



CHURCH OF
SAINT LOUIS
KING OF FRANCE

The Little French Church

SUNDAY MASSES

7:00 a.m.

10:00 a.m. Saturday Vigil Mass

12:30 p.m. 5:00 p.m.

DAILY MASSES

Monday - Friday 6:45 a.m.,
12:10 p.m.

Saturday 6:45 a.m.

DAILY CONFESSIONS

In the Chapel (except Holy
Days & Holidays)

Monday - Saturday
6:15 a.m., 11:15 a.m.

Saturday
4:00 p.m. - 4:45 p.m.



ANOIDTING OF THE SICK

First Monday of the Month. At all
Masses (except Holy Days and
Holidays)

**NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF
THE MIRACULOUS MEDAL**

Monday 12:00 p.m.

BAPTISMS

Second Sunday of the month.
Contact the Parish Office at least
one month prior to requested date
of Baptism to arrange for a
personal interview with the Pastor.
For parishioners only.

MARRIAGES

Arrangements should be made at
least six months in advance for
those who have been registered,
supportive parishioners for at least
one year. Contact the Parish Office
for a meeting with the Pastor.

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MEDITATION

Sunday, August, 16, 2026

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Great is your faith! (Matthew 15:28)

Only once in Matthew's Gospel did Jesus characterize someone as having *great faith*. It wasn't Peter, who professed Jesus as "the Messiah, the Son of the living God" (Matthew 16:16). Nor was it Joseph, who obeyed an angel and took Mary as his wife (Matthew 1:24). No, Jesus reserved this term for an unnamed gentile woman who wouldn't take no for an answer.

Jesus was in the territory of Tyre and Sidon when he met this woman. These cities, located south of modern-day Beirut, Lebanon, were the foremost Mediterranean seaports at the time. Evidently, the news of Jesus' miracles had traveled far beyond the borders of Israel, because this Canaanite mother was determined to approach Jesus personally on behalf of her tormented daughter.

This mother's strong faith stands in stark contrast to the inflexibility of the scribes and Pharisees. They had interrogated Jesus and his disciples about the fact that they didn't wash their hands before eating (Matthew 15:2). They had standards that Jesus had to meet before they would believe.

Conversely, the Canaanite woman was eager to believe. She was hoping that Jesus would be accommodating toward her despite her religious status. Even when he initially rebuked her, she persisted. Rather than being offended, she remained open. She believed he had the power and the willingness to work a miracle. As a result, she, a Gentile, experienced his love and power: her daughter "was healed from that hour" (Matthew 15:28).

This woman's trust endeared her to Jesus--and to readers of Matthew's Gospel ever since. Just as Jesus commended her faith, he welcomes all of us when we come to him with humble faith. He wants to shower his healing and "mercy upon all" (Romans 11:32). So, if you hesitate to bring your needs to Jesus--or to return to the sacraments after time away--let this mother's faith strengthen yours.

"Jesus, I believe in you!"

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FOCUS ON THE WORD

O God, let all the nations praise you!

Christ's words in today's Gospel are puzzling and can seem unfair. Why does it seem that he initially rejects the woman's request to heal her daughter because she is not Jewish? And did Jesus know she would be persistent in her request? Regardless, Jesus is impressed with her great faith and it provides him with a "teachable moment" because he heals the woman's daughter, showing that the kingdom of God is indeed for *all* people.

POPE LEO'S MONTHLY PRAYER INTENTION FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST

For evangelization in the city.

Let us pray that in large cities often marked by anonymity and loneliness we find new ways to proclaim the Gospel, discovering creative paths to build community.

TODAY'S MUSIC

PROCESSIONAL HYMN:

O God, Beyond All Praising #272

Kyrie #1

Gloria #5

OFFERTORY HYMN:

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy #241

Sanctus #16

Agnus Dei #30

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

***With the Lord there is mercy;
in him is plentiful redemption.***

RECESSIONAL HYMN:

Immaculate Mary #342

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, August 17

Ezekiel 24:15-23

(Ps) Deuteronomy 32:18-21

Matthew 19:16-22

Tuesday, August 18

Ezekiel 28:1-10

(Ps) Deuteronomy 32:26-28, 30, 35c-36b

Matthew 19:23-30

Wednesday, August 19

Ezekiel 34:1-11

Psalm 23:1-6

Matthew 20:1-16

Thursday, August 20

Ezekiel 36:23-28

Psalm 51:12-15, 18-19

Matthew 22:1-14

Friday, August 21

Ezekiel 37:1-14

Psalm 107:2-9

Matthew 22:34-40

Saturday, August 22

Ezekiel 43:1-7ab

Psalm 85:9ab, 10-14

Matthew 23:1-12

Sunday, August 23

Isaiah 22:19-23

Psalm 138:1-3, 6, 8

Romans 11:33-36

Matthew 16:13-20

Prayer Requests: If you or someone you know is in need of prayers, please call or email the parish office and their names will be added to our list of intentions: **The email for prayer requests is omannstlouis@gmail.com or call 651-224-3379.**

We ask that you kindly let us know when the names of people should be removed. Names will be removed after 2 months unless otherwise notified. Many, many thanks.

