

The Lourdes Link

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Our Lady of Lourdes Parish

BEYOND CHOCOLATE: GOING DEEPER IN LENT



Holy Week Mass and Prayer Service Schedule

There are no regularly scheduled Masses on Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday.

Holy Thursday, March 24

8 a.m. Morning Prayer
7 p.m. Mass of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday, March 25

fast & abstinence
8 a.m. Morning Prayer
3 p.m. The Lord's Passion
with Communion (not a Mass)

Easter Vigil, Saturday, March 25

8 a.m. Morning Prayer
(there will be NO 5 p.m. Mass)
7:30 p.m. Easter Vigil Mass

Easter Sunday, April 20

Masses: 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 a.m. and
12 noon
(there will be NO 5:00 p.m. Mass)

Online resources for Lent

dynamiccatholic.com/bestlentever/
[onlineministries.creighton.edu/
CollaborativeMinistry/daily.html](http://onlineministries.creighton.edu/CollaborativeMinistry/daily.html)

From the time we were children, our first question for Lent was often, "What are you giving up for Lent?" Giving something up for these 40 days is a custom that, when we were younger, helped us enter into the season with a sense of purpose and a greater awareness.

As adults, we might want to consider looking at Lent in a deeper way. We are probably much more settled into our behaviors and patterns of life and sometimes giving up something is where we begin—and end—our reflections on Lent. It can be tempting to say "I am giving up chocolate" or beer or even all sweets and all alcohol. But without more reflection, it can become simply a way I show God how strong I am. It is more about me than any conversation with God.

Lent isn't simply about us "giving up" something. The real grace is when we recognize that Lent is a season in which God wants to *give us* something. God wants to help us transform our lives and make us more free as people—not just freer with God, but in the way we live our lives and love our families.

It is much easier for us to simply choose something to give up—then we can dismiss Lent! "I am giving up TV for Lent." "I am giving up movies... Snacks... Soda pop." We give it up and exercise our willpower for 40 days to prove to ourselves and to God that we can do it. And at the end of Lent we can return to what we gave up.

But this year we might reflect and ask the deeper question: What is God inviting me to change this Lent? How do I know what God might be stirring in me? I begin by listening to the movements in my heart. Where am I feeling uncomfortable with the choices I am making? With the things I have done? With the habitual ways I respond? The Lord will be speaking

to me in those small nagging moments of discomfort in my heart.

It might be that we know deep down that we drink too much and that giving up alcohol would make us less irritable each night. Then giving up alcohol would be the right thing. Asking what we would like to change about ourselves this Lent requires a little reflection. What pattern of behavior in my life needs changing? What do I need *more of* in my life? Patience? Unselfishness? More loving behavior toward my spouse or children?

But each of us can think of something that gets in the way of our being loving and self-sacrificing. Too often the ordinary conflicts, divisions and difficulties in our family life result from simple selfishness on my part. I choose to fight. I choose to defend my opinion. I choose to use things I know about my partner, my children, my parents against them. I choose to hurt them.

The results of that behavior are never good and always divisive. We can imagine a Lenten practice in which each of us would tell members of our family—those whom we have most offended in these ways—that we are sorry and ask them to help us to work with us to bring more unity and peace to our family life.

We can ask: What would it cost me to change this behavior? What would it mean if I didn't walk around my family acting crabby all the time? What if I decided to be much more loving and patient with my spouse this Lent? What if I did decide to "give up" something really destructive in my life, like alcohol, pornography or on-line friendships? As I reflect, I might realize that changing a particular way I live is coming to me as a call from God and I don't have to do it alone. God is moving my heart to reflect on these changes and God will remain

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CELEBRATING A CENTURY of FAITH and COMMUNITY



Msgr. Michael Witt, Church Historian for the Archdiocese of St. Louis, presents a portion of A Journey Through Time in church last December. More historical presentations are planned.



