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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.



**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, February 1, 2026

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

***God chose the lowly. (1Corinthians 1:28)***

In today's second reading, St. Paul addresses the Corinthians, who were fighting among themselves. One faction favored the apostle Peter, another preferred Paul, and still another followed Apollos. But Paul rebukes them from their rivalries and reminds them that wisdom, power, and worldly recognition count for nothing before the Lord. Quite the opposite: God delights in choosing "the lowly" (1 Corinthians 1:28).

Jesus tells his disciples something similar in the Gospel for today: "Blessed are the poor in spirit" (Matthew 5:3). This probably surprises them, because self-confidence, prestige, and wealth are typically considered signs of God's blessing. But Jesus turns them upside down. Humility is the path to blessing. That's because when we are poor in spirit, we recognize that God is the source of all that we have and are. Everything is a gift from him. So when we come before the Lord empty-handed, we can allow him to fill us with his gifts, his wisdom, and his grace.

Why did Jesus preach this beatitude? One reason is that it keeps us humble. No matter how gifted we may be, we can't boast about our accomplishments or think of ourselves as superior to anyone else because of them. There is no pecking order with God!

Second, when we are poor in spirit, we *are* blessed! Our hearts are more free and more open to God. We trust him to fulfill our needs rather than trying to prove ourselves or rely on our own resources. We are at peace with who we are and the way God made us. And our lives are more fruitful because we are "lowly" enough to ask him to guide us and to bless our efforts.

Today at Mass, come before the Lord poor in spirit and knowing that you are loved by God. Open your heart to him and allow him to fill you!

***"Thank you, Lord, for choosing me  
and blessing me today!"***

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**FOURTH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME Liturgy of the Word**  
Through the prophet Zephaniah the Lord informs his people that he will guard and care for the humble and those who take refuge in his holy name. In the second reading, Paul writes that the Lord chooses to call those who seem foolish, weak, and despised in the eyes of the world. In the Sermon of the Mount, Jesus proclaims the beatitudes to the crowds.

### **POPE LEO'S MONTHLY PRAYER INTENTION FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY**

#### **For children with incurable diseases**

Let us pray that children suffering from incurable diseases and their families receive the necessary medical care and support, never losing strength and hope.

## TODAY'S MUSIC

PROCESSIONAL HYMN:

*Set Your Heart on the Higher Gifts* #359

Kyrie #1

Gloria #5

OFFERTORY HYMN:

*I Am the Bread of Life* #331

Sanctus #16

Agnus Dei #30

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

***Let your face shine on your servant.***

***Save me in your merciful love. O Lord, let me never  
be put to shame, for I call on you.***

RECESSIONAL HYMN:

*Prayer of Saint Francis* #302

## SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

### **Monday, February 2**

Malachi 3:1-4

Psalms 24:7-10

Hebrews 2:14-18

Luke 2:22-40

### **Tuesday, February 3**

2 Samuel 18:9-10, 14b,  
24-25a, 30—19:3

Psalms 86:1-6

Mark 5:21-43

### **Wednesday, February 4**

2 Samuel 24:2, 9-17

Psalms 32:1-2, 5-7

Mark 6:1-6

### **Thursday, February 5**

1 Kings 2:1-4, 10-12

(Psalms) 1 Chronicles 29:10-12

Mark 6:7-13

### **Friday, February 6**

Sirach 47:2-11

Psalms 18:31, 47, 50-51

Mark 6:14-29

### **Saturday, February 8**

1 Kings 3:4-13

Psalms 119:9-14

Mark 6:30-34

### **Sunday, February 9**

Isaiah 58:7-10

Psalms 112:4-9

1 Corinthians 2:1-5

Matthew 5:13-16

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: Paul Anderson, Peggy Anfang, Margie Atkinson, Mary Atkinson, Lowell C., Odella 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, Lee Lorkie, Aaron Lucachik, 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, Inger Saffie, Mamie Singleton, Jim Steinhagen, Maureen Sullivan, Robert Tereau, Robert Tesch, Allyson Tracy, Robert VanGuilder, Jr, Edie Virnig, Brian Walstad, Jennifer Washington and Justin Woessner.

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

<b>DATE</b>	<b>REQUEST FOR</b>	<b>INTENTION</b>	<b>REQUESTED BY</b>
February 2	†Lawrence Lenertz, Sr.	Birthday Memorial	Fred Lenertz, Sr.
February 6	Si Lacy	Happy Birthday	Fred Lenertz, Sr.

