

St. Lawrence Parish

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MISSION STATEMENT

We, the members of St. Lawrence Parish, believe that we truly become the disciples of the Lord when:

His words become our words,
His caring becomes our caring,
His healing touch becomes our touch
His life makes us alive.

We provide opportunities and education for lifelong spiritual growth for all our members.

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekends:

Saturday 04:00 PM
Sunday 10:00 AM

Weekdays:

Tuesday 08:00 AM followed by
Mother of Perpetual Help Devotion
Thursday 08:00 AM

Neighboring Parishes

Resurrection, Allenton: Saturday Vigil 6:30pm, Sunday 8:30am
Wednesday/Friday 8:00 am

St. Peter, Slinger:
Saturday Vigil 5:00pm & 8:00pm, Sunday 7:30am & 10:30am
Monday 8:00am, Tuesday 6:30pm, Wednesday/Thursday 8:00am

PARISH WEBSITE

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Bulletin & Announcements Deadline: Submit information to the Parish Office by noon on Monday.



16th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"The righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father." - Mt 13:43a

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FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Baptism: Arrangement to be done with Pastor and Office.

Reconciliation: 9:00 AM Saturday or by appointment.

Marriage: Arrange with Pastor and Office, 9 months prior.
Coordinator: Joan Krebs 262-305-2774

Sick & Homebound: Contact Pastor for sacramental needs and visits.

Funeral: Contact Pastor before finalizing details.
Coordinator: Denise Klink 262-224-6059

Parish Membership: We welcome new members! Families and single persons (18 years and older) must be registered with the Parish in order to receive services the Parish offers. Please contact the Office to register. If changing address, please notify the Office.

Recommended Annual Donation:

Family: \$500 Single: \$250 Student/Nursing Home: \$25

• July 19, 2020 •

St. Lawrence Parish

MASS INTENTIONS

18 Saturday:

4:00pm Mass Pro Populo—For the People

19 Sunday:

10:00am Mass †Thomas Kling; Donald & Dorothy Pfeifer

20 Monday:

21 Tuesday:

8:00am Mass †Dennis Becker

22 Wednesday:

23 Thursday:

†Marvin Hahn

24 Friday:

25 Saturday:

4:00pm Mass †Harold Baier;
Robert, Marilyn & Michael Cleary

26 Sunday:

10:00am Mass †Margie Seyfert

THURSDAY MASS INTENTIONS WILL BE SAID BY THE PRIESTS AT THEIR PRIVATE DAILY MASSES AND WILL NOT BE RESCHEDULED.

MINISTRIES

25 Saturday

Lector: Denise Klink

Servers: No Servers

Eucharistic Ministers: No Eucharistic Ministers

Host:

Cup:

Host to Choir:

Ushers: Bob & Mary Aufdermauer, Lois Olsen, LeRoy Infalt

26 Sunday

Lector: Abby Kons

Servers: No Servers

Eucharistic Ministers: No Eucharistic Ministers

Host:

Cup:

Ushers: Mike & Sue Schmidt, Bob Hefter, John Cleary

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Please see our Parish website for a link to the daily Mass readings

FINANCIAL REPORT

JULY 4 & 5

Membership: \$ 2,013.00

Offertory: \$ 388.35

Improvement Fund: \$ _____

PARISH LEADERSHIP

Trustees: Dennis Regan Scott Kenitz

Pastoral Council:

Chair - Angie Cleary **Vice Chair** - Al Simays

Secretary - Joan Krebs

At-Large - Russ Koth, Kenny Baus, Greg Recker

Finance Council:

Chair - Annette Mueller

Members - Dennis Regan, Scott Kenitz, Brendan Kons,
Joan Krebs, Kenny Baus

FROM THE SHARED PASTOR'S DESK:

1. Public Service Announcement – WRAP (Wisconsin Rent Assistance Program) provides for rent assistance due to COVID-19 related concerns or issues; call **1-262-268-2723** for further information and to see if you need qualifies.