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Our 100th Anniversary Celebration began in December with an informative, reflective and entertaining presentation on the history of Our Lady of Lourdes Parish. Titled *A Journey Through Time*, it could not have been better presented or attended. **Msgr. Michael Witt**, a church historian, and our own parishioner, **Bob Wilhelm**, beautifully blended their presentations of what the world, our country, our state, our city, and our community were like in 1916. From there they went on to show us how the westward expansion required the establishment of new parishes within in the Archdiocese. After addressing questions from the audience, presenters and parishioners enjoyed a reception in the school cafeteria. It was quite a night that ended with many, many parishioners asking, "When will the next history presentation be?"

This year we celebrate not only the Our Lady of Lourdes Centennial but also a Holy Year of Mercy as proclaimed by Pope Francis. This is especially important as our Parish prepares for the Lenten Season.

In calling for the Year of Mercy, Pope Francis said, "I am convinced that the whole church – which has much need to receive mercy, because we are sinners – will find in this Jubilee the joy to rediscover and render fruitful the mercy of God, with which we are called to give consolidation to every man and woman of our time."

Fittingly, the Our Lady of Lourdes Centennial celebration continues with a Lenten Speaker series reflecting on the Pope's Year of Mercy.

"We believe these topics will speak to

our parish community as we celebrate our Centennial," said parishioner **Dennis Donnelly** who, along with **Sister Betty Leiwe**, helped plan the series. "It was also important for us to echo the Pope's message during our Lenten reflection." **Thursday, February 18 – 7:00 p.m. in the Church**

Corporal Works of Mercy

Randy Rosenberg, Assistant Professor of Systematic Theology, Saint Louis University, Department of Theological Studies

Professor Rosenberg writes an ongoing column this year on the "Year of Mercy" for *Catholic St. Louis*.

Thursday, March 3 – 7:00 p.m. in the Church

Old Testament treatment of Mercy through Jewish writers and prophets

Father Sean Martin, President of the Aquinas Institute, St. Louis

Fr. Martin also serves as diocesan priest and has joined us as guest celebrant at Lourdes.

Thursday, March 10 – 7:00 p.m. in the Church

New Testament treatment of Mercy and the various writings of the Evangelists and other authors of the early church

Father Sean Martin, President of the Aquinas Institute, St. Louis

Parishioners are invited to attend any and all of the presentations that will each be followed by a question and answer session with the presenters.

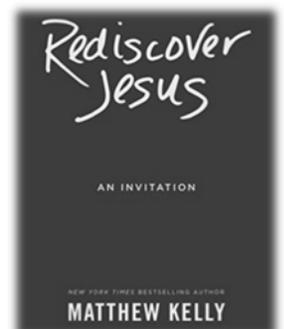
Our Lady of Lourdes Parish School will begin the 2016 Centennial events on **February 11** with a day of celebration dedicated to the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes. That evening the eighth grade students of the Parish will be confirmed.

Rediscover Jesus this Lent

At Christmas, we all received Matthew Kelly's book *Rediscover Jesus*. Use this book as a means to encounter Jesus in a deeply personal way as part of your Lenten journey this year. The forty chapters guide us to a daily encounter with Jesus, enhancing our prayers, accepting Jesus' invitation for a deeper relationship.

Sign up at DynamicCatholic.com/Lent to receive a daily email and short video to enhance the daily reading in *Rediscover Jesus*. This Lent, try something different and journey through Lent with *Rediscover Jesus*.

Additional books are still available in the rectory.



