

# Feast of the Epiphany

*“Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.”*



**January 4, 2026**

**MASS SCHEDULE**

Saturday 4:30pm

Sunday 8:30am & 10:30am

Tuesday 12:05pm

Wednesday 12:05pm

Thursday 12:05pm

Friday 12:05pm

**CONFSSION**

**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)

**REMINDER: Parking in the ramp while attending liturgies at Lourdes is FREE!**  
Bring a copy of your license plate # and see personnel in the back of church for validation.



**OUR LADY OF LOURDES**

CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## FROM FR. LEO



There is an obvious contrast between the Magi and Herod in the narrative we just heard. On the one hand we have those who came from the East to find the new born King. We don't know much about them. It is speculated that they were priest of another religion, or magicians or even kings as it is translated later. Who ever they were, it is clear they are spiritual seekers and are seeking the new born King. They are blessed because it is by light, a star, that they are guided.

Once they meet Jesus, Mary and Joseph they are overjoyed. They celebrate by giving the new born King gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. After their homage these three spiritual seekers are guided by God to go home by another route and not inform Herod of the child's location.

We contrast these three kind men with Herod, who when he hears there is a new born king, feels threatened and immediately wants to kill him. I can't imagine that level of paranoia. But being so possessed by the need for power, he acts irrationally. He tries to be clever and lies about wanting to pay homage to the new born king. The irony is that the child could have made him truly rich in what mattered, but he was about power - not love. Homicide, not homage.

The Magi return by a different way and leave Herod in the cold. Sadly, Herod can't let go of this and later orders the killing of the holy innocence.

Matthew's hope in sharing this narrative is that we might choose to be spiritual seekers and seek the Lord at all times. The star is always there for us. The light and love of God eggs us on to goodness. So, no matter how dark it is, we will always have God's love and light to guide us. I pray that we may become seekers in this new year and adopt a time of silence in our daily routines of stopping everything and sitting before the new born king to wait, listen and look for what he will show us in that sacred silence.



### Christmas Flower Donations

David & Debbie Paquette

Patrick & Kristi Tierney

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### In memory of:

Mike & Debra Wallerius in memory of Elizabeth Wallerius

Susan Harvieux in memory of Stance & Lucille Harvieux

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Alan Ciesielczyk & Marie Bouley in memory of Eugene & Ethel Henderson,  
Craig Seaburg, Jean Seaburg & Paul Boulay





# UPCOMING EVENTS AT LOURDES

## MASS INTENTIONS

Sun	12/28	8:30am	Our Lady of Lourdes Parish
		10:30am	Our Lady of Lourdes Parish
Mon	12/29	NO MASS	
Tues	12/30	12:05 pm	Dr. Terry Pattinson
Wed	12/31	12:05 pm	
Thurs	1/1	10:00 am	Our Lady of Lourdes Parish
Fri	1/2	12:05 pm	
Sat	1/3	4:30 pm	Our Lady of Lourdes Parish
Sun	1/4	8:30am	Our Lady of Lourdes Parish
		10:30am	Our Lady of Lourdes Parish
Mon	1/5	NO MASS	
Tues	1/6	12:05 pm	+Rev Chas. Froehle (d2016)
Wed	1/7	12:05 pm	
Thurs	1/8	12:05 pm	
Fri	1/9	12:05 pm	
Sat	1/10	4:30 pm	Our Lady of Lourdes Parish
Sun	1/11	8:30am	Our Lady of Lourdes Parish
		10:30am	+ the Lamere Families

**EXTENDED ONE MORE WEEK!**



## Baby Items Drive

Celebrate the Advent season by donating baby items to support the mission of Abria.

