

Our Lady of Lourdes is a pilgrim church coming to know the Kingdom of God by being Christ to the world

# Our Lady of Lourdes

Catholic Church

Dear OLOL family and friends,

I absolutely love this picture!! Why, you ask?

- I love Snoopy.
- I love Jesus.
- I love that Snoopy is so small and Jesus is so big.
- I love the way each of them is looking at the other.
- I love that Snoopy's heart, full of love, has outgrown his tiny chest.
- I love the simplicity of the message.

As you can see, this picture is very minimal with a simple black background. It hardly seems significant. Yet, like all great art, it tells me something different each time I come back to it.

When I question whether I have anything valuable to offer in this world, I'm reminded that Jesus asks very little of me. When I hear a homily from one of our presiders, encouraging me to live a life led by love, I think about this message. When I wish I could give more, when I think I've fallen short, when I struggle with a decision, when I look unkindly at another human being, when I meet a new person and don't know what to say—Snoopy and Jesus come to mind. No matter how small Snoopy looks, I know Jesus doesn't see him that way. Rather, he assures the young pup that he has exactly the right gift to share. To give love freely, as though it was our only possession, is really the best way to walk through this life.

As I prepare for the upcoming summer months (June 21 is the first day of summer!), I'm setting a goal for myself. I'm planning to look around every day for evidence of Snoopy and Jesus at work. I'm hoping I will continuously get better at noticing and acknowledging those active signs of love in unexpected—perhaps even small—places. After all, even tiny bees spread their love through pollination and honey-making! Will you join me on this adventure? Let's discover moments of "It's all I have. It's all I want." and continue spreading that beautiful message to each other and our neighbors all around us.

Happy summer and happy loving!

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