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Weekly Collections
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Weekend of March 19, 2017

St. Lawrence Parish\$11,368.59
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Dear Parishioners:

Here is a wonderful meditation to take to your prayer time during this Lenten season:

Lord, I hope and pray this Lent that you'll fashion a new, fresh, clean, pure heart within me: create in me a heart for a new beginning. Your mercy is still a mystery, Lord: how you love me even in my sins; how you never fail to find what's good in me; how you always find something in me to love.

Your mercy is a mystery to me, Lord: how you never cease to reach out, gently, to keep me from my selfish ways, to bring me home to your embrace, to mend my brokenness, to heal what's sick within my soul, to forgive what's sinful in my heart.

Your mercy is a mystery, Lord, and though I don't understand it, I'm always grateful for its depths and how you never withhold from me its sweet and saving power. I come to you, Lord, with the heart I sometimes try to hide when I've marred your image mirrored in my soul.

Create in me a clean heart, O God.....

So great is your love for me, so exquisite the delight you take in me, that even when I forget, when I tarnish, when I deny your beauty within me, you call me back to your grace and offer me your mercy. Help me remember that you always meet me just where I need you: where I'm rough-edged, you come to smooth me; when I'm broken, you come to mend me; where I'm weak, you come to strengthen me; where I'm sick, you come to heal me; where I've sinned, you come to pardon me.

Forgive my sins, Lord, and nurture what's good within me: be gentle in receiving the heart I offer you, a broken and contrite heart. Help me forgive those who've hurt me, Lord, and to see the good within them, to see what you find to love in them: let me be gentle in welcoming them into my own contrite heart. Help me to trust in the mystery of your mercy, Lord, in the mystery of your mercifully patient heart. Your mercy is a mystery to me, Lord, and the greatest gift you have to offer me.

In the quiet of my prayer this Lent, help me see where I need your pardon, Lord; help me confess my sins and failings; help me humbly open up my heart; to let your mercy in to heal my soul.

Create in me a clean heart, O God.....

(from A Concord Pastor Comments)

God Bless You, Fr. Dave

**PARISH CALENDAR &
MASS INTENTIONS,
FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT**

Second Collection-Catholic Relief Services

- Sun. 26 Fourth Sunday of Lent**
8:00 a.m. Mass (L/D Members of CH
George & Mary McGraw family)
Second Scrutiny at 8am Mass
10:00 a.m. Mass (✠Fr. Donald Hardebeck) CH
1-3pm Marriage in Christ St. Agnes Hall
- Mon. 27** 7:40 a.m. Morning Prayer CH
8:00 a.m. Mass (Welfare of Linda Gill) CH
1:00 p.m. Staff Meeting RD
5:15 p.m. Legion of Mary RD
6:30 p.m. RCIA St. Agnes Hall
- Tue. 28** 7:40 a.m. Morning Prayer CH
8:00 a.m. Mass (✠Patricia Bauer) CH
10:00 a.m. Mass at Albany Health Care
3:30-5p or 6:30-8p-Bereavement Ministry
in St. Agnes Hall
6:30 p.m. Finance Council St. Agnes Hall
- Wed. 29** 7:40 a.m. Morning Prayer CH
8:00 a.m. Mass (Intentions of Pam Brelage) CH
School Children attend Mass
6:30 p.m. Parent Mtg.-Sacrament Class
in St. Agnes Hall
- Thur. 30 No Mass or Communion Service**
9:30 a.m. Footprints RD
6:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal CH
- Fri. 31** 7:40 a.m. Morning Prayer CH
8:00 a.m. (✠Jean Rahe) CH
9:00 a.m. Church Cleaning CH
6:40 p.m. Our Lady of Sorrows Rosary CH
7:00 p.m. Stations CH
- Sat. 1** 8:00 a.m. Mass (✠John & Helen Greiner) CH
2:00-4:00 p.m. Confessions CH
4:30 p.m. Vigil Mass (✠Fr. Ed Greiwe) CH
- Sun. 2 Fifth Sunday of Lent**
8:00 a.m. Mass (St. Lawrence Parish) CH
10:00 a.m. Mass (✠Elaine Wallace) CH
Third Scrutiny
11:00 a.m. Adoration
11-12:15 p.m. CCD St. Agnes Hall
1-3pm Marriage in Christ St. Agnes Hall
7:00 p.m. Benediction CH