Drop off your items in the Church Vestibule or downstairs in Hofstede Hall between November 30 and January **12TH**

### Registry



Use the QR code or link to see the Amazon registry.  
[bit.ly/48dDRYU](https://bit.ly/48dDRYU)

### Suggested Items

wipes & diapers	baby gates
clothing	blankets
toys & books	baby care items
sippy cups	car seats
breast pumps	strollers
potty chair	

*Cash and gift cards are also appreciated.  
Pack N Plays cannot be donated.*



Abria Pregnancy Resources provides safe, non-judgmental and supportive environment for Twin Cities women and couples facing an unexpected pregnancy as well as material assistance through the 'Learn While You Learn' program - participants earn credits to use towards needed services and supplies by taking advantage of individualized assistance and attending classes.  
Abria is a Non-profit 501(c)(3) organization.

## READINGS FOR THE WK DEC. 28/JAN 4

<b>Sunday</b>	Sir: 3:2-6, 12-14; Col 3:12-21; Mt 2: 13-15, 19-23
<b>Monday</b>	1 Jn 2: 3-11; Lk 2:22-35
<b>Tuesday</b>	1 Jn 2:12-17; Lk 2: 36-40
<b>Wednesday</b>	1 Jn 2: 18-21; Jn 1: 1-18
<b>Thursday</b>	Nm 6: 22-27; Gal 4: 4-7; Lk 2: 16-21
<b>Friday</b>	1 Jn 2: 22-28; Jn 1:19-28
<b>Saturday</b>	1 Jn 2: 29-3:6; Jn 1: 1: 29-34
<b>Sunday</b>	Is 60:1-6; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2: 1-12
<b>Monday</b>	1Jn 3:22-4:6; Mt 4:12-17, 23-25
<b>Tuesday</b>	1 Jn 4:1-5:4; Lk 4: 14-22a
<b>Wednesday</b>	1 Jn 4: 11-18; Mk 6: 45-52
<b>Thursday</b>	1 Jn 4: 19-5:4; Lk 4: 14-22a
<b>Friday</b>	1 Jn 5: 5-13; Lk 5:12-16
<b>Saturday</b>	1 Jn: 5: 14-21; Jn 3: 22-30
<b>Sunday</b>	Is 42: 1-4, 6-7; Acts 10: 34-38; Mt 3:13-17

## Save the Dates:

There is more information and signups for some of these on our website.  
Watch for more publicity!

**Meat Pie Bake (see back page)**  
January 17th 8am

**Marriage Morning**  
January 24th 9am

**Cana Dinner**  
February 7th 6pm

## CONGRATULATIONS!

**ELEANOR LOUISE RUTH SPECKMAN  
BAPTIZED**  
**SUNDAY, JANUARY 4, 2026**

## **PARISH LEADERSHIP**

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## **Giving at Our Lady of Lourdes**

Your support enhances our programs and supports new initiatives, helping to ensure we continue to welcome parishioners for years to come.

- **Cash/Check:** Cash gifts are the simplest and easiest way to make a gift. This can be done during the offering at mass or via the mail.
- **Online Gifts:** Visit our website to create a secure account to give online. If you already have an account, you can login to easily make a one-time gift or adjust current giving.



Use your cell phone to scan this QR code to be taken to our website, or visit us directly at [www.lourdesmpls.org/giving](http://www.lourdesmpls.org/giving)

- **Text to Give:** Text the amount you would like to give, starting with a "\$" to: (612) 888-8406.
- **Planned Giving:** If you include Our Lady of Lourdes in your estate plans, please reach out to the parish office to let us know.

Please contact the parish office if you would like to give via weekly envelopes or if you have any questions about how to give, including legacy and planned giving. **Thank you for your generosity!**

**Wondering what to have for Sunday supper (or any other day of the week)?  
How about a famous, hand-made, church-to-table, French Meat Pie!  
Pick it up after mass -\$30.**

## **Meat Pies for sale after all Masses**

**January 10th & 11th**

**If you would like to help sell pies, please see our website <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0844A9A928A2FF2-61391804-french>**

## **MISSION STATEMENT**

**"The historic Church of Our Lady of Lourdes is rooted in the Catholic faith and tradition. We strive to be a welcoming parish, committed to nurturing a spirit of prayer and service. Guided by the Holy Spirit we embrace all who seek to grow in their relationship with Jesus Christ. Together we will build a strong, loving community where faith is lived, celebrated and shared."**