



**CHURCH OF
SAINT LOUIS
KING OF FRANCE**

The Little French Church

SUNDAYMASSES

7:00 a.m.
10:00 a.m.
12:30 p.m.
Saturday Vigil Mass
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, March 15, 2025

Fourth Sunday of Lent
Laetare Sunday

Live as children of light. (Ephesians 5:8)

It's no wonder St. Paul uses the analogy of light when he exhorts us to live in a manner worthy of our calling as disciples. Light is necessary to sustain life. It's essential for the photosynthesis process so that plants can provide us food and produce oxygen that we need to breathe. Light helps to regulate our sleep cycle, our mood, and our hormones, and it strengthens our immune system. Put simply, it's light that keeps us alive.

Paul tells us that before we were baptized into Christ, we lived in darkness, but now that we have received his Spirit, we have his light within us. We still live in a fallen world, however, and it might seem at times that we are only surrounded by darkness. But Paul is clear about who we are in Christ: We are now "light in the Lord" (Ephesians 5:8). We aren't just recipients of his light; we *are* light. That means that we need to "take no part in the fruitless works of darkness" (Ephesians 5:11). We can reject sin and commit to loving God and our neighbor.

So, Paul gives us some advice on what living as "children of Light" looks like. He tells us to "learn what is pleasing to the Lord" (Ephesians 5:8, 10). And how do we do that? By being consistent in prayer, by pondering the Scriptures, and by staying "awake" to the Spirit (Ephesians 5:13). When we let Jesus shed his light into our hearts, we experience greater freedom and healing from sin. As we allow his light to shine *through* us, we are able to guide others to him.

In the same way in which natural light is essential for our physical life, we need the spiritual life of Christ to keep our inner lives healthy. And when his light shines through us, we will produce "every kind of goodness and righteousness and truth" (Ephesians 5:9).

"Jesus, you are my light! Help me to let your light shine through me."

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FOCUS ON THE WORD

You were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord.

The lengthy exchange in today's Gospel between the formerly blind man and the Pharisees serves as a reminder that we are all born blind and are given our sight at baptism, when we are first able to see through the eyes of faith. As our Lenten journey continues, let us pray that God will continue to open our eyes to this truth.

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

For disarmament and peace

Let us pray that nations move toward effective disarmament, particularly nuclear disarmament, and that world leaders choose the path of dialogue and diplomacy instead of violence.

TODAY'S MUSIC

PROCESSIONAL HYMN:

Be Not Afraid #386

Kyrie #1

OFFERTORY HYMN:

The King of Love My Shepherd Is #315

Sanctus #16

Our Father #81

Agnus Dei #30

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

For anyone who drinks it, says the Lord, the water I shall give will become in him a spring welling up to eternal life.

RECESSIONAL HYMN:

Joyful, Joyful, We adore Thee

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, March 16

Isaiah 65:17-21

Psalms 30:2, 4-6, 11-12a, 13b

John 4:43-54

Tuesday, March 17

Ezekiel 47:1-9, 12

Psalms 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9

John 5:1-16

Wednesday, March 18

Isaiah 49:8-15

Psalms 145:8-9, 13c-14, 17-18

John 5:17-30

Thursday, March 19

2 Samuel 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16

Psalms 89:2-5, 27, 29

Romans 4:13, 16-18, 22

Matthew 1:16, 18-21, 24a

Friday, March 20

Wisdom 2:1a, 12-22

Psalms 34:17-21, 23

John 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday, March 21

Jeremiah 11:18-20

Psalms 7:2-3, 9b-12

John 7:40-53

Sunday, March 22

Ezekiel 37:12-14

Psalms 130:1-8

Romans 8:8-11

John 11:1-45

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., 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, 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, Allyson Tracy, Robert VanGuilder, Jr, Edie Virnig, Brian Walstad, Jennifer Washington and Justin Woessner.

