

Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church
5333 East Washington Street - Indianapolis, IN 46219

February 13, 2022



6th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Blessed are you who are now hungry, for you will be satisfied.
Blessed are you who are now weeping, for you will laugh.”

(Lk 6:21)

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We, the faith community of Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, strive to live, share and be Christ in all we do.

SACRAMENTS

Reconciliation: Saturday 4-4:30 p.m.
You may also call the parish office to arrange for an appointment.

Baptism: 3rd Sunday of the month during or immediately after 10 a.m. Mass, or at another pre-arranged time. Preparation classes are held quarterly. Please call the parish office for additional information.

Marriage: Please contact the pastor at least six months in advance. No wedding dates will be set until a couple has met with the pastor.

Communion Calls: Please call the parish office to arrange Communion calls for the home-bound.

Anointing of the Sick: If you are going to have surgery, or have a chronic illness and wish to be anointed, please contact the parish office. If a family member is in or admitted to the hospital, please call the parish office at **317-356-7291**.

PARISH SCHOOL

Our Lady of Lourdes offers preschool and kindergarten through 8th grade classes. Please call the School Office for more information at **317-357-3316**.

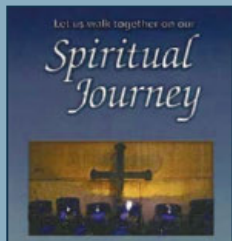
NEW PARISHIONERS

Welcome to our Parish Family!

To register or to schedule a tour of Our Lady of Lourdes, please call or stop by the parish office.

PRAY THE ROSARY WITH US

AT HOME OR IN CHURCH:
TUESDAYS/THURSDAYS
AT 5:30 P.M.



BULLETIN DEADLINE

Please send your entries by **NOON** on **MONDAYS** to ensure your article will appear in that week's printing. If you have flyers to be inserted into the bulletin, please bring them to the parish office by 3 p.m. on Thursday.

THANK YOU!

parishsecretary@ollindy.org

Pastor's Corner

Dear brothers and sisters of Our Lady of Lourdes:

"Woe is me, I am doomed. For I am a man of unclean lips, living in the midst of a people of unclean lips!"

"Leave me, Lord, for I am a sinful man."

Isaiah called to be a prophet. Peter the fisherman, called to be a disciple and then an apostle. Each in the presence of the Lord – God – seen in vision and on the shore, acknowledging their sinfulness.

What we see in the experience of these two is that the power of God is not rooted in doom, nor in miraculous actions. The power of God is rooted in God's essence: mercy and forgiveness. As Isaiah and Peter discovered, God does not doom the sinner; God does not "leave" the sinner. No, God calls the sinner to himself.

What is the role of the Church in God's calling of the sinner? There are many aspects of the Church's role. The cornerstone is found in the Gospel command of the Lord to his apostles: "Whose sins you forgive are forgiven; whose sins you retain, they are retained."

What might lead us to approach the well-known (and dreaded, perhaps?) Reconciliation, the sacrament of forgiveness? An openness to interior conversion post-baptism (Catechism of the Catholic Church [CCC], #1423-1433.

https://www.vatican.va/archive/ENG0015/_P48.HTM and following).

Not admitting of our need for interior conversion leaves the sacrament with little meaning to us. Its benefits we shun or ignore.

How to form that inclination toward interior conversion? The CCC offers insight into the means at our disposal.

"1434 The interior penance of the Christian can be expressed in many and various ways. Scripture and the Fathers insist above all on three forms, fasting, prayer, and almsgiving, which express conversion in relation to oneself, to God, and to others. Alongside the radical purification brought about by Baptism or martyrdom, they cite as means of obtaining forgiveness of sins: effort at reconciliation with one's neighbor, tears of repentance, concern for the salvation of one's neighbor, the intercession of the saints, and the practice of charity 'which covers a multitude of sins.'

