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MASSES
 Daily: Mon - Fri : 8:00 AM
 Saturday 4:30 PM
 Sunday 10 AM
PENANCE Saturdays 2:30-3:30 PM



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Mission Statement:

"Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, disciples of Jesus Christ in Worcester, MA, reaches out with love into the neighborhoods to welcome, serve, support, and engage the community in Jesus. In creating a welcoming relationship with Eucharistic and prayerful celebrations, we gather to make a difference by coming closer to God and one another."

August 3, 2025
18th Sunday in Ordinary Time



"Take care to guard against all greed, for though one may be rich, one's life does not consist of possessions."

LUKE 12:15

The Gospel message is contrary to modern culture that continually tries to convince us that our joy comes from the material things we possess. That the more we acquire, the happier we will be. Jesus shows us that our true joy comes from our "invisible" gifts like love, mercy, and forgiveness.

True joy comes from "emptying" ourselves, giving of ourselves rather than always taking. We are called not to hoard but to share. True joy comes from living a grateful and generous lifestyle; become more "God-centered" and less "self-centered."

Daily Rosary-Praying of the Rosary will continue after the 8am daily mass in the church on Monday through Friday and at 9:15am before the 10am Sunday Mass.

Mass Intentions & Calendar

- Sat, Aug 2**
 4:30 pm Elliott "Smitty" Smith req by Denise & Bill Perron
- Sun, Aug 3 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
 10:00 am In Memory of Marta Bautista de Fuentes & Jose de la Cruz Fuentes req by Martha
- 11:00 am Hospitality Meeting in the Church hall
- Mon, Aug 4**
 8:00 am Lori Sinkus - Month's Mind - req by Judy, Joe & Annina Verdini and Anthony D'Angelo
- Tue, Aug 5**
 8:00 am
- Wed, Aug 6 The Transfiguration of the Lord**
 8:00 am
- Thu, Aug 7**
 8:00 am Anita Phillips 1 yr anniv req by the family
- Fri, Aug 8**
 8:00 am
- Sat, Aug 9**
 4:30 pm Yvette Brodeur birthday remembrance req by the family
- Sun, Aug 10 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
 10:00 am Lucrecia de Fuentes, Apolinar Fuentes and Deceased members of the Guevara-Fuentes family req by Martha

SCRIPTURE READINGS

3 SUN	Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14, 17 (1)/ Col 3:1-5, 9-11/Lk 12:13-21
4 MON	Nm 11:4b-15/Ps 81:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/Mt 14:13-21
5 TUE	Nm 12:1-13/Ps 51:3-4,5-6ab,6cd-7,12-13/Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14
6 WED	Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9/2 Pt 1:16-19/ Lk 9:28b-36
7 THU	Nm 20:1-13/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 16:13-23
8 FRI	Dt 4:32-40/Ps 77:12-13, 14-15, 16 and 21/Mt 16:24-28
9 SAT	Dt 6:4-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 47 and 51/Mt 17:14-20

PARISH RAFFLE

After the initial drawing of the winning tickets on 7/19, Catholic Parish Initiatives then calculated how many churches were left that did not have a winner and dispersed the grant money. We received a \$500 gift card from the grant money that was randomly picked amongst all that purchased a ticket and the winner is....

JAMES PADULA

Congratulations! We will notify you when we receive the gift card.

Religious Education Fall 2025-2026

Registration starts August 17, 2025 after the 10am mass. You can print off the registration form from our website and also pay through online giving. Religious Ed starts on September 21st. For more information, contact Judy Verdini at jverdini26@gmail.com.

Our Lady of Lourdes Outdoor Mass & BBQ

Sunday, September 14, 11 am Mass

Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Sausage

Assorted Salads

Pastries

\$15/pp

Tickets go on sale in August

NEEDED -

**RAFFLE BASKETS
PASTRIES, SALADS**



Cats Meow of Our Lady of Lourdes

If you would like to purchase a new Our Lady of Lourdes Cats Meow, there are order forms to fill out and be returned by September 19 in order to receive for Christmas. (great Christmas gift idea!)

