

ST. LAWRENCE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH SANDOVAL, ILLINOIS

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME OCTOBER 12, 2025

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SACRAMENTAL LIFE

HOLY MASS

SCHEDUL: St. Lawrence: Sunday-8:30 am – Thursday-8:30 am - Holy Day Vigil-6:00 pm St. Mary-Centralia: Saturday-4: 00 pm – Sunday-10:30 am – St. Mary-Carlyle: Saturday-4:30 pm-Sunday-10:00 am St. Teresa-Marydale: Saturday-7:30 pm – Sunday-8:00 am

Reconciliation: Before Sunday Mass 8:00 am - 8:20 am.

Buptism: 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 twice a year.

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

Religious vocation. For inquiries, contact Pastor

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MASS INTENTIONS

Oct 12 Don & Barb Rohner

Oct 16 Ray Resch Paul Wurm Charles Daniels Irene Kozuszek

Oct 19 Bobby Hill

Oct 23 Carolyn Seats Joseph Saale Andrew Evans Marie Bauman

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

October 05, 2025

Envelopes \$2,271.00

Loose 131.00

Building Fund 300.00

Hall Rental 60.00

World Mission 5.00

Attendance - 76 -

Thank you for all your donations.

LITURGICAL ROLES

October 12, 2025

SERVERS: Brenda Schaubert GREETERS: Dennis Krupp

Loren Pepple II GIFT BEARERS Dennis Krupp & Bob Perry

LECTOR: David Schulte CANTOR: Marlene Lackey

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS: ORGANIST: Mary Ann Weatherspoon

Deacon Dan Laquet (Body of Christ)

COUNTERS TEAM: Linda DeKalb

Dennis Krupp & Jaime Toedte (Blood of Christ)

Theresa Ingles

SERVERS: Eugene Nalewajka GREETERS: Cindy Lusch

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LECTOR: Mary Williams CANTOR: Marlene Lackey

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Deacon Dan Laquet (Body of Christ)
Mary Jo Jones & Jane Waddell (Blood of Christ)

ORGANIST: Mary Ann Weatherspoon

COUNTERS TEAM: Bob Perry

Theresa Ingles

LOOKING AHEAD

Sun Oct 12 28th Sunday in OT MASS:

CONFESSION 8:00-8:20

St. Lawrence: 8:30 am

St. Teresa:

Marydale: 8:00 am

St. Mary:

Carlyle: 10:00 pm St. Mary: 10:30 am Mon Oct 14
OFFICE CLOSED
COLUMBUS DAY

Thurs Oct 16 MASS:

St. Lawrence: 8:30 am

Sat Oct 18 MASS:

St. Mary: 4:00 pm

St. Mary: Carlyle 4:30 pm

St. Teresa:

Marydale 7:30 pm

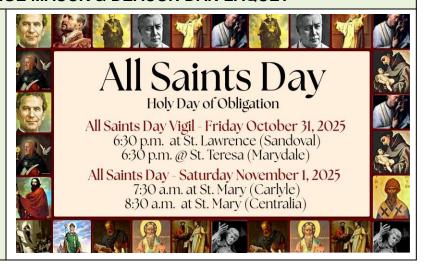
OF SPECIAL INTEREST

WELCOME FATHER GEORGE MAUCK & DEACON DAN LAQUET

Knights News

The rosary will be prayed before mass every Sunday in October for Pro Life.

Our council will be collecting for the Marion County Pregnancy Care Clinic during the month of October. There will be a playpen set up in the entrance to church for items like baby clothes, diapers, baby toys, etc. Baby bottles will also be available for monetary donations.





Message from our Pastor

Father Steven Pautler
28th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Scripture 2 Kgs 5:14-17/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4 (see 2b)/2 Tm 2:8-13/Lk 17:11-19
Theme: "The Gospel According to Mom: Say Thank You!"

When we were kids, there were two words adults drilled into us like a broken record: "Say thank you." You got a piece of gum from your grandma—say thank you. Someone handed you a cookie—say thank you. Even if you were leaving the dentist's office after a tooth got yanked out, there was Mom whispering, "Say thank you." Honestly, sometimes we weren't thankful at all. A shot in the arm at the doctor? No thank you! But still, those two words were non-negotiable.

Fast forward to adult life. The lessons still follow us. Someone holds the door open—say thank you. At the drive-thru when the car in front of you surprises you with a free McDonald's order—say thank you. We don't even think twice. Gratitude is part of good manners. It's what keeps life from turning into a neverending episode of everyone looking out for themselves.