RING OUT, O BELLS

DATE	REQUEST FOR	INTENTION	REQUESTED BY
March 16	†Joseph Chlebeck	Anniversary of Death	Helene Houle

OPEN BELL DATES: The following dates are open in March for anyone wishing to have the bells rung in memory or in honor of a loved one: 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, March 16 *Lenten Weekday*
 6:45 Joseph McCarthy
 12:10 †Dennis R. Johnson
 Tuesday, March 17 *Saint Patrick*
 6:45 †Al and †Martha Smeby
 12:10 †Jennifer Harmon
 Wednesday, March 18 *Saint Cyril of Jerusalem*
 6:45 †Mary Alice Cowley
 12:10 †Blanche Dalseth
 Thursday, March 19 *Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Mary*
 6:45 Margaret Moen
 12:10 †Dorothy Ernster
 Friday, March 20 *Lenten Weekday*
 6:45 †Richard and †Barbara Kaess
 12:10 †Dennis Smeby
 Saturday, March 21 *Lenten Weekday*
 6:45 †Mary D. Graner
 5:00 Karen Hartung
 Sunday, March 22 *Fifth Sunday of Lent*
 7:00 Living and Deceased Parishioners
 of Saint Louis Church
 10:00 Richard Glenn McGuire
 12:30 †James Hobbie

PARISH CALENDAR

March 14-15 Fuel and Heat Collection
 March 16..... Rosary Recited 11:40 AM
 March 16..... Novena Miraculous Medal 12:00 PM
 March 16..... Synod Scripture Group 6:30 PM
 March 17..... Rosary Recited 11:40 AM
 March 17..... Lunchtime Organ Recital 12:35 PM
 March 18..... Eucharistic Adoration 11-12 PM
 March 19..... Rosary Recited 11:40 AM
 March 20..... Rosary Recited 11:40 AM
 March 20..... Stations of the Cross 5:15 PM

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Marist Celebratory Mass on Saturday, June 6, 2026, at 5 PM with a reception to follow in the parish hall.

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, March 16, the Tuesday Lunchtime Concert Series features Dr. Thomas Vozzella. Thomas is the Director of Music and Principal Organist at St. Andrew’s Episcopal Church, Kansas City, MO.

FUEL AND HEAT COLLECTION

There is a second collection this weekend for the Fuel and Heat Fund.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

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

HOLY WEEK CHOIR

Please consider singing 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; the Easter Vigil Mass at 7:00 PM and on Easter Sunday 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 and Blessed Virgin Mary altars 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. Please make out your check to the Franciscan Brothers of Peace.

MOZART VESPERS

Enjoy the beauty of Mozart’s soul-lifting Solemn Vespers on Sunday, March 15, 2026, at 3:00 PM, St. Agnes Church, St. Paul. It includes the sublimely Laudate Dominum followed by the Magnificat. All of it is done in a sacred Vespers liturgy as the composer intended.

LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR Spring Necessities Drive

will be on Saturday, March 28, 2026, from 10:30 AM – 2:30 PM. Please help the Sisters stock up on some items that their residents use on a regular basis: coffee, soda like Coke, Diet Coke, Root Beer, Sprite, etc. They are also in need of adult disposable undergarments-large and extra-large underwear and briefs, white wash cloths and towels. Cash or check donations are also gladly accepted. Please drive up to the front entrance and drop off your donation. There will be volunteers there to greet you and accept your gifts. “May God bless abundantly for your kindness!”

SAINT ANTHONY BREAD FOR THE POOR DONATIONS

On the envelope for Saint Anthony’s Bread for the Poor, it states, “This offering is to feed the hungry; to alleviate the needs of the poor.” St. Louis Church sends these donations to a charity: Joseph’s Coat, Listening House, Franciscan Brothers of Peace and Catholic Charities. For the quarter ending December 31, 2025, \$460.00 was sent to Listening House, a daytime shelter for people experiencing poverty, homelessness, and loneliness. Anyone who drops in can find safety, a hot cup of coffee, and a caring community to help or just listen.

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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

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