**OPEN BELL DATES:** The following dates are open in February for anyone wishing to have the bells rung in memory or in honor of a loved one: 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 10, 11, 12, 13, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 23, 24, 27 and 28. 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, February 2 *The Presentation of the Lord*  
 6:45 †Lawrence Lenertz, Sr.  
 12:10 †Tommy Tereau

Tuesday, February 3 *Saint Blaise; Saint Ansgar*  
 6:45 †Richard Hoff  
 12:10 †Sr. Maria Moryl, SSPC

Wednesday, February 4  
 6:45 Sheri Ellison  
 12:10 †Dennis Smeby

Thursday, February 5 *Saint Agatha*  
 6:45 †Jeanne Scheffert  
 12:10 Yvonne Macko

Friday, February 6 *Saint Paul Miki and Companions*  
 6:45 Si Lacy  
 12:10 †Rosie Wetschka

Saturday, February 7  
 6:45 †Al and †Martha Smeby  
 5:00 †Steven O’Fallon

Sunday, February 8 *Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
 7:00 Living and Deceased Parishioners  
 of Saint Louis Church  
 10:00 †Jan Schueppert  
 12:30 †Romuald Kondratowicz

**PARISH CALENDAR**

January 31-February 1..... Blessing of Throats After All Masses  
 February 2 .... Anointing of the Sick After 6:45 AM and 12:10 PM  
 February 2 ..... Rosary Recited 11:40 AM  
 February 2 ..... Novena Miraculous Medal 12:00 PM  
 February 3 ..... Rosary Recited 11:40 AM  
 February 4 ..... Eucharistic Adoration 11-12 PM  
 February 5 ..... Rosary Recited 11:40 AM  
 February 6 ..... Rosary Recited 11:40 AM  
 February 7 and 8 ..... Fuel and Heat Collection All Masses  
 February 10..... Synod Book Club 6:30 PM

**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**

The Lunchtime Concert this Tuesday, February 3 is canceled due to the illness of the recitalist.

**ANOINTING OF THE SICK**

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick will be on Monday, February 2, after the 6:45 AM and 12:10 PM Masses.

**BLESSING OF THROATS**

In honor of St. Blaise, blessing of the throats will take place this weekend after all Masses.

**END OF YEAR CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS**

Contribution statements have been or will be mailed to all parishioners and friends of St. Louis Church whose contributions totaled \$250.00 or more for the calendar year 2025. With the conversion to ParishSoft Software, every effort was made to record and transfer all contributions. Thank you all for your generosity and support throughout 2025.

**ANNUAL MARDI GRAS DINNER**

Reserve the date! Our annual Mardi Gras Dinner is fast approaching. This year’s Mardi Gras Dinner will be on Tuesday, February 17<sup>th</sup> at Mancini’s. Ticket sales will begin this weekend after all Masses and all subsequent Sundays until sold out. The cost of a ticket will be \$40.00, which includes tax and gratuity. Dinner choices are steak, walleye, chicken and vegetarian. King Cake for dessert. Cash raffle tickets for \$5 will be sold on the night of the dinner for door prizes. Also, you are encouraged to dress up in a costume. The best costume will win a \$25 Mancini’s Gift Certificate. It is always a fun night and we hope to see you there!

**FUEL AND HEAT COLLECTION**

Next weekend, there will be a second collection for the Fuel and Heat Fund. Our utility bills from Xcel Energy in October was \$1,642.26; November was \$2,634.96 and December was \$7,123.35. With the frigid temperatures lately, the January bill will probably be higher. Your generosity is greatly appreciated and needed. Many thanks.

**SYNOD BOOK CLUB**

The St. Louis Synod Book Club will meet on Tuesday, February 10 at 6:30 PM in the parish hall. The group will be discussing the book *The Lord is My Shepherd: A novel of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton* by Anne Faye.

**CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL**

The Catholic Services Appeal is now underway. Archbishop Hebda has chosen to continue the theme of *Giving is Faith in Action*. You will receive a mailing from the Catholic Services Appeal Office requesting your support. Appeal Sunday will be next weekend, February 7 and 8. Your donation helps support several ministries within our 12 county Archdiocese. Please prayerfully consider making a pledge to this year’s appeal. Please **make your check out to Catholic Services Appeal**, not St. Louis Church.

# WHAT IS A CHURCH BULLETIN?

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*There are different kinds of spiritual gifts  
but the same Spirit;  
there are different forms of service  
but the same Lord;  
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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