

ST. LAWRENCE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH SANDOVAL, ILLINOIS

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT FEBRUARY 25, 2024

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SACRAMENTAL LIFE

HOLY MASS SCHEDOLE: St. Lawrence: Sunday at 7:30 am - Thursday at 9:00 am - St. Elizabeth: 9:15 am St. Mary: Saturday at 4:00 pm - Sunday at 10:30 am - St. Theresa: Sunday at 11:00 am

Reconciliation: Before Sunday Mass 7:00 am - 7:20 am.

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MASS INTENTIONS

Feb 25 Aaron Niepoetter
Rose Mary Jourdan
Tom & Teddy Holstlaw
Don & Barb Rohner
Personal Intetions

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Feb 14, 2024 ASH WEDNESDAY

Loose 67.00
Ash Wednesday 115.00
Lent Books 147.00

Feb 18, 2024

Envelopes \$ 470.00
Loose 106.00
Building Fund 25.00
Lent Books 10.00
Shalom 70.00
Ash Wednesday 50.00

Attendance -74-

B & I Mission

CSMA

Hall Rental

Thank you for all your donations.

LITURGICAL ROLES

SERVERS: Dave Peters GREETERS: Dennis Krupp

Ren Biggs

LECTOR: Mary Clark GIFT BEARERS: Linda DeKalb- Bob Perry

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS:

Theresa Oldham (Body of Christ) Need 2 for (Blood of Christ)

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SERVERS: Sierra Ford

******* March 03, 2024

Eugene Nalewajka

LECTOR: David Schulte GIFT BEARERS: Brenda Schaubert- Bob Perry

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS:

Nancy Nalewajka (Body of Christ) Need 2 for (Blood of Christ) *********

GREETERS: Brenda Schaubert

COUNTERS TEAM: Bob Spears

CANTOR: Marlene Lackey

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COUNTERS TEAM: Linda DeKalb

Theresa Ingles

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LOOKING AHEAD

Sun Feb 25 MASS:

CONFESSION 7:00-7:20

St. Lawrence: 7:30 am St. Elizabeth: 9:15 am St. Mary: 10:30 am St. Theresa: 11:00 am Thurs Feb 29 MASS:

St. Lawrence: 9:00 am

STATIONS OF THE CROSS ST. LAWRENCE: 6:00 PM

Fri Mar 01

FISH FRY ST.MARY'S: 5:00 pm- 7:00 pm Sat Mar 02 MASS:

St. Mary: 4:00 pm

Sun Mar 03 MASS:

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OF SPECIAL INTEREST

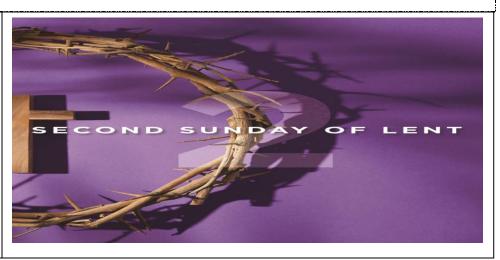
Knights News

The Knights would like to thank everyone who supported our breakfast fundraiser last Sunday. There is leftover cooked sausage, uncooked sausage, and gravy which has been frozen available after mass for a donation.

155.00

90.00

400.00



PASTOR'S PAGE

Quote for the week: Faith is not believing that God can, it is knowing that he will (Brian)

The Second Week of Lent

For the **Second Sunday of Lent** we read of how God tested Abraham's faith. In the gospel we witness how Jesus showed his disciples his glory, to prepare them for what is to come. A voice from a cloud said, "This is my Son, my beloved. Listen to him." All we need to do for the journey ahead is to listen to him.

Each day the first reading is chosen to prepare for the gospel and the theme of both readings is complementary.