From the desk of Msgr. Richard E. Hanneke

Dear Friends,

This week begins the holy season of Lent. This is our annual opportunity to be renewed, re-created, transformed by the grace of God. The prophet Joel set the tone for Lent, "Thus says the Lord, return to me with all your heart, with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning." Note the emphasis is that we return to the Lord with all our heart. That is at the very core of who I am. My thoughts, decisions, attitudes and actions. It is here that the grace of God transforms us. So often we speak of Lent as the time "to give something up." The giving up is not for my sake but for God. When that absence of what I have given up fills my mind, then, at that moment, I need to turn my thoughts to what is God giving/given to fill me up. "Return to the Lord, rend your hearts, not your garments" are signs of a maturing spiritual life, a growth in holiness. One cannot grow and change on its own. It is only the power of love, that is God, that changes and transforms me. As we move into this Jubilee Year of Mercy we hear again and again that 'Jesus is the Face of God's Mercy.' Mercy is God getting inside of us and making whole that which is fractured and broken. He is the One who brings to completion the good work He began in us when he called us into being. So as you make room for God to come in be

prepared for Him to bring about all that goodness.

"How much wrong we do to God and his grace when we speak of sins being punished by his judgment before we speak of their being forgiven by his mercy."

--Pope Francis

Some helpful practices for Lent:

1. Attend Mass several days a week, either arriving early or staying late to pray for your special intentions before the Blessed Sacrament.
2. Pray the Rosary daily on your way to or from work.
3. Consider making a general confession during Lent – not out of scruples over past confessions but as a means of spiritual growth
4. Make a special effort to ask your spouse about how you can better help him/her and do the same with your children.
5. Reconcile with relatives or estranged or former friends, or at least make the attempt.
6. Make the Way of the Cross once a week, in any form you choose.
7. And pay attention in prayer: you may hear of still other paths you in particular should follow.



Faith Formation During Lent

If you are looking for a way to enhance or "reconfirm" your faith this Lent, consider joining us at the Parish Center Tuesday nights from 7:30-9 p.m. for a weekly viewing of "Chosen." The "Chosen" series of DVDs offers engaging speakers and excellent production qualities in a straightforward exposition of all aspects of the Catholic Faith. Originally developed for teen faith formation, it works well for adults who are unclear on elements of Catholicism, or could just use a refresher course. Feel free to bring your own popcorn and beverages. Questions, contact Laura Shaughnessy at general_ljs@hotmail.com.

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faithful and help me to stay open to the grace being offered to me for change.

I need help. It may be something that I don't *want* to change or acknowledge. I don't think I *can* change it. But that's where talking to God can make the difference. I am not doing this alone; I am doing it with God.

When I look at challenges with my spouse, I might discover that one of the barriers to communication in my marriage is that I interrupt and disagree. In some place in my head I know that is an annoying habit, but I am not free enough to simply listen without objecting. Maybe I am unable to receive what my spouse says without coming to the conclusion that my spouse is wrong. What if sharing a different point of view was not about winning an argument but to advancing

communication between us?

In asking God for help, we might ponder one of the many healing gospels, like [Mark 2: 1-12](#). In this story, a group of friends carried a mat with a paralyzed man to Jesus, who was teaching inside a house. So many people crowded around the outside of the house that the friends were unable to get the mat inside. So they went up to the roof and moved aside the tiles and lowered their friend on the mat to Jesus below. The words to this gospel say that the friends on the roof had "broken through" the tiles to lower their friend into the house for healing. Their breakthrough led directly to the healing.

Where do we need a breakthrough? What is the barrier that keeps us from asking for healing? In our own lives, we need to break through our denials,

defensiveness and our unwillingness to look at ourselves. Discovering what the barrier is in my life is critical. If we don't know what the barrier is, these weeks of Lent are a great time to reflect upon it. When we identify the barrier, we have made the breakthrough. That's when Jesus can heal us of it.

Why is this a good Lenten penance? Because it gets my attention where I live every day. It allows God's grace into my soul and into the place where my real life exists. That's where Jesus stands with me every day, waiting for me to be lowered from the roof so he can touch me and heal me.

"Beyond Chocolate: Going Deeper in Lent." *Beyond Chocolate: Going Deeper in Lent*. Creighton University, n.d. Web. 01 Feb. 2016. <<http://onlineministries.creighton.edu/collaborativeMinistry/Lent/BeyondChocolate.html>>.



