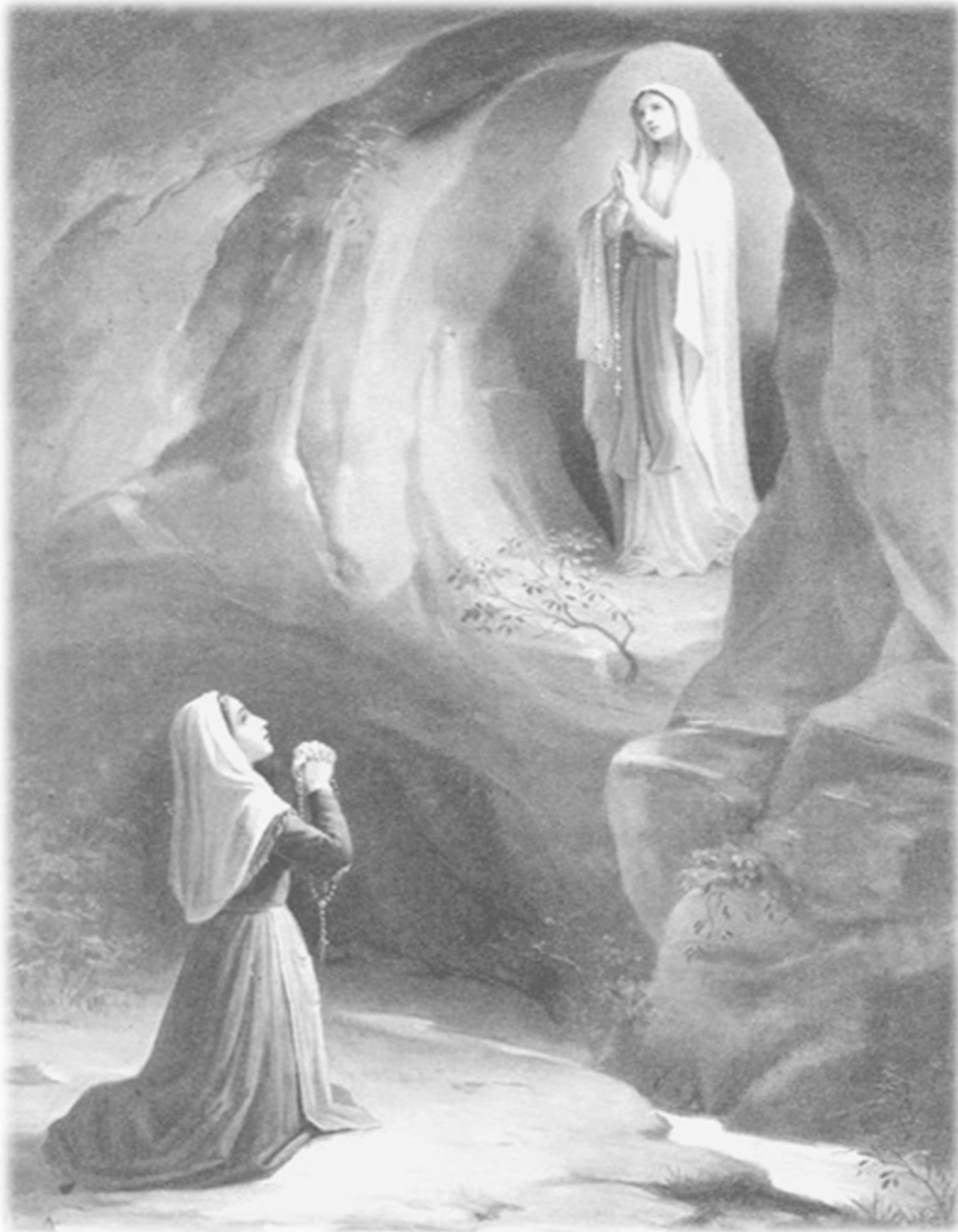


Our Lady of Lourdes

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Readings: [2 Kings 4:42-44](#) [Psalm 145:10-11, 15-18](#) [Ephesians 4:1-6](#) [John 6:1-15](#)

Today’s liturgy brings together several strands of Old Testament expectation to reveal Jesus as Israel’s promised Messiah and King, the Lord who comes to feed His people.

Notice the parallels between today’s Gospel and First Reading. Both Elisha and Jesus face a crowd of hungry people with only a few “barley” loaves. We hear similar words about how impossible it will be to feed the crowd with so little. And in both the miraculous multiplication of bread satisfies the hungry and leaves food left over.

The Elisha story looks back to Moses, the prophet who fed God’s people in the wilderness (see Exodus 16). Moses prophesied that God would send a prophet like him (see [Deuteronomy 18:15-19](#)). The crowd in today’s Gospel, witnessing His miracle, identifies Jesus as that prophet.

The Gospel today again shows Jesus to be the Lord, the good shepherd, who makes His people lie down on green grass and spreads a table before them (see [Psalm 23:1, 5](#)). The miraculous feeding is a sign that God has begun to fulfill His promise, which we sing of in today’s Psalm—to give His people food in due season and satisfy their desire (see [Psalm 81:17](#)).

But Jesus points to the final fulfillment of that promise in the Eucharist. He does the same things He does at the Last Supper—He takes the loaves, pronounces a blessing of thanksgiving (literally, “eucharist”), and gives the bread to the people (see [Matthew 26:26](#)). Notice, too, that twelve baskets of bread are left over, one for each of the Apostles. These are signs that should point us to the Eucharist—in which the Church founded on the Apostles continues to feed us with the living bread of His Body.

In this Eucharist, we are made one Body with the Lord, as we hear in today’s Epistle. Let us resolve again, then, to live lives worthy of such a great calling.

