THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

"Now is the time of judgement on this world; ... and when I am lifted up from the earth, I will draw everyone to myself."



March 17, 2024

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 4:30pm (anticipatory)
Sunday 8:30am & 10:30am
Tuesday 12:05pm
Wednesday 12:05pm

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CONFESSION DURING LENT

Saturday 3:30 - 4:15pm

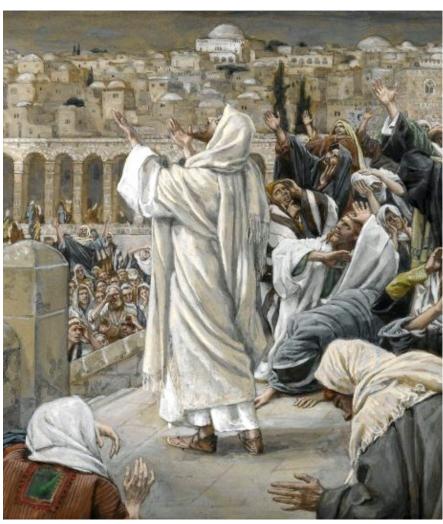
Parish Office Hours

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>





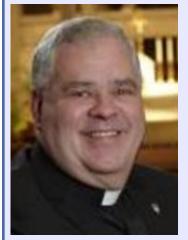
OUR LADY OF LOURDES

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

A couple weeks ago, I was doing some shopping, and at one point I saw a person walking toward me wearing a sweatshirt with a message that read: "Don't Start With Me." I'm not sure what message the individual was trying to convey with the message on their sweatshirt, but my immediate thought was that this was God's none too subtle way of reminding me that this was the attitude with which I had started Lent this year.

I don't know about anyone else, but if it were possible, I would have chosen to sleep though Lent this year. There were just so many things I needed to work on that I didn't know where to begin. Unconsciously I think I was telling God: "Don't start with

me." Fortunately, though, God either didn't hear or chose not to respond to my unspoken thoughts. Lent came and I begrudgingly took on some Lenten practices. And now was we begin the fifth week of lent, I must say (with more than a little chagrin) that I am glad I didn't sleep thought Lent. I am by no means a candidate for sainthood, but I can see a slight change for the better in terms of certain attitudes and actions.

There are times when I think all of us recognize that while we haven't gone over to the dark side, neither have been moving forward in the Lord. At those times, the task of making changes in our lives can seem so overwhelming --- even with God's grace --- that we are tempted to tell God: "Don't start with me." The thing is, though, that without our being aware of it, God has already started with us. While God never forces God's grace on us, God's grace does find a way into the cracks and crevices of our lives, making its way into our minds and hearts, and causing us to change. And, unless we actively resist, we do change ---- and for the better.

Lent is a time for us to let God's grace find a new home in our lives and in our hearts, changing us and re-forming us, fashioning us into the people God would have us be. Mindful of our sinfulness and failings we can balk and tell God: "Don't start with me." Unless we actively resist, though, God will start with us, and with God's grace working in our lives, then Easter comes we will know again the new life Christ has won for us.



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: 3/22 at 5:00pm, Church
- LAST Lenten Parish Fish Fry Date: March 22, 5:30pm, Hofstede Hall
- PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD: March 23 & 24, Mass times as usual

THE SACRED PASCHAL TRIDUUM —

- Chrism Mass (at the Cathedral): Holy Thursday, March 28 at 10:00am
- MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER: Holy Thursday, March 28 at 7:00pm; Adoration until 9:00pm
- Stations of the Cross on Good Friday March 29 at 12:00pm
- LITURGY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD: Good Friday, March 29 at 3:00pm
- TENEBRAE: Good Friday, March 29 at 7:00pm
- THE EASTER VIGIL IN THE HOLY NIGHT: Holy Saturday, March 30 at 8:00pm
- EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION: Masses at 8:30am & 10:30am





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 contact Nicole Millner in the Parish Office if you would like to help!

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.



Adult Faith Formation

March 17th from 9:30am to 10:15am is the final session of our 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 17: Mary Asp: Journaling as Prayer



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!



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READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MAR 17

Sunday Jer 31:31-34; Heb 5:7-9; Jn 12:20-33

Monday Dan 13:41-62c; Jn 8:1-11 Tuesday Sam 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16;

Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a

(Solemnity of Saint Joseph)

Wednesday Dan 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Jn 8:31-42

Thursday Gen 17:3-9; Jn 8:51-59 Friday Jer 20:10-13; Jn 10: 31-42 Saturday Ez 37:21-28; Jn 11:45-56

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	3/16	4:30pm	Our Lady of Lourdes Parish
Sun	3/17	8:30am	Our Lady of Lourdes Parish
		10:30am	Our Lady of Lourdes Parish
Mon	3/18		No Mass
Tues	3/19	12:05pm	
Wed	3/20	12:05pm	
Thurs	3/21	12:05pm	
Fri	3/22	12:05pm	Toni Millner
Sat	3/23	4:30 pm	Our Lady of Lourdes Parish
Sun	3/24	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