"1435 Conversion is accomplished in daily life by gestures of reconciliation, concern for the poor, the exercise and defense of justice and right, by the admission of faults to one's brethren, fraternal correction, revision of life, examination of conscience, spiritual direction, acceptance of suffering, endurance of persecution for the sake of righteousness. Taking up one's cross each day and following Jesus is the surest way of penance.

"1436 Daily conversion and penance find their source and nourishment in the Eucharist, for in it is made present the sacrifice of Christ which has reconciled us with God. Through the Eucharist those who live from the life of Christ are fed and strengthened. 'It is a remedy to free us from our daily faults and to preserve us from mortal sins.'

"1437 Reading Sacred Scripture, praying the Liturgy of the Hours and the Our Father - every sincere act of worship or devotion revives the spirit of conversion and repentance within us and contributes to the forgiveness of our sins.

"1438 The seasons and days of penance in the course of the liturgical year (Lent, and each Friday in memory of the death of the Lord) are intense moments of the Church's penitential practice. These times are particularly appropriate for spiritual exercises, penitential liturgies, pilgrimages as signs of penance, voluntary self-denial such as fasting and almsgiving, and fraternal sharing (charitable and missionary works).

"1439 The process of conversion and repentance was described by Jesus in the parable of the prodigal son, the center of which is the merciful father: The fascination of illusory freedom, the abandonment of the father's house; the extreme misery in which the son finds himself after squandering his fortune; his deep humiliation at finding himself obliged to feed swine, and still worse, at wanting to feed on the husks the pigs ate; his reflection on all he has lost; his repentance and decision to declare himself guilty before his father; the journey back; the father's generous welcome; the father's joy - all these are characteristic of the process of conversion. the beautiful robe, the ring, and the festive banquet are symbols of that new life - pure worthy, and joyful - of anyone who returns to God and to the bosom of his family, which is the Church. Only the heart of Christ Who knows the depths of his Father's love could reveal to us the abyss of his mercy in so simple and beautiful a way."

The experience of the Prodigal speaks to us all. If we intentionally exercise on a regular basis just some of the vehicles for conversion noted above, then the welcome encounter experienced by the Prodigal in the actual personal encounter with the Father (sacrament) can be ours.

Fr. Rick

Is Your Family Growing?

The Catholic Church has a rite of blessing for babies in the womb...no need to wait until baptism to receive God's peace and love! Talk with Matthew in the office for a blessing after the Mass.

E6 Men's Conference Viewing Party

All men of the parish are invited to attend a viewing party of the E6 Men's Conference to be held on February 26, in St. Leon, Indiana. Among the speakers will be Matthew Kelly and Gus Lloyd. The conferences will run from 8 a.m. to 3:35 p.m. with a break from 10:45 a.m. to 1 p.m. Please contact Andrew Warner at: drewwarner@protonmail.com for more info.

CRS Rice Bowl - A Helping Hand Around the World and In Our Own Community

During the 40 days of Lent, we're invited to slow down and focus on our journey and how we can follow Christ's will more faithfully. We do this through the three pillars of **prayer, fasting** and **almsgiving**. Through **prayer** we see and connect with the Lord and ask him to intercede for the needs of our global family. We grow in our relationship with him and unite with our sisters and brothers around the world. When we **fast**, we experience a little bit of the hunger that many experience daily. We make room for the needs of others - and room for God's Holy Spirit to work within us. Finally, through recognition of the world's needs and a personal commitment to help others, we **give alms**. This year, with these pillars as our guide, CRS Rice Bowl will introduce us to our neighbors in Guatemala, Bangladesh and Rwanda. We'll learn how the dreams of our sisters and brothers are inspiring them to overcome challenges that impact their daily life. To dream bigger. To help their families and communities succeed.



CONFIRMATION UPDATE

If you have not turned in your (at least two) questions about the faith or the Church to Matthew... please send these in an email PDQ! Let's continue working on our letter to the archbishop as well - these are due NO LATER than our next meeting, **March 6**.