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<p style="text-align: center;">Adult Faith Formation</p> <p>Feed Your Faith begins every Wednesday with the Rosary and prayers at 5:30 p.m. in the church, and <u>Devotions to the Sacred Heart of Jesus</u> at 6:00 p.m. <i>and</i> on-line at 6:15 p.m.</p> <p>The DVD begins at 6:30 p.m. on-line.</p> <p>Send an e-mail to sistersinjesusthelord@gmail.com to join us.</p> <p><i>click on the link they will send you about 6:00 p.m.</i></p> <p>God Bless Our Lady of Lourdes</p> <p>Adult Faith Formation Committee</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Parish Office Hour News</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Beginning next week and continuing through the month of August the office will be open Monday & Tuesday 9:00 am—1:00 pm.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Knights of Columbus Rosary Update: Sunday of the Month Rosary next month, August 1.</p>	<p>ATTENTION GARDEN ANGELS: Please come help our parish garden areas look beautiful again. If you are assigned to a garden area at OLL or would just like to help, it is time to tend to the weeds.</p>

Pray for the following Parishioners:

Karen Arredondo; The Brooks Family; Margot Browne; Margaret Curry; Peggy DeMoss; Grace Diaz; Sharon Derkits; Karen Foster; Patty Gemmill; Greta Hauer; Dottie Hays; Dolores Hopfinger; Richard Hornbeck; Mary Hugunin; Lyndsey Jarquio; Regina Jones; Pat Kilgore; Dorothy Klote; Tom & Doris Mauer; Sylvia Mooney; Lorraine Powers; James & JoAnn Rouchka; **Joann Sage**; Catherine Schroder; Kathy Sommer; Cynthia Todd; Theresa Tholl; Joann Walsh; Steve & Jocelyn Webb; Louise Weber; James Westhusing;; Lisa Witte; Sheila & Pete Zegers

Contact the parish office at 816-353-2380 to add or remove names from our prayer list. Bold = Newly added

Continue to Pray for the following Family & Friends

Phillip Beck; Ben Bongers (friend to Marie Bowman); Bill Briggs; Emma Brown; Audrey Casassa; Michael Crews; Margaret Dale; Eric Davis; Barbara Fightmaster (sister-in-law to Regina Jones); Marcia Felici; Georgia Gerling; Peter Graeff; Maria Gutierrez (Niece to Pricilla Moran); Ryan Hancock; Shirley Hill; Amy Jesaetis; Bonnie Jones; Michelle Kaiser; Kathy & Don Lee; Richard Lorimer; Crescentia Luetkemeyer (Friend to Cindy Sweetland); Lana Martinez; Wesley & Karen Maull (brother & sister inlaw of Karen Arrendondo); **Bob Slusher**; Clyde Styron (Father to friend); Vicky Wright (Sister to Patty Vest); Ruby Turner (Mother to Cindy Sweetland); Jim Underwood; Phyllis Weber; David Zegers; Robert Zegers.

Pray for our parishioners’ family members serving in the military:

Tyler Griggs, Buck Roberts, Cathy Roberts, Jason Webb, & Troy Fraser

Mass Intentions for the Week

July 24—Saturday Vigil

4:00 PM: Trusted Servants

July 25—Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 AM: L & D members of the Wilczynski family

11:00 AM: Our Lady of Lourdes Parish

July 28—Wednesday ~ 12:00 PM: Marge Campbell

July 31—Saturday Vigil

4:00 PM: Jim Morris

August 01—Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 AM: The Fraser Brothers

11:00 AM: Our Lady of Lourdes Parish

Last Week's Giving to God's Work Weekend Collection:

July 17th-18th

Total Collections:

\$ 3,446.77

Thank you for your contributions!

Adoration: Tuesdays & Thursdays

Our Lady of Lourdes Church

9:00 AM—8:00 PM



SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE: As we continue to struggle with the backlash of the pandemic, many families throughout our diocese will not have the means to provide for their children's back to school supplies. Yet having the right items in the backpack can impact a child's academic performance. Catholic Charities' KCSJ assists many of these families each year with school supplies. We are collecting backpacks and other essential supplies to offer to schools in the lowest income areas of the KCSJ Diocese. This year's tax-free school supply shopping in Missouri runs from August 6-8. For more information or to give a gift of a backpack filled with supplies, please contact Susan Walker, Executive Director of Outreach, 816-659-8218 or swalker@ccharities.com

OUTPACE POVERTY 2021

Sign up **now** for the Catholic Charities Outpace Poverty 5k Walk/Run and Family Festival that benefits their work in addressing poverty. It will be at the Theis Park and also a virtual opportunity again as well.

Our Lady of Lourdes has a new team name:
Lourdes Legacy

We encourage you to save the date and plan to help *Outpace Poverty* on **September 18, 2021** also be a virtual opportunity again as well.

To Register go to: runsignup.com/lourdeslegacy

Contact Brooke Hilst, Major Gifts Manager, with questions at 816-659-8274 or bhilst@ccharities.com.

The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combatting sexual abuse in the Church. If you are a victim of sexual abuse, or if you *observe or suspect* sexual abuse: 1. Call the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline at 1.800.392.3738 (if the victim is currently under the age of 18), and 2. Contact your local law enforcement agency or call 911, and 3. After reporting to these civil and law enforcement authorities, report suspected *sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult* to the Diocesan Ombudsman, Joe Crayon, at 816.812.2500 or crayon@ombudsmankcsj.org, if the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph. The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing care and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families.

Please contact the Victim Advocate, Kathleen Chastain, at 816.392.0011 or chastain@diocesekcsj.org for more information.

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