The Our Lady of Lourdes Athletic Association is once again hosting a Fish Fry on Friday, March 11. Doors open at 4:30 p.m. and the event concludes at 8 p.m. Volunteers will be serving fried cod in spicy and regular flavors along with some delicious sides cooked up by Marc and Amy Del Pietro of The Block Restaurant. Meal prices are \$9 for Adults and \$7 for Children. Lemonade and coffee are included in the price. Beer will be sold separately. Come out and join this fun, social gathering in the school cafeteria and gym. Pre-registration forms are available at church entrances. Carry out available.

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A campaign led by the Roman Catholic Foundation of Eastern Missouri

In 2011, **Archbishop Robert J. Carlson** introduced *Alive in Christ!*, a strategic plan to engage the hearts and minds of young Catholics. The Roman Catholic Foundation of Eastern Missouri was established to fulfill a key promise of *Alive in Christ!*—to enhance financial resources for schools and tuition assistance for Catholic families. *Beyond Sunday* is the Foundation's first major initiative. This Archdiocesan-wide fundraising campaign will greatly impact our parish and school communities for generations. The Fund will focus on three areas:

- Scholarship Support
- Academic Capacity Enhancement
- Transformational Innovation

In grades K-8, the focus will be on tuition support. At the level of grades 9-12, this scholarship program will be augmented by an emphasis on Catholic community through the Foundation's *Beyond Sunday* Fellows program, a new program which will combine scholarship support with the creation of a network of Fellows focused on service and community. The intent is for the Fellows program to become a long-term network of Catholic adults, our future Catholic leaders, supporting one another in their faith and their lives.

The *Beyond Sunday* Education Fund will transform Catholic education in three key ways by providing:

Financial help for middle-income families

through **scholarship support** to enroll more children in our Catholic schools;

Funding to schools to develop **more competitive educational programs** in the STREAM disciplines (Science, Technology, Religion, Engineering, Arts, and Math); and

Innovation grants for system-wide implementation of groundbreaking ideas that will enhance the operational and business models of our schools.

All parishes will participate in this landmark initiative. Our Lady of Lourdes is participating in a joint campaign to include THE CAMPAIGN *for OUR FUTURE*.

As Our Lady of Lourdes Parish prepares to celebrate its 100th anniversary, plans are being developed to implement major campus improvements identified during our recently completed parish strategic planning process. We also seek to fulfill our commitment to *Beyond Sunday*. Renderings of Lourdes' campus improvements are located in the back of church.

For more information regarding THE CAMPAIGN *for OUR FUTURE*, go to the Lourdes website, www.ucitylourdes.org/campaign-for-our-future.html. There you can view the Town Hall Presentation slides and the Parish Campaign for Support. To make a contribution to our parish, please contact the Parish Office, or go to the Lourdes website and contribute online.

"My vision for Catholic schools and parishes is for them to be truly *Alive in Christ!* As centers of faith, learning, and service, they will be vibrant in their Catholic identity, financially healthy, growing, and able to assist those in need." — Most Reverend Robert J. Carlson, Archbishop of St. Louis





From the Desk of Miss Jeanne Gearon

Lent is the time of year that the Church offers us as an opportunity for renewal—a time to slow down the hectic pace of our lives and refocus on the things that really matter, the things of God.

When I was a child, Lent was the time of the year that I dreaded the most. It seemed like forever waiting for Easter so that I could again partake of whatever I had given up that year. This was usually candy because for reasons I did not understand at the time, my parents never thought giving up peas was going to help me grow closer to Christ. (Peas are one of my father's favorite foods and one of my least favorite.)

Since growing up (or at least aging, my siblings would question my growing in maturity), I have come to realize and appreciate this sacred season. I no longer “give up” something; rather, I try intentionally to “do something.” Since becoming a principal, it has been to work on being more patient. Patience with others has always been one of my shortcomings, and each Lent for the past 12 years I have tried to work on this. Some years have proven more fruitful than others, and I have begun to wonder if that is because I have neglected to pray about it to the extent I did when I was giving up something.