Today's Gospel tells us about ten men with leprosy. They stood at a distance, as they had to, and cried out to Jesus for help. He healed them all, every single one. But only one guy—one out of ten—turned back to fall at Jesus' feet and say thank you. Ten were healed. Nine ran off to start their new lives. One remembered to show gratitude.

I don't think the other nine were bad people. Maybe they were in a hurry to see their families. Maybe they thought they'd send a thank-you card later. Or maybe they never had a mom whispering in their ear, "Say thank you." Still, the point is clear: gratitude matters. Jesus noticed the absence of it. He even asked, "Where are the other nine?"

Gratitude isn't about fancy gestures. It's about noticing the gift and the giver. When we say thank you to God, we recognize His hand in our daily lives. We admit we didn't earn everything by ourselves. It's humbling. It's joyful. It's freeing.

And here's the kicker—gratitude makes us healthier, too. Studies show grateful people live longer, sleep better, and are less grumpy at Walmart checkout lines. Imagine that! Jesus didn't heal the lepers so He could get applause. But He wanted them to be whole in body and soul. The thankful one received more than healing. He received salvation.

So maybe the Gospel is reminding us to keep those two simple words alive. Say thank you. To God. To others. Even after the dentist. Especially after McDonald's. Because gratitude is not just good manners. It's the heartbeat of faith.

This week's question:

I had a failed marriage. I haven't re-married, but I sometimes date.

Can I receive Holy Communion?

Answer:

Yes. Divorce alone doesn't bar you from the Eucharist. As long as you're not in another marriage outside the Church and you're in a state of grace, the Lord welcomes you. Dating itself isn't sinful, just live chastely and keep Christ at the center. If you're ever unsure, talk with your priest.

His job is to walk with you, not to chase you away.



Respect Life Corner October 12, 2025

"An old Irish proverb says, 'It is in the shelter of each other that the people live.' Indeed, we are created to depend upon one another and walk together in suffering. But when family members or friends approach life's end, we may not know how best to 'shelter' them. Here are some concrete ways we can compassionately care for them: usccb.org/end-of-life-care."

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities Caring for Loved Ones at Life's End



St. Lawrence Church

The Sanctuary Candle for the month of October in loving memory of...

Bobby Hill, Aaron, Dorothy, John & Delphine Niepoetter

In Loving Memory

October 2025 Bobby Hill, Aaron, Dorothy,

John & Delphine Niepoetter

November 2025 John, Freda, Eddy, Raymond, Danny

Burns & Burns Family

December 2025 Shaun Ford

January 2026 Altadonna Family

February 2026 Mike Shaffer

March 2026 John, Freda, Eddy, Raymond, Danny

Burns & Burns Family

April 2026 John, Freda, Eddy, Raymond, Danny

Burns & Burns Family

May 2026 Marcella Schulte

June 2026 Ron Clark

July 2026 Marcus, Marilyn & Robert Oehmke

August 2026 Knabe & Dunphy Family

September 2026 John, Freda, Eddy, Raymond, Danny,

& Burns Family

October 2026 Bobby Hill, Aaron, Dorothy,

John & Delphine Niepoetter

November 2026 Open

December 2026 Shaun Ford

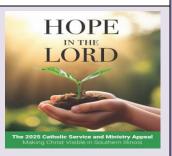
If, you would like to put a picture in front of the Sanctuary Candle put it up there on the 1st of the month until the last day of the month. You don't have to put a picture up if you don't want to. It is up to you.



RECENTLY DEPARTED SOULS

2025

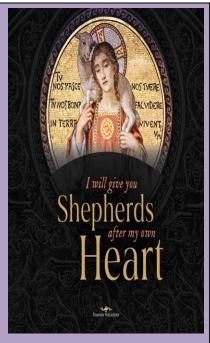
Mary Kay Gunther Michael Wooden Victoria (Vic) Steele Sharon (Jane) Rizzo



The 2025 Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal Hope in the Lord

The homebound, sick and seniors living in the southernmost part of the state are assured they will have food to eat thanks to Daystar Community Program's mobile food pantry, which delivers groceries on a regular basis to those not able to visit Daystar's on-site food pantry. YOUR GIFT to the Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal makes Daystar's truly life-

saving ministry possible. If you haven't already done so, please donate today and help Daystar to serve truly the poorest of the poor; they are counting on **YOU!**