The second week begins with Jesus telling us: "Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful... For the measure with which you measure will in return be measured out to you." All week we will be taught by Jesus about the simple lessons of being his followers. "Whoever exalts himself will be humbled; but whoever humbles himself will be exalted." Jesus predicts his passion again. Again, they misunderstand, and so he says, "whoever wishes to be great among you shall be your servant." Jesus tells the Pharisees a parable about a poor man and a rich man. The rich man asks Abraham to warn his brothers about the consequences of this behavior. Abraham answers: "If they will not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded if someone should rise from the dead." Then Jesus tells the scribes and religious leaders the parable about the farmer whose servants were abused by his tenants. Finally, they killed his own son. Jesus concludes, "the Kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that will produce its fruit." While tax collectors and sinners are being drawn to Jesus the Pharisees complain, "This man welcomes sinners and eats with them." So Jesus tells them the wonderful parable of the Prodigal Son.

For the **Third Sunday of Lent** we read the Ten Commandments and witness Jesus driving the money changers out of the temple. He says, "Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up." **John's Gospel** tells us the point: "Therefore, when he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they came to believe the Scripture and the word Jesus had spoken." In most parishes, there will be one Liturgy for the Scrutinies for the RCIA candidates, using the <a href="Gospel of the Woman at the Well.

Taken from the "Weekly Guide for Daily Prayer" on the Creighton University's Online Ministries web site: h□ps://onlineministries.creighton.edu/Collabora□veMinistry/Prayer/B2-L-01.html

Daily Prayer This Week

During this second week of Lent we continue to try to make use of more reflective time each day. We are using all the resources available to us to practice new habits and patterns. We are still in the beginning stages of that process, so we shouldn't be discouraged if it takes more practice.

It is good to begin by being reminded that God is rich in mercy to us and that we should therefore be merciful to others. It is great to remember that exalting ourselves is dangerous and that there will be consequences for our mistreatment of the poor. We are like tenants of our Father's gifts to us. We can ask ourselves if we use them gratefully and return the fruits that our Lord desires, or do we reject the prophetic words that come to us? Do we reject Jesus himself?

This can all be part of the background of our busy, daily life. Each morning, when our feet hit the floor, if only for a few moments, we can ask for a simple grace. At first, it might only be, "Dear Lord, help me today." As we brush our teeth, wash and get dressed we might specify our prayer more: "Dear Lord, give me the grace to recognize my impatience, anger and iudament today. Help to soften my heart to hear your love. I need your healing, Lord." Or we might get even more concrete, "Lord, Pat is such a struggle for me. Help me to remember how much you love me when I see Pat today. And, when I'm tempted to be impatient or angry, just help me pause and give that over to you, in gratitude for your love."

Each of us will be able to grow in our ability to have brief conversations with our Lord. Whether driving or shopping, doing laundry or paying bills, working in our office or walking down the hall to the bathroom, we can use brief "background" moments to connect with our Lord. These moments of "contemplation in action" will give a character and shape to our day. Lent becomes a living reality for us when our days are spent with the Lord, listening to his love for us, calling us to gratitude and freedom.

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St. Lawrence Church

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

The Burns Family

In Loving Memory

February 2024 The Burns Family

March 2024 John & Freda Burns

April 2024 Joe & Florence Altadonna

May 2024 Cooper Earl (Hall) Grimes

June 2024 Ronald Clark

July 2024 Leo & Jeanne Nalewajka

August 2024 Eric Knabe & Dunphy

September 2024 Nancy Berry

October 24 Bobby Hill,

Aaron & Dorothy Niepoetter

November 2024 Glen & Pauline Walker

December 2024 Delphine Niepoetter

January 2025 Shaun Ford

February 2025 Mike Shaffer

March 2025 Leo & Jeannie Nalewajka

Nancy Berry & Marcus Oehmke

April 2025 Joe & Florence Altadonna

May 2025 Nancy Berry, Leo & Jeannie Nalewajka

June 2025 Open

July 2025 Marcus Oehmke

August 2025 Open

If, you would like to put a picture in front of the Sanctuary Candle put it up there on the 1st 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.



RECENTLY DEPARTED SOULS

2023

Norma (Wimberly) Saale
Alice Jayne Thorpe
Linda (Hall) McGibany
Jeannie (Walker) Ratermann
Rose Mary (Thomas) Jourdan
Tom Holstlaw
Mike Shaffer
John "Eddy" Burns Jr.

