

# St. Lawrence Parish

ST. MATTHIAS CHAPEL

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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/Wednesday/Thursday/Saturday 8:00am

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS UNITY COUNCIL 12743:

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

## PARISH WEBSITE

www.stlawrence-parish.com

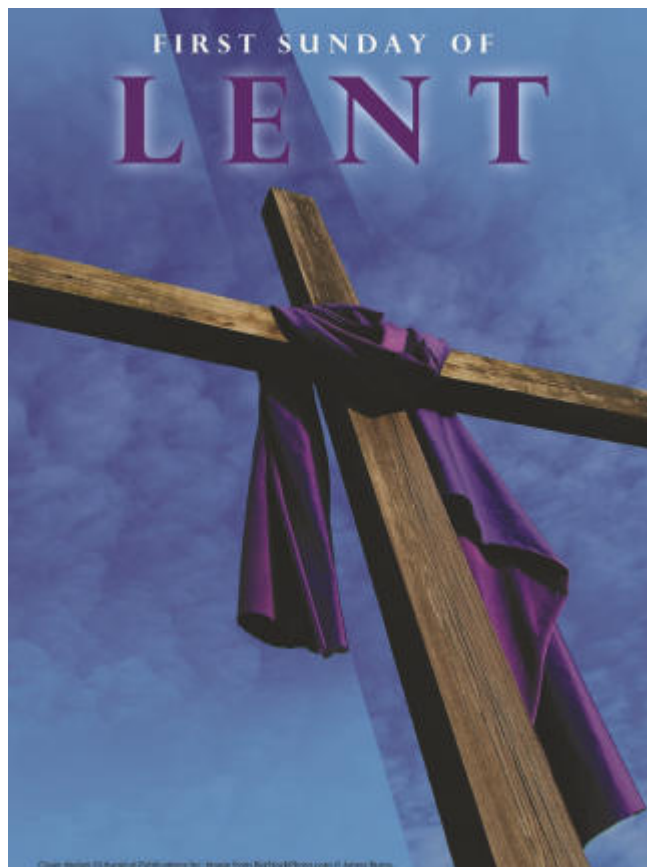


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**BULLETIN & ANNOUNCEMENTS DEADLINE:** Submit information to the Parish Office by noon on Monday.

*The Lord has done great things for us,  
and we are filled with Joy. Psalm 126:3  
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## 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

• February 21, 2021 •

## MASS INTENTIONS

### 20 Saturday:

4:00pm Mass Pro Populo—For the People

### 21 Sunday:

10:00am Mass †Harold Dietenberger

### 22 Monday:

### 23 Tuesday:

8:00am Mass †Marie, Edward Jr. & Jeffrey Schnorenberg

### 24 Wednesday:

### 25 Thursday:

5:30pm Mass †Michael Wronski

### 26 Friday:

### 27 Saturday:

4:00pm Mass †Richard Frey

### 28 Sunday:

10:00am Mass †James & Marie Feldhusen & Family

## MINISTRIES

### 27 Saturday

**Lector:** Mary Montag

**Servers:** No Servers

**Eucharistic Ministers:** No Eucharistic Ministers

Host:

Cup:

Host to Choir:

**Ushers:** Steve Krebs, Nancy Pfeifer, Fred & Mary Montag

### 28 Sunday

**Lector:** Russ Koth

**Servers:** No Servers

**Eucharistic Ministers:** No Eucharistic Ministers

Host:

Cup:

**Ushers:** John Cleary, Jim Kauper, Tim & Maggie Hofmaier

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

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

## FINANCIAL REPORT

### February 6 & 7

Membership: \$ 3,210.00

Offertory: \$ 326.77

Improvement Fund: \$ 250.00

## 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

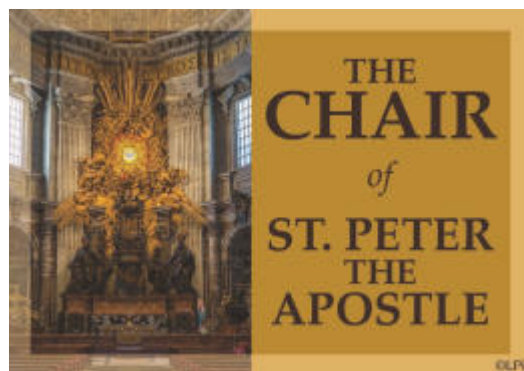
## FROM THE SHARED ASSOCIATE PASTOR'S DESK:

On Monday, February 22, we celebrate the **Feast of the Chair of Saint Peter**. In some ways, this Feast almost literally celebrates a chair. In Saint Peter's Basilica in Rome, there is hung a chair that is covered in bronze and gold. Legend and tradition say that the rickety wooden chair beneath it all belonged to Saint Peter himself – one of the twelve Apostles and the first pope. While it may seem silly to "celebrate" a chair, it has powerful symbolic meaning. This chair and this feast reminds us that the entire Church is led and guided by the Pope – the successor of Saint Peter and the Vicar of Christ on earth. In the Gospel today, Jesus says to Peter, "You are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it." If we stay within the Church – *especially* when it is difficult – we can have a sense of safety and security because of our Lord's promise.

