

ST. LAWRENCE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

Rev. Steve Pautler, Pastor

6th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME FEBRUARY 12, 2023

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Ladies Sodality President *Mary Williams*



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SACRAMENTAL LIFE

HOLY MASS SCHEDULE: St. Lawrence: Sunday at 8:30 am - Thursday at 8:30 am

St. Mary: Saturday at 4:00 pm - Sunday at 10:30 am

Wednesday All School at 8:30 am

Reconciliation: During Lent and Advent as scheduled and before Mass 8:00 am.

Baptism: Contact the office for Baptism preparation.

Marriage: Contact Pastor at least six months in advance.

Anointing of the sick: Available as needed and at Mass First Thursday - Sunday

of September, November, January, March & May

Communion for the homebound: Contact Pastor or call the office.

Religious vocation: For inquiries, contact Pastor

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MASS INTENTIONS

Feb 12 Marcus Oehmke Harry & Josephine Rohner Jack & Carolyn Seats

Feb 16 NO MASS

Feb 19 Margie Pautler Teddy Holstlaw

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

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Envelopes \$1,415.00 152.00 Loose **Building Fund** 500.00 Ash Wednesday 10.00 Mass Intentions 60.00 **Shalom** 75.00 Cemetery 25.00 **B&I Mission** 5.00 The Messenger 75.00

Attendance - 91 -

Thank you for all your donations.

LITURGICAL ROLES

February 12, 2023 *****

GREETERS: Brenda Schaubert

Kylie Nalewajka

SERVERS: Sierra Ford

LECTOR: Lana Nalewajka GIFT BEARERS: Brenda Schaubert- Bob Perry

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS: CANTOR: Marlene Lackey
Theresa Oldham (H) COUNTER TEAM: Jan Gillett
Theresa Ingles

SERVERS: Loren Pepple GREETERS: Linda DeKalb

Brenda Schaubert

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EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS: CANTOR: Marlene Lackey
Wayne Houser (H) COUNTER TEAM: Barb Spears

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LOOKING AHEAD

Sun Feb 12 MASS:

CONFESSION 8:00-8:20

St. Lawrence: 8:30 am St. Mary: 10:30 am

Mon Feb 13

OFFICE CLOSED

Feb 13 - Feb 16

NO MASS

THURSDAY Feb 16

Wed Feb 15 Sun Feb 19
4th Degree Knights MASS:
Meeting at Sandoval CONFESSION

CONFESSION 8:00-8:20 St. Lawrence: 8:30 am St. Mary: 10:30 am

Mon Feb 20

MASS: St. Mary Church CONFESSION 3:00 pm – 3:45 pm St. Mary: 4:00 pm

at 7:00pm

Sat Feb 18

OFFICE CLOSED
PRESIDENT'S DAY
Knights Meeting 7:00 pm

KNIGHTS SOUP & DINNER SERVING 4:00 PM-6:30 PM

OF SPECIAL INTEREST

Knights News

Congratulations to the winners of the Knights District Free Throw Contest: Age 9 Jeter Bottles, Sandoval and Alia Merrill, Sandoval, Age 10 Camden Kelly, Sandoval, Age 11 Tucker Aydt, Irvington, Age 12 Autumn Moore, Odin, Age 13 Austin Davidson, Sandoval, Age 14 Josh Gordon, Odin. These winners will advance to the Regional Contest on March 12th at Mater Dei High School.

Invite your family and friends to the Soup and Chili Dinner on February 18th serving from 4:00 - 6:30 p.m. The meal includes vegetable soup, chili, cheese, peanut butter, crackers, dessert, and drink. This will be a free will offering dinner. Proceeds will benefit Knights of Columbus charities.







St. Lawrence Church

The Sanctuary Candle for the month of February burns in loving memory of...

Curtis & Peggy Fark

In Loving Memory

March 2024

April 2024

May 2024

June 2024

July 2024

August 2024

February 2023 Curtis & Peggy Fark March 2023 Dolores & Woodson Mabry April 2023 Joe & Florence Altadonna May 2023 Mother's Day June 2023 Father's Day July 2023 Leo & Jeanne Nalewajka August 2023 William & Theresa Hall Dennis McGibany September 2023 Don & Barb Rohner October 2023 Bobby Hill Aaron & Dorothy Niepoetter November 2023 Deceased Stack Family December 2023 Shawn Ford January 2024 Altadonna Family February 2024 Open

Open

Open

Open

Joe & Florence Altadonna

Cooper Earl (Hall) Grimes

If, you would like to put a picture in front of the Sanctuary Candle put it up there on the first of the month until the last day of the month. You don't have to put a picture up if you don't want to. It is up to you.

