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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, July 19, 2026

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

***The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed.
(Matthew 13:31)***

In his parables, Jesus often made use of familiar, everyday objects to capture his listeners' imagination and help them see God's work from a new perspective. In today's Gospel, he uses a tiny mustard seed to illustrate the surprising nature of God's kingdom. "It is the smallest of all the seeds, yet. . . becomes a large bush, and the birds of the sky come and dwell in its branches" (Matthew 12:32). Great things, Jesus is saying, can come from small beginnings.

We see this principle play out in the history of the Church. From their hiding place in the upper room, Jesus' disciples took the message of his resurrection to the whole world. Through the power of the Spirit and the preaching of those first apostles, the Church grew—and continues to grow—in phenomenal ways.

Sometimes, though, God's work may have such tiny, unimpressive beginnings and grow so slowly that we barely notice it. This tends to be true in our spiritual lives, too. That kind of growth is often hidden, like the yeast that the woman put into "three measures" of flour (Matthew 13:33). We may not see dramatic signs of Christian maturity in ourselves or our loved ones right away. On the contrary, it can be easy to spot the "weeds" in our lives and our world that seem to take root and grow so quickly. And, that can be discouraging!

That's why Jesus encourages us to remember the mustard seed. He wants us to trust in the goodness of the seed of faith he has placed within us and in his Church. He wants us to keep looking for the green shoots of his kingdom. And he wants us to keep asking for the grace to nurture their growth in ourselves and the people around us.

So don't worry. God's work often starts off small and slow. He is faithful, and his seed will bear fruit!

***"Lord Jesus, thank you that your grace is
always at work. Help me to see it."***

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FOCUS ON THE WORD

The Lord is kind and forgiving to all who call upon his name.

Today's readings speak of our merciful and patient God—one who teaches the just that they *must be kind*. Let us place ourselves in the field of the Gospel. Although we strive to be the wheat, growing in faith and loving others, the weeds of sin and temptation grow alongside us. Let us always remember that the master sower is kind and merciful, and we must turn to him in repentance.

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

For respect for human life.

Let us pray for the respect and protection of human life in all its stages, recognizing it as a gift from God.

TODAY'S MUSIC

PROCESSIONAL HYMN:

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence #309

Kyrie #1

Gloria #5

OFFERTORY HYMN:

The Church's One Foundation #221

Sanctus #16

Agnus Dei #30

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

***Behold, I stand at the door and knock, says the Lord. If
anyone hears my voice and opens the door to me, I will enter
his house and dine with him, and he with me.***

RECESSIONAL HYMN:

Lift High the Cross #235

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, July 20

Micah 6:1-4, 6-8

Psalms 50:5-6, 8-9, 16bc-17
21, 23

Matthew 12:38-42

Tuesday, July 21

Micah 7:14-15, 18-20

Psalms 85:2-8

Matthew 12:46-50

Wednesday, July 22

Song of Songs 3:1-4b

Psalms 63:2-6, 8-9

John 20:1-2, 11-18

Thursday, July 23

Jeremiah 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13

Psalms 36:6-7b, 8-11

Matthew 13:10-17

Friday, July 24

Jeremiah 3:14-17

(Psalms) Jeremiah 31:10-12d,
13

Matthew 13:18-23

Saturday, July 25

2 Corinthians 4:7-15

Psalms 126:1b, 2-6

Matthew 20:20-28

Sunday, July 26

1 Kings 3:5, 7-12

Psalms 119:57, 72, 76-77,
127-130

Romans 8:28-30

Matthew 13:44-52

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: **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, 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, Tom Miller, Dick Mogren, Ruth Murray, Gretchen Naegeli, Tom Nutter, Karen Olson, Zachary Redland, Jacob Rivera, 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
OPEN BELL DATES: The following dates are open in July and August for anyone wishing to have the bells rung in memory or in honor of a loved one: July 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31; August 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 17, 19, 22, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30 and 31. 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, July 20 *Saint Apollinaris*

