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SUNDAY MASSES

7:00 a.m.
9:15 a.m.
11:00 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, January 5, 2025

The Feast of the Epiphany of Our Lord

*They ... offered him gifts of gold, frankincense,
and myrrh. (Matthew 2:11)*

"We three kings of Orient are bearing gifts we traverse afar." This popular Christmas carol is appropriate for today's feast of the Epiphany. But were they "three"? Were they "kings"? Matthew only tells us that "magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem" (2:1). He doesn't say how many they were, and he definitely doesn't say anything about them being kings.

The reason we may think they were kings is because of today's first reading, which tells the people of Jerusalem, "Nations shall walk by your light, and kings by your shining radiance" (Isaiah 60:3). And we usually think there were three of them because they offered Jesus three gifts—gold, frankincense, and myrrh. So although we don't know their names, how many they were, or their countries of origin, we do know the most important thing: when they found the child Jesus, they prostrated themselves and ... offered him gifts" (Matthew 2:11).

Let's ponder the gifts that we might offer our King today:

- Gold is a precious metal that represents wealth. What is your *gold*? Maybe it's the time you offer to serve him, or it's your money that you can share with the poor.
- Frankincense was a gift of worship. You can offer him the *frankincense* of the prayers and praises that rise from your heart to the throne of the Lord Almighty.
- The myrrh is a perfume that foreshadowed Jesus' sacrifice on the cross. The myrrh you can offer are the times you sacrifice yourself to care for your family of those closest to you.

On this feast day, bring your precious gifts to the Lord. Offer him everything you have. Pour out your life before him and pay him homage. Jesus is pleased with every gift that you have for him.

*"Jesus, I want to praise you and offer all
I am to you!"*

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A JUBILEE OF HOPE

Hope does not disappoint. That's the theme that Pope Francis has chosen for this special Jubilee Year. That 'year' began on Christmas Eve, December 24, 2024, when Francis passed through the Holy Door at St. Peter's Basilica in the Vatican, and it will end on December 28 of this year, when the Holy Door is closed again. Like every other Jubilee, this special year continues the Old Testament tradition of dedicating a full year to healing old wounds, releasing those in bondage, extending forgiveness, and lifting up all who are suffering (Leviticus 25:8-10).

POPE FRANCIS' MONTHLY PRAYER INTENTION FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY

Let us pray for migrants, refugees and those affected by war, that their right to an education, which is necessary to build a better world, might always be respected.

TODAY'S MUSIC

PROCESSIONAL HYMN:

On Jordan's Bank #197

Kyrie #1

Gloria #5

OFFERTORY HYMN:

The First Nowell #218

Sanctus #16

Agnus Dei #30

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

*Behold, the One of whom John said: I have seen and testified
that this is the Son of God.*

RECESSIONAL HYMN:

When John Baptized by Jordan's River #276

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, January 6 *Saint Andre Bessette*

1 John 3:22-4:6; Psalm 2:7b-8, 10-12a; Matthew 4:12-17, 23-25

Tuesday, January 7 *Saint Raymond of Penyafort*

1 John 4:7-10; Psalm 72:3-4, 7-8; Mark 6:34-44

Wednesday, January 8

1 John 4:11-18; Psalm 72:1-2, 10, 12-13; Mark 6:45-52

Thursday, January 9

1 John 4:19—5:4; Psalm 72:1-2, 14, 15bc, 17; Luke 4:14-22a

Friday, January 10

1 John 5:5-13; Psalm 147:12-15, 19-20; Luke 5:12-16

Saturday, January 11

1 John 5:14-21; Psalm 149:1-6a, 9b; John 3:22-30

Sunday, January 12

Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7; Psalm 29:1a, 2, 3ac-4, 3b, 9b-10; Acts 10:34-38, Luke 3:15-16, 21-22

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: Raymond Acesor, Paul Anderson, Peggy Anfang, Hugh Atkinson, Mary Atkinson, Laris Berggren, Bill, Christy, Odelia Conlon, Monty Denniston, Jenny Dufner, Elzbieta, Greg Ennis, Dorothy Ernster, Harry Frazier, Anne Hallgren, Mia Hasouris, Margaret Ann and Mary Ellen Hennen, Mark Hennen, Austin Hogan, Patty Huiras, Gloria Iverson, Judy, Brian Junker, Ernie Jurgens, Marilyn Krass, John D. Lamey, Bonida and Caroline Lanford, Steve Launiger, Lowell, Henry Lyons, Jennifer McMaster, Tom Miller, Shirley Milliman, Cathy Mullaney, Tim Mullaney, Ruth Murray, Gretchen Naegeli, Tom Nutter, Joe Oden, Karen Olson, Zachary Redland, Jacob and Jaxson Rivera, John Schleck, 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
January 6	Msgr. Sharbel Maroun	Happy Anniversary of Priesthood	Helene Houle

OPEN BELL DATES: The following dates are open in January for anyone wishing to have the bells rung in memory or in honor of a loved one: 13, 14, 16, 17, 18, 19, 22, 23, 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 due to the normal lag in printing time.