Church (CH), Schweier Center (SC), Rectory Dining Room (RD)

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please remember the following parishioners in your prayers this week: Jean Flynn, Beth Kaiser, Sonja Bickey, Larry Tricker, Dick Hahn, Van Simpson, Richard L. Johnson, Isaiah Greiner, Gloria Varner, Anne Rita Moloney, Dan Wade, Joe Morgan, Dale Goth, Rosie Cox, David Traub, Quenten Fabiano, JoAnn Brown, Dixie Lindsey, J.R. Cunningham, Mary Kerrigan, Betty Matchett, Ruth Jenkinson, Miriam Walker, Charles Hiatt, Danny McDonald, Jr., Christina Benford, Sonya Beard, Lynn Locke, Adam Pence, Alex Pence, Anthony Pence, Paula Hughes, Joseph Jenkinson, Clara Persinger, Ray Ehrlich, Harry Metzger, Martha Jean McIntosh, Stacey Vencel, Noah Cross, Dorothy Duncan, Karl Read, Richard Johnson, George Crow, and Marie Rhorer.



Holy Father's Prayer Intention for March

Support for Persecuted Christians: That persecuted Christians may be supported by the prayers and material help of the whole Church.



Please pray for those serving our country in the military – especially:

Davis Brown, William Cox, Samuel Douthitt, Zachery Douthitt, Matthew Evans, Malachi Greiner, Jared Hargis, Kyle Jones, Kyle & Leandra Long, Kent Persinger, Jon Powell, Stephen Smith, Kyle Stewart, Sam Tankersley, Thomas Tricker, Christopher Tolmachoff, and Tom Wright.

Pray for our

	Priests	Seminarians
Sun.	Dcn. Jim Rush	Dcn. John Nguyen
Mon.	Fr. Cassian Sama O.P.	Dcn. Coady Owens
Tues.	Fr. Martin Sandhage	Tim Perry, p
Wed.	Fr. Kevin Scalf	Joe Poremski, p
Thurs	Fr. Ron Schiml	Steve Seitz, p
Fri.	Dcn. Mark Schipper	James Shaw
Sat.	Msgr. Robert Sell	Chuck Springer, p
p – studying for the permanent diaconate		

PRAYER CHAIN

Please call Joan McKinley 716-7073 for the St. Lawrence Church Prayer Chain request.

LITURGICAL ASSIGNMENTS: APRIL 1 AND 2

	Readers	Altar Servers	E.M.H.C.	Greeters	Ushers
4:30 P.M.	Jackie Davis Emma Davis	Molly Davis Kaden Greiner	Nancy Hansan Jan Haynes Carolann Mikesell		Jeff Crabtree Jim Carnes Steve Lansing Walter Vester
8:00 A.M.	Carol Thornburg Carolyn MacDougall	Evelyn Kress	Larry Barnes Lloyd Bookmyer Nancy Taverna JoEllen Ward Tom Ward		Sheila Caudill Jerry Bricker Jack Holland Kevin Persinger
10:00 A.M.	Irma Rodriguez Lydgia Quinn	Onnie Adams Nicholas Dosch	Bob Carpenter Lea Carpenter John Coutinho		Les Coutinho Omar Galan Mateo Romero Greg Smith

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — As the prophet Samuel anointed David with oil, the spirit of the LORD rushed upon David and remained with him from that day forward (1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a).

Psalm — The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want (Psalm 23).

Second Reading — You who were once darkness are now light in the Lord. Live as children of light (Ephesians 5:8-14).