Seeking Catechists for Vacation Bible School

Last June we re-started our tradition of Vacation Bible School. We are looking for more good Catechists and volunteers to help with this year's edition. We may even be combining our program with a few of our cohort parishes?! If you are either curious or committed about joining others who have volunteered, and what you could do to help this June, give Matthew a buzz in the office, or over email - Thank You!

Knights of Columbus

Fatima Event Center - Located at 1040 North Post Road

Fatima Council will once again host its annual **Pro Football Viewing Party** on Sunday, February 13. Doors will open at 5 p.m. We hope that you'll consider joining us for the big game that night.

The **Treasure Hunt Board Drawing** is held every Friday night. The jackpot is growing weekly. Tickets are on sale (#001617). The kitchen opens at 6 p.m. Bring a friend, enjoy a light dinner and some great camaraderie.

Join the Indianapolis Solar Co-op Before Net Metering Ends!

Net metering, which provides a fair credit for the electricity solar owners send to their neighbors on the electric grid, will no longer be available for solar installations completed after July 1. That means that for Indianapolis homeowners, now is the time to install solar panels! Luckily, Solar United Neighbors is here to help with the Indianapolis Solar Co-op. But you need to act fast - the deadline to join the group is March 31! Learn more about the group and find Solar 101 events at bit.ly/IndySolar

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Emilia Atkinson, Paula Bittelmeyer, Lucy Bross, Dick & Kathy Burgess, Denise Byers, Catherine c. Coop, Will Christiansen, John Ciriello, Deborah Clayton, Scott Covington, John Creasey, Mike Davis, Cassandra Budreau Dunne, Debby Eha, Mona Eitel, Norma Faye, Melissa Fender, Teresa Foster, Katie Guzman, Ben Hall, Charles Hart, Isabelle Hofmeister, Michael James, Katie Jones, Teresa Kerns, Johanna Lakin-Thomas, Kathy & Randy Kidwell, Peggy Kloenne, Joseph Kossack, Emerson Linde, Paul Linne, Jerry MacKenzie, Marilyn May, Mike Miller, Clarence Mobley, Glenda Moore, Renee Mullinix, Dale Page, Carolyn Patterson, Hayden Proffitt, Mike Rawers, Joseph Rogers, Rhonda Roseman, Fred Seddon, Kurt Suppiger, Arianna Williams, Jack Wisneski

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Mass Schedule

Tues & Thurs 6 p.m.
Wed & Fri 8:15 a.m.
Sat 5 p.m.
Sun 10 a.m.

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SCHOOL NEWS

Dear OLL Families,

Eight years ago, my family moved from Elkhart, Indiana to Indianapolis so that I could begin my work as principal at Our Lady of Lourdes School. My son, Cal, was entering 1st grade at the time, and my daughter, Vivian, attended half day preschool. In many ways, the years have flown by. Cal will be graduating from OLL this spring and preparing for Scecina. Vivian is in 5th grade and will be heading to middle school. We love the OLL community, which makes the news I am sharing here bittersweet.

After months of prayer and discussion, I have decided that I will not be returning to OLL as Principal for the 2022-2023 school year.

I want you to know that I have really enjoyed working with you and your children over the last eight years. OLL is a wonderful community, and I will treasure the days I have spent as your principal.

My decision really has to do with time more than anything. Eight years in a building as principal is a long period, and I feel like it would be personally and professionally refreshing to apply my skills in a new setting next school year. I also feel like it will be good for the school to have the fresh perspective of a new leader to guide OLL through the challenging times that lie ahead.

I will continue to serve as OLL principal through June 30, 2022 and look forward to a strong finish to the school year. The School Commission and Father Rick are aware of my decision and will begin the principal search process soon.

Thank you all for your understanding and support. It has been an honor and a blessing.

Sincerely,
Chris Kolakovich



Colorists Needed

If coloring is a relaxing activity to you - YOU are the person we're looking for in our new OLL "Coloring Ministry." Add vibrant, pleasing, and eye-catching color to the small posters which we use for our weekly Children's Liturgy of the Word gathering. Posters and colored pencils will be provided. Contact Matthew for more information, and thank you!

