



# CHURCH OF Saint Louis

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## 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.



## ANOINTING 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, December 7, 2025

Second Sunday of Advent

***Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand!***  
***(Matthew 3:2)***

Today we meet John the Baptist, herald and forerunner of the Messiah. A man of prayer and fasting, John knew from an early age that God had called him to preach repentance and “to give his people knowledge of salvation through the forgiveness of their sins” (Luke 1:76-77).

In the Gospel, John appears in the desert and proclaims, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand!” (Matthew 3:2). For years, he has attuned his heart to God’s promptings so he could prepare the people for the Messiah, and now, by the Spirit, he understands that the hour has come! John urges the people to “prepare the way of the Lord,” and get their lives in order so they could welcome Jesus and be saved (Matthew 3:3).

John’s words cry out in our wilderness today as well: *Prepare the way for the Lord! Repent, and get ready to welcome God’s Son!* Just as the people of John’s time flocked to him to turn away from sin and be baptized, we can return to the Lord this Advent. We can seize the opportunity to repent and make room for Jesus in our hearts. Then we’ll know the joy of salvation as Jesus releases us from the burden of our sins.

How is God calling you to prepare the way for the Lord today? Don’t let anything prevent you from receiving his hope and healing! Open your heart to the tender mercy of God!

Are you burdened by guilt? Are you struggling to love someone? Or are you so stressed or preoccupied that you can’t even see your need to repent? Jesus delights to offer you absolution in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. He is also present with you right now, wherever you are. He dwells in the sanctuary of your heart, where you can lay bare your sins and receive his mercy. Confess your sins to the Lord today, and you will discover what John knew: Jesus is near; the kingdom is at hand.

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### THE FOUR THEMES OF ADVENT

The Advent themes traditionally focus on the virtues and qualities central to the preparation for Christmas. Each year, the Advent themes are always the same: Hope, Peace, Joy and Love. The theme for the Second Sunday of Advent is Peace. The advent theme of **peace** centers on the tranquility and wholeness that Jesus brings to the world. Celebrated during the second week of Advent, peace reminds us that Christ’s coming is meant to reconcile humanity with God and with one another. In Scripture, peace is more than just the absence of conflict—it’s a deep, lasting harmony rooted in God’s presence.

### POPE LEO’S PRAYER INTENTION FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER

#### For Christians in areas of conflict

Let us pray that Christians living in areas of war and conflict, especially in the Middle East, might be seeds of peace, reconciliation and hope.

## TODAY’S MUSIC

PROCESSIONAL HYMN:

*O Come, O Come, Emmanuel* #182

Kyrie #1

OFFERTORY HYMN:

*On Jordan’s Bank* #197

Sanctus #16

Agnus Dei #30

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

***Jerusalem, arise and stand upon the heights,  
and behold the joy which comes to you from God.***

RECESSIONAL HYMN:

*Wake, O Wake* #183

### SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

#### Monday, December 8

Genesis 3:9-15

(Psalm) Judith 13:18bc, 19

Ephesians 1:3-6, 11-12

Luke 1:26-38

#### Tuesday, December 9

Isaiah 40:1-11

Psalm 96:1-3, 10ac, 11-13

Matthew 18:12-14

#### Wednesday, December 10

Isaiah 40:25-31

Psalm 103:1-4, 8, 10

Matthew 11:28-30

#### Thursday, December 11

Isaiah 41:13-20

Psalm 145:1, 9-13ab

Matthew 11:11-15

#### Friday, December 12

Zechariah 2:14-17

(Psalm) Judith 13:18bc, 19

Luke 1:39-47

#### Saturday, December 13

Sirach 48:1-4, 9-11

Psalm 80:2ac, 3b, 15-16, 18-19

Matthew 17:9a, 10-13

#### Sunday, December 14

Isaiah 35:1-6a, 10

Psalm 146:6-10

James 5:7-10

Matthew 11:2-11

Prayer Requests: If you or someone you know is in need of prayers, please call or email the parish office and we will add their names to our ongoing parishioners and friends list of intentions: [omannstlouis@gmail.com](mailto:omannstlouis@gmail.com) or call 651-224-3379.