Vocation Corners October 12, 2025

"Jesus, I'm done discerning." This was my prayer in the back of a quiet chapel, the summer after graduating college. The Lord's call to me as a child was strong and clear, but the where and when were not. The many Holy Hours I'd spent wrestling with the mystery since had brought no clarity. My prayer continued, "I am spending all my energy discerning when all I really desire is to love you. So, I am just going to love you and love you lavishly. I ask your Blessed Mother to make the rest abundantly clear." Only later did I understand that perhaps it was what the Lord had been waiting for; for me to simply rejoice to be in relationship with Him, to simply let myself be His. The lesson the Lord taught me that day remains ever new, even now after final vows. How much more beautiful is the journey when lived in the simplicity of his Love!" Sister Maria Lucia Stella Maris, Missionaries of the Word.

Columbia Magazine Jul/Aug

2022

Quote for the week: You are braver than you believe, stronger than you seem, and smarter than you think.

Twenty-Eighth Sunday of Ordinary Time

For the Twenty-Eighth Sunday of Ordinary Time we have the powerful story about Jesus healing ten lepers and only one of them coming back to give thanks, and that one was the foreigner. It reminds us of the importance of gratitude.

Wednesday is the Memorial of Saint Teresa of Jesus (Teresa of Avila), Virgin and Doctor of the Church. Friday is the Memorial of Saint Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr; Saturday the Feast of Saint Luke, Evangelist.

We begin reading Paul's Letter to the Romans for our first reading this week. After a powerful introduction, Paul writes this community in Rome about God's righteousness (mercy or kindness) and justification (making us holy or one with God) which comes to us, not through the law but through faith in Jesus.

Each day we move through Luke's gospel as people gather around Jesus. He declines to give a sign other than the sign of Jonah. At a Pharisee's house Jesus calls for authenticity: "give alms and everything will be clean for you." He challenges the religious practices of the Pharisees which miss the heart of fidelity to God and mercy toward others. Jesus tries to get them to see that, while they honor the prophets, they are no better than their ancestors who ignored and killed the prophets. Instead of hearing him, the religious leaders plot to trap Jesus. Warning his disciples about imitating religious hypocrisy, Jesus tells them not to be afraid, even of death, but to only fear losing their souls. Acknowledging Jesus is enough to save us. When we make our defense of our faith and way of life, the Holy Spirit will teach us what to say.

For the Twenty-Ninth Sunday of Ordinary Time, through the parable of the persistent widow wearing down the unjust judge, Jesus urges us to have faith. "Will not God then secure the rights of his chosen ones who call out to him day and night? Will he be slow to answer them?"

Daily Prayer This Week

All week long, the readings offer us so much about authenticity. Jesus invites us to simplicity. He wants to take us beyond obedience to the law or acts of piety. These are not bad in themselves, but they can hold a particular vulnerability to in-authenticity or hypocrisy, unless they are rooted in deep reliance upon God and faith in Jesus as our Savior. Mere cleanliness on the outside or placing burdens on people's shoulders leaves us still far away from an experience of God's love that overflows into love and mercy for others.

This week, let's wake up each day and ask God for the grace to be more authentic. While putting on our slippers, standing next to the bed for just 30 seconds, let's give this special focus to our day. While washing up or getting dressed, on the way to work, while doing laundry or walking down the hall to a meeting, saying a brief grace before even a quick meal, we can remind ourselves of this desire in our hearts. Choosing humility is simply choosing honesty in very small ways. Throughout our days, each of us can find words to express to God our desire to be more honest and transparent with ourselves and with others. "Lord, let me be just who I am today. I know that in your eyes I'm a loved sinner. In grateful humility, don't let me be harsh or judgmental with my family, with friends or co-workers. Let me give up bragging, shading the truth, any kind of falsehood. I want to abstain today from even thoughts that take me down a road of cheating on my relationships, my commitments and my relationship with you."

This is all about focus and choosing to place our attention on our relationship with Jesus in the most ordinary moments of our day. As we end each day, we can give thanks that our desire was given to us - that whenever we open our hearts, our God is always there, ready to bless our desires.

