

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 05:30 PM

Neighboring Parishes

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

PARISH WEBSITE

www.stlawrence-parish.com

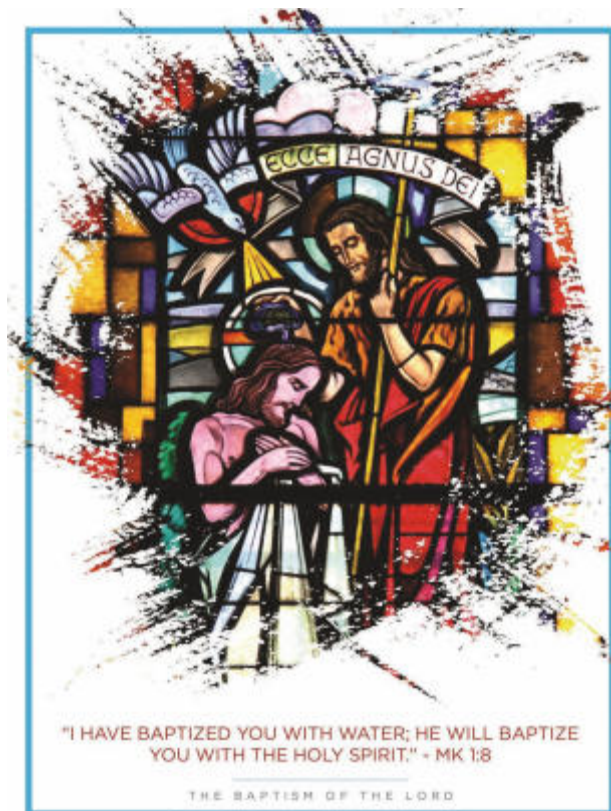


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Bulletin & Announcements Deadline: Submit information to the Parish Office by noon on Monday.

*The Lord has done great things for us,
and we are filled with Joy. Psalm 126:3
Celebrating 175 years as a faith filled community!*



FOR YOUR INFORMATION:

Baptism: Arrangement to be done with Pastor and Office.

Reconciliation: 10:00 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

Knights of Columbus Unity Council 12743:

Contact—Paul Petri 262-644-7440 or prumpet@charter.net

• January 10, 2021 •

St. Lawrence Parish

MASS INTENTIONS

09 Saturday:

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

10 Sunday:

10:00am Mass †Margie Seyfert

11 Monday:

12 Tuesday:

8:00am Mass †Harold Dietenberger

13 Wednesday:

14 Thursday:

5:30pm Mass †Dorothy Beine

15 Friday:

16 Saturday:

4:00pm Mass †Werner Lofy

17 Sunday:

10:00am Mass †Roman & Audrey Wagner

MINISTRIES

16 Saturday

Lector: Denise Klink

Servers: No Servers

Eucharistic Ministers: No Eucharistic Ministers

Host:

Cup:

Host to Choir:

Ushers: Jeff & Lisa Szukalski, Ron & Denise Olszewski

17 Sunday

Lector: Abby Kons

Servers: No Servers

Eucharistic Ministers: No Eucharistic Ministers

Host:

Cup:

Ushers: Wayne Wedell, Mike & Sue Schmidt, John Cleary

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

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

FINANCIAL REPORT

	December 19 & 20	24, 25, 26 & 27
Membership:	\$ 12,536.42	9,673.00
Offertory:	\$ 458.12	1,509.36
Improvement Fund:	\$ 846.00	_____

PARISH LEADERSHIP

Trustees: Scott Kenitz Maureen Gehring

Pastoral Council:

Chair - Angie Cleary **Vice Chair** - Greg Recker

Secretary - Joan Krebs

At-Large - Russ Koth, Kenny Baus, Jackie Infalt

Finance Council:

Chair - Annette Mueller

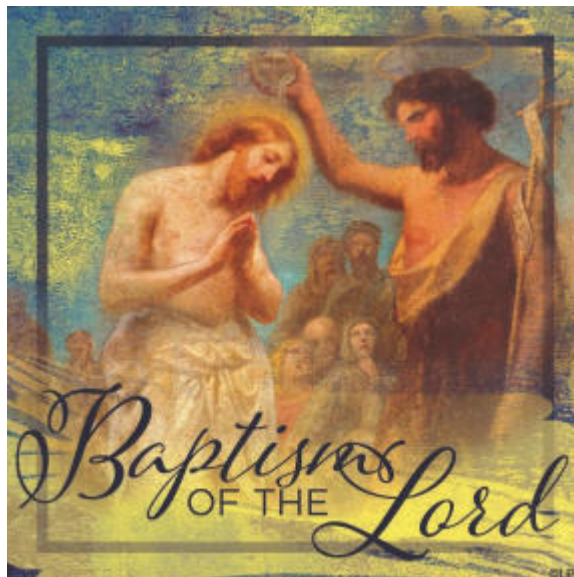
Members - Maureen Gehring, Scott Kenitz, Brendan Kons, Joan Krebs, Kenny Baus

FROM THE SHARED ASSOCIATE PASTOR'S DESK:

Today we celebrate the **Baptism of the Lord**, which is the last day of the Church's liturgical celebration of Christmas. This Feast is an important one because it reminds us that Jesus, by his own example and his own Baptism, gives us life through *our* Baptism. Baptism is sometimes called the "doorway to the spiritual life". It is through *our* Baptism that we first become disciples of Jesus and members of his holy Church. Baptism opens for us a friendship with Jesus and his Church. Think of all the things a baptized baby is eventually "entitled" to: receiving his mercy in Reconciliation, receiving his Body and Blood in the Holy Eucharist, becoming witnesses to Him in the world through Confirmation, being united as a husband or wife in holy Matrimony, being consoled and healed through Anointing of the Sick. All because of our own Baptism – which Jesus leads us to in today's celebration.