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

WEEKLY OFFERING

Sunday Offertory 7/26-7/27	\$1,639.61
Online Giving	405.00
Candles 7/21	18.00
Fuel & Heating	520.00
Maintenance	185.00
Mass Offerings	25.00
Parish Assistance Project	600.00
Raffles Income-donate back to church	100.00
Room & Board	1,000.00

*Thank you for your continued, generous support.
We appreciate your support of the church*

PARTNERS IN CHARITY - 2025

We need the support of all members of Our Lady of Lourdes if we are to be successful in reaching our parish goal of \$47,500. As of July 22, we are still in need of \$19,860. There have only been 64 donations compared to last years 89. If you have not yet completed your pledge, please prayerfully make your pledge and return it to the church office or in the collection basket. We are confident that, with God's help and yours, we will rise to it! If you have not yet made a gift or pledge, please fill out a commitment pledge envelope today or visit www.partners-charity.net. Thank you!

Vacation

Cheryl, our Adm Asst/Bookkeeper will be away on vacation starting August 5 and will be back in the office on August 18th. If there is something important or you would like to book a mass, please see Fr. O'Toole.

Senior Luncheon Returns

We are returning the Senior Luncheon starting on Tuesday, September 9th at 11:30am in the church hall. A light lunch will be served at \$5pp and there will be entertainment.



Are you interested in the catholic faith??

If you know of someone who has not been baptized or received Communion or Confirmation and is over the age of 7 years old, Our Lady of Lourdes invites **candidates and catechumens to participate in the OCIA program (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults)** which is a **continuous process of spiritual formation. Rites are received in our church as you take part in the ongoing journey of discipleship** that will culminate with baptism and confirmation – usually during the Easter Vigil – but will continue throughout their lives.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

There has been some interest in establishing a time when people can come and adore the Blessed Sacrament (the Eucharist) exposed on the Altar. If this is something you are interested in please contact Zach Pavini at 508-667-8960 and leave a voicemail or zeilert@worchester.edu.

GATHERING HYMN

All Creatures of Our God and King

LASST UNS ERFREUEN



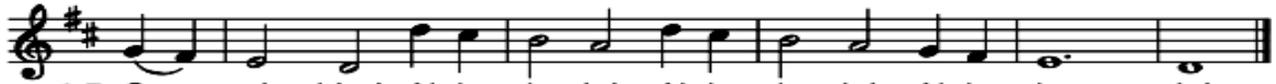
1. All crea-tures of our God and King, Lift up your voic - es,
2. Great rush - ing winds who are so strong, You clouds a - bove that
3. Swift flow - ing wa - ter, pure and clear, Make mu - sic for your
4. Dear moth - er earth, who day by day Un - folds your bless - ings
5. All you with mer - cy in your heart, For - giv - ing oth - ers,
6. And e - ven you, most gen - tle death, Wait - ing to hush our
7. Let all things their Cre - a - tor bless, And wor - ship him in



1. let us sing: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Bright burn - ing sun with
2. sail a - long, O — praise him! Al - le - lu - ia! Fair ris - ing morn, with
3. Lord to hear, Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Fire so in - tense and
4. on our way, O — praise him! Al - le - lu - ia! All flow'rs and fruits that
5. take your part, O — sing now! Al - le - lu - ia! All you that pain and
6. fi - nal breath, O — praise him! Al - le - lu - ia! You lead back home the
7. hum - ble - ness, O — praise him! Al - le - lu - ia! Praise God the Fa - ther,



1. gold - en beams, Soft sil - ver moon that gent - ly gleams, O praise him!
2. praise re - joice, Stars night - ly shin - ing, find a voice, O praise him!
3. fierce - ly bright, Who gives to us both warmth and light, O praise him!
4. in you grow, Let them his glo - ry al - so show: O praise him!
5. sor - row bear, Praise God, and cast on him your care: O praise him!
6. child of God, For Christ our Lord that way has trod: O praise him!
7. praise the Son, And praise the Spir - it, Three in One: O praise him!