When you choose to *give up* something for Lent, the purpose of this is to remind you to pray each time you are tempted to partake. When you choose to *do something* for Lent, the temptation may not be present thus the reminder to pray may not be present. This year, in an effort to correct this, I am planning to give time each day to spiritual reading (please tell the children not to worry—I will still be working on being more patient). This way, when I am tempted to crawl into bed rather than give time to

my spiritual well-being, the temptation will be there to remind me to pray.

As you journey through Lent with your family, I encourage you to find what works for you. Tweak your plan as you go and make adjustments so that when you get to the joyous celebration of Easter, it can truly be an enriching experience. Take time to interrupt your schedule at home and realign how your family spends time together. You might consider the following:

- Talk with your child about making a Lenten Promise. You could encourage him/her to give up something, choose to do something special for others, or choose to make some decisions focused on personal growth.
- Decide as a family on a particular charity to support this Lenten season. Maybe volunteer your time working with those that this ministry serves or offer your expertise to help them in some way. Volunteering as a family is truly a gift to this charity and a wonderful example for your children.
- Perhaps make plans to attend Mass as a family more regularly.

Set time aside each day for family prayer and allow each family member the opportunity for more personal prayer.

Whatever you choose to do, remember we are called to honor this sacred and holy season, not dread it. This is your forty-day journey with Christ, a time to walk with Him, reflect upon His ministry, and seek the grace to live the ministry He has entrusted to your care.

Know of my prayers for a peaceful Lenten journey that leads to a beautiful Easter celebration.



Lenten Saints

Patti Doering

Three saints' days are celebrated during Lent, which add some festivity during our days of fasting. They are the feasts of St. Valentine, February 14, St. Patrick, March 17 and St. Joseph, March 19.

Long before Hallmark, St. Valentine was remembered and honored for his notes of love and encouragement to imprisoned Christians during the persecution of the early Church.

St. Patrick's true fans start his day with Mass—then fill it with bagpipes, parades and wearing the shamrocks he used when he talked about the Holy Trinity to the people who were preparing for baptism at Easter. Green is worn this day to welcome springtime. In the past, people wore green on Holy Thursday for the same reason. That was the day that people who were separated from the church because of their sins were united once again in time for Easter.

St. Joseph, the foster father of Jesus, is the patron of foster families. A special custom on his feast is to prepare and serve foods to the poor, and to share bread with each other in honor of St. Joseph, the “breadwinner” of the Holy Family.

Please join the school community for Stations of the Cross during Lent, on February 19, February 26, March 4, and March 11, at 2:15 p.m. in Church.

Fasting, Prayer, and Almsgiving
What are you doing for Lent?



Stations of the Cross

Each year during Lent, the OLOL school children go through the stations of the cross. This year is no exception and we hope everyone will join the children on the following days.

Stations begin at 2:15 p.m. on February 19th, 26th and March 4th, 11th.

All School Masses are also held on Fridays at 8:00 a.m. Join students every Friday during Lent to celebrate Mass.



An Update From the Starke House

Mrs. Starke, OLOL's Resource teacher is currently out on maternity leave. Here's a note from home.

Everyone is doing well at the Starke house! Peter loves being a big brother and tries to help out when he can. He loves giving his little brother kisses and telling him it's ok when he is crying. Bene loves to eat and sleep and absolutely loves being cuddled! I am very excited to watch my boys grow, but I am ready to come back and see all my students on February 16th!

Winter Blahs? Not in Kindergarten!

Jane Kloppenberg

The kindergartners have watched the last few months fly by with much learning and fun going on!

