

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/Wednesday/Thursday/Saturday 8:00am

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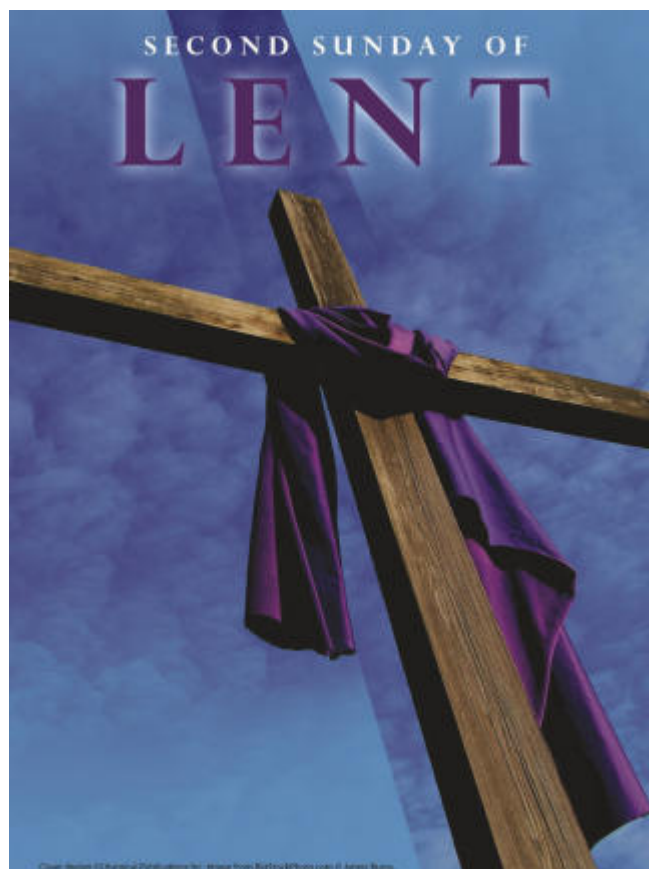


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BULLETIN & ANNOUNCEMENTS DEADLINE: Submit information to the Parish Office by noon on Monday.

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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 28, 2021 •

St. Lawrence Parish

MASS INTENTIONS

27 Saturday:

4:00pm Mass †Richard Frey

28 Sunday:

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

01 Monday:

02 Tuesday:

8:00am Mass †Edwin Dolan

03 Wednesday:

04 Thursday:

5:30pm Mass †Ron Schaber

05 Friday:

06 Saturday:

4:00pm Mass †Kurt Klink

07 Sunday:

10:00am Mass †Gilbert & Edna Langenecker

MINISTRIES

06 Saturday

Lector: Nancy Pfeifer

Servers: No Servers

Eucharistic Ministers: No Eucharistic Ministers

Host:

Cup:

Host to Choir:

Ushers: Jeff & Lisa Szukalski, Lois Olson, Mary Aufdermauer

07 Sunday

Lector: Julie Riley

Servers: No Servers

Eucharistic Ministers: No Eucharistic Ministers

Host:

Cup:

Ushers: Gary & Rosanne Hefter, Mike & Jean Briggs

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

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

FINANCIAL REPORT

February 13 & 14

Membership: \$ 1,395.00

Offertory: \$ 379.00

Improvement Fund: \$ 600.00

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 PASTOR'S DESK:

1. Catholic Stewardship Appeal 2020: Final Report – States we raised **\$23,812.10** toward goal of **\$20,400**, exceeding our goal by **116.73%** from **133** donor participants representing **22.17%** of our registered membership; thank you so much! Archdiocesan-wide the Appeal received **\$9,463,628** toward **\$8.1 million** goal from **29,454** donors. The first progress report from the **2021 Catholic Stewardship Appeal** now underway will be given at a later date; thank you very much!

2. You May Have Noticed – Beginning Ash Wednesday, February 17, the USCCB Committee on Divine Worship in accord with the Vatican Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments made a change in wording for the conclusion of the collects (opening prayers) in the Roman Missal and other liturgical books. Instead of the priest saying “(...) **in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever**” the priest will now simply say “(...) **in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever.**” While some may not see what difference this small change makes, there is significance, especially in today’s world filled with religious pluralism, to carefully affirming this Christological truth. Participation aids to help the faithful at Mass will carry this change as soon as possible, but since many of these are printed well in advance and sometimes on an annual basis, it will take some time for this change to appear in print. The new conclusion is easy to apply (please be patient with your priests because, as you know, old habits are hard to break) and shouldn’t affect the ability of the faithful to respond with a heartfelt and strong “Amen.”