Pope Francis has often encouraged people to **know the date of their Baptism** and to celebrate it with great joy – as one would his or her own birthday. Objectively speaking, the date of our Baptism is *infinitely* more important than our earthly birthday. If Baptism is the beginning of our preparation for heaven, then obviously it's of the highest importance. A challenge for the week is to look up the date of your Baptism, the Church where you were baptized, and maybe even the priest or deacon who baptized you. You could pray for that priest or deacon, and then, remember your baptismal birthday and celebrate it with cake or ice cream. Or both, as I suggest.

At the end of each Mass, the Roman Missal (the book of prayers for Mass) gives four options for the priest or deacon to use as the dismissal. One of them is: "**Go and announce the Gospel of the Lord.**" I have been using this option more regularly because it reminds us of several things. First, most of us cannot stay forever in the Church to praise God, and we must go back to our regular lives. Second, it reminds us that, because we have heard the words of Jesus in the Scriptures and received in the Holy Eucharist, we are called to announce the Gospel of the Lord to everyone we see. We are called to help others to know about Jesus through the example of our lives, our care for other people, and the words we use. How is Jesus calling you to announce his Gospel – in big or small ways – after Mass this Sunday?



175TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION NEWS

This year we will celebrate St. Lawrence Parish's 175th Anniversary on Sunday, August 8. We will update the scheduled events until then and add a few fun things along the way as we look forward to a post Covid-19 summer.

"Fun Facts" from the 150th history book and the new 175th history book now in production will be shared periodically. "Fun Facts" will be announced after Mass and in the bulletin twice a month.

"Save the Date" emails and postcards will be sent in February and in March the Lenten Mission will be hosted here at St. Lawrence. Details of the mission will be published as the date approaches.

Formal invites will be sent in June with a RSVP requirement so the number of children and number of adults attending can be determined and planned for accordingly.

Parishioners are encouraged to bring lawn chairs for seating after the luncheon.

Then, on August 8 plans include:

- Mass at 10:00AM celebrated by Archbishop Jerome Listecki
- A catered luncheon from 11:30AM – 1:00PM featuring tenderloin sandwiches & hot dogs
- Refreshments provided by Knights of Columbus
- Live music and dancing until 4:30PM
- Events for children:
 - Bounce house
 - Face painters
 - Balloon creations

All of this at no cost to parishioners.

Please plan to share a day of fellowship celebrating our parish's rich history.

ADVENT SACRIFICE

Our Advent Sacrifice for the benefit of the Journey Program and Archdiocese of Milwaukee Coronavirus Emergency Fund totaled \$520. Thank you for your generous donations to these worthy causes!

ST. PETER CATHOLIC SCHOOL

If you would like more information about our school, a social distancing tour, meet with the teacher or a family registration folder, please contact Cheryl Jaeger, Principal/Marketing Director—cheryl.jaeger@stpeterslinger.org or 262-644-8083 x3100.

Calendar of CASH Raffle Tickets – We sold 945 tickets this year. Thank you! We will continue to post all the winners in the bulletin. Good Luck!!

PARISH CALENDAR

2021

January	21	Finance Council Meeting 6:00 PM Pastoral Council Meeting 7:15 PM
February	09	Christian Women Meeting 6:30 PM
March	08-10	Tri-Parish Mission at St. Lawrence
August	08	175th Anniversary & Feast Day Celebration with Archbishop Listecki

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN—GOAL \$250,000

As of January 5, pledges total \$255,393 (102% of our goal) and we have received \$244,987. Thank you!

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE

We received the proxy from the Archdiocese for our front doors. The campaign committee has accepted the bid for custom finished doors from a local craftsman. We anticipate completion by early spring and plan to install them in warm weather. Our work on the sound system continues. Three vendors have completed their on-site evaluations with our staff. We are in the process of receiving and reviewing their bids. We are still meeting our original budget. Thank you for your ongoing support and patience. We anticipate meeting our goal of having all of the projects completed before our 175th anniversary celebration next August.

RESPECT LIFE MASS

January 22, 2021 at 8:00 AM in Resurrection Church, Allenton; all members of our parish cluster are encouraged and welcome to attend.

TRI-PARISH SILENT RETREAT FOR MEN "LIVING IN A TIME OF PLENTIFUL REDEMPTION"

February 19 - 21, 2021

Presented by the Redemptorist Retreat Team

Come and enjoy a time of well-deserved rest and quiet! Check-in at the Redemptorist Retreat Center starts on Friday at 6:15 p.m., no evening meal is served on Friday.

The Silent Retreat consists of conferences, daily Mass, Reconciliation, Devotion to Mary, and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Retreat ends on Sunday after Mass and noon lunch.

To register: 262-567-6900

Offering: \$220.00 which covers private room with bath, meals and materials

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