

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

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS UNITY COUNCIL 12743:

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PARISH WEBSITE

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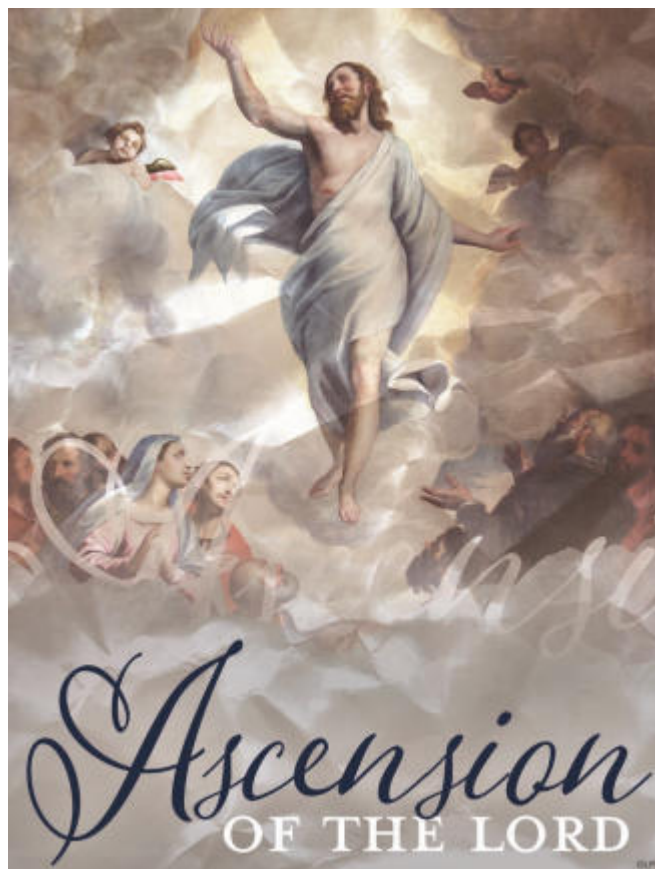


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BULLETIN & ANNOUNCEMENTS DEADLINE: Submit information to the Parish Office by noon on Monday.

*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

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MASS INTENTIONS

15 Saturday:

4:00pm Mass †Harold, Margie & Steve Seyfert
†Jack & Nancy Schoebel

16 Sunday:

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

17 Monday:

18 Tuesday:

8:00am Mass †Joe Reinders; Marilyn Doll

19 Wednesday:

20 Thursday:

5:30pm Mass †Herbert Schmidt

21 Friday:

22 Saturday:

4:00pm Mass †Our Faithfully Departed Christian Women
†Margie, Harold & Steve Seyfert

23 Sunday:

10:00am Mass †Gilbert & Edna Langenecker
†Eldon Beistle

MINISTRIES

22 Saturday

Lector: Greg Recker

Servers: No Servers

Eucharistic Ministers:

Host: Gertie Krebs

Ushers: Steve Krebs, Mary Aufdermauer, Nancy Pfeifer,
Lois Olson

23 Sunday

Lector: Russ Koth

Servers: No Servers

Eucharistic Ministers:

Host: Jeff Becker

Ushers: Emil & Brenda Becker, Wayne Wedell, Jim Kauper

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

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

FINANCIAL REPORT

May 8 & 9

Membership: \$ 2,000.00

Offertory: \$ 579.61

Improvement Fund: \$ _____

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 **Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord**. Because this feast is moved from Thursday (its traditional date) to the following Sunday in most US dioceses, it sometimes feels like “just another Sunday.” But the Ascension is one of the most important celebrations in the Church’s calendar. According to the Acts of the Apostles, forty

days after Jesus rose from the dead, he ascended into Heaven, body and soul, to his throne in Heaven (see Acts 1:1-11).

Why is Jesus’ Ascension such an important feast day? The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* says this: “Jesus Christ, the head of the Church, precedes us into the Father’s glorious kingdom so that we, the members of his Body, may live in the hope of one day being with him for ever.” (CCC 666) In other words, Jesus’ Ascension into heaven is a preparation for our own ‘arrival’ in heaven. Jesus, fully God and fully human, goes before us and prepares a room for us. He brings all of human life – in its complexities and messiness – into the life of God. We should live and pray each day looking forward to and preparing for heaven. When we live with an eye towards eternal life in heaven, we will act, speak, and think much differently. This grand feast of the Ascension helps point us to that reality.

On May 20, we celebrate the Memorial of Saint Bernardine of Siena, a Franciscan priest of the 1400s. He promoted devotion to the **Holy Name of Jesus**. He traveled throughout Italy to preach about the Name of Jesus and to call the people to turn from their sinful ways during a period of history when Christians and priests were not living as they should. As we celebrate Saint Bernardine, we should spend some time this week thinking about how important the name of our Lord is. Saint Paul says in his letter to the Philippians, “at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, of those in heaven and on earth and under the earth...” (Phil 2:8) If we encounter any difficulties or challenges during the day, we could softly say the name of Jesus under our breath – *not* as a curse, as some do – but as a request for his help. When we have a few moments of silence in the car, or at lunch, or before falling asleep, we could softly whisper the name of Jesus to thank him for the moments of rest. There is power in the Holy Name of Jesus, and we should use that power to bring Him into the mundane and intimate moments of our daily lives.