2. Please Remember to Vote – In the upcoming Primary Election to be held **Tuesday, August 11, 2020**. I recommend that those, like me, in a Covid-19 higher risk category due to age or conditions, vote absentee as I've already done!

3. Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist – Are receiving additional special training in safety practices and, for the foreseeable future, those so trained will be the only additional authorized distributors of Holy Communion helping our priests and deacon. Training was supplied by Cindy Rogers RN who is particularly specialized in these matters, serving as a surgical room nurse at VA Hospital, Wood, WI. In order to keep worshippers assuredly safe during the distribution of Holy Communion, these ministers will a.) Approach the altar with mask covering nose and mouth; b.) Use hand sanitizer upon arrival in the sanctuary; c.) Pull their mask down to receive Holy Communion; d.) Adjust the mask back into place, again using hand sanitizer, keeping their hands away from their faces thereafter; e.) After they receive a ciborium of consecrated hosts, they will distribute Holy Communion. Please be sure to receive the Holy Eucharist in such a way that you and they **do not touch** one another (If this occurs, the extraordinary minister **MUST** stop distribution and sanitize their hands before continuing); f.) After completing distribution they will again sanitize their hands before returning to their places. This training was first offered at St. Peter's due to a considerably larger occupancy in accord with Archdiocesan matrix; our priests and deacon will continue to be the ordinary distributors at Resurrection & St. Lawrence for the time being; extraordinary ministers at these parishes will receive special training when the matrix may be adjusted to accommodate increased percentages for church facility occupancy.

4. 2020 Catholic Stewardship Appeal – Reports that we have now exceeded our goal of **\$20,400** at a level of **104.24%** resulting in gifts totaling **\$21,265.10** from **124** donors or **20.60%** of our parish membership; an extraordinarily generous response in unprecedented times, the earliest fulfillment of our goal I can remember in many years; many thanks to everyone for such a splendid participation and response to this worthy cause. Overall, the Campaign has received to date a total of **\$5,789,987.37** from **24,815** donors toward goal of **\$8.1 million**; additional participation encouraged!

5. Re-Opening School/Religious Education Programs – A special committee has begun to meet to help us prepare for what we hope to be a return to some normalcy this fall with regard to pre-school/elementary education/formation (St. Peter School) and religious formation programs K-12 for public education students this fall. While heavy on the representation from St. Peter Catholic School, our Directors of Religious Education and Youth Ministers from all our three parishes are participants, too, as each program is housed in whole/part in a school facility wherein the health, safety, happiness, holiness and well-being of children/youth, staff/volunteers are of utmost concern; as discussions are at a very preliminary level, there is nothing specific yet to report except that we hope soon to have sound plans in place for these very important ministries. Stay tuned ...

6. St. Bridget of Sweden – Some saints are less well known than others and she, to us, is one of them. When she was a child, she had two visions, one of Christ and the other of Our Lady; both affected her spiritual life deeply. Married for 28 years, she had 8 children (one also became a saint – that's the goal of Christian parenting, to raise saints), gained a reputation for her care of the sick (usually performing the humblest tasks herself, bringing her children along to help – maybe that's part of making saints), and continued to have visions that made her wonder if she was delusional. Her husband died and although left a widow, she

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FROM THE SHARED PASTOR'S DESK: (CONTINUED)

founded of the Order of the Most Holy Savior, now commonly called the Bridgettines, devoted to simplicity in life and service to the poor. Her visions continued and, at times, they involved her in the politics of the day: she urged the Pope to return to Rome from Avignon (in a vision she was told he was a "destroyer of souls, worse than Lucifer, more unjust than Pilate, more merciless than Judas"); of course, her letters to him, due to strong wording, were not read! She opposed Crusades that were but a thin disguise for monarchs to gain land, not souls, by conversion; she was not into popularity contests nor did she respect vested interests! People took her visionary concerns and applied them for their own advantage, claiming that she supported their causes. Warning that great disasters loomed if people failed to reform their lives at times left her penniless and unpopular, but her life of service to the poor and the sick never left her far from the admiration of her contemporaries. We all know people whose points of view may get under our skins a bit, but God finds great good to do for us through them! Could it be that her life is a way of appreciating those who speak of controversial political or social issues in spiritual terms ...

