

Stewardship Opportunities of Time & Talent



**Ministry
2019**



Our Lady of Lourdes
Church & School

Welcome to Our Lady of Lourdes

Parish and School Administration

Parish Office

Business Hours: Monday - Friday 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

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Lourdes Catholic School and Lourdes Little Lancer Center

Lourdes Catholic School is dedicated to providing an outstanding foundation for the spiritual, intellectual, emotional, technological and physical needs of all individuals, preparing students for the future, while fostering a challenging environment of educational excellence.

Lourdes Catholic School

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Lourdes Little Lancer Center

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Please visit the school website or contact the school office to discover the many ways you can volunteer at Lourdes Catholic School.

*The direct link to view and sign up for school volunteer opportunities is:
http://www.lourdescatholic.org/Page/Parent_Volunteers.aspx?nt=21*

From Our Pastor

Our parish offers many ways to grow in faith and discipleship. When we actively participate in the life of the Church, we are richly blessed.

Take a good look at this brochure. Everyone has the opportunity to share in the life of the parish. So many opportunities await you! Come, let us build the kingdom of God through intentional discipleship. Accept the invitation to follow Jesus in faith, hope, and love at Our Lady of Lourdes!

In Christ,

Fr. Jason K. Crossen, Pastor

What is Stewardship?

One of the most significant aspects of biblical faith is the call to stewardship. In the Book of Genesis, God places humankind in charge of creation to diligently, energetically, and faithfully take charge of the many gifts and resources which God, out of divine bounty, has given to us. We then take an honest look at our lives to see how we can share those gifts with others through our Intentional Discipleship.

Our Lady of Lourdes Church invites you to spend time prayerfully considering in which ministries you would like to be involved. We each have been gifted with such unique talents that we are sure there is a place to use your gifts. Your time and talent work together to keep our parish alive, healthy and thriving.

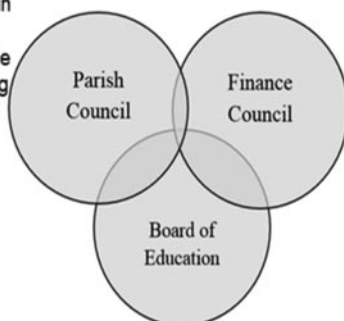
How Ministries are Organized at Our Lady of Lourdes

The mission of our parish is to make the Living Christ visible by sharing our faith with all.

Whether led by our staff or through volunteer leadership, all ministries at Our Lady of Lourdes serve this mission. To enable management of all of our efforts, ministries are organized within the framework of our major councils: Parish Council, Finance Council, and the Board of Education (school board). These councils have different responsibilities, but are integrated with one another to effectively serve our parish mission.

Parish Council advises the pastor in fostering the pastoral work of the parish, including establishment of the parish vision and mission, assessing pastoral needs, and ensuring active ministries in the areas of:

- Church Life
- Family Life
- Faith Formation
- Liturgy
- Social Action



Finance Council advises the pastor in the ministry of Finance and Administration including parish finances, budget, facilities, and long-range financial development. The finance council designs financial plans for the parish that are consistent with the mission, vision, goals & objectives of the parish.

The Board of Education advises the pastor in formulating policy and providing oversight in the area of total Catholic education within Lourdes Catholic School and associated programs.

Most ministries span multiple councils, commissions and committees, but are organized within this structure to facilitate communication and management. Ministries are similarly organized in this booklet. Active ministries in this parish are constantly evolving – for the latest update to the Parish Council List of Commissions, Committees and Ministries go to: www.lourdescatholic.com. Click on About Us, then Parish Council.

Church Life Ministries

The Ministry of Church Life nurtures a welcoming community focused on the communion of all persons in the parish and the relationship of that parish to the larger community in which it lives.

Cards & Letters

Provides support, encouragement and congratulations to parishioners through cards and letters.

Donut Sunday

Sunday fellowship after the 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Mass, the second Sunday of each month. Join us in the Gathering Space to enjoy refreshments and share in our community.

Fall Festival

A parish-centered Fall celebration that promotes fellowship and fun.

Funeral Luncheons

Preparing and serving a meal following a funeral. Time commitment depends on schedule and size of funeral.

Faith Formation Ministries

The Faith Formation Commission ensures that the parish provides effective channels for the transmission of the Good News of Jesus Christ to all members of the Catholic community to help our peoples' faith become "living, conscious and active".