We also hear in the Gospel for this Feast the great power and authority that is given to Peter and his successors, "Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven." This refers to two aspects of the Church. First, that the Pope has **authority to teach decisively and authority**. The language of "binding and loosing" often referred to the role of teachers. Thus, Saint Peter and all of the popes have the authority to speak about even controversial issues that Catholics ought to take seriously. (Side note: Not *everything* a Pope says has the same authority or decisiveness. If the Pope speaks off the cuff or were to command us all to eat three eggs each morning – that's not the same as an encyclical letter of more authority on marriage or family life. Just like a text message is different in authority and meaning from a typed letter).

The second aspect of "binding and loosing" that Jesus gives to Saint Peter and the Church refers to the forgiveness of sins, especially in the **Sacrament of Reconciliation**. Jesus wants us to know God's forgiveness in a clear and obvious way. Therefore, he shares his power in the forgiveness of his sins with the Church – through his Bishops and Priests. This Feast of the Chair of Saint Peter reminds us of the powerful healing effects of the Sacrament of Reconciliation. If it has been longer than a year since your last confession, I strongly encourage you to make plans to go. To hear clearly that God forgives your sins, great and small, and to hear his love for you again. It is also part of our obligation and preparation to receive worthily the Eucharist during the Easter season.

This Feast should also remind us to **pray daily for Pope Francis** and for his health and monthly prayer intention. During the month of February, he asks us to pray for the following intention: "We pray for women who are victims of violence, that they may be protected by society and have their sufferings considered and heeded."





We welcome our 2021 Confirmation Candidates, their sponsors, and families to Masses this weekend. The names of the Confirmands are listed in the back of the Church. Please keep them in your prayers as they prepare to more fully embrace our Catholic faith by receiving the sacrament of Confirmation on March 21st.

### CANCELLED

The Tri-Parish Mission at St. Lawrence scheduled for March 8-10 has been cancelled.

### ST. PETER CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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

For more information, check out our website: www.spcsslinger.org. May God bless you and your families as you consider this important decision for your child.

SAVE THE DATE: Drive Thru Fish Fry will be on Friday, March 12 from 4-7pm.

### EASTER FLOWER DONATIONS

We were notified by our supplier that orders need to be placed earlier than usual due to the pandemic (by February 23) and we must take what we order. We have taken the liberty to pre-order plants based on orders from 2019. We ordered 70 plants and can add more later but our supplier cannot guarantee they will have the inventory. Below are the plants we ordered along with the prices. If you wish to contribute in honor or memory of loved ones, please complete the attached and return by March 22. We will attempt to add to the order if the order exceeds the 70 plants. Thanks in advance for your generosity in helping us provide flowers for the Easter season.

### ST. LAWRENCE PARISH EASTER FLOWER DONATIONS



- \_\_\_\_\_ Easter Lilies (5+ flowers) = \$11
- \_\_\_\_\_ Kalanchoes - \$14
- \_\_\_\_\_ Azaleas - \$24
- \_\_\_\_\_ Hydrangeas - \$33.50
- \_\_\_\_\_ Donations toward other items

In Honor or Memory of:

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Donated by: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please respond no later than March 22, 2021**

### PARISH CALENDAR

<b>2021</b>		
March	09	Christian Women Meeting 6:30 PM
	18	Finance Council Meeting 6:00 PM Pastoral Council Meeting 7:15 PM
August	08	175th Anniversary & Feast Day Celebration with Archbishop ListECKI

### CAPITAL CAMPAIGN—GOAL \$250,000

As of February 16, pledges total \$255,493 (102% of our goal) and we have received \$246,711. Thank you!



The annual St. Lawrence Fish Fry will be held on Friday, February 26 from 4:00pm-7:00pm (or until the fish runs out). Cost is \$10.00 & includes 3 pieces fish (baked or fried), fries, coleslaw & bread. Drive-thru only.

**There is a need for volunteers. Please consider helping with this fundraiser - the sign up sheet is in the back of church.**

**Also if you would like to make a donation to help pay for the fish, fries or other expenses please place in the box in the center aisle of church. Thank you!**

### LENTEN DEVOTIONAL BOOKLETS

Please pick up a copy of the 2021 Lenten Devotional booklet "Mending Our Hearts" available at the church entrances. These booklets are courtesy of our local Knights of Columbus Unity Council 12743. It includes daily reflections, actions and prayers for Lent 2021.

### FOOD FOR FAMILIES FOOD DRIVE

The St. Lawrence Human Concerns Committee with the help of the Knights of Columbus will be collecting food and monetary donations during Lent for the Slinger Food Pantry. There will be containers at the back of church to collect your food and financial contributions.

### IT IS TIME FOR THE BEST LENT EVER!

What if, this Easter, your soul was more alive than at any other point in your life? That can happen. Not by accident. But intentionally. By feeding your soul with a daily course of prayer.

Let's get back to the basics this Lent. Let's master the fundamentals. Let's become people of prayer!

Join Matthew Kelly for free, daily reflections based on his new book, I Heard God Laugh, and start feeding your soul like you never have before! Sign up for the Best Lent Ever by visiting dynamic.catholic.com.

*Please pick up a Best Lent Ever Journal in the back of church to help you on your spiritual journey.*

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