- 1-7. O praise him! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you,
we bless you,
we adore you,
we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord, God, Heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.

Lord, Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
You take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us:

You take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer,
You are seated at the right hand of the
Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One;
You alone are the Lord.
You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
With the Holy Spirit,
In the glory of God, the Father.

Amen

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

ECCLESIASTES 1:2; 2:21-23

Vanity of vanities, says Qoheleth, vanity of vanities! All things are vanity!

Here is one who has labored with wisdom and knowledge and skill, and yet to another who has not labored over it, he must leave property. This also is vanity and a great misfortune. For what profit comes to man from all the toil and anxiety of heart with which he has labored under the sun? All his days sorrow and grief are his occupation; even at night his mind is not at rest. This also is vanity.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PSALM 90



SECOND READING

COLOSSIANS 3:1-5, 9-11

Brothers and sisters: If you were raised with Christ, seek what is above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. Think of what is above, not of what is on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ your life appears, then you too will appear with him in glory.

Put to death, then, the parts of you that are earthly: immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and the greed that is idolatry. Stop lying to one another, since you have taken off the old self with its practices and have put on the new self, which is being renewed, for knowledge, in the image of its creator. Here there is not Greek and Jew, circumcision and uncircumcision, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free; but Christ is all and in all.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*Mass of Christ the Savior
Dan Schutte*



GOSPEL

LUKE 12:13-21

Someone in the crowd said to Jesus, "Teacher, tell my brother to share the inheritance with me." He replied to him, "Friend, who appointed me as your judge and arbitrator?" Then he said to the crowd, "Take care to guard against all greed, for though one may be rich, one's life does not consist of possessions."

Then he told them a parable. "There was a rich man whose land produced a bountiful harvest. He asked himself, 'What shall I do, for I do not have space to store my harvest?' And he said, 'This is what I shall do: I shall tear down my barns and build larger ones. There I shall store all my grain and other goods and I shall say to myself, "Now as for you, you have so many good things stored up for many years, rest, eat, drink, be merry!"' But God said to him, 'You fool, this night your life will be demanded of you; and the things you have prepared, to whom will they belong?' Thus will it be for all who store up treasure for themselves but are not rich in what matters to God."

HOMILY

NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church. I confess one baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

The Response is: *“Lord hear us.”*

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

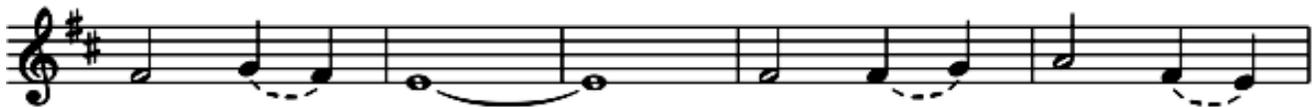
PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

Seek Ye First

Karen Lafferty



1. Seek ye ___ first the king - dom of God and his
2. Ask and it shall be giv - en un - to you; seek, and
3. You do not live by bread ___ a - lone, but by



1. righ - teous - ness, And all these things shall be
2. ye shall ___ find; Knock, and it shall be ___
3. ev - 'ry ___ word That pro - ceeds from the



1. add - ed un - to you. }
2. o - pened un - to you. } Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia.
3. mouth ___ of ___ God. }

HOLY, HOLY

MASS OF CHRIST THE SAVIOR

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord, God of hosts.
 Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
 Hosanna in the highest.
 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
 Hosanna in the highest.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

MASS OF CHRIST THE SAVIOR

When we eat this bread
 And drink this cup,
 We proclaim your death, O Lord,
 Until you come again.