In Religion, we studied about Baptism and brought in some of our Baptismal mementos. We worked on Advent activities such as making a counting down to Jesus' birthday chain. We provided Christmas presents for the Lakota children through the Cheyenne River Project. Traveling around the world we learned about Christmas traditions of Germany, Italy, Sweden, and Mexico while also studying Hanukkah and Kwanzaa. We studied about the Holy Family and the Three Kings and had a Three Kings classroom blessing. Our Religion book has us discovering how our hearts and hands can help others. We continue to pray for priests and nuns for our stewardship project with our Fifth Grade Buddies. Many fun Catholic Schools Week activities started off our February.

In Reading, we are up to around 30 Word Wall Words (sight words) and 5 Word Families. We have met all of our Superkids friends and they have helped us to practice our letter sounds, write our letters, and sound out words. Journaling has us trying to write two sentences this quarter to go with our pictures. We continue to read many books and learn about characters, setting, and plot along with predicting, classifying, and story

structure.

In our Math series, we have studied numbers and counting. Next we moved into graphs and charts—tally, pictograph, picture, and bar. We were busy sharing cookies by cutting them to help us understand halves. Paper "pizzas" helped us work on fourths. We are progressing into adding readiness. The 100th Day celebration had us counting to 100 many times that day!

Social Studies covered Martin Luther King, Jr. and background information about slavery and separate but equal times in our nation. We will learn about Groundhog's Day, Valentine's Day, Abraham Lincoln, and George Washington this month.

Science had us studying Arctic Animals—polar bears, arctic foxes, seals, walruses, and penguins and making many fun projects. With studying the day and night sky, we aimed for the stars and studied constellations and planets. The field trip to the Planetarium culminated that theme. We will be learning about the importance of dental hygiene and of healthy food and exercise.

A lot of the above would not be possible without the generous support of time and treasure given by the parents of the OLOL children. Thank you for all that you do.

Sixth Grade Serves Community

Krista Luedeka

Sixth grade is excited for Catholic Schools Week! As part of an Archdiocese of St. Louis Office of Vocations program we will be attending Focus 11 on February 2. This is a program that focuses on helping students hear their vocational calling. It is a day of prayer, song, and stories. Many of the older middle school students have told us that this is one of their favorite trips. We hope this year's sixth graders enjoy it and grow in the experience as well. We are also practicing stewardship during Catholic Schools Week by supporting the parish during the Bernadettes Day of Prayer and Reflection

on February 4. Our class and our first grade buddies will be sharing in the celebration of the Mass as part of their day. We are honored that the ladies asked for our support. We have enjoyed serving our parish community through events like this in our stewardship program. Along with Catholic Schools Week, we are gearing up for the centennial celebrations planned on the feast day of Our Lady of Lourdes on February 11. It is amazing that our parish has stood the test of time for 100 years, and we are excited to honor this special anniversary.

Fifth Grade Focuses on Religious Life

Sarah Hosking

The fifth graders are off to a great start second semester. We can't believe the Lent and Easter seasons are almost here. We are preparing for the Lenten season by discussing the importance of the season and traditions and rituals that go along with it. In religion class, we have been talking about our Lenten promises and how we will work hard to fulfill them.

As we celebrate Catholic School's Week we are celebrating the many joys of attending a Catholic School and one of them is being able to share with the community our faith. The kindergarten and fifth grade students are focusing on the Religious Life as part of our

stewardship activity this year. Together with the kindergarteners, we made placemats for Monsignor Hanneke, Father Lijo, Father Burgoon, Sister Kathleen and all the women to use while they attend the Bernadette retreat this week. We will continue to pray for them and all of the other Religious men and women as we approach these Lenten and Easter Season.



Fifth graders and their kindergarten buddies make placemats together.



First Grade Has You in Their Prayers

Adele Major

February is very busy for our First Graders!

We are participating in DEAP (Drop Everything and Pray) each day and praying more at Mass too! We continue to pray for our families, parish and peace in our world. We are so happy to be part of the 100 years of OLOL too!

