

Our Lady of Lourdes

Diocese of Covington's Latin Mass Parish

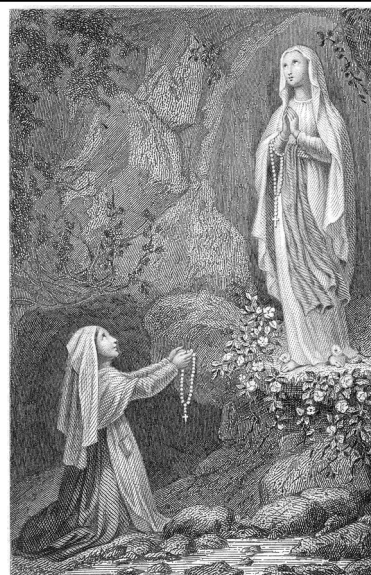
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"I do not promise you happiness in this life, only in the next"

From the Writings of Pope Benedict XVI

BECOMING LIKE THE ANGELS — Faith gives joy. When God is not there, the world becomes desolate, and everything becomes boring, and everything is completely unsatisfactory. It's easy to see today how a world empty of God is also increasingly consuming itself, how it has become a wholly joyless world. The great joy comes from the fact that there is this great love, and that is the essential message of faith. You are unswervingly loved. This also explains why Christianity spread first predominantly among the weak and suffering. To that extent it can be said that the basic element of Christianity is joy...It is joy in the proper sense. A joy that exists together with a difficult life and also makes this life livable...Faith also makes man light. To believe means that we become like angels. We can fly, because we no longer weigh so heavy in our own estimation. To become a believer means to become light, to escape our own gravity, which drags us down, and thus to enter the weightlessness of faith...Catholics are not promised an "exterior" happiness but rather a deep interior security through communion with the Lord. That He is the ultimate light of happiness in one's life is in fact a part of all this...We are so alienated from God's voice that we simply do not recognize it immediately as His. But I would still say that everyone who is in some sense attentive can experience and sense for himself that now He is speaking to me. And it is a chance for me to get to know Him. Precisely in catastrophic situations He can suddenly break in, if I am awake and if someone helps me decipher the message.



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First Fridays at 11am

Adoration of Bl. Sacrament

Mondays: 1-6:30pm

Perpetual Novenas

Tuesday—Our Lady of Lourdes
Thursday—Holy Face of Jesus

Confessions

30 minutes before Masses

Baptism and Marriages

All Sacraments at Our Lady of Lourdes are performed according to the *usus antiquior* of the Roman Rite, with the 1962 liturgical books being normative. Contact the pastor for any sacramental needs.

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Mass Calendar & Intentions

SUNDAY	September 20: 17th Sunday after Pentecost
7:00 AM	John Stallone
(Union) 7:00 AM	Christina Therese Brueggemann
9:30 AM	Deborah Dickason
11:30 AM	Pro Populo
MONDAY	September 21: St. Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist
12:10 PM	Logan Stallone
TUESDAY	September 22: St. Thomas of Villanova, Bishop & Confessor
6:30 AM	Riley Stallone
WEDNESDAY	September 23: Ember Wednesday
12:10 PM	MaKenzie Stallone
THURSDAY	September 24: Our Lady of Ransom
6:30 AM	Kirsten Stallone
FRIDAY	September 25: Ember Friday
6:30 AM	In honor of St. Anthony
12:10 PM	Canon Gerald Bell
SATURDAY	September 26: Ember Saturday
(Union) 9:00 AM	Greg Brueggemann & family

17th Sunday after Pentecost

September 20th, 2026

Weekly Financial Report

Week of Sunday September 13, 2026

Sunday Collection:	
Checks	\$2845.00
Cash & Coin	\$3665.00
Other Donations	\$0.00
Candles	\$68.00
TOTAL	\$6578.00
<i>Weekly Budgetary Needs</i>	<i>\$4,940</i>

† Men's Prayer & Bible Study Group: Tuesdays at 6:30pm.