***We ask that you kindly let us know when the names of people should be removed. Many, many thanks.***

Please pray for our parishioners and friends of St. Louis Church who are sick: Raymond Acesor, Paul Anderson, Peggy Anfang, Margie Atkinson, Mary Atkinson, Laris Berggren, Mike Campion, Odelia Conlon, Monty Denniston, Gretchen Dertz, Jenny Dufner, Elzbieta, Greg Ennis, Harry Frazier, Anne Hallgren, Mia Hasouris, Margaret Ann Hennen, Mary Ellen Hennen, Mark Hennen, Austin Hogan, Patty Huiras, Doria Johnson, John Johnson, Brian Junker, Ernie Jurgens, Marilyn Krass, John D. Lamey, Bonida Lanford, Caroline Lanford, Steve Lauinger, Lowell, Henry Lyons, Jennifer McMaster, Tom Miller, Dick Mogren, Cathy Mullaney, Tim Mullaney, Ruth Murray, Gretchen Naegeli, Tom Nutter, Joe Oden, Karen Olson, Zachary Redland, Jacob Revera, Jaxson Rivera, Mamie Singleton, Maureen Sullivan, Robert Tereau, Robert Tesch, Allyson Tracy, Robert VanGuilder, Jr, Michael Virnig, Brian Walstad, Jennifer Washington and Justin Woessner.

**RING OUT, O BELLS . . .**

DATE	REQUEST FOR	INTENTION	REQUESTED BY
December 13	†Joe Gubash	Birthday Memorial	His Children

**OPEN BELL DATES:** The following dates are open in December for anyone wishing to have the bells rung in memory or in honor of a loved one: Dec. 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 28, 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, December 8 *The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

6:45 Bruce Wagoner

12:10 †Sr. Maria Moryl

Tuesday, December 9 *Saint Juan Diego*

6:45 †Jim Prezinski

12:10 †David Rolland

Wednesday, December 10 *Our Lady of Loreto*

6:45 Thomas Gustafson

12:10 †Carol Stoner

Thursday, December 11 *Saint Damasus I*

6:45 Mike Kotlan

12:10 †John Bidon

Friday, December 12 *Our Lady of Guadalupe*

6:45 Leonard Holmberg

12:10 †Marcia Ann Inserra

Saturday, December 13 *Saint Lucy*

6:45 †David Rolland

5:00 †Richard E. Johnson

Sunday, December 14 *Third Sunday of Advent*

7:00 Living and Deceased Parishioners  
of Saint Louis Church

10:00 †Jan Schueppert

12:30 †Wladyslava Kondratowicz

**PARISH CALENDAR**

December 6..... Bake Sale after 5 PM Mass

December 7..... Bake Sale after All Masses

December 7..... Coffee and Doughnuts after All Sunday Masses

December 8 ..... Holy Day of Obligation Mass at 6:45 AM

December 8..... Novena Miraculous Medal 12:00 PM

December 8..... Holy Day of Obligation Mass at 12:10 PM

December 8..... Holy Day of Obligation Mass at 5:15 PM

December 9..... Rosary Recited 11:40 AM

December 9..... Lunchtime Organ Recital 12:35 PM

December 9..... Synod Book Club 6:30 PM

December 10..... Eucharistic Adoration 11-12 PM

December 11..... Rosary Recited 11:40 AM

December 12..... Rosary Recited 11:40 AM

**Mass Intentions**

We ask that for any Mass Intention that you kindly fill out the envelope in its entirety and so that the envelope is readable. Sadly, we occasionally receive intentions that are unreadable and have no phone number to call for clarification on the spelling of the name(s). Your Mass Intention Envelope can be dropped in any collection basket or mailed to the parish office. Please call or email the parish office to schedule Bell Ringing. The suggested stipend for a Mass is \$10 and \$25 for Bells.

**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.



**TUESDAY LUNCHTIME CONCERT**

There will no Lunchtime Concert this Tuesday, Dec. 9, 2025.

**FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**

Monday, December 8, 2025, is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, and is a **Holy Day of Obligation**. Mass times are at 6:45 AM and 12:10 and 5:15 PM. All Masses will be in the main church. There are no scheduled confessions on the Holy Day.

**ANNUAL BAKE SALE THIS WEEKEND**

This weekend is our annual bake sale after all Masses and while supplies last. All proceeds this year will be given for parish operating expenses. Many, many thanks for all those who brought in baked goods for the bake sale.

**Coffee and Doughnuts will be in conjunction with the bake sale. All are most welcome to join us for some refreshment and hospitality.**

**SYNOD BOOK CLUB**

The St. Louis Synod Book Club will be meeting on Tuesday, December 9 from 6:30 – 7:30 PM in the parish hall. The group will be discussing the book “AGNES’ GIFT: A HEARTWARMING STORY ABOUT THE POWER OF THE ROSARY” by Kristelle Angelli. New members are always welcome. Please join us.