February: Birthline Baby Shower Month

Items especially needed:

Boys size 2 winter and spring clothes (urgent need for the clothes)

Baby wash, bottles, pacifiers, diaper cream, socks, and baby books.

Other items are welcome, too.

Donations can be placed in the bassinet by the northwest church door. The bassinet is checked weekly. If you have questions, you may call Rosemary Tudor at 317-294-2097.



Mass Intentions

Saturday, February 12.....6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 pm Reconciliation

5:00 pm †Patricia J. Farrar

Req. by Ann Reckley

Sunday, February 13.....6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00 am Pro Populo

Tuesday, February 15.....Weekday

5:30 pm Rosary

6:00 pm †Mary Wheeler

Req. by The Chilchen Family

Wednesday, February 16.....Weekday

8:15 am †Teresa Sullivan

Req. by Mike & Angel Sullivan

Thursday, February 17.....The 7 Founders of the Servite Order

5:30 pm Rosary

6:00 pm †Eloise Hudson

Req. by Mark & Linda Hudson

Friday, February 18.....Weekday

8:15 am †Monica W. Baldwin

Req. by Angela Gilmore

Saturday, February 19.....7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 pm Reconciliation

5:00 pm Pro Populo

Sunday, February 20.....7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00 am †Eloise & Clinton Hudson

Req. by Mark & Linda Hudson

Ministry Schedule

Saturday, February 19, 5 p.m. 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

EMHC: Cathy Kervan, Mary Ann Coffey, Claire Pittman

Hospitality

Ministers: Don Flick (UW-Team Leader), Kay Campbell (A-GE), Lisa Flick (A-GN), Leon Waninger (A-GW), _____ (Y-1)

Lector: Priscilla Campbell (A), Nick Petrone (B)

Sacristan: Linda Caraher

Servers: Kate Pittman, Andrew Wilhelm, Nate Wilhelm

Cantor: Michele Kite

Sunday, February 20, 10 a.m. 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

EMHC: Amy Duke, Sue Wilson, Chris Houppert

Hospitality

Ministers: Sally Bennett (HM Team Leader, UW), John Lockhart (A-GE), Vic Berlage (A-GN), Tammy Buennagel (A-GW), _____ (Y-1)

Lector: Richard Dufour (A), Judith Higgins (B)