2024

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Pope Francis invites believers to prepare to celebrate the paschal mystery with mind and heart renewed:

Fasting, that is, learning to change our attitude towards others and all of creation, turning away from the temptation to "devour" everything to satisfy our voracity and being ready to suffer for love, which can fill the emptiness of our hearts. Prayer, which teaches us to abandon idolatry and the self-sufficiency of our ego, and to acknowledge our need of the Lord and his mercy. Almsgiving, whereby we escape from the insanity of hoarding everything for ourselves in the illusory belief that we can secure a future that does not belong to us. And thus to rediscover the joy of God's plan for creation and for each of us, which is to love him, our brothers and sisters, and the entire world, and to find in this love our true happiness.

Let us not allow this season of grace to pass in vain! Let us ask God to help us set out on a path of true conversion. Let us leave behind our selfishness and self-absorption, and turn to Jesus' Pasch. Let us stand beside our brothers and sisters in need, sharing our spiritual and material goods with them. In this way, by concretely welcoming Christ's victory over sin and death into our lives, we will also radiate its transforming power to all of creation.

PRAYER

Collect:

O God, who have commanded us to listen to your beloved Son, be pleased, we pray, to nourish us inwardly by your word, that, with spiritual sight made pure, we may rejoice to behold your glory. 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. *

Respect Life Corner

February 25, 2024

"The essence of our identity is that we are created in God's image and likeness and loved by Him. Nothing can diminish the priceless worth of any human life. Every person is cherished." USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities Respect Life Reflection: Cherished, Chosen, Sent usccb.org/cherished-chosen-sentreflection

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RESPECT LIFE REFLECTION

Every Life: Cherished, Chosen, Sent

In 1531, when the indigenous peoples of Mexico were subjugated and the practice of human sacrifice was still a recent memory, the Mother of God appeared to St. Juan Diego as a pregnant native

woman, now known as Our Lady of Guadalupe. S

She sent him with miraculous flowers in his cloak to tell the bishop to build a church where people could receive her Son and her loving, tender care. When St. Juan Diego opened the cloak before the bishop, an image of Our Lady was revealed that remains to this day. The chapel was quickly built, millions embraced Christianity, and the Church increased its protection of the indigenous peoples.

By embracing the mission entrusted to him, St. Juan Diego helped bring Christ's transforming love to cultures gripped by oppression and death.

Today, we again see the dignity of human life disregarded. Unborn children are destroyed through abortion, and ill people are encouraged and assisted to take their own lives. How do we respond?

The essence of our identity is that we are created in God's image and likeness and loved by Him. Nothing can diminish the priceless worth of any human life. Every person is cherished. God creates every person for eternal union with Himself and continually invites us to embrace a loving relationship with Him. Every person is chosen.

We are called to be messengers of God's love, treating one another as cherished and chosen by Him. In doing so, we help build a culture that respects all human life. Every person is sent. Like St. Juan Diego, let us embrace our daily mission to help others encounter God's transforming, life-giving love.

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Grand Prize \$20,000 Five \$1,000 prize winners Two \$500 Consolation prize winners

DRAWING WILL TAKE PLACE EASTER SUNDAY, MARCH 31, 2024

Tickets are \$50 each. Tickets are available through parish members, in the rectory breezeway, contact the parish office, or send a message to us on facebook.





SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT (B)

2nd Sunday Of Lent February 25, 2024

Genesis 22:1-2,9a,10-13,15-18 Psalm: 116:10,15,16-17,18-19

Romans 8:31b-34

Mark 9:2-10

3rd Sunday Of Lent February 25, 2024 Exodus 20:1-3,7-8,12-17

Psalm: 19:8-11(John 6:68c)

Romans 5:1-2.5-8 John 2:13-25

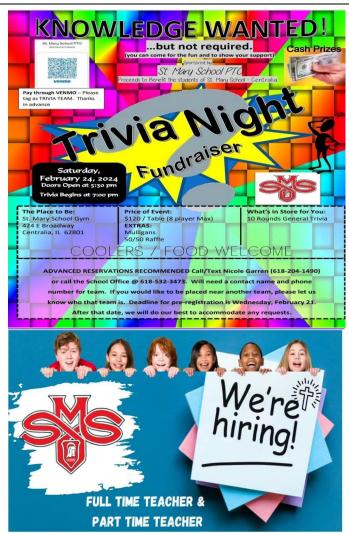
Processional #497 'Tis Good, Lord, to Be Here Offertory #728 All That is Hidden Communion #623 I Have Loved You Recessional #812 Take the Word of God with You Readings 887





We recognized our 8th grade students during their home match. We proud of you, Caden, Maneil, and Reese!