Next Sunday, we will celebrate **Pentecost**, which also marks one liturgical year since we resumed public celebration of Mass and public prayer. We should take time to thank God for this past year – even if it’s been filled with lots of loss, difficulties, or annoyances for you and your family. God is good, even when things are tough. May the Holy Spirit prepare our hearts to be his disciples!

TRUSTEE NOMINATION

In accordance with Wisconsin State Statute 187.19 which stipulates that trustees are to be elected "from and by the congregation". Therefore I, Fr. Richard Stoffel, as pastor of St. Lawrence Parish, hereby announce on this weekend of May 8 & 9, 2021 that the trustee election is to be held on the weekend of June 5 & 6, 2021. As pastor of St. Lawrence Congregation I am allowed to nominate a candidate for election. I hereby nominate Scott Kenitz.

Additional candidates are welcome, but must be nominated in writing by 10 or more registered parish members (nomination forms available in the Parish Office). Candidates must be Catholic, registered, practicing parish members and at least 25 years old. Nominations close May 23, 2021 at 11:00 am.

PASTORAL COUNCIL NOMINATIONS

Are you, or someone you know, interested in serving our Parish in a more meaningful way? Share some of your time, God-given talents and energy as a member of the Pastoral Council to help shape the future of St. Lawrence Parish. Duties include attending a meeting in the evening September through June, contributing input and advice on Parish matters, occasionally attending meetings of Pastoral Council committees, and providing strategic input and vision. This is an outstanding opportunity for you to make a real difference in our Parish. Candidates must be registered members of the Parish and at least 18 years of age. Two new members will be selected for three year terms. Nominations close Sunday, May 16, 2021. For more information contact: Greg Recker (262-644-5428) or any other Pastoral Council member.

Please prayerfully consider serving St. Lawrence as a member of the Pastoral Council.

ST. PETER CATHOLIC SCHOOL

If you would like more information about our school, a social distancing tour, meet with the teachers, or a family registration folder, please contact Cheryl Jaeger, Principal/Marketing Director - cheryl.jaeger@stpeterslinger.org - 262-644-8083 x 3100

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

St. Peter Catholic School would like to take this opportunity to give special thanks to our Tri-Parish Cluster (St. Peter, St. Lawrence, and Resurrection) for supporting our wonderful Catholic school in Slinger. We truly appreciate all the love and kindness you have shown our school! God bless you!

Thank You!

*Bob Aufdermauer
for spraying the Parish grounds*

PARISH CALENDAR

2021

May	20	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 May 9, pledges total \$255,793 (102% of our goal) and we have received \$252,225. Thank you!

FEAST DAY RSVP

All Feast Day invitations have been delivered. Please remember RSVPs need to be returned no later than June 19.

PARISH GRANT

In 2016 St. Lawrence was honored to be a recipient of a \$15,000 Catholic Community Foundation Grant for the installation of the ramp into the church hall. This year Catholic Community Foundation is celebrating its 20th anniversary and is again offering parishes the opportunity to apply for a grant. Five parishes in the Archdiocese will be given grants of \$20,000 each. We would like to participate again in applying for a grant. Please contact the Parish Office with your suggestions.

THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY FOUNDATION, A SEPARATE 501(c)(3), WAS ESTABLISHED IN JULY 2001 TO SUPPORT THE MISSION OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH IN THE TEN COUNTIES OF SOUTHEASTERN WISCONSIN. THE FOUNDATION WAS ESTABLISHED FOR INDIVIDUALS/FAMILIES WHO WANT TO MAKE A LASTING GIFT THROUGH A DONOR FUND. IT IS FROM THESE DONOR FUNDS THAT GRANTS ARE AWARDED TO THE CAUSES THEY CARE ABOUT ON AN ANNUAL BASIS. THEY ALSO HELP PARISHES, SCHOOLS AND CATHOLIC ORGANIZATIONS MANAGE THEIR ENDOWMENT FUND ASSETS AND INVEST THEM BASED ON SOCIALLY RESPONSIBLE GUIDELINES.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION

Remember to turn your religious education registration in by June 1st, 2021 to save \$50. Registration forms are available in the back of church and have been emailed to all families who were registered with us last year. You may contact the parish office or Joan Krebs (262-305-2774) for more information about registration.

ST. LAWRENCE SCHOLARSHIP

Applications for the 2021 St. Lawrence Parish scholarships are available in the back of church. You may contact the parish office or Joan Krebs (262-305-2774) for more information about the scholarship.

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