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/A1-OT-30.html

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY INORDINARY TIME (C)

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time October 12, 2025 2 Kings 5:14-17 Psalm 98:1-4 2 Timothy 2:8-13 Luke 17:11-19 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time October 19, 2025 Exodus 17:8-13 Psalm 121:1-8 2 Timothy 3:14; 4:2 Luke 18:1-8

Gathering: #548 Precious Lord, Take My Hand Pres. of Gifts: #609 For the Beauty of the Earth Communion: #680 Amazing Grace

Recessional: #603 Now Thank We All Our God

Readings: 1011



Paws, Claws, Fins, and Feathers: St. Mary School Students Celebrate St. Francis with a Joyful Blessing of Animals!

St. Mary School came together in a joyful spirit to celebrate the Memorial of St. Francis of Assisi, the patron saint of animals and the environment. The students filled the church with their voices during Mass, listening closely as Father Steve shared the story of St. Francis, explaining how he gave up wealth and comfort to live a simple life of love for God and all creation. The children learned about his deep care for animals, his kindness to the poor, and his constant call for peace. Many of the students were amazed to hear that St. Francis even preached to birds and called the sun and moon his brother and sister.

After Mass, the excitement continued as the entire school moved to the parking lot for the Blessing of the Animals. Students stood proudly beside their family pets, smiling as Father Steve and Deacon Dan went from group to group. Dogs wagged their tails, cats looked curiously around, bunny rabbits twitched their noses, goldfish swam calmly in bowls, and guinea pigs wiggled in their cages. The children's joy was contagious as they held their pets close, waiting for the blessing. Even those who didn't bring an animal came forward to receive a blessing themselves, reminding everyone that God's care includes us all. The turnout was wonderful, with parents, grandparents, and parishioners joining the students to celebrate. It was a moment that combined learning, prayer, and laughter, teaching the children not only who St. Francis was but also showing them how faith touches every part of life, even the furry and feathered friends we love so much.



St. Mary School proudly recognized our 8th grade cross country runners for their dedication and hard work this season. To make the celebration even more exciting, we invited some of our future runners to join in a one-mile fun run. The younger students ran with energy and smiles, cheered on by classmates and parents.

PURRS FROM THE PEW -Sister Fluff of Divine Mischief

Sister Fluff's Trick-or-Treat Takeover! My dear parish friends, the hour of reckoning has come. Father Steve promised me something sweet from Mickey's Not So Scary Halloween Party, and I'm prowling every corner of this parish in search of it. Candy corn, chocolate bars, or even a stray gummy worm. Where is it? Father Steve said, "Don't worry, Fluff. I'll bring you back some treats." Well, promise made, promise due. So where is he? Did Father Steve stay in Florida, lounging in the sun with Sister Gracie? If that's the case, then the parish and school are officially under my command. I now patrol the church steps, the classrooms, the playground, and even the cafeteria. Students, beware. If I smell chocolate, I'll find it. Eighth-grade cross country runners, you may be quick, but I've been training on stealthy pounces for years. Even our littlest future fun runners better guard their candy buckets with both hands. Until Father Steve returns, I will keep faithful watch over our sacred spaces

faithful watch over our sacred spaces with whiskers twitching and tail held high. Should Father Steve come back without the promised candy, I will deliver a feline sermon sharper than my claws.

Paws, prayers, and candy cravings, Sister Fluff, F.D.M. Feline of Divine Mischief



SMS CALENDAR WINNERS

MONDAY, OCTOBER 06, 2025

TRISHA NIEPOETTER - CENTRALIA CINDY WOBBE - COLLINSVILLE

SUNDAY MASSES:

Sandoval:

St. Lawrence - 8:30 a.m.

Centralia:

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

St. Mary - 10:30 a.m.

Carlyle:

St. Mary (Vigil) - 4:30 p.m.

St. Mary - 10:00 am

Marydale:

St. Teresa (Vigil) - 7:30 pm

St. Teresa - 8:00 am

Salem:

St. Theresa (Vigil) - 5:00 pm

Kinmundy:

St. Elizabeth - 7:30 am

WEEKLY READINGS

Monday, October 13, 2025 Romans 1:1-7 Psalm 98:1bcde, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 Luke 11:2-32