ANNUAL MARDI GRAU PARADE



2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR

St. Mary School in Centralia, IL, a Prek-8 parochial school, is hiring a FULL TIME TEACHER & A PART TIME TEACHER for the 2024-2025 school year.

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> match Small class size





Father James Dougherty holds Annamarie Gherardini-Pas at her Baptism on May 2, 1998; at FAR It is with deep sorrow that we announce the death of Father Jim Dougherty of Belleville, Illinois, born in Cairo, Illinois, who passed away on February 12, 2024, leaving to mourn family, parishioners and friends. Father was associate at St. Mary's from 1973-1975 and pastor of St. Mary's from 1988—1998. May he rest in peace. AMEN

SMS CALENDAR WINNERS MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2024

CAROLYN JONES – SALEM RITA THORNE - MAKANDA

SUNDAY MASS

St. Mary (Vigil) 4:00 p.m.

St. Lawrence - 7:30 a.m.

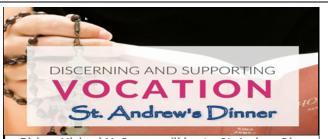
St. Elizabeth - 9:15 a.m.

St. Mary - 10:30 a.m.

St. Theresa - 11:00 .m.



The Cemetery Committee would like to thank those who have so generously donated to the Cemetery Fund. At anytime a donation to the Cemetery Fund can be made by marking your check or envelope 'Cemetery'. As everyone is well aware the cost of fuel is on the rise which impacts our cost of maintenance. FYI: there are plots available for purchase on the east side of either of the concrete ribbons [rows] that are already in place in the new [south] section. If you have questions/concerns, you may contact the Cemetery Chair. Cora Oehmke at 618.247.3135 or the Parish Office.



Bishop Michael McGovern will host a St. Andrew Dinner for young men interested in learning more about the Catholic priesthood on Sunday, March 10. The St. Andrew Dinner will be held at Gibault Catholic High School in Waterloo. All young men ages 14-32 are invited to attend; parents or guardians are also welcome to join us.

The event will begin at 4:30 PM with gathering and

The event will begin at 4:30 PM with gathering and introductions and Evening Prayer and will be followed by dinner and conversation.

This is a terrific opportunity to gather information for discerning a call to the priesthood; there will also be time for questions and conversation with Fr. Joel Seipp, Vocation Director.

Please contact Judy Hoffmann at (618) 722.5003, or email to: jhoffmann@diobelle.org by March 5 to RSVP or obtain more details.

JOIN MARY'S MERRY QUILTERS MONDAY, ST. LAWRENCE PARISH - 9: 00 A.M.

In the tapestry of life, it's the threads of love, faith, and fellowship that make the most beautiful patterns. We



make the most beautiful patterns. We hope you'll consider weaving your unique thread into our quilting group. Whether you come for the quilting, the community, or both, know that a warm welcome awaits you. Contact Sally Tiemann, or visit us at St. Lawrence.



Lent fish fry

Each Friday During Lent February 16th, & 23rd, March 1st, 3th, 15th, & 22nd.

St. Mary Catholic School Gym, Centralia Serving 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

ADULT MEAL

TWO PIECE FISH DINNER WITH TWO SIDES - \$12.00 BAKED PASTA, GARLIC BREAD AND ONE SIDE \$10.00

KIDS MEAL

FOR TAND UNDER
ONE PIECE FISH DINNER WITH ONE SIDE - \$6.00
BAKED PASTA, GARLIC BREAD - \$5.00

SIDE CHOICES: BAKED BEANS - CRINKLE CUT FRESH FRIES HOMEMADE ITALIAN SLAW



Homemade Dessert Bar Available Free-Will Offering

plenty of space to enjoy your meal and visit carry out's available:

(NO FISH FRY - GOOD FRIDAY, MARCH 29TH)