3. Renewed Appointment – In addition to my duties as “Shared Pastor” for our cluster parishes, Archbishop ListECKI has seen fit to renew my appointment as DEAN for the priests of Dodge and Washington counties until end June of 2022; as the pandemic has seen many extensions of existing appointments to service, this is nothing unusual or particularly meritorious; I am pleased and willing to continue to serve the Archbishop in this capacity.

4. St. Katharine Drexel – American-born in 1858, a child of extremely affluent, well-educated parents who were devout and charitable (her father saw to it that the entire family attended daily Mass, spent ½ hour daily in quiet prayer and opened their home to the poor three days a week), this lively, attractive young woman was prepared to take a place among the elite but was disinterested and unenthusiastic about elaborate social expectations, including a marriage. When her step-mother (her birth-mother had died five weeks after Katharine’s birth) and her father both died within two years of one another, she and her two sisters inherited 90% of his vast estate, the other 10% being directed to charity. Her share of the estate was \$7 million! Knowing money could not buy safety from pain, sickness or death, she decided to devote her fortune to the plights of minorities, particularly of Native and African Americans. As she began to donate aid to these causes, she began to realize the immensity of what was needed. While on European tour, she met Pope Leo XIII and asked him to send missionaries to Wyoming for the Native Americans. His reply, pert and spot-on, was “Why don’t **you** become a missionary?” After some thought, realizing that the considerable wealth with which she had been gifted could do much more if she personally directed the effort, she founded a new religious community, the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament for Indians and Colored, to establish schools and missions; by 1942, despite the opposition of segregationists, she had established a system of black Catholic schools in 13 states, plus 40 missions & 23 rural schools, along with 50 missions for Native Americans in 16 states. Of particular note is a college she opened in Louisiana in 1915, later chartered as XAVIER UNIVERSITY, one of the first to admit and welcome people of color for higher education! Katharine, despite prevailing custom & laws of the time, took exception to segregation, decried prejudice;

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FROM THE SHARED PASTOR'S DESK: (CONTINUED)

while not uninterested in the "civil rights movement," she was more passionately devoted to being able to bring the life of grace, the spiritual food of the Eucharist, and the great hope of God's word to minorities as they struggled against what we now call "systemic racism." Her efforts brought a whole generation of American Catholics an awareness of the needs of minorities. In 1935, she suffered a severe heart attack and retired to live the next 20 years contemplatively and prayerfully. When she died in 1955 at age 96, it was the decade marked by civil rights campaigns led by Dr. Martin Luther King. She was beatified in 1988 and canonized in 2000. What remained of her estate she left not to her religious community but directly to the missions and schools they operated, feeling her sisters should be self-supporting! A little rich girl found a way to give as a gift what she herself had received as gift ... her feast day is Wednesday, March 03, especially noteworthy in the Beaver Dam parish named after her. Pray for us!

HARTFORD AREA COMMUNITY BLOOD DRIVE

Wednesday, March 3 & 24, 12:30pm to 5:30pm, at the Hartford Senior Center, 730 Highland Ave Hartford. Schedule your appointment today. Call 877-BE-A-HERO (877-232-4376) or online at www.versiti.org/hartford.

New donors are always welcome!! Please bring a picture I.D.



ROSARY LEADERS

We are looking for volunteers to lead the rosary before our Masses. If interested, please contact Paul Petri at 262-224-2763.

YEAR OF ST JOSEPH

With the Apostolic Letter "Patris corde" ("With a Father's Heart"), Pope Francis recalls the 150th anniversary of the declaration of St. Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church. To mark the occasion, the Holy Father has proclaimed a "Year of St. Joseph" from December 8, 2020 to December 8, 2021.

Starting March 7, we will recite the Prayer to St. Joseph after the rosary. The prayer will be shown on the screen in church.

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:

Donated by: _____

Please respond no later than March 22, 2021

PARISH CALENDAR

2021		
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!



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION COORDINATOR

Our Parish is seeking a part-time Religious Education Coordinator. This position is responsible for the leadership, preparation and administration of all aspects of our faith formation program for approximately 125 children. The individual will oversee all faith formation activities and sacramental preparation (First Reconciliation, First Communion and Confirmation). Must be a Catholic in good standing, have ability to demonstrate initiative, skills working in a collaborative environment and be timely and independent in performing key tasks.

If interested, please submit your letter of introduction, resume, salary requirements and references to:

stlawrenceoffice@gmail.com

175TH ANNIVERSARY FUN FACTS

Did you know the church was consecrated in 1882? There are 12 crosses mounted around the church to commemorate the event but only 11 are visible. The crosses denote the places where the bishop anointed the walls. The number 12 is symbolic of the 12 tribes of Israel and the 12 apostles. St. Lawrence is the first church consecrated in Washington County.

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.

LENT SACRIFICE

Our Lent Sacrifice is for the benefit of:

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