Please pray for our parishioners and friends of St. Louis Church who are sick: Gertie Alvela, Peggy Anfang, Margie Atkinson, Mary Atkinson, Lowell C., Jenny Dufner, Greg Ennis, Joan Felion, Harry Frazier, Anne Hallgren, Mia Hasouris, Jacqueline Heintz, Mary Ellen Hennen Mark Hennen, Austin Hogan, Patty Huiras, Doria Johnson, John Johnson, Brian Junker, Marilyn Krass, John D. Lamey, Bonida Lanford, Caroline Lanford, Steve Lauinger, Oscar Marfori, Michael McGuire, Jennifer McMaster, Brad McNaught, Tom Miller, Dick Mogren, Ruth Murray, Gretchen Naegeli, Tom Nutter, Karen Olson, Stephanie Pommier, Zachary Redland, Jacob Revera, Jaxson Rivera, Inger Saffie, Mamie Singleton, Angela Spence, Jim Steinhagen, Maureen Sullivan, Robert Tereau, Allyson Tracy, Robert VanGuilder, Jr, Edie Virnig, Brian Walstad, Jennifer Washington, Justin Woessner and Jim Wrede.

RING OUT, O BELLS . . .

DATE	REQUEST FOR	INTENTION	REQUESTED BY
August 17	†Vickie Atkinson	Memorial	Rob and Amy Etten
August 18	†Josh Etten	Anniversary of Death	Rob and Amy Etten
August 20	Jaci Krech	Happy Birthday	Helene Houle
August 21	†Robert and †Mary Lou O'Connor	Wedding Anniversary Memorial	Jeanine Weschcke
August 23	Grace Hadad	Happy Birthday	Helene Houle

OPEN BELL DATES: The following dates are open in August and September for anyone wishing to have the bells rung in memory or in honor of a loved one: August 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31; September 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 13, 14, 15, 17, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 29 and 30. Please call the rectory during office hours to make arrangements. Some dates listed as open may not be available due to the normal lag in printing time.

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, August 17 *Seasonal Weekday*

6:45 †Dennis Smeby

12:10 †Joseph and †Lorraine Merkl

Tuesday, August 18 *Seasonal Weekday*

6:45 †Josh Etten

12:10 Yvonne Macko

Wednesday, August 19 *Saint John Eudes*

6:45 †Leo Tibesar, Sr.

12:10 Lynne Smeby

Thursday, August 20 *Saint Bernard*

6:45 Marcus and Jessica Tibesar

12:10 †Gerald Ernster

Friday, August 21 *Saint Pius X*

6:45 †Brianna Veira

12:10 †Robert and †Patricia Bussen

Saturday, August 22 *The Queenship of Mary*

6:45 †Nicholas LaGrandier

5:00 †David Graff

Sunday, August 23 *Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time*

7:00 Living and Deceased Parishioners
of Saint Louis Church

10:00 †Margaret Ann Hennen

12:30 †James Hobbie

PARISH CALENDAR

August 17 Rosary Recited 11:40 AM

August 17 Novena Miraculous Medal 12:00 PM

August 18. Rosary Recited 11:40 AM

August 19 Eucharistic Adoration 11-12 PM

August 20 Rosary Recited 11:40 AM

August 21 Rosary Recited 11:40 AM

August 22 and 23 Second Collection All Masses

August 23 Feast Day Mass and Reception **12:00 PM**

Mass Intentions

For Mass Intention Requests, please complete a Mass Intention Envelope clearly and readable and place your envelope in the collection basket or mail to the parish office. The stipend for a Mass Request is \$ 10.00.

ELECTRONIC DONATION

You can now make an electronic donation to St. Louis Church by scanning the QR code to the right. The code is linked to our online giving page on the website.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Next Sunday, August 23, 2026, we will celebrate the Feast of St. Louis, King of France, our patron. The time of the 12:30 PM Mass will be changed to **12:00 PM** with a reception after the **12:00 Mass** in the parish hall. A catered lunch from DeGidio's will be served. Tickets will be on sale after each Mass this weekend. The cost of a ticket is \$20.00. This will also be a time to meet and greet our Parochial Administrator and Assisting Priests. There will be a raffle and door prizes. Let's make this a fun time in honor of St. Louis, our patron.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR PARISH CELEBRATION

We are seeking a few volunteers to sell tickets after the weekend Masses. Also, we are asking volunteers to solicit gift cards from merchants for door prizes and to help with the reception on Sunday, August 23rd. If you are able to help, please call Kathy at the parish office – 651-224-3379. Many thanks.

GLUTEN FREE HOSTS AVAILABLE

Gluten free hosts are now available. If you wish to receive a gluten free host, please go in the priests' line to receive and request a gluten free host.

ELECTRONIC GIVING

Have you considered electronic giving? It saves time and money. You do not have to worry about forgetting your envelope every Sunday and can save postage. If you would like to make your donations electronically, please contact Kathy at the parish office: 651-224-3379.

BULLETIN ADVERTISING

There are two open advertising spaces on the back of our parish bulletin. The advertising on the back of the bulletin pays the cost of printing the bulletin. Also, the parish receives a rebate from LPi every year based on the number of ads placed. For more information, please contact Kathy at the parish office: 651-224-3379. Many thanks.

Bell Requests

If you would like to have the bells rung for the intention of a loved one, please call the parish office or mail your request to the parish office. The stipend to have the bells rung is \$ 25.00.

WE EXTEND OUR SYMPATHIES

St. Louis Church has been notified of the death of Fr. Ronald DesRosiers, SM, on Sunday, August 9, 2026. Fr. Ron assisted at many of our Christmas and Easter celebrations and was in residence at the Little French Church from 2013 - 2021. We pray for the repose of his soul.

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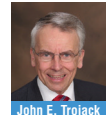
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"What good is it, my brothers,
if someone says he has faith but
does not have works?
Can that faith save him?"
James 2:14

In memory of
the deceased
members of the
Sonntag and
Omman families.



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