Sacristan: Bernice Berlage

Servers: Callum Coughill, Claire Higgins, Felix Radomski

Cantor: Kate Miller

Small Linens

Sacristan: Linda Abner

CLOW

Leader: Emily Reuhs

Youth Leader: _____

READINGS WEEK OF FEBRUARY 13, 2022

Sunday: Jer 17:5-8; Ps 1:1-4,6; 1 Cor 15:12,16-20; Lk 6:17,20-26

Monday: Jas 1:1-11; Ps 119:67-68,71-72,75-76; Mk 8:11-13

Tuesday: Jas 1:12-18; Ps 94:12-13a,14-15,18-19; Mk 8:14-21

Wednesday: Jas 1:19-27; Ps 15:2-4b,5; Mk 8:22-26

Thursday: Jas 2:1-9; Ps 34:2-7; Mk 8:27-33

Friday: Jas 2:14-24,26; Ps 112:1-6; Mk 8:34-9:1

Saturday: Jas 3:1-10; Ps 12:2-5,7-8; Mk 9:2-13

Calendar of **EVENTS**

| | | |
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| Sunday, February 13 - FESTIVAL OF PRAYER (Feast & Faith) | | |
| 8:00 am | SRE | BH |
| 10:00 am | Mass | Church |
| 11:30 am | Feast & Faith | BH |
| Monday, February 14 - FESTIVAL OF PRAYER (Valentine's Day Prayer) | | |
| 7:00 pm | Reserved for Meeting | BH-S |
| 7:00 pm | Parish Social Ministry Advocates | Rectory |
| 7:00 pm | Men's Monday Night Prayer | BH-N |
| Tuesday, February 15 - FESTIVAL OF PRAYER (Rosary, Mass, Adoration) | | |
| 3:00 pm | Archery | Cafeteria |
| 5:30 pm | Rosary | Chapel |
| 6:00 pm | Mass, followed by Holy Hour | Chapel |
| 7:00 pm | Boy Scout Troop #8 Meeting | Cafeteria |
| 7:15 pm | Creation Care Committee | BH-2 |
| Wednesday, February 16 - FESTIVAL OF PRAYER (Irish Music Concert) | | |
| 8:15 am | Mass | Chapel |
| 7:00 pm | Concert of Irish Music | Church |
| 7:00 pm | SVdP | BH-S |
| Thursday, February 17 - FESTIVAL OF PRAYER (Rosary Walk) | | |
| 10:00 am | Adult Study Group | BH-2 |
| 1:00 pm | Rosary Walk | Church |
| 3:00 pm | Archery | Cafeteria |
| 5:30 pm | Rosary | Chapel |
| 6:00 pm | Mass | Chapel |
| 8:00 pm | Adult Study Group | BH-2 |
| Friday, February 18 - FEAST OF ST. BERNADETTE (FRANCE) (Mass) | | |
| 8:15 am | Mass (All School) | Church |
| Saturday, February 19 | | |
| 4:00 pm | Reconciliation | Church |
| 5:00 pm | Mass | Church |
| Sunday, February 20 | | |
| 8:00 am | SRE | BH |
| 10:00 am | Mass | Church |



*“Blessed are you when people hate you,
...exclude and insult you, and denounce your
name...on account of the Son of Man.”*
(LUKE 6:22)

All of us have been in situations when someone has made a negative comment or joke about God or our faithful **Stewardship**. How did you respond? Did you stay silent or pretend to go along with the crowd because you didn't want to cause waves and then, later, you felt bad? Know that God is with you all the time; the Holy Spirit will put the right words in your mouth. Pray for the strength and courage to proclaim our faith to others, especially during uncomfortable situations.

Prayer Intention for This Week

For all married couples: May their openness to new life
Bear witness to the generous love of God;
We pray to the Lord:



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COMMUNION CALLS

If you know someone who would like to
receive Holy Communion at home, please call
the parish office at **317-356-7291**.

Prayer Vine

To add someone's name to
the Prayer Vine, please
contact Laura Hughes at:
vineollstb@gmail.com



Join Us In Leading Sunday Religious Ed!

The main purpose of the Church is to evangelize – to spread the Good News of the Gospel to others. We have young parishioners who need to learn of the love and salvation of God; can you help them to know, love, and serve Him? Join our leaders of Sunday religious education! Part-time or full-time, talk with Matthew about what the position entails.

IN GRATITUDE WE SHARE



February 6, 2022

| | | |
|----------------------------------|----|-------------------|
| Actual..... | \$ | 5,426.00 |
| Online Giving | | 5,494.00 |
| Budgeted..... | | <u>10,763.00</u> |
| Difference +/-..... | \$ | 157.00 |
| YTD Sunday & Holy Day | | |
| Actual..... | \$ | 355,664.73 |
| Budgeted..... | | <u>351,631.00</u> |
| Difference +/-..... | \$ | 4,033.73 |
| SVdP..... | \$ | 210.00 |
| Endowment Fund..... | \$ | 210.00 |
| Children's Offering..... | \$ | 8.00 |
| Church in Latin America..... | \$ | 25.00 |
| Church in Eastern Europe..... | \$ | 20.00 |
| Criterion..... | \$ | 22.00 |

UNITED CATHOLIC APPEAL PARISH UPDATE

as of January 24

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|---|-------------------------------|
| Parish Name | Our Lady of Lourdes Parish |
| Parish Goal | \$38,219 |
| Amount Pledged | \$34,861 |
| Amount Received | \$21,431 |
| Number of Donors | 86 |
| Archdiocesan UCA Goal Amount | \$6.3 million |
| Total Amount Pledged Archdiocesan Wide | \$4.44 million |