Tuesday, October 14, 2025 Romans 1:16-25 Psalm 19:2-5 Luke 11:37-41

Wednesday, October 15, 2025 Romans 2:1-11 Psalm 62:2-3, 6-7, 9 Luke 11:42-46

Thursday, October 16, 2025 Romans 3:21-30 Psalm 130:1b-5, 6ab Luke 11:47-54

Friday, October 17, 2025 Romans 4:1-8 Psalm 32:1b-2, 5, 11 Luke 12:1-7

Saturday, October 18, 2025 2 Timothy 4:10-17b Psalm 145:10-13, 17-18 Luke 10:1-9

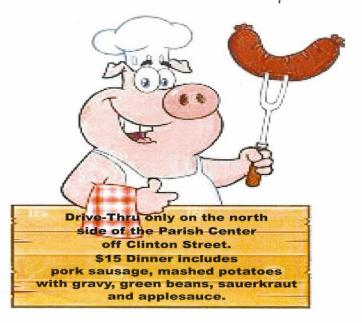


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St. Mary Catholic Church Pork Sausage Dinner Sunday, October 12th 11:00am till 1:30pm





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BIRTHDAY

10-21Ella Santiago

10-27 Alexus Hall

10-27 Maddi Hill

11-11 Sr. Marlene Buese

11-11 Colton Hill

11-14 Kalyn (Nalewajka) Schilling

11-14 Natalie Toedte

11-16 Kay (Burns) Cain

11-19 Peggy Spinner

11-20 Larry Saale

11-26 Mark Szatkowski

11-28 Jarrod Rhodes

12-01 Callie Alonso

12-01 Tim Aydt

12-03 Kennedy Laffoon

12-11 Alice Krupp

12-14 Andrea Pryor

12-15 Michael Hill

12-19 Debbie (Sullivan) Conrad

ANNIVERSARY

10-23 Brandon & Mickayla Skibinski

11-11Joe & Laura Shepler

11-13 John & Margarite Rohner

12-30 James & Annette Nattier

SHALOM IS NEEDING HELP

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2025 SETTING UP FROM 9:30 AM - ?. DISTRIBUTE ON SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2025 FROM 7:00 AM -9:30 AM FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT BRENDA SCHAUBERT

Those in nursing homes or assisted living are: Gerald & Phyllis Fanger. Please pray for them, their families and their care-givers.

REMEMBERING OUR LOVED OCTOBER

02-23 Mike Shaffer

03-10 Joseph Saale

07-90 Amelia Fizzon

07-92 Michael Lusch

07-17 Phillip Lusch

08-88 Merle Luttell 08-97 Fred Smith

09-07 Alice Pinkowski

09-04 Louis Schaubert

10-17 Ray Resch

12-11 Thelma Dickens

12-90 Clara Grobelny

12-22 Carolyn Seats

13-89 Jasper Catalana

14-06 Ralph Spinner

15-97 Charles Daniels

15-97 Paul Wurm

20-99 Ida Hubbell

20-09 Irene Kozuszek

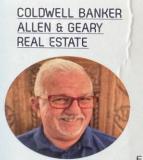
25-89 Andrew Evans

25-88 Joseph Lusch 27-13 Marie Bouman

27-07 Christine Holskamp



Mary, Mother of Mercy, hold us in your embrace and guide our hearts to trust with hope that brings us always nearer to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.



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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

2 Special Cancer People, Chris Berry, Brianna Blakley, Earl Bosler, Clayton & Kay Cain, Craig Church, Heather Clark, Mindy Clark, Daisy Conrad, Linda DeKalb, Jared Fogerson, Don Frazier, Sue Gambill, Debra (Small) Gerrish, Drew Gore, Mary Gore, Ron & Barb Grasher, Debbie Grasher, Alexus Hall, Bill & Mary Hall, Mary Ann Hall, Tom Hall, Michelle Irvin, Wilma Jourdan, Judy Jenkins, Bob Kannall, Cassy Karcher, Curt & Marlene Lackey, Tom Lusch, Karleigh McClaren, Tracy Minton, John Mullen, Jerry Nitz, Earl Nolte, Jeff Orrell, Rachel & Sandie Peters, Brenda Pinkston, Jerry Ratermann, Pat (Gerrish) Roestel, Larry Saale, Kenny & Mary Saatkamp, Rachael Sager, Otto Schaffer, Tim Schaubert, Kim Schulte, Fr. Carl Schrage, Jack Shanafelt, Mickayla Skibinski, John Alan Small, Milya Smith, Patti & Jerome Stack, Brittany Starbreck, Evelyn Szatkowski, Janette Torrance, Jane Waddell, Waylon Vick, Ledger Whisenand, Ella Wiemerslager, Sara Wright.





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