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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 22, 2026

First Sunday of Lent

Afterwards, He was hungry. (Matthew 4:2)

Of course, Jesus was hungry! Who wouldn't be after forty days of fasting? Surely his stomach ached and his head throbbed. It's true that He is the Son of God who needs nothing. But he was also a true human being with real needs. And so, this Divine Son . . . got hungry.

Matthew wants to make sure we understand this truth. Jesus decided to become a man and face trials in a human body like our own. In his hunger, he confronted the temptation to provide for himself instead of trusting God—a test our first parents failed. *Is God truly good? Will he provide for me?*

In Eden, the serpent had asked, “Did God really tell you not to eat from any of the trees? (Genesis 3:1). Now, Jesus heard a similar enticement: “If you are the Son of God, command that these stones become loaves of bread” (Matthew 4:3). It seemed logical: *Would God really want you to be famished? Isn't there a better way to bring in the kingdom?*

But Jesus held fast to the word of God: “It is written: ‘One does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes forth from the mouth of God’” (Matthew 4:4). He was recalling the Exodus, when God provided manna for his hungry people so that they could learn to rely on him. In the wilderness, Jesus defeated the devil by trusting his Father and aligning himself with his will. At the same time, he showed us how to battle our own temptations.

We all face testing. Our Lenten fasting is difficult, our best-laid plans go awry, someone we love falls ill. In our “wilderness,” we are tempted to doubt the goodness of God's plan. In our “hunger,” we wonder if he will provide. But Jesus promises that we will not be tested beyond our ability (1 Corinthians 10:13). And, he is with us to give us strength.

Cling to the Lord today—he knows what it is he hungry.

***“Lord, help me to trust in your ways
and resist temptation.”***

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FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT Liturgy of the Word

In today's first reading from Genesis, God creates man and places him in a garden. Adam and Eve disobey God by eating from the tree of knowledge. In the second reading, Paul compares the disobedience of Adam to Jesus' obedience, transgression to gift. The Gospel recounts Jesus' time in the desert where he is tempted by the devil.

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:
Today is the Accepted Time #252

Kyrie #1

OFFERTORY HYMN:
Hosea (Come Back to Me) #281

Sanctus #16

Agnus Dei #30

COMMUNION ANTIPHON
***One does not live by bread alone,
But by every word that comes forth
from the mouth of God.***

RECESSIONAL HYMN:
There's a Wideness in God's Mercy #280

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, February 23

Leviticus 19:1-2, 11-18
Psalm 19:8-10, 15
Matthew 25:31-46

Tuesday, February 24

Isaiah 55:10-11
Psalm 24:4-7, 16-19
Matthew 6:7-15

Wednesday, February 25

Jonah 3:1-10
Psalm 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19
Luke 11:29-32

Thursday, February 26

Esther C:12, 14-16, 23-25
Psalm 138:1-3, 7c-8
Matthew 7:7-12

Friday, February 27

Ezekiel 18:21-28
Psalm 130:1-8
Matthew 5:20-26

Saturday, February 28

Deuteronomy 26:16-19
Psalm 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8
Matthew 5:43-48

Sunday, March 1

Genesis 12:1-4a
Psalm 33:4-5, 18-20, 22
2 Timothy 1:8b-10
Matthew 17:1-9

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 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., 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, Lee Lorkie, Aaron Lucachik, Henry Lyons, Jennifer McMaster, Tom Miller, Dick Mogren, 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

DATE	REQUEST FOR	INTENTION	REQUESTED BY
February 23	Bob Tesch	Happy Birthday	His Sister
February 25	†Bob Klas	Memorial (February 26)	Fred Lenertz, Sr.
February 26	Karissa Gubash	Happy Birthday	Helene Houle
February 28	†David Graff	Memorial	Paula Graff

OPEN BELL DATES: The following dates are open in February and March for anyone wishing to have the bells rung in memory or in honor of a loved one: February 24, 27, 28; March 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 26, 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 23 *Saint Polycarp*
6:45 †John Nasseff
12:10 †Joan A. Schierman
- Tuesday, February 24 *Lenten Weekday*
6:45 †Sammy Erickson
12:10 †John Schleck
- Wednesday, February 25 *Lenten Weekday*
6:45 For an Increase in Vocations to the Priesthood
and Religious Life
12:10 †Richard John Valentino
- Thursday, February 26 *Lenten Weekday*
6:45 †Bob Klas
12:10 Lynne Smeby
- Friday, February 27 *Saint Gregory of Narek*
6:45 †Al and †Martha Smeby
12:10 Yvonne Macko
- Saturday, February 28 *Lenten Weekday*
6:45 Joe and Katie Mulligan
5:00 Austin Hogan
- Sunday, March 1 *Second Sunday of Lent*
7:00 Living and Deceased Parishioners
of Saint Louis Church
10:00 Pam Inniger
12:30 †Gerald and †Evelyn Virnig

PARISH CALENDAR

- February 21-22 Maintenance Fund Collection All Masses
- February 23.....Rosary Recited 11:40 AM
- February 23..... Novena Miraculous Medal 12:00 PM
- February 24.....Rosary Recited 11:40 AM
- February 24..... Lunchtime Organ Recital 12:35 PM
- February 25..... Eucharistic Adoration 11-12 PM
- February 26.....Rosary Recited 11:40 AM
- February 28.....Rosary Recited 11:40 AM
- February 28..... Stations of the Cross 5:15 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

This Tuesday, February 24, the Lunchtime Concert Series presents Samuel Libra. Samuel is Director of Liturgy and Music at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church, Minneapolis, MN.

LENTEN FASTING AND ABSTINENCE

All who have reached their 14th birthday are asked to abstain from eating meat on Ash Wednesday and on all Fridays during Lent. All those between the ages of 18-59 are asked to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. One full meal and two lighter meals are allowed on days of fast. The obligation does not apply to those whose health or work would be seriously affected.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

There will Stations of the Cross on all Fridays at 5:15 PM during Lent except on Good Friday. Stations of the Cross on Good Friday will be at 12:10 PM.

MAINTENANCE FUND COLLECTION

This weekend, there will be a second collection for the Maintenance Fund. The funds collected help with expenses maintaining the upkeep of the church, chapel, rectory and parish hall. Thank you for your continued generosity and support.

HOLY LAND ARTICLES

Issa Barakat is here this weekend to sell religious articles from the Holy Land after all Masses in the parish hall. Please stop by to look at the sacred articles on display.

HOLY WEEK CHOIR

Please consider whether you would like to sing in the parish Holy Week Choir. The choir will sing on Palm Sunday, 10:00 AM Mass; Holy Thursday at 7:00 PM Mass; Good Friday Service at 7:00 PM; and on Easter Sunday at the 10:00 AM Mass. Please contact the parish office and your name will be forwarded to Larry Martin.

FRANCISCAN BROTHERS LENTEN FOOD DRIVE

Help us help the Franciscan Brothers of Peace in feeding the hungry, the poor and the homeless. Donations will be collected at each Mass during Lent by the St. Joseph altar in the church and by the Lourdes Grotto in the chapel. The Food Shelf is in need of non-perishable foods. Monetary contributions are always helpful.

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Please consider electronic giving. It saves time and money. If you would like to make donations electronically, call Kathy at the parish office, 651-224-3379. Many thanks.

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
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*

Please consider sharing your gifts as a Lector or Eucharistic Minister.

Training and ongoing coaching is available to help you proclaim God's Word and/or distribute Holy Communion at our Little French Church.

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