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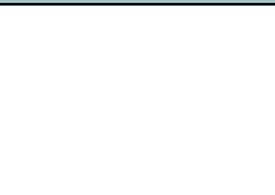
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OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH FEB. 11-18, 2022

EIGHT DAYS OF MEDITATION, PRAYER, MUSIC, AND FELLOWSHIP

Fr. Richard Ginther, the Parish Council, and members of the Spiritual Journey Committee invite you to the 8th Annual Festival of Prayer, instituted by our late pastor Fr. Noah Casey in 2015, to honor Our Lady of Lourdes and St. Bernadette. All events are open to OLL parishioners, school families, community and guests. All are free of charge.

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| Friday, Feb. 11 | 8:15 a.m. | OUR LADY OF LOURDES FEAST DAY MASS Join us for Mass this morning as we open this year's Festival of Prayer by celebrating Our Lady of Lourdes Feast Day with a special liturgy. |
| Saturday, Feb. 12 | 5 p.m. | MASS AND ANOINTING OF THE SICK Anointing of the Sick will be offered during the 5:00 Mass for anyone who suffers from serious mental or physical illness, those facing surgery or other serious treatments, and those suffering the effects of aging. |
| Sunday, Feb. 13 | 11:30 a.m. | FEAST AND FAITH EVENT Join us for Feast and Faith in Bernadette Hall for brunch catered by Mia's Specialties from the Oven followed by a presentation by Social Worker, Theologian and Therapist Jonathan Chamblee MA,MSW,LSW. Mr. Chamblee will explore foundations for unity amidst the divisions of our every day lives and offer examples of people coming together under seemingly impossible circumstances. Due to continuing Covid related concerns, in-person attendance will be limited and sign-up is required by February 8. Please consult the bulletin or newsletter for information on reserving your place, or call the parish office at 317-356-7291. |
| Monday, Feb. 14 | | SPECIAL ST. VALENTINE'S DAY PRAYER Look for a special Valentine's Day prayer in this week's Newsletter to pray together for an increase in love, hope and unity in our families, church, community and world. |
| Tuesday, Feb. 15 | 5:30 p.m. 6 p.m. 6:30 p.m. | ROSARY MASS ADORATION Join us for a period of Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament following Mass as we pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life, with Benediction at 7:15. Recitation of the Rosary begins at 5:30. |
| Wednesday, Feb. 16 | 7 p.m. | IRISH MUSIC CONCERT The Irish are a people of song, humor, a unique way with words, and profound spirituality. Join the OLL choir and some special guests for a night of stories, poetry, and sing-alongs celebrating the Emerald Isle and her cultural contributions to our faith. |
| Thursday, Feb. 17 | 1 p.m. | ROSARY WALK Join us this afternoon in honoring Our Lady of Lourdes with song and prayer as we process within the warmth of the church in a pilgrimage approach to praying the Rosary. Families and children are encouraged to participate as we pray for hope and unity. |
| Friday, Feb. 18 | 8:15 a.m. | ST. BERNADETTE FEAST DAY (FRANCE) MASS Join us for Mass this morning as we close this year's Festival of Prayer by honoring St. Bernadette with a special liturgy. |

FEAST & FAITH

Sunday, February 13 at 11:30 a.m.

Presented by Jonathan Chamblee, MA, MSW, LSW

Join us via Zoom using the information below.

www.zoom.com

Meeting ID: 822 8158 3704

Passcode: 811596



IRISH MUSIC CONCERT

Wednesday, February 16 at 7:00 p.m.

The Irish are a people of song, humor, a unique way with words, and profound spirituality. Join the OLL choir and some special guests for a night of stories, poetry, and sing-alongs celebrating the Emerald Isle and her cultural contributions to our faith.

Let us walk together on our Spiritual Journey.