

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.”



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.”



January 18, 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

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



Our gospel echoes last weeks gospel. So as not to repeat myself, I thought I would do a short tutorial on the Sacrament of Baptism. Baptism is the first of the three sacraments of initiation along with Eucharist and Confirmation. Baptism initiates us into a community of faith that is centered around Christ and his Paschal Mystery making his death and resurrection becomes our own.

Let's look at the symbols of the sacrament and how they are used. First we use the sign of the cross many times as it is the symbol of the life and death of Christ. We trace the cross on the candidates forehead claiming them for Christ.

The second symbol is water. Chosen because it is the best symbol for life and death. We are 90 some percent water. Without it we die. Water can also be deadly. So when we immerse the candidate into the water, the tomb of Christ, they share in Christ's death so they may also share in his resurrection rising out of the water. Blessing ourselves in the font as we enter church is a renewal of our baptismal grace.

Oils are also used. Oils were used for healing in Jesus' time. Even today we have salves used in healing. So the oil of the catechumen is used to strengthen and heal the soul in the process of coming into the Church. This is done just below the neck.

This oil is blessed by the bishop on Holy Thursday as is the oil of Holy Chrism. Holy Chrism has a wonderful aroma from the chrism added to the oil which is also used to ordain and confirm. We anoint the candidate on the crown of the head to note that we share in Christ's role as priest, prophet and king.

A white garment is put on the child to symbolize the forgiveness of sin and the purity of a soul after baptism. Then a baptismal candle is lit from the Paschal candle, blessed at Easter. It is given to the parents and godparents to be kept burning brightly. At confirmation we hear the candidates profess their yes to their baptisms as they pray for the manifestations of the gifts of the Holy Spirit.

Save the Dates:

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

Marriage Morning
January 24th 9am

Cana Dinner
February 7th 6pm

**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 | 1/18 | 8:30am | Our Lady of Lourdes Parish |
| | | 10:30am | Our Lady of Lourdes Parish |
| Mon | 1/19 | NO MASS | |
| Tues | 1/20 | 12:05 pm | |
| Wed | 1/21 | 12:05 pm | Rev. Zephirin Chandonnet (1879-1884) (d. circa 1884) |
| Thurs | 1/22 | 12:05 pm | |
| Fri | 1/23 | 12:05 pm | |
| Sat | 1/24 | 4:30 pm | Our Lady of Lourdes Parish |
| Sun | 1/25 | 8:30am | Our Lady of Lourdes Parish |
| | | 10:30am | Our Lady of Lourdes Parish |

READINGS FOR THE WEEK JAN 18

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| Sunday | Is: 49:3, 5-6; 1 Cor 1:1-3; Jn 1:29-34 |
| Monday | 1 Sm 15: 16-23; Mk 2:18-22 |
| Tuesday | 1 Sm 16:1-13; Mk 2: 23-28 |
| Wednesday | 1 Sm 17: 32-33, 37,40-51; Mk 3: 1-6 |
| Thursday | 1 Sm 18: 6-9,19:1-7; Mk 3: 7-12 |
| Friday | 1 Sm 24: 3-21; Mk 3:13-19 |
| Saturday | 2 Sm 1: 1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27; Mk 3: 20-21 |



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 parishioner,
Elizabeth Sponsel:



**The Way of
St. James**

"As you start on the Way,
the Way appears."
- Rumi, 13th Century

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.



Women
of LOURDES



CONGRATULATIONS!

**THEODORE MICHAEL KIRCHER &
MILLIE JEAN SKROVE
BAPTIZED
SUNDAY, JANUARY 18, 2026**



Our Cana Dinner is Saturday, February 7th. 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 30th

PARISH LEADERSHIP

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Monica Shearon - Chair, Pastoral Care Ministry



OLL Financial Report YTD

(July-December, 2025)*

| | Actual | Budget | Difference |
|--------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| INCOME | | | |
| Collections* | \$339,090.81 | \$ 327,500.02 | \$ 11,590.79 |
| Other ** | <u>\$ 83,915.63</u> | <u>\$ 75,075.02</u> | <u>\$ 8,840.61</u> |
| Total Income | \$423,006.44 | \$ 402,575.04 | \$ 20,431.40) |
| EXPENSES | | | |
| Admin/Emp Costs *** | \$ 197,043.54 | \$215,393.74 | \$ (18,350.20) |
| Campus and Utilities | <u>\$ 92,700.19</u> | <u>\$ 70,851.06</u> | <u>\$ 21,849.13</u> |
| Total Expenses | \$ 364,036.31 | \$ 369,984.00 | \$ 3,498.93 |
| Actual Income - Expenses | | \$58,970.13 | |

* Excludes restricted Precious Jewell Fund contributions and expenses

** Other operating income includes Meat Pies, and Sacramental Fees

*** Includes salaries and all benefits costs

**** Excludes Depreciation (non-cash expense)

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

- **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!**