**CHOIR FOR CHRISTMAS EVE 5 PM MASS**

We are asking for volunteers to form a Christmas Choir for the 5 PM Vigil Mass on Christmas Eve. Rehearsal dates and time are to be determined depending on the number of volunteers and their preference on day and time for rehearsal. As St. Augustine stated, “to sing is praying twice.” To sing at the Vigil Mass on Christmas Eve is a good way to celebrate Mass with festive singing of Christmas Music.

**SECOND COLLECTIONS**

Due to the current financial status of the parish, the second collections will be re-implemented. The second Sunday of the month will be for the Utilities Fund for Fuel and Heat and Air Conditioning.

The fourth Sunday of the month will be for the Maintenance and Repair and Restoration. These funds are used for the on-going maintenance and restoration of the church, chapel, rectory and parish hall.

These second collections will resume starting in December.

**MASS AND BELL REQUESTS FOR 2026**

Requests for Mass Intentions and Bell Requests are now being taken for 2026. You can request your intentions by filling out an envelope located at the back of the church. You can place your envelope in the collection basket or mail it to the parish office. You can also call the parish office at 651-224-3379 to schedule an intention by telephone. Please refrain from putting your envelope in the caverns so your requests can be scheduled on a timely basis.

**ADVENT PRAYER FOR PEACE**

“God of peace, as we light the Second Advent Candle of Peace, may your peace fill our hearts and our world. Help us to be peacemakers in our relationships and communities. In Jesus’ name, we pray. Amen.”

# Church of St. Louis, King of France

## 2025 Christmastide Schedule

### Christmas Eve – Wednesday, December 24<sup>th</sup>

5:00 pm Vigil Mass with Cantor  
7:00 pm Mass in FRENCH with French Carols  
*No scheduled Confessions on this day.*  
*No 6:45 am or 12:10 Mass on this day.*

### New Year's Eve – Wednesday, December 31<sup>st</sup>

6:45 am Mass  
12:10 pm Mass  
*No scheduled Confessions on this day*

### Christmas Day – The Nativity of the Lord (Holy Day of Obligation) - Thursday, December 25<sup>th</sup>

7:00 am Mass  
10:00 am Mass with Cantor  
12:30 pm Mass  
*No scheduled Confessions on this day.*



### New Year's Day – Thursday, January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026 *Octave of Christmas* The Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God (Holy Day of Obligation)

6:45 am Mass  
12:10 pm Mass  
*No scheduled Confessions on this day.*

### The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph – Sunday, December 28<sup>th</sup>

Vigil Mass – Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> – 5:00 pm  
Sunday 28<sup>th</sup>: 7:00am Mass  
10:00 am Mass with Cantor  
12:30 pm Mass

*No Scheduled Confessions on*  
**December 24, 25, 31, 2025 &**  
**January 1, 2026**  
*No 6:45am or 12:10pm Mass on*  
**Wednesday, December 24**

**DAILY MASSES:** (except for the dates noted above)  
Monday, Tuesday, Friday 6:45am (in the Chapel)  
and 12:10pm (in the Church).

**DAILY CONFESSIONS:** (except for dates noted above)  
Monday, Tuesday, Friday 6:15am and 11:15am.

*To allow our seniors and people with disabilities to use our parking lot, please use the additional parking available in the open lot on Wabasha and 10th, 'kitty-corner' from the front of the church.*



**WHAT IS A CHURCH BULLETIN?**

EVERY SUNDAY THE VAST MAJORITY OF CATHOLIC CHURCHES PLACE A WEEKLY BULLETIN OR NEWSLETTER IN THE HANDS OF EVERY PERSON ATTENDING A SUNDAY MASS. EACH BULLETIN IS UNIQUE TO THE SPECIFIC CHURCH AND GENERALLY CONTAINS A PASTORAL LETTER, A SCHEDULE OF MASSES AND CURRENT EVENTS. IT IS A MINI-MUST READ FOR PARISHIONERS, FRIENDS AND VISITORS WHO WISH TO STAY CURRENT WITH THE LIFE AND PEOPLE OF THE PARISH.

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*There are different kinds of spiritual gifts  
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there are different workings but the same God  
who produces all of them in everyone.  
To each individual the manifestation of  
the Spirit is given for some benefit.  
1 Corinthians 12:4-7*

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