

Our Lady of Lourdes

Diocese of Covington's Latin Mass Parish

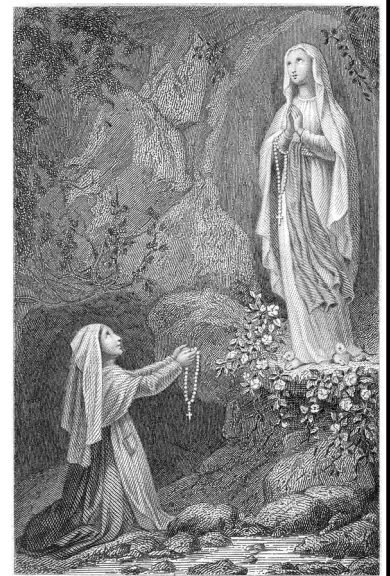
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"I do not promise you happiness in this life, only in the next"



ONE OF THE GREATEST OBSTACLES to the love of God is slothfulness, which is a laziness or languor of spirit in regard to the performance of good works and a repugnance for spiritual things. It is the source of many other vices such as malice, rancor, pusillanimity, lack of confidence, displeasure at obeying the Commandments, and attachment to vain and useless things. The great danger and harm of the vice of slothfulness can be learned from the words of Christ: "Every tree, therefore, that doth not yield good fruit shall be cut down and cast into the fire." ... In order that you may know how to arm yourself against this vice, we offer the following considerations. In the first place, consider how many labors Christ endured for you from the beginning until the end of His life. Consider how He passed many nights without sleep, praying for you; how He traveled throughout Galilee preaching and healing men; how He was always occupied with the things that pertain to your salvation; and how He carried the heavy weight of the cross upon His holy shoulders, already weary from His past labors. If the Lord of such great majesty labored so strenuously for your salvation, how much reason you have to work for it also. In order to free you from sin, the Lamb of God endured many sufferings and labors. Are you not willing to suffer a little for your own past sins? Consider also the trials endured by the apostles when they traveled throughout the world preaching the gospel, the torments endured by the martyrs, the labors of the confessors and virgins and those holy people who withdrew to the desert to live in closer union with God. Consider all the saints now reigning in heaven, who have extended the Church throughout the world by their preaching and the example of their holy lives. The



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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	April 26: Third Sunday after Easter
7:00 AM	David & Odile Mangin
(Union) 7:00 AM	** No Mass
9:30 AM	Wilcox Family
11:30 AM	Pro Populo
MONDAY	April 27: St. Peter Canisius, Doctor
6:30 AM	Audrey Jacobs
12:10 PM	Philip Schutte
TUESDAY	April 28: St. Paul of the Cross, Confessor
6:30 AM	Fr. Shannon Collins
12:10 PM	(+) Luu Canh Lu
WEDNESDAY	April 29: St. Peter, Martyr
12:10 PM	Christ is King Action Ministries
THURSDAY	April 30: St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin
6:30 AM	Fr. Sean Kopczynski
12:10 PM	Monica Fitzsimmons
FRIDAY	May 1: St. Joseph the Workman
6:30 AM	Fr. Cyril Whitaker
12:10 PM	In Honor of our Glorious Father, St. Joseph
SATURDAY	May 2: Immaculate Heart of Mary
9:00 AM	(+) Marie-Therese Pierrel



Third Sunday after Easter

April 26th, 2026

choirs of angels sing the praises of God without ceasing; the sun and moon and stars are a silent testimony to the glory of God and a constant source of benefit to us; the various plants and trees are constantly growing to maturity; the ants and other insects are busily engaged in the summer to fill their storehouses with food for the winter. Shall you not then be ashamed to be slothful and lazy? Moreover, if merchants and business men expend so much effort in accumulating perishable riches which must be safeguarded with much danger, with what greater reason should you, who are concerned with the affairs of eternity, seek to acquire those heavenly treasures which will last forever? And realize that if you do not wish to work now while you have strength and time, it may happen that later you will have neither the strength nor the time.

Now, in the time of grace and mercy, strive to perform acts of penance so that by means of good works in this life you may merit the blessings of the life to come. And although our works and efforts may seem small indeed, if they proceed from grace they are of great merit. The works are merely temporal, but the rewards are eternal; the time spent in running the race is brief, but the crown is everlasting.



WHEN ANY SPECIAL FAVOURS are conferred upon a reasonable being, it is the common rule that whenever the grace of God electeth such and such an one for such and such a grace, or for such and such an high post of duty, the person so elected receiveth all the gifts of grace which be needful for him in that state of life whereunto he is called, and receiveth them abundantly. Of this there is an excellent instance in the case of the holy Joseph, the so-called father of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the real husband of her, who is Queen of the world, and Lady of Angels. He had been elected by the Eternal Father to be the faithful nurse and warder of His two chief treasures, that is, His Son, and Joseph's own Wife. This duty Joseph faithfully discharged, and consequently the Lord hath said to him: *Well done, thou good and faithful servant enter thou into the joy of thy Lord.*



This man Joseph, if we compare him with the Universal Church of Christ, is he not that elect and chosen one, through whom, and under whom, Christ is orderly and honestly brought into the world? If, then, the Holy Universal Church be under a debt to the Virgin Mother, because it is through her that she hath been made to receive Christ, next to Mary she oweth love and worship to Joseph. Joseph is the key of the Church of the Saints which

were under the Old Testament, in whose person the noble structure of Patriarchs and Prophets reacheth her completion and realiseth her promises. He is the only one of them who actually enjoyed in full fruition what God had been pleased to promise before to them. It is, therefore, with good reason that we see a type of him in that Patriarch Joseph who stored up corn for the people. But the second Joseph hath a more excellent dignity than the first, seeing that the first only gave to the Egyptians bread for the body, but the second was the watchful guardian for all the elect of that Living Bread Which came down from heaven, of Which whosoever eateth will never die.

There can be no doubt that Christ still treateth Joseph in heaven with that familiarity, honour, and most high condescension which He paid him, like a Son to a father, while He walked among men; nay, rather, that He hath now crowned and completed those habits. We may very reasonably suspect that it was with a peculiar meaning that Christ said to him: *Enter thou into the joy of thy Lord.* The joy of being blessed for ever entereth into the heart of man, but when the Lord said to Joseph, Enter thou into joy, He probably meant mystically to bid him realise a joy which should not be within him only, but outside him also, above him, and below him, and all round about him, and overflowing him as it were a great bottomless pit of joy to swallow him up altogether. Therefore, O thou blessed Joseph! remember us! In thy helpful prayers, make intercession for us with Him Who vouchsafed to be supposed thy Son! Likewise, obtain some pity for us from that most blessed Maiden who was thy wife, and the Mother of Him, Who, with the Father and the Holy Ghost, liveth and reigneth, God, world without end. Amen. — ST. BERNADINE OF SIENA

Weekly Financial Report	
Week of Sunday April 19, 2026	
Sunday Collection:	
Checks	\$3634.95
Cash & Coin	\$1520.27
Other Donations	\$0.00
Candles	\$107.00
TOTAL	\$5262.22
<i>Weekly Budgetary Needs</i>	<i>\$4,940</i>

† **First Holy Communion** will occur on Sunday, June 7th, 2026, the External Solemnity of Corpus Christi. Please email secretary@lolparish.org if you have any children of age.

† The Tarcisians meet at 11am this Friday, May 1st.

† The Petite Bernadettes will be meeting this Saturday, May 2nd, following the 9am Mass at OLOL.



MAGESTIC 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.*

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.