Ronald Clark



RECENTLY DEPARTED SOULS

2022 Marcus Oehmke Mary (Nattier) Niepoetter Charles Voss Sr. Carolyn (Schweda) Seats

2023 Norma (Wimberly) Saale FACE MASKS ARE
OPTIONAL AT
PARISH AND
SCHOOL EVENTS



SMS CALENDAR

WINNERS

February 6, 2023

Teresa Boyce Centralia

Annette Shores Centralia

RESPEÇT LIFE



Our Blessed Mother models a profound witness to love and life in the Gospel account of the Visitation. Luke's Gospel tells us that, when Mary learns that her cousin Elizabeth is pregnant, she travels to the hill country "in haste" (Lk 1:39). Despite being unexpectedly pregnant her-self, Mary responds to this news with urgency.

She embarks on a long and perhaps difficult journey to be with her cousin during her time of need, bearing Christ to her as He lay quietly hidden in Mary's womb. And, although Jesus is veiled from view, when Mary first arrives John the Baptist leaps for joy in Elizabeth's womb, recognizing the presence of Christ (Lk 1:44). Mary, with Jesus, spends the next three months at Elizabeth's side.

The witness of our Blessed Mother invites us to become more aware of the needs of pregnant and parenting moms in our own parishes and communities. A woman with an unexpected pregnancy may have any number of fears and challenges: facing judgment from her friends and family, losing her job or housing, or being abandoned by the father of her child. Following Mary's example, we can ask ourselves how to better know these mothers, listen to them, seek understanding, and help them ob-tain the necessities of life for themselves and their children. How can we, like the Blessed Mother, lovingly support mothers in welcoming and caring for God's gift of life? Throughout the whole of Scripture, Mary's words are few. Yet, in her sacred encounter with Elizabeth, a powerful declaration pours from her lips. Mary proclaims to all generations that the Lord lifts up the lowly, fills the hungry with good things, and remembers his promise of mercy from age to age (Lk 1:46-56). In both word and deed, Mary speaks a message of hope—not only to Elizabeth, but also to every mother in need and to each of us.

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Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time

O God, who teach us that you abide in hearts that are just and true, grant that we may be so fashioned by your grace as to become a dwelling pleasing to you. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever AMEN

SUNDAY MASS

St. Mary (Vigil) 4:00 p.m. St. Lawrence - 8:30 a.m. St. Mary - 10:30 a.m.

RECONCILIATION

St. Mary (Vigil) 3:15 p.m. - 3:50 P.M. St. Lawrence (Sunday) 8:00 a.m. - 8:20 a.m.

Or by appointment 618-532-6291 x(307)





NO WEEKDAY MASSES

FATHER STEVE

WILL BE ON VACATION FEBRUARY 9th - 17th

ASH WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 22, 2023



Everyone 14 years of age or over is bound to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, Only one full meatless meal is allowed. The other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to one's needs, but altogether they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted on these two days, but liquids, including milk and fruit juices are allowed. When health or ability to work would be seriously affected, the obligation of the law is modified.

Ash Wednesday is not a Holy Day of Obligation. It is the first day of Lent and the perfect opportunity to begin your Lent journey. The schedule is:

Wednesday, February 22. 2023

St. Mary Church (All School Mass) - 8:30 a.m.

St. Mary Hospital Chapel - 12:00 p.m. (18 + only, masks must be worn)

St. Lawrence Church - 7:00 p.m.

Drive Thru Ashes 7:00 a.m. - 8:15 a.m. Our busy schedules sometimes do not permit us to fully practice our faith. If you are heading to school, work, or just driving through! We will again offer drive thru ashes, on Wednesday,

FEBRUARY 22, in the SMS Park Lot. There will also be ashes available in the Church for you to take home for those who are homebound.



<u>LENTEN</u> STATIONS OF THE CROSS

THURSDAY
ST. LAWRENCE - 7:00 PM

<u>FRIDAY</u>

ST. MARY - 2:15 PM



SIXTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME - CYCLE A

SCRIPTURE February 12, 2023 Sirach 15:15-20

Psalm: 119:1-2,4-5,17-18,33-34

1 Corinthians: 2:6-10 Matthew 5:17-37

SCRIPTURE February 19, 2023 Leviticus 19:1-2,17-18 Psalm: 103:1-2,3-4,8,10,12-13 1 Corinthians: 3:16-23 Matthew 5:38-48 672 O God, Our Help in Ages Past 702 Prayer to St. Francis 786 I Received the Living God 629 We Are the Light of the World Readings #943 February 22, 2023 – April 6, 2023

LENT

prayer – fasting – almsgiving 2023 Lenten Regulations

During Lent, the Christian faithful are obliged to do penance through prayer, fasting, abstinence and by performing works of piety and charity. Even outside of Lent, the bishops in the U.S. still exhort the faithful to observe all Fridays as days of penance in recognition of Friday as the day of our Lord's death and in preparation for the heavenly banquet at Sunday Mass.