6:45 †Gerald Ernster

12:10 †Joseph and †Lorraine Merkl

Tuesday, July 21 *Saint Lawrence of Brindisi*

6:45 For an End to War and Violence

12:10 Lynne Smeby

Wednesday, July 22 *Saint Mary Magdalene*

6:45 †Robert Tesch

12:10 For All Physicians and Surgeons

Thursday, July 23 *Saint Bridget*

6:45 Sara and Geoff Carlston

12:10 For the Homeless and Unemployed

Friday, July 24 *Saint Sharbel Makhlaf*

6:45 †Isabel Topness

12:10 For the Sick and Elderly

Saturday, July 25 *Saint James*

6:45 †Mary D. Graner

5:00 Elise Ripplemeyer

Sunday, July 26 *Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

7:00 Living and Deceased Parishioners
of Saint Louis Church

10:00 †Lech Pawlowski

12:30 †Anthony Aden

PARISH CALENDAR

July 20. Rosary Recited 11:40 AM

July 20. Novena Miraculous Medal 12:00 PM

July 21. Rosary Recited 11:40 AM

July 22. Eucharistic Adoration 11-12 PM

July 23. Rosary Recited 11:40 AM

July 24. Rosary Recited 11:40 AM

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.

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.

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.



MESSAGE FROM FATHER SAJDAK, SM

Dear Parishioners and Friends of St. Louis Church,
Thank you for 10 wonderful years. You really are “Minnesota nice,” welcoming, warm, supportive, generous and involved. It has been my great pleasure to share the Sacraments with you over these years. Thank you especially for your prayers during my bout with COVID. I am sure it was those prayers that pulled me through. Thank you as well for your generous farewell gifts. May the Lord and His Mother, through the intercession of St. Louis, shower you with blessings.

Fr. Sajdak, SM

WORKS OF THE POPE

For centuries, Catholics have expressed our unity with the Pope by giving to the Peter’s Pence Collection, which supports his mission to proclaim Christ’s message of unity and peace with the world. Our gifts to the Holy Father are “concrete signs of hope” to Pope Leo XIV that fulfill the two aims of Peter’s Pence: To support the Holy Father’s mission and to support the Pope’s numerous charitable works. Envelopes for this worthy cause are located at the back of the church. You can drop your envelope in the collection basket or mail it to the parish office.

PILGRIMAGE TO THE BEATIFICATION OF ARCHBISHOP SHEEN

The Center for Mission is organizing a pilgrimage for the Beautification Mass of Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen, one of our nation’s most preeminent archbishops. The pilgrimage takes place from September 21-25, 2026, to Peoria, IL and St. Louis, MO. Pricing is \$1,350.00 for single occupancy and \$850.00 for double occupancy. Persons under 18 must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian. Registration deadline is August 1, 2026, or until spots are filled. For questions, contact Janine Ricker at rickerj@archspm.org or call 651-291-4504.

MEN’S SILENT RETREAT

Come to a place where you can hear the voice of the Lord in the quiet and peaceful setting of Lake DeMontreville Retreat House in Lake Elmo, MN, for a three-day Men’s Silent Retreat. The retreat begins Thursday evening, August 20, 2026 and ends Sunday evening, August 23, 2026. Free-will donations are accepted. For more information, call 651-777-1311 or visit their website: www.demontrevilleretreat.com.

Sacramental preparation classes for persons with disabilities will be held on Saturday, August 1st and Saturday, August 15th at 9:30 – 11:30 AM at the Church of St. Richard, 7540 Penn Avenue S, Richfield. Both preparation classes are **mandatory** for candidates and their parents/guardians. The Sacrament of Confirmation will be allowed at the Mass for Persons with Disabilities on September 13, 2026 for those who complete both classes.

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if someone says he has faith but
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James 2:14

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