Adult Scripture Study

Study the Word of God through reading, dialogue and discussion.

Called & Gifted

These sessions create an opportunity for people to discover and explore their unique spiritual gifts.

CEW (Christian Experience Weekend)

A women's weekend and a men's weekend are scheduled each year for members of our community to relate to one another in a variety of ways centered on strengthening their relationship with God.

Children's Word

Teachers and helpers lead the children in the gospel reading and discussion during the Liturgy of the Word for the 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Sunday Mass.

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Religious Education

Assist with passing our faith along to our children. Volunteers assist as Catechist (teacher) or aides (Kindergarten thru 6th Grade), safe environment monitors and special event helpers.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)

Assist with providing Catholic doctrine, tradition and faith sharing opportunities for adults who are journeying toward full membership into the Catholic Church.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Children (RCIC)

The process of welcoming children into the Catholic faith. Following the model of the adult process, it is intended for those children who have not been baptized and have reached the age of at least seven years.

Youth Ministry

Adults needed who are passionate about their faith and genuinely care about journeying with middle school and high school students through life's ups and downs. No advanced theology degree needed. Not looking for experts, just those who love their faith and are passionate about seeing youth thrive and grow in theirs. Youth opportunities include Confirmation preparation, youth rallies, service experiences, social activities, and more. Open to leadership from college students and high school upperclassmen, as well.

PLEASE NOTE: *Our Lady of Lourdes has adopted a policy to ensure that all volunteers are properly trained to maintain a safe and secure environment. As mandated by the Diocese of Davenport, all volunteers who work with children or vulnerable adults must be VIRTUS trained.*

Family Life Ministries

The Family Life Commission promotes a perspective that views individuals in the context of relationships, especially family relationships, and advocates for programs and facilities that support these relationships.

Babysitting Ministry

Volunteers (Adult and Youth Helpers) to provide childcare during occasional events on the church campus. Volunteers must be VIRTUS certified.

Marriage Sponsor Couples

Act as a mentor for couples preparing for marriage.

Young Adult Ministry

For young adults in their 20s and 30s who want to connect with others in a similar place in life and faith, or for anyone who'd like to help support this ministry! There is currently an active ministry called Y.A.C.H.T (Young Adult Christians Hanging Together) for young adults, single or married, which meets regularly for various activities (social gatherings, faith building, service opportunities, and more). Beyond that, help is still needed to expand and build new ministry opportunities to engage young adults in the parish.

Liturgical Ministries

The Liturgy committee works to integrate all aspects of the liturgy to increase parish spirituality, faith and parish life through full participation of the assembly in liturgy and increasing the visibility and awareness of the living Christ.

Adoration

Commit to spending time in prayer and mediation in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament.

Altar Servers

Students in grades 5-12 who assist the priest at the altar during Mass and special liturgies.

Arts & Environment

Assists with decorating the church for various events and holidays.

Care of Altar Linens

Clean and press altar linens for Mass.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Liturgical Ministers who welcome all to the celebration of Mass and distribute the bread and cup to fellow worshippers during the Communion Rite of the Liturgy of the Eucharist.

Greeters

This ministry of hospitality helps ushers welcome all who gather for Mass.

Lectors

Study and reflect on the Word of God in the Liturgy of the Word and lead the Prayers of the Faithful during Mass.

Music Ministry

Offers multiple opportunities for students and adults to join in the musical and liturgical life of the parish. Adult Choir, Youth Choir, Contemporary Ensemble, Organist, Pianist and Cantors.

Sacristans

This ministry takes place 'behind the scenes'. Sacristans prepare and set out the vessels, bread, wine and small linens needed for Mass.

Ushers

A ministry of hospitality, the Ushers assist by distributing worship aids, seating, passing the collection baskets, guiding the Communion procession and distributing weekly bulletins.

Social Action Ministries

The Social Action Commission enables all parishioners to embody Christ-like love toward those in need, the marginalized and those whom we love even when we expect no love in return.

Mission Statement: The purpose of the Social Action Commission is to infuse the spirit of Jesus Christ into the laws, attitudes and morals of the community and to alleviate human suffering and protect the sanctity of all human life by bringing about social action to identify, educate and eliminate the causes of social problems.