FASTING

Fasting is an ancient practice whose importance can be seen time and again throughout the Old and New Testaments of the Bible. Everyone age 18 and up to their 59th birthday is obliged to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

Only one full meal is allowed on days of fasting. Two other meals, often called collations, may be taken to maintain strength according to one's needs. When combined, these collations should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals and collations is not permitted, but liquids are allowed. The obligation does not apply to those whose health or ability to work would be seriously affected.

ABSTINENCE

Everyone age 14 and older is to abstain from eating meat on Ash Wednesday, all Fridays of lent and Good Friday. In the Midwest, highend seafood can often be a luxury and a significant expense, especially when consumed at restaurants. While consuming such food certainly observes the "letter of the law" in regards to the obligation, in order to reap the most bountiful spiritual fruits, the faithful should ensure their intention is united to the "spirit" of such obligations.

SAINT PATRICK'S DAY, FRIDAY, MARCH 17, 2023 DISPENSATION FOR THE FAITHFUL

Bishop McGovern has granted a dispensation for the Faithful for Friday, March 17, 2023. The regulation to abstain from eating meat is lifted for that Friday only. The faithful are encouraged to perform another act of Prayer or Almsgiving on St. Patrick Day.

PRAYER - FASTING - ALMSGIVING

It is popular for Catholics to "give something up" for Lent. This is not required by the Church, but it is often encouraged as a way to detach from the things of the world and focus our attention on God and heaven. This helps a soul prepare for Easter and grow in holiness at the same time.

We owe God everything and he owes us nothing. Yet, he has given us everything and we often give very little in return. Consider showing your deep love and trust for God by giving something up that you think will be very difficult. Resign yourself to him in complete thrust and let him be your guide through the long journey of Lent. If you slip and give in during the journey, the only shame comes if you abandon your sacrifice completely as if it has lost all its merit. Turn again to him who never turns from you, and ask him to give you the resolve to rise once more and push on to that great and holy Easter day.

6th Sunday of Ordinary Time, February 12, 2023 Deacon Candidate Dan Laquet

Beautiful, profound, and uplifting passages are presented to us in today's readings. Their focus on the law and the commandments provides us with a road map on the direction our lives should take. Our first reading, from the book of Sirach, extols us to choose a life made fruitful by obeying the commandments God has provided. St. Paul reminds us in the second reading that the wisdom of God is far greater than anything we can achieve on our own. Finally, in the gospel of Matthew, our Lord announces that He has come to fulfill the law, not to abolish it.

The Catholic Church teaches that moral law comes from God in the form of "fatherly instructions" to guide us in determining what is right and what is wrong. The book of Sirach, written by the Jewish scribe Ben Sira around 200 years before the birth of Jesus, speaks plainly about the proper way to live our lives in a manner that honors God. Ben Sira was deeply rooted in the Torah, the law, and all the rituals of the Temple. In these few verses he gives us the unalterable truth about our spiritual lives, "If you will, you can keep the commandments, they will save you; if you trust in God, you too shall live." God gave us free will and the freedom to choose our path. He covets that freedom to such a degree that He is willing to let us experience life or death, good or evil, based on our own decisions. God gives us what we choose, and ultimately, we will become what we choose. The words of Sirach encourage us to follow the path of love and obedience every moment of our lives so that we will become worthy to live eternally with our Father in heaven.

St. Paul tells us in his first letter to the Corinthians that the wisdom of God far surpasses all the human wisdom of this and every age. By revealing His wisdom, God fulfills His plan from before time began. He created us out of love, as creations designed to love Him in return, and the best manifestation of that love is to honor and reverence Him by the light of our own lives. Trust in His wisdom, and live by His law, for it is unimaginable "what God has prepared for those who love Him."

The passage from Matthew reveals clearly the gospel according to Jesus mirrored throughout the New Testament writings. His gospel transcends the law of the Old Testament, and He tells us that "unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven." Observance of the law is just part of it. but it is not all He desires of us. This new law is one that God places in our hearts. Our hearts are the seedbed from which our actions and words sprout and bring forth life. Je-sus wants us to train our hearts, to control our passions and emotions, and to be fully obedient. We are called to love God with our whole heart and soul, and to do His will with heartfelt joy. God never demands more of us than we are capable of doing, and He sent us His Son to be a model for us to follow.