Mass Intentions

Monday, January 6 *Saint Andre Bessette*
 6:45 For a personal Intention
 12:10 Wanderer Benefactors
 Tuesday, January 7 *Saint Raymond of Penyafort*
 6:45 Liza Weidner
 12:10 †Nancy Jansen
 Wednesday, January 8
 6:45 †Mark Burns
 12:10 Carol Grambling
 Thursday, January 9
 6:45 †Delores Newton
 12:10 Intentions of the Schiffer Family
 Friday, January 10
 6:45 †Rosemary Morin
 12:10 †Bernard Kazmierczak
 Saturday, January 11
 6:45 †Robert Morin
 5:00 †Don Hafner
 Sunday, January 12 *The Baptism of the Lord*
 7:00 Living and Deceased Parishioners and
 Friends of St. Louis Church
 10:00 Andre Belland
 12:30 †Josh Etten

Parish Calendar

Anointing of the Sick....Mon., January 6, 6:45 AM & 12:10 PM
 Rosary Recited Monday, January 6, 11:40 AM
 Miraculous Medal Novena.....Monday, January 6, 12:00 PM
 Rosary Recited Tuesday, January 7, 11:40 AM
 Tuesday Lunchtime Concert.....Tuesday, January 7, 12:35 PM
 Eucharistic Exposition .. Wed, January 8, 11:00AM-12:00 PM
 Rosary Recited Thursday, January 9 11:40 AM
 Rosary RecitedFriday, January 10, 11:40 AM
 Coffee and Doughnuts.....Sun, January 12, 7:00 and 10:00 AM

We ask that for any Mass intention that you kindly fill out the envelope in its entirety and 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.

Reminder: Going forward the 9:15am Sunday Mass and the 11:00am Sunday Mass have been combined into one Mass at 10:00am with music.

*Parish Office Hours 7:00am – 3pm
 Monday through Friday*

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ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Anointing of the Sick will take place on Monday, January 6th after the 6:45 AM and 12:10 PM Masses.

LUNCHTIME CONCERT SERIES

This Tuesday, January 7, immediately after the 12:10 PM Mass, the Tuesday Lunchtime Concert Series will feature Jeffrey Patry, Director of Music Ministry/Organist at First Lutheran Church, Columbia Heights, Minnesota.

COFFEE AND DOUGHNUTS SUNDAY

Next Weekend after the 7:00 AM and 10:00 AM Masses, coffee and doughnuts will be served in the parish hall. Everyone is welcome to join us for some camaraderie and refreshment.

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND

This weekend, there will be a second collection for the Fuel and Heating Fund. Our electric and heating bills from Xcel Energy for the second quarter of fiscal year 2024-2025 totaled \$ 11,088.87. As always, your continued generosity is greatly appreciated.

ORGAN TUNING

The church organ is scheduled for tuning on Thursday, January 9th and Friday, January 10th. On these days, the 12:10 Mass will be in the Winter Chapel.

STUDY GROUP ON THE CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

A study Group on the Catechism of the Catholic Church with Douglas G. Bushman, STL, will be held at the Church of Saint Helena, 3204 East 43rd Street, Minneapolis, 55406, on Friday evenings beginning January 10, 2025 through May 30, 2025 (except Good Friday), at 7:30 PM in Rowan Hall. Free-will offering. Participants may come to any or all of the sessions. Each evening will be able to stand on its own. For further information, please call 612-275-0431.

PRAYER SERVICE FOR LIFE

Please join the Annual Prayer Service for Life with Bishop Michael Izen on Wednesday, January 22 at 10:30am at the Cathedral of St. Paul, followed by Minnesota Citizens Concerned for Life's March for Life at the State Capitol. This prayer service commemorates the millions of lives lost to abortion and the many women and men wounded by abortion's aftermath. All are invited and welcome. The St. John Paul II Champions for Life Awards will be presented during this prayer service honoring those who work tirelessly for life. For more information, please contact the Office for Marriage, Family and Youth at 651-291-4488.

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. Join us for a three-day men's silent retreat at the Demontreville Jesuit Retreat House in Lake Elmo, Minnesota. The retreat begins Thursday evening, February 13, 2025, and ends Sunday evening, February 26, 2025. Free-will donations are accepted.

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*

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