Altar Sodality Donations Needed

The St. Monica's Altar Sodality of St. Lawrence Parish has not had a fundraiser in over seven years. So now the time has come when we must ask for donations. Every lady of St Lawrence Parish is automatically a member of the Altar Sodality. There are no membership forms or qualifications and no dues and currently no meetings to attend. The Sodality provides funeral dinners for their families when requested. The Sodality proves the chicken and condiments for these dinners and the accompanying dishes and desserts are generously provided by the ladies of the parish. The expenses to the Sodality for these dinners for larger families can run up to \$400. donation to help defray the cost,

Some families do give a generous but it is often not enough to cover the full amount. The Sodality also shares in the cost of supplies for the kitchen and hall which are split three ways with the Knights of Columbus and the parish. Rather than holding a fundraiser that takes a lot of work from a dwindling number of workers we are simply asking that you support the ladies by making a donation in the Sunday Collection. Make your check out to "St. Monica's Altar Sodality" and put it or cash in an envelope marked "Altar Sodality" and drop it in the collection basket. If you are making your donation at one of the other churches, please add "St. Monica" or "St Lawrence" to the envelope. Thank you for your generosity! Special Notice: If anyone is interested in starting up again as a more active group please contact Mary Williams. Mary Williams, President - Jane

Waddell, Treasurer

******* Visit us online

BIRTHDAY

03-23 Clayton D. Cain

03-23 Chris Williams

03-29 Lacy Toedte

04-06 James Nattier

04-13 Mickayla (Schulte) Skibinski

04-16 Johnny Bosler

04-16 Lana Nalewajka

04-20 William Hall

04-28 Brent Toedte

04-29 John Toedte

05-03 Jane Waddell

05-05 Garry Pryor

05-06 Jared Farthing

05-09 John Rohner

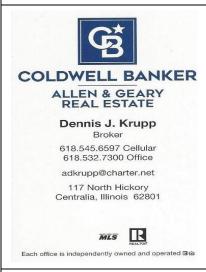
ANNIVERSARY

03-22 Charles & Jolynn Garrett 05-20 Tony & Lana Nalewajka

SHALOM IS NEEDING HELP

WEDNESDAY, February 07, 2024 SETTING UP FROM 5:00 PM - ?. DISTRIBUTE ON SATURADY, February 10, 2024 FROM 7:00 AM – 9:30 AM FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT MARY WILLIAMS

Those in nursing homes or assisted living are: Gerald & Phyllis 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 Niepoetter

26-07 Charene Bosler

26-04 Margaret (Peggy) Earle

26-17 Julianna Griffith

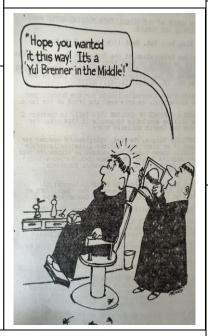
26-95 Ralph G. Koppers

28-97 Timothy McCarthy

28-17 Jenna Wooden

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

2 Special Cancer People, Chris Berry, Brianna Blakley, Earl Bosler, Shirley Brady, Clayton & Kay Cain, Mindy Clark, Daisy & Kevin Conrad, Phillip DeKalb, Jared Fogerson, Don Frazier, Sue Gambill, Debra (Small) Gerrish, Mary Gore, Debbie Grasher, Alexus Hall, Bill & Mary Hall, Stan Hill, Wayne Houser, Michelle Irvin, Bob Kannall, Marlene Lackey, Judy Jenkins, Beth Mayer, Karleigh McClaren, Tracy Minton, Bob Moore, John Mullen, Jerry Nitz, Jeff Orrell, Susan Parrish, Rachel & Sandie Peters, Brenda Pinkston, Gary Quick, Jerry Ratermann, Joel Rivera, Bart Robbins, Pat (Gerrish) Roestel, Mary Saatkamp, Rachael Sager, Otto Schaffer, Monica Schaubert, Sarah Schlau, Bud Schwartz, Kim Schulte, Shamus, Jack Shanafelt, Mickayla Skibinski, John Alan Small, Milya Smith, Zelma (Wurm) Smith, Patti, Stanley & Jerome Stack, Brittany Starbreck, Evelyn Szatkowski, Janette Torrance, Waylon Vick, Ledger Whisenand, Sara Wright.







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