FRIDAY'S OF LENT

Mark Your Calendar

Now

JULY 2, 2023

Cardinals vs. LA Dodgers
Busch Stadium
SMS will be singing the National
Anthem at the beginning of the game



SMS, PTO EVENTS

(TENTATIVE DATES)

JANUARY 29-FEBRUARY 4, 2023 CATHOLIC SCHOOLS/TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2023 PTO TRIVIA NIGHT

FEBRUARY 24 – MARCH 31, 2023 SMS, PTO, LENT FISH FRY

SUNDAY, APRIL9, 2023 ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT

TUESDAY, APRIL 25, 2023 SMS, PTO MEETING





Serving 5 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

MENU **Meal includes your choice of drink**

ADULT MEAL

♦ 2 pc Fish Dinner and 2 sides-\$12.00 ♦ Baked Pasta, Garlic Bread and 1 side-\$ 10.00

KIDS MEAL for 7 and under

◆1 pc Fish Dinner and 1 side-\$6.00
 ◆ Baked Pasta with Garlic Bread-\$5.00

SIDE CHOICES: Baked Beans ∞ Crinkle Cut Fries ∞ Homemade Italian Slaw

HOMEMADE DESSERTS AVAILABLE For a Free-Will Offering

FRIDAY'S OF LENT

FEBRUARY: 24 MARCH 3, 10, 17, 24, 31

Dine-in or Carry-Outs Available

(No Fish Fry - Good Friday, April 7th)

If you are in need of a priest while Fr. Steve is on vacation, please contact Msgr. Darin or Fr. Nick Junker, St. Mary, Mt. Vernon (618)244-1559

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES

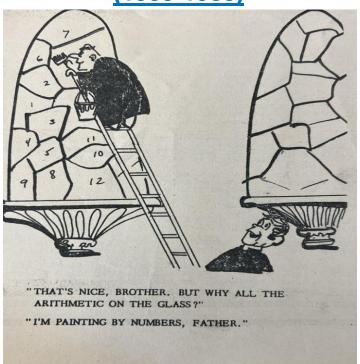
ONE OF THE BEST THINGS YOU CAN DO FOR THE NEW YEAR! Do YOU EVER DREAM OF A WORLD WITHOUT HUNGER OR POVERTY?

Would YOU seriously like to make this world a reality?

"FAITH AND POVERTY: A GLOBAL RESPONSE" should help you do just that. It is a prayer-filled and heart changing course cosponsored by JustFaith and Catholic Relief Services. We will meet at Mater Dei High School for 8 Sessions on the first and third Thursdays of each month beginning on Thursday, January 5th from 7 to 9 PM. For questions or to join us, please call Helen Essenpreis (618-980-1875), Fran Etter (618-971-8886), or Myrt Rollins (314-707-7063). You may also register online directly at: iustfaith.org/faith-andpoverty-a-global-response-st-louis-

winter-2023-small-group-catholic/

BLAST FROM THE PAST (1985-1988)



The following men, all members of the Deacon Formation Class of 2023, have been recommended to Bishop Michael McGovern, Bishop of Belleville, for Ordination to the Permanent of humility, prayer, and service. The lay faithful serve a vital part in the selection, calling, and ordination of deacons, who must be faithful to the Magisterium, the teaching authority of the Church. Therefore, Bishop McGovern invites the faithful to submit any comments concerning the worthiness and suitability of any candidate listed below directly to him These comments should be submitted in writing to arrive by Tuesday, February 28, 2023.

Mr. Jay Fowler - St. Anthony, Beckmeyer

Mr. Brad Haar - St. George, New Baden

Mr. James Keepes - St. Mary, Mt. Carmel

Mr. Anthony Kellerman - Sacred Heart, DuQuoin

Mr. Daniel Kimutis - St. Clare, O'Fallon

Mr. Daniel Laquet - St. Mary, Centralia

Mr. Douglas Lugge - Cathedral of St. Peter

Mr. David Mills - St. Edward, Fairfield

Mr. David Miskell - SS Peter and Paul, Waterloo

Mr. William Mueller - St. James, Millstadt

Mr. Leonard Ratajczk - St. Clare, O'Fallon

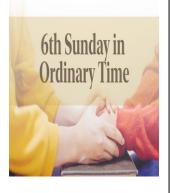
Mr. Thomas Ritzheimer - St. Mary, Trenton

