

# 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

*“Blessed are the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs!”*



## 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.”*



**February 1, 2026**

## MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 4:30pm

Sunday 8:30am & 10:30am

Tuesday 12:05pm

Wednesday 12:05pm

Thursday 12:05pm

Friday 12:05pm

## CONFESSION

Saturday 3:25-4:15pm

## 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 [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



The beatitudes we hear today are the greatest summary of the life of one who lives in Jesus Christ Our Lord. These sentences don't bring sadness, but hope and joy as they remind us of what is truly blessed.

Let's look at a couple of them. "Blessed are the poor in spirit." This doesn't mean they are sad, but that they are poor in the spirit of this world, and long for the spirit of God. Their desire brings them into God's heart and their heaven begins even now as they seek with all their hearts the loving God.

"Blessed are they who mourn, for they will be comforted." To mourn is an act of love when we feel the pain of loss of those we love. Our mourning could also be a longing for a life without the damage that has been done to us by others. Healthy mourning heals us as it heals what causes the pain of our tears.

"Blessed are the meek" The meek are not weak. They simply don't need the titles and recognition some think make for happiness. They are free and will live in the land of God's love.

"Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness." "Blessed are you when they insult you and utter every kind of slander against you." "Rejoice and be Glad." These beatitudes make me think of the Apostle Paul who welcomed suffering and found joy and meaning in it. Not because he was a masochist, but because he was furthering the kingdom by sharing in the redemptive suffering of Christ.

To love as Paul, requires a deep love of Jesus that makes suffering a redemptive gift. It takes a deep faith which we pray for and work towards every day of our lives.

The last point I would like to make in regards to the beatitudes is that if these beatitudes become real in our lives it is the work of the Spirit, but also, our making these beatitudes real for others. To be meek, loving, self-sacrificing, comforting to the mourning, living in the Spirit of God and finding our joy in giving others the gift of the Spirit we have received is to inherit the Kingdom of God!

### ***Save the Dates:***

Meat Pies for sale after all Masses on the weekend of **February 14 & 15**

**First Fish Fry—Friday February 27th**  
More details in next week's bulletin

### **FRENCH MEAT PIES AVAILABLE WHILE QUANTITIES LAST!**

**Cost is \$30.00 per pie ~  
checks, cash, credit card welcome!**

***Meat Pies can be  
purchased at the Parish Office  
Tues thru Fri 8:30am - 4:30pm***



## UPCOMING EVENTS AT LOURDES

### MASS INTENTIONS

Sun	2/1	8:30am	Our Lady of Lourdes Parish
		10:30am	Our Lady of Lourdes Parish
Mon	2/2	NO MASS	
Tues	2/3	12:05 pm	
Wed	2/4	12:05 pm	
Thurs	2/5	12:05 pm	+ Moe Family
Fri	2/6	12:05 pm	The Hyska Family
Sat	2/7	4:30 pm	+Rev Jean-Marie Bazin SM
Sun	2/8	8:30am	+ Rev Paul Rietsch SM
		10:30am	Our Lady of Lourdes Parish

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK FEB 1

<b>Sunday</b>	Zep: 2:3; 3:12-13; 1 Cor 1:26-31; Mt 5:1-12a
<b>Monday</b>	Mal 3: 1-4; Lk 2:22-40
<b>Tuesday</b>	2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30-19:3; Mk 5: 21-4
<b>Wednesday</b>	2 Sm 24: 9-17; Mk 6: 1-6
<b>Thursday</b>	1 Kgs 2: 1-4, 10-12; Mk 6: 7-13
<b>Friday</b>	Sir 47: 2-11; Mk 6:14-29
<b>Saturday</b>	1 Kgs 3: 4-13; Mk 6: 30-34



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Women of Our Lady of Lourdes • 2026

All women of the parish are invited to join us for

## Blessed Pizza

Tuesday, February 10 | 6-8 PM | Hofstede Hall

suggested donation \$5



With a special presentation  
by Lourdes parishoner,  
Elizabeth Sponsel:

## The Way of St. James

"As you start on the Way,  
the Way appears."

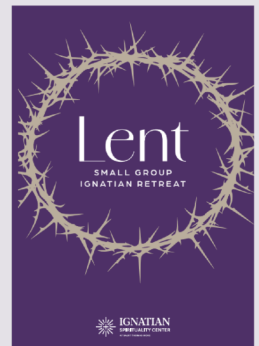
- Rumi, 13th Century



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## A Lenten Small Group for the Women of Lourdes

Tuesday Evenings  
February 17 – March 31  
7:00pm via Zoom  
Free



## Register Online

[lourdesmpls.org/registration-form](http://lourdesmpls.org/registration-form)



Save the date for our 2026 events  
April 25: Blessed Bagels  
July 14: Blessed Connections  
October 24: Blessed Brunch

Our 2026 theme of  
"Peace" is inspired  
by Pope Leo's first  
greeting as pope.



The Women of Our Lady of Lourdes is a caring community of Catholic Women, where we all have the opportunity to give and receive, wherever we are on our faith journey.





## PARISH LEADERSHIP

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Our **Cana Dinner** is Saturday, February 7<sup>th</sup>. All married and engaged couples are invited to join us for a celebration of marriage! Mass at 4:30 pm, followed by a reception, dinner, and fun activities in Hofstede Hall. The cost is \$75.00 per couple. Reservations can be made online

NOW at:

<https://lourdesmpls.org/cana-dinner>

To pay by credit card please call the office or stop in and pay in person (check/cash/cc).

**Please register by Friday, January 31st**

## 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!**

## Our Parish History

Our Lady of Lourdes is the oldest continuously used church in the city of Minneapolis. In 1877, the growing French-Canadian community bought the church from the First Universalist Society. Constructed in 1854 in what was the Town of St. Anthony, our parish is the first parish in the United States to be named in honor of Our Lady of Lourdes.



## BUSY BAGS FOR OUR YOUNGEST CHILDREN

Located at the entrance of the church. **All we ask is that you return them at the end of Mass.**