† ATTENTION: LOVERS OF LITERATURE – We will examine & discuss the well-known satirical allegory: “Animal Farm” by George Orwell, at OLOL undercroft on Wednesday evenings 7-9:00pm. **Meeting dates: September 30 & October 7, 14**
To register please text or call: *Christine Collins* 615-681-1222
Or *Susie Doll* 859-537-6638

† SAVE THE DATE – Parish Play on St. Tarcisius will be performed next Sunday, September 27th, at 2pm.

† Rosary Crusade at OLOL on October 10th at 4pm. (For more info, contact legionofmary@ololparish.org)

† Banns of marriage are published between Garrett Gruen and Isabel Lopez, both of Our Lady of Lourdes Parish. If any of you know cause or just impediment why either of these persons should not be joined together in Holy Matrimony, ye are to declare it. This is the final asking.



✠ CONGRATULATIONS ✠

...to *Robert William*,
son of Abraham & Monica Bell;

who was recently baptized at Our Lady of Lourdes.
We thank Our Lord for the great grace of his being brought
into the one holy Catholic Faith.



MAJESTIC QUEEN OF HEAVEN AND MISTRESS OF THE ANGELS, thou didst receive from God the power and commission to crush the head of Satan; wherefore we humbly beseech thee, send forth the legions of Heaven, that, under thy command, they may seek out all evil spirits, engage them everywhere in battle, curb their insolence, and hurl them back into the pit of Hell. “Who is like unto God?” O good and tender Mother, thou shalt ever be our hope and the object of our love. O Mother of God, send forth the holy Angels to defend us and drive far from us the cruel foe. Holy Angels and Archangels, defend us and keep us. *Amen.*

ON CHARITY TOWARDS OUR NEIGHBOR



IN ADDITION TO VIRTUOUS ACTS] there are also negative aspects of the love of neighbor, that is, the things we ought not do. For example, we should not judge other people, speak evilly of others, damage their possessions, honor, or wife, scandalize them with our speech, be discourteous, or give them bad example or bad advice. If you wish to keep these things in mind, strive to cultivate the heart of a mother toward your neighbor. In this way you will surely observe the commandment of charity. Observe how the good mother loves her child, how she counsels him in his dangers, hastens to help him in his needs, bears all his faults with great patience or punishes them with justice, because all these virtues are at the service of charity, which is the queen of all the virtues. See how the mother rejoices at the good of her child, is saddened by his evil deeds, and experiences his sufferings as if they were her own. See what great zeal she has for the well-being of her child, how devoutly she prays to God for him, and how watchful she is of him, even more than of herself. She is severe with herself so that she may be tender and kind toward her child. If you are able to cultivate this kind of attitude toward your neighbor, you shall have reached the perfection of charity.



And if at the present you cannot do these perfect works, then at least desire to reach this perfection and let your whole life be directed toward this goal. If you ask me how it is possible for anyone to have this attitude of charity toward someone who is a complete stranger, I answer that you should not look upon your neighbor as a stranger, but as the image of God. Like yourself, your neighbor is the work of God's hand...If the members of one body, although they have different functions and are differently constructed, love one another because they are all vivified by the same rational soul, with what greater reason should the faithful love each other, for they are animated by the divine Spirit, who is much more noble and much more effective in causing unity and harmony among those in whom He dwells? And if a mere bond of flesh and blood is sufficient to cause such intense love among members of the same family, how much greater should be the love among those who are united by a higher bond? In addition to all this, cast your eyes on that singular example of love which is found in Christ. He loved us so ardently, so tenderly, so steadfastly, and so unselfishly, that, inspired by His example, we may dispose ourselves to love our neighbor in a similar manner.

This is the commandment that Christ gave us when He was leaving this earth: “*This is My commandment, that you love one another, as I have loved you.*” —Summa of the Christian Life

*“Prayer is the place of refuge for every worry,
a foundation for cheerfulness, a source of constant
happiness, a protection against sadness.”*

– St. John Chrysostom

To dress becomingly for God and neighbor, and in keeping with the reverence due to the Blessed Sacrament, kindly refrain from wearing shorts, tee-shirts, tank-tops, revealing blouses, sleeveless or backless dresses, or form-fitting clothing of any sort. Please wear dresses and skirts that fall below the knee when sitting even with leggings (around mid-calf). With due regard to time and circumstance, all are encouraged to wear decorous attire befitting sacred and divine worship.