Churches United Meals

A ministry that helps feed the poor and underprivileged. Once a month, a group of OLOL volunteers prepare, deliver and serve a hot meal for approximately 75 people at Zion Lutheran Church in Davenport.

Food Pantry

OLOL participates in a food pantry collection on the third weekend of each month. Items collected are given to either the Bettendorf Food Pantry or the Friendly House in Davenport. Monies collected are distributed by the Social Action Commission twice a year. All items and monies stay local. Volunteers are needed to deliver items to the Bettendorf Food Pantry.

LIFE Ministry

Assist with promoting and encouraging pro-life activities in the parish and community. Activities include assisting with the Black and White Gala and sponsoring the Respect for Life poster contest.

Meals on Wheels

Meals on Wheels is a program that delivers meals to individuals at home who are unable to purchase or prepare their own meals.

Ministers of Care

Provides companionship, prayer or Eucharist to those who are sick, homebound, hospitalized or residents of care facilities.

Outreach

This committee assists our neighbors in need by providing support through local organizations and coordinating parish supported events such as the Angel Tree and meal baskets.

Peru Partnership in Christ Committee

Our mission is to help our sister parish, Our Lady of Reconciliation, Arequipa, Peru, to improve the quality of its physical, economic, social and spiritual life through a long term relationship with Our Lady of Lourdes.

Quad Cities Interfaith

Quad Cities Interfaith is a coalition of faith communities and other organizations that trains community leaders and addresses specific issues that affect the Quad Cities, working through several task forces that identify these issues and develop solutions. The goal is to use our gifts and the resources of our faith to shape a society that is respectful of the rights and dignity of all people.

Stewardship Ministry

The stewardship Commission works to develop and cultivate stewardship through the intentional discipleship and proportionate giving of our time, talent and treasure.

Stewardship Commission

Plans, coordinates and executes the annual fair which educates and encourages parish members to connect with the parish through various commissions and activities. Assists with educating parishioners about tithing and assists with various treasure campaigns.

Finance Ministries

A team of parishioners who meet monthly as advisors to the pastor on financial planning for the parish regarding the administration and accountability of parish finances, budget, parish facilities and long-range financial development. This is an appointed position. Please contact Fr. Crossen if you are interested.

Building & Grounds Committee

This commission oversees the maintenance of the parish property and meets bi-monthly or on an as needed basis. Dedicated individuals with skills in architecture, electrical, general repairs, plumbing, carpentry, locksmith, paint/wallpaper and yard/lawn/garden are needed.

Money Counters

A team of parishioners who count the collection on Monday mornings after weekend Masses have been celebrated.

Office Assistance

Assist parish office staff as needed with mailings and bulletin inserts and other office needs.

Receptionist

Volunteers work different days of the week as receptionists for the church office.

Affiliated Organizations

Boy Scouts of America/Girl Scouts of America

Assist in a variety of ways with the Boy and Girl Scout Programs based at Our Lady of Lourdes.

Knights of Columbus

The St. Bernadette Council 15430 is an affiliated chartered council through Our Lady of Lourdes Parish. The Knights of Columbus is a fraternal organization dedicated to the support of our Parish and Priests. We welcome all Catholic men over the ages of 18 to consider joining to serve our parish and community.

Each one of you has received a special grace, so, like good stewards responsible for all these varied graces of God, put it to the service of others. 1 Peter 4:10

Yes, I want to be of service to my church & others.

Name: _____

Email: _____

Cell Phone: _____ Home Phone: _____

I attend the following weekend Mass:

- Saturday 5 p.m.
- Sunday 8:30 a.m.
- Sunday 10:30 a.m.
- Sunday 5 p.m.

I am interested in serving:

(Please indicate your areas of interest.)

Leadership Councils

- Parish
- Finance
- Board of Education

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- Library Volunteer
- School Office Helper

Schedule of Masses and Reconciliation

Saturday Vigil

5:00 p.m.

Sundays

8:30 a.m.

10:30 a.m.

5:00 p.m.

Weekday Masses

6:30 a.m. Monday - Friday

9:00 a.m. Tuesday (when school is in session)

Reconciliation

Saturday: 4:00 - 4:45 p.m. or by appointment.

Parish Office Hours

Monday - Friday

8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Closed Saturdays, Sundays and Holidays.

New Member Registration

To register as a parishioner, download the registration form from our website, and drop it the offertory basket, or return to the Parish Office during business hours.



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