We have a student teacher from Fontbonne University, Miss Jessie Dace with us for fourteen weeks. She is enjoying working with our first grader students.

During the Lenten Season, you will find our first graders attending an 8:00 a.m. Mass once a week in addition to our

regular Friday Mass. Our parents and grandparents are welcome to sit with us. We are also giving up something and doing something extra for our families. Towards Holy Week, we will read the Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ. We present the Passion to a variety of grades. Our students really understand Holy Week!

Valentines, famous Americans, fairy tales, use of iPads and a variety of Science, Math and History websites give a great mix of interests during this winter season. Our annual Famous American play will be given to other classes and parents toward the end of the month.

Students get to "know" some saints, inventors, scientists, presidents, adventurers, sport heroes and more!

Math facts are getting memorized, skip counting by 2's, 5's and 10's are practiced. Students are learning how to count money with solving problems too.

Experiments in solids, liquids and gases fill the next three weeks. We will learn a variety of ways to measure matter too!

We truly appreciate all of our blessings at OLOL! Just ask a first grader or their teacher!



Spot Light on Second Grade

Marilyn Effinger

Our second graders have been busy during these winter months.

They learned about the mercy and forgiveness of Jesus. The children were happy to receive forgiveness and healing at their First Reconciliation. What a wonderful feeling to be forgiven and given a second chance!

Now our second graders have started to prepare for their First Holy Communion in April. The children will be attending an all day retreat at the Cardinal Rigali Center with the Sacred Heart Sisters. That day, our second graders will prepare for First Communion through prayers, stories, games, music, and crafts. The children will also participate in an Activity Day here at school to get ready for their

special day. With daily instruction in religion class and the support of parents, our second graders will be ready to receive Jesus for the first time!

The children are excited to be celebrating 100 years of Our Lady of Lourdes. They are happy to be participating in several stewardship projects to comfort others in need.



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PARISH CALENDAR

FEBRUARY 10

*Ash Wednesday
fast & abstinence*

Masses: 6:45 & 8 a.m. and
5:30 p.m.

Soup and Salad Supper—
4:30-8 p.m.

FEBRUARY 11

Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes
7 p.m. 8th Grade
Confirmation—Church

FEBRUARY 12

Faculty Meetings-No School

FEBRUARY 13

10 a.m. Baptism
Preparation

FEBRUARY 15

President's Day-No School

FEBRUARY 19

Middle School Trivia Night

FEBRUARY 25

Girl Scouts' World Thinking
Day

MARCH 4 & 5

7 p.m. OLOL Middle School
presents *The Little
Mermaid, Jr.* in the School
Gym

MARCH 6

9 a.m. Girls Scout Sunday
Mass

MARCH 12

10 a.m. Baptism
Preparation

MARCH 13

9 a.m. Second Grade Family
Mass

MARCH 21

OLOL Spring Break this
week

MARCH 23

Holy Thursday
8 a.m. Morning Prayer
7 p.m. Mass of the Lord's
Supper

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MARCH 25

Holy Saturday
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MARCH 26

Easter Sunday
Masses: 7:30, 9:00, 10:30
a.m. and 12 noon
(NO 5:00 p.m. Mass)

APRIL 3

9 a.m. First Grade Family
Mass

APRIL 10

1 p.m. First Eucharist for
2nd Grade

Eucharistic Adoration

Every Monday in Church from
8:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Bernadettes' Rosary

Every Tuesday in Church
beginning at 2:30 p.m.

Lenten Video Program

Every Tuesday during Lent in the
Parish Center beginning at 7:30 p.m.

Cornerstone

Every Thursday in the Parish
Center beginning at 7 p.m.

Lenten Reconciliation

Confessions will be heard in
church during Lent at the following
times.

- Every Wednesday from
5:30 to 6:30 p.m.
- Friday, March 4th from
6:00 to 9:00 p.m.
- Saturday, March 5th from
9:00 a.m. to 4:45 p.m.