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Congratulations, First Communicants! With beautiful reverence, Lucy Biertzer, Landen Durham, Reid Fisher, Estelle Gehring, and Cecilia Quinlan made their First Holy Communion this weekend.

First Communicants, we are happy that you received Jesus after several months of anticipation. Your faith continues to inspire us! May Jesus continue to be part of your lives every Sunday, dear children of God. Special thanks to Christine Gundrum and Sami Gundrum for all their work in preparing our First Communicants for this special day. Your love and gift for catechesis is a shining example of Christ in the world.

FOOD PANTRY DRIVE FOR CAPUCHIN COMMUNITY SERVICES' THE HOUSE OF PEACE JULY 25-26 AND AUGUST 1-2

The Human Concerns Committees and Knights of Columbus Councils of St. Peter Parish, St. Lawrence Parish and Resurrection Parish invite you to join us in our summer service project. We will be holding a food drive for the Capuchin Franciscan's ministry at the House of Peace in Milwaukee. Please drop your donations off in the boxes at St. Lawrence, Resurrection or St. Peter.

Items requested include: peanut butter & jelly, ramen noodles, rice & dry beans, pasta & canned sauce, pudding or Jell-O, canned soup, macaroni & cheese, canned tuna or Spam, canned pork & beans or chili, canned vegetables or fruit, boxes of crackers. Thank you for helping our community feed people who are hungry.

DRIVE FOR THE UNBORN

Knights of Columbus – Unity Council #12743 from St. Lawrence/Resurrection golf outing—Saturday, July 25th, 2020, Scenic View Country Club, Slinger). To sign up, contact Russ Koth at roscoerr@charter.net or call 262-224-3112. Deadline is Monday, July 20th. ALL ARE WELCOME.

Donations accepted. Make checks payable to "Knights of Columbus #12743" and put "Drive for the Unborn" in the memo field. Mail to Russ Koth, Financial Secretary, 3896 Thornapple Rd, Slinger, WI 53086.

PARISH CALENDAR

2020

August: 09 Feast Day

2021

March 08-10 Tri-Parish Mission at St. Lawrence

Marriage II. *Renee Cleary &*
Banns *Jeremiah Miller*

FEAST DAY UPDATE

As we look forward to our Feast Day on August 9, our traditional celebration will be limited by the COVID-19 pandemic guidelines during the Catholic Comeback. Unfortunately, Bishop Jeffrey Haines will not be celebrating Mass with us and the traditional procession and social afterward will not take place. Along with celebrating the feast day of our patron saint, we will also celebrate the retirement of our sacristan, Susan Keding, who served in the role for more than 20 years and also announce our St. Lawrence scholarship winners.

Even though our 2020 Feast Day celebration is being scaled back due to COVID-19, we look forward to zestfully celebrating St. Lawrence Parish's 175th anniversary on August 8, 2021. Plans are being made to make this a family-friendly event with great food, refreshments, live music, face painting, bounce house, and camaraderie among our parish members and visitors. Mark your calendars now to reserve the date.

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN—GOAL \$250,000

As of July 9, pledges total \$253,598 (101.4% of our goal) and we have received \$237,670. Thank you!

UPDATE: The tuck pointing, sealing & masonry repairs are still underway. The anticipated completion date is mid-July.

MASS AT ST. MATTHIAS

On August 3 Mass will be said at St. Matthias at 8:00 am. Due to the current restrictions we are limited to 25% capacity and are unable to have a social after Mass.

 *In Sympathy* to the family of
Harold Dietenberger

175TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Plans are in the works for a supplement to the Parish's 150th history book and information is being gathered for the last 25 years. The 175th Anniversary committee members have asked a few parishioners to conduct interviews by phone about parish life and staff members and committee heads to write up their stories/biographies and functions within the Parish. **Please submit the interviews as soon as possible so that we have ample time to print the supplement.**

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