# THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT "LÆTARE SUNDAY"



"God sent his Son so that the world might be saved through him.

# March 10, 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 DURING LENT

Saturday 3:30 - 4:15pm

#### Parish Office Hours

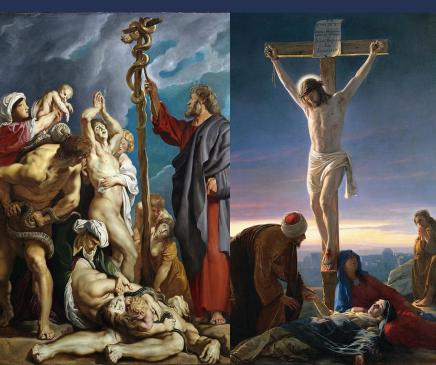
Tuesday through Friday 8:30am - 4:30pm

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

For information on the parish and its programs and events, please visit <u>lourdesmpls.org</u>



Just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, so that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life.



# **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

Last Saturday evening I had dinner with three couples whom I have known for several years. They came for the 4:30 Mass, and after that we reservations at a downtown restaurant. One of the guys works downtown so he offered to drive since we could park in a parking place his firm reserves for him. Now I must admit that when I'm riding with someone else, I don't pay much attention to the route we take to get to our destination. I just sit back and enjoy the conversation and the scenery (if there is any). That certainly was the case on Saturday night. After we arrived at my friend's parking space and had gotten out of the car, my friend simply said: "Follow me." And so, I (we) did.

After passing through his office building and a couple of other buildings that I couldn't identify, we walked out of a door and as if by magic the restaurant was just down the street. After a very enjoyable dinner my friends suggested an after-dinner drink at a relatively new bar in a relatively old, but recently renovated building. Again, he simply said: "Follow me." And so, I (we) did.

After our drink, we headed back to the car, and again, my friend simply said: "Follow me." And so, I (we) did. We took what seemed to be a rather circuitous route through another bar/restaurant, and a couple of other buildings, and again, as if by magic, we arrived at his car. I told my friend that I was grateful for his guidance, because left on my own I would probably still be wandering around downtown Minneapolis.

Now I don't know if the others in our group needed my friend's guidance as much as I did, but I do know I was certainly grateful for it. There are times when it is much easier to follow than it is to try to find our own way. I believe this is especially true in regard to Jesus. In the scriptures when Jesus called his disciples, he didn't give them a lot of information, and certainly no specifics. He simply said: "Follow me." And they did. I think this is important.

I believe we discover what it means to follow Jesus by following him. Some days, following Jesus may mean forgiving someone who has hurt us. Other days, following Jesus may mean reaching out to someone in need. And again, on other days following Jesus may mean spending more time in prayer and reflection. There is not a specific road map or single path for following Jesus. Rather, we discover what it means to follow Jesus, simply by following him.

Now I realize the above can sound a bit vague or even scary. And because of this, there are many people who chose not to follow Jesus. The thing is, though, that if we trust Jesus (as I did my friend), and if follow where he leads, we know that ultimately, he will lead us to our final destination ----- which, of course, is heaven.



Join us as we celebrate the wondrous mysteries of our faith that culminate in the glorious resurrection of Jesus Christ!

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD (MARCH 23 & 24; NORMAL MASS TIMES)

Experience Christ's triumphant entry into Jerusalem and then the Passion of Christ, according to Mark.

THE MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER (MARCH 28 AT 7:00PM, ADORATION UNTIL 9:00PM)

A commemoration of the Last Supper that also celebrates the Institution of the Eucharist and the Priesthood. The Eucharist is transferred to the Altar of Repose and the faithful may remain with Jesus in adoration.

GOOD FRIDAY: STATIONS OF THE CROSS (MARCH 29 AT 12:00PM NOON)

A devotion where we contemplate Christ's journey to the Cross through the eyes of his mother Mary.

GOOD FRIDAY: LITURGY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD (MARCH 29 AT 3:00PM)

We meditate upon the death of Christ with the Passion according to John and Adoration of the Cross.

GOOD FRIDAY: TENEBRÆ SERVICE (MARCH 29 AT 7:00PM)

An ancient service of prayers, psalms, and responses said and sung by the light of a single candelabra.