Mr. Fred Sterns - St. Ann, Nashville

Mr. Justin Wolfslau - ST. George, New Baden

Please send your letter or email to: The Most Reverend Michael G. McGovern Bishop of Belleville, 222 S. Third Street Bellville, IL 62220

Email: bmcgovern@diobelle.org



6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven." MATTHEW 5:20

The Pharisees lived according to the letter of the law and they used this to elevate themselves above the other people. Jesus is clear - it's the love that you have in your heart, for God and others, that will get you to heaven. Simply following church rules to the letter and not out of love, does not necessarily put you on the path to heaven. Attending Sunday Mass and then gossiping about a fellow parishioner on the parking lot is an example of being a modern day Pharisee.

BOTTLE CAP COLLECTION

St. Mary School Students are collecting plastic bottle caps for a special project. Save your soda, water or juice bottles tops and drop them off at Church the Office or School!

Thank You!

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BIRTHDAY

02-14 Linda DeKalb

02-16 Mary Vogt

02-17 Stacey (Nalewajka) Ford

03-23 Clayton D. Cain

03-23 Chris Williams

04-06 James Nattier

04-13 Mickayla (Schute) Skibinski

04-15 Tom Holstlaw

04-16 Johnny Bosler

04-16 Lana Nalewajka

04-20 William Hall

05-03 Jane Waddell

ANNIVERSARY

03-22 Jolynn & Charles Garret

SHALOM IS NEEDING HELP

WEDNESDAY, February 8, 2023 SETTING UP FROM 5:00 PM - ?. DISTRIBUTE ON SATURADY, February 11, 2023 FROM 7:00 AM - 9:30 AM FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT MARY WILLIAMS.

Those in nursing homes or assisted <u>living are:</u> Linda McGibany & Gerald Fanger. Please pray for them, their families and their care-givers.



REMEMBERING OUR LOVED ONES IN FEBRUARY:

01-21 Charlotte Carson

02-14 Marilyn Oehmke

03-94 Marie Theresa Porter

04-98 Cora Elizabeth Schooling

04-90 Walter Schymick

05-07 Clarence Holkamp

05-05 Janice F. Kannall

08-01 Mary F. Hudzik

10-84 William E. Hall

13-09 Eugene Maluchnik

13-92 Dorothy Schweda

14-98 Tony Piasse

14-93 Marie White

20-98 Martha A. Ramsey

21-19 Diana Kelso

23-07 Ann M. Miketta

25-08 Margaret Bowen

25-01 Alison Lee Niepoetter

26-07 Charene J. Bosler

26-04 Mararet "Peggy" Earle

26-17 Julianna Griffith

26-95 Ralph G. Koppers

28-87 Timothy McCarthy

28-17 Jenna Wooden



If you would like to include an article in the March -Illinois Central Newsletter please submit your entry by February 20, 2023. Since Father Steve is gone, we will be working on a tight dead-line to meet our March 1, 2023 publication date! Send articles, pictures, etc. to:

steve9960@hotmail.com

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PRAYER REQUEST - CAN YOU PLEASE GO OVER THESE NAMES TO SEE IF ANY **NEEEDS TO BE REMOVED PLEASE LET OFFICE KNOW**

A Special Cancer Person, Chris Berry, Brianna Blakley, Earl Bosler, Shirley Brady, Sharon Britt, Clayton Cain, Mindy Clark, Daisy & Kevin Conrad, Phillip DeKalb, Dan Donahue, Phyllis Fanger, Jared Fogerson, Debra (Small) Gerrish, Mary Gore, Roger & Debbie Grasher, Alexus Hall, Bill & Mary Hall, Tom Hall, Mandi Hardi, Stan Hill, Michelle Irvin, Maureen Knabe, Bob Kannall, Agnes Koehler, Marlene Little, Judy Jenkins, Beth Mayer, Karleigh McClaren, Tracy Minton, Bob Moore, John Mullen, Lana Nalewajka, Cora Oehmke, Jeff Orrell, Rachel & Sandie Peters, Brenda Pinkston, Gary Quick, Jerry & Jeannie Ratermann, Joel Rivera, Bart Robbins, Rachael Sager, Otto Schaffer, Monica Schaubert, Sarah Schlau, Bud Schwartz, Kim & Mickayla Schulte, Shamus, Jack Shanafelt, Joe Shepler, John Alan Small, Milya Smith, Patti, Stanley, Jerome Stack, Brittany Starbreck, Evelyn Szatkowski, Alice Thorpe, Janette Torrance, Waylon Vick, Sara Wright.

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