GREAT AMEN

MASS OF CHRIST THE SAVIOR

OUR FATHER

SIGN OF PEACE

LAMB OF GOD

MASS OF CHRIST THE SAVIOR

COMMUNION

Gift of Finest Wheat

Robert E. Kreutz

Refrain



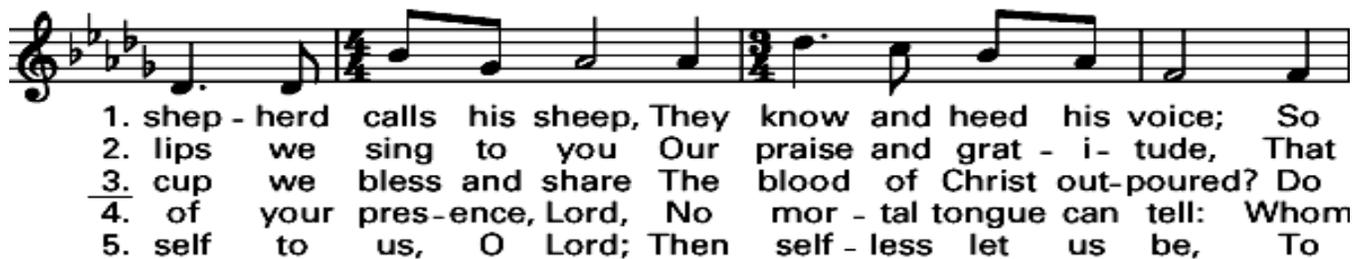
You sat-is-fy the hun-gry heart With gift of fin-est wheat, Come

Verses



give to us, O sav-ing Lord, The bread of life to eat.

1. As when the
2. With joy - ful
3. Is not the
4. The mys-t'ry
5. You give your-



1. shep - herd calls his sheep, They know and heed his voice; So
2. lips we sing to you Our praise and grat - i- tude, That
3. cup we bless and share The blood of Christ out-poured? Do
4. of your pres-ence, Lord, No mor - tal tongue can tell: Whom
5. self to us, O Lord; Then self - less let us be, To

to Refrain



1. when you call your fam-'ly, Lord, We fol - low and re-joice.
2. you should count us wor-thy, Lord, To share this heav'n-ly food.
3. not one cup, one loaf, de - clare Our one-ness in the Lord?
4. all the world can - not con - tain Comes in our hearts to dwell.
5. serve each oth - er in your name In truth and char - i - ty.

RECESSIONAL

All Praise and Glad Thanksgiving

GOTT VATER SEI GEPRIESEN

1. All praise and glad thanks - giv - ing To God the Fa - ther
 2. Christ Je - sus, we a - dore you, The Son of God most
 3. O Ho - ly Spir - it, bless - ing To you who reign a -

1. be: The Font of all things liv - ing, Who reigns e -
 2. high; With thanks we sing be - fore you, Who came for
 3. bove! Your won - drous gifts con - fess - ing, The Church sings

1. ter - nal - ly.
 2. us to die. } Praise to God for - ev - er be,
 3. forth your love!

1-3. One in life, in Per - sons three: Might - y God,
 1-3. sav - ing God, God e - ter - nal Trin - i - ty!

ONLINE GIVING: We would like to thank the 15 to 20 families who are currently giving electronically. You may not see these fellow parishioners place an envelope in the basket every week, but their consistent giving does not go unnoticed in our parish office. **If you would like to give online but feel funny about not putting anything in the offertory basket, just mark on your envelope that you give online.** Each month our parish receives a steady and predictable stream of income from those donors who have made the commitment to give to God first by having a designated contribution automatically transferred to our parish through our Online Giving Program. If you would like to learn more about this easy, safe and secure way of giving, please contact Fr. Brian or Cheryl at the rectory or go online at ololma.org to sign up for online giving.

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