HOLY SATURDAY: THE EASTER VIGIL IN THE HOLY NIGHT (MARCH 30 AT 8:00PM)

We celebrate Christ's victory over death with the triumph of the light of the paschal candle over darkness, we hear the scriptures that remind us of God's love for his people throughout history. We also initiate new Catholics into the Church, and celebrate the Liturgy of the Eucharist with great joy.

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION (MARCH 31 AT 8:30 & 10:30AM)

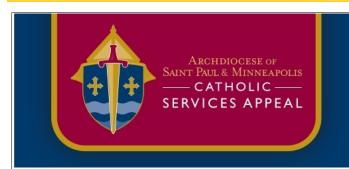
Christ our Passover has been sacrificed, alleluia! Therefore let us keep the feast with the unleavened bread of purity and truth, alleluia, alleluia!



# **UPCOMING EVENTS AT LOURDES**

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

- Stations of the Cross: Fridays in Lent (3/15 & 3/22) at 5:00pm, Church
  - Stations on Good Friday, March 29, will be at 12:00pm NOON
- Parish Lenten Retreat: Saturday, March 16, 9:00am-Noon, Hofstede Hall
- LAST Lenten Parish Fish Fry Date: March 22, 5:30pm, 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

March 10 & 17th from 9:30am to 10:15am 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!

# **Upcoming Topics Include:**

March 10: Fr. Bauer, Praying with Scripture March 17: Mary Asp: Journaling as Prayer

# **LENTEN RETREAT MORNING: NEXT SATURDAY!**

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.

Please sign up on our website or call the parish office.

This is a great gift for the parish to be able to have this time of prayer together as we enter the final weeks of the Lenten season. We are so grateful to Diane for sharing her wisdom and expertise with us; this will be a nice compliment to our weekly prayer series Sunday mornings. However your Lenten journey is going, plan to join 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.

## **PARISH LEADERSHIP**

Rev. John M. Bauer Pastor jbauer@lourdesmpls.org

Mary Asp Managing Director mary@lourdesmpls.org of Parish Business Administration

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Michael Rainville Director of External Relations

Marshall Collier Director of Secure marshall@lourdesmpls.org Environment

**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 MAR 10**

**Sunday** 2 Chron 36:14-16; 19-23;

Eph 2:4-10; Jn 3:14-21

MondayIs 65:17-21; Jn 4:43-54TuesdayEz 47:1-9, 12; Jn 5:1-16WednesdayIs 49:8-15; Jn 5:17-30ThursdayEx 32:7-14; Jn 5:31-47

**Friday** Wis 2:1a; 12-22; Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

**Saturday** Jer 11:18-20; Jn 7:40-53



#### WEEKDAY VOLUNTEER NEEDED!

We are in need of a volunteer to restock the vigil candles when they have been burned. This works best during Parish Office Hours.

Please <u>contact Nicole Millner</u> in the Parish Office if you would like to help!

Would you like to offer a Mass Intention for a deceased family member or friend, someone who is sick, someone in special need of prayer, for special occasions or simply for blessings God has bestowed on you and your family? It's simple! Call the parish office and ask for any available weekday Mass. Consider a Mass intention and call the parish office to schedule.

The normal Mass stipend is \$10.

| MASS INTENTIONS                       |      |         |                            |
|---------------------------------------|------|---------|----------------------------|
| Sat                                   | 3/09 | 4:30pm  | Our Lady of Lourdes Parish |
| Sun                                   | 3/10 | 8:30am  | Our Lady of Lourdes Parish |
|                                       |      | 10:30am | Our Lady of Lourdes Parish |
| Mon                                   | 3/11 |         | No Mass                    |
| Tues                                  | 3/12 | 12:05pm | +Rev. Thomas O'Donnell     |
| (served here 1967-1969, died in 2009) |      |         |                            |
| Wed                                   | 3/13 | 12:05pm | +J. William Daulton        |
| Thurs                                 | 3/14 | 12:05pm | Leonard Shea               |
| Fri                                   | 3/15 | 12:05pm |                            |
| Sat                                   | 3/16 | 4:30 pm | Our Lady of Lourdes Parish |
| Sun                                   | 3/17 | 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: <a href="https://lourdesmpls.org/giving">https://lourdesmpls.org/giving</a> 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