsors will be taking part in the Rite of Sending at our 10:30 Mass, and then going to The Basilica of Saint Mary for the Rite of Election and Continuing Conversion with Bishop Williams. Please keep them all in your prayers. If you would like information about becoming Catholic, please email [Ben](mailto:Ben).**

## MASS INTENTIONS

Sat	2/17	4:30pm	Our Lady of Lourdes Parish
Sun	2/18	8:30am	Our Lady of Lourdes Parish
		10:30am	Our Lady of Lourdes Parish
Mon	2/19		No MASS
Tues	2/20	12:05pm	Willie & Codi Kempel
Wed	2/21	12:05pm	+Katherine Kriesel Franson
Thurs	2/22	12:05pm	+Richard Kibbe
Fri	2/23	12:05pm	+Stella Pauley
Sat	2/24	4:30 pm	Our Lady of Lourdes Parish
Sun	2/25	8:30am	Our Lady of Lourdes Parish
		10:30am	Our Lady of Lourdes Parish

## GIVING ONLINE

The link to support the parish through online giving is: <https://lourdesmpls.org/giving> This will connect you to the page that you can either create an account with Vanco on our website (secure) or adjust your current giving. Please call the parish office with any questions.

## TEXT TO GIVE

Set up a contact in your Text to Give with the phone number 612-888-8406.

1. The site will walk you through a one-time application of choosing a fund to donate to (Sunday) as a form of payment.
2. You will now be able to simply text the \$ amount each time you would like to give.



Want to keep it simple? Use your cell phone to click on this QR code and you will be taken directly to our webpage where you can make a secure donation. Thank you!

## FRENCH MEAT PIES AVAILABLE WHILE QUANTITIES LAST



Cost is \$25.00 per pie—  
checks, cash, and  
credit card are welcome!

*Meat Pies can be purchased at the Parish Office  
Tuesday through Friday 8:30am - 4:30pm*