Gospel — The man who was blind from birth proclaimed: The one called Jesus made clay with his saliva, anointed my eyes with it, and told me to wash. When I washed, I was able to see! (John 9:1-41 [1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38])

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Is 65:17-21; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13b; Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday: Is 49:8-15; Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18; Jn 5:17-30

Thursday: Ex 32:7-14; Ps 106:19-23; Jn 5:31-47

Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Ps 34:17-21, 23; Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday: Jer 11:18-20; Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-12; Jn 7:40-53

Sunday: Ez 37:12-14; Ps 130:1-8; Rom 8:8-11; Jn 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45]

**HELP JESUS IN DISGUISE****THIS WEEKEND THE SECOND COLLECTION IS FOR
CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES (CRSC)**

“Behold, I stand at the door and knock.” Rev 3:20

This collection helps six Catholic agencies to provide relief and support to struggling communities and to work toward peace and reconciliation among our marginalized brothers and sisters here and around the world. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection. Learn more about the collection at www.uscb.org/catholic-relief

PARISH MINISTRIES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS



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Our mission is to provide a Catholic Christ-centered education through an atmosphere of love and compassion for all students.

Our school did a Baby Wipes Drive on Saint Patrick's Day to support local mothers in need. We were thrilled to be able to donate over 75 packs of wipes, diapers and other baby products. As always, our families and staff were very generous

Wednesday, March 29 – 8:00 a.m. Mass at Church -- Students should arrive by 7:50 a.m.

Casual Day on Friday, March 31. Students are asked to bring in one or more cans of baked beans or tuna to support the Saint Lawrence Food Pantry.

Parish Ministries and Announcements:

CONFIRMATION CLASS: We do not meet this Sunday. Our next class is April 16.

CCD CLASSES: We do not meet this Sunday, March 26. Next class is April 2.

RCIA Class, Monday, March 27, beginning at 6:30 p.m. and concluding by 8:00 p.m. We will meet in St. Agnes Hall—the building directly behind the church. If you have any questions, contact Fr. Hellmann at 288-9223.



Eucharistic Adorers Ministry

The next opportunity for Adoration will be **next Sunday, April 2** immediately following the 10:00 a.m. Mass until Evening Prayer & Benediction at 7:00 p.m. If you are interested in joining our ministry, please contact Marilyn Sherrill at 765-396-3583 or 765-744-4086.

MARRIAGE IN CHRIST

Please remember in your prayers the couples who are currently going through the Marriage in Christ Seminar. Pray that through the gift of the Holy Spirit, their marriages will be enriched.

FOOTPRINTS SEWING GROUP

The next meeting for Footprints will be **Thursday, March 30 at 9:30 a.m.** in the Rectory. The “Baby Shower” will continue through the Lenten season and the bassinette is in the back of church to receive your generous gifts. **WE ARE IN DESPARATE NEED OF BABY WIPES AND DIAPERS.** We will also be accepting gently used objects and clothes through age 2. The ladies continue to sew, knit and crochet for those in need. For more information. Please contact Jayne Waechter at 765-288-8920; or Jeannie Clidence at 765-282-2722.



Next Sunday there will be a collection for our Emergency Food Pantry. Items especially needed are: canned soup, peanut butter, pasta sauce, canned tuna and chicken, canned fruit, saltine crackers, and cereal. Monetary donations are also greatly appreciated. Continue to bring those paper sacks!!!!



“You are the light of the world...your light must shine before others so that they may see the good that you do, and glorify your heavenly Father.” (Matt 5: 14, 16)



Our parish now offers Online Giving, a web-based electronic contribution application. We are providing this service so that you have the option to manage your contributions online or with your offering envelopes. This service is safe and secure. And, it is convenient for you and for our parish staff. Sign up for Online Giving by visiting the following website: www.osvonlinegiving.com/4289. For additional information/questions, contact Dick Shirey, Parish Business Manager at dshirey@parish.dol-in.org or call (765) 288-9223, Ext. 22.

**Praying with Nature
Wednesday, March 29**

Presenter: Sr. Rita

St. John’s, Hartford City (209 E. Spring St.)

Following noon Mass (approx.. 12:45-2:15pm)
in the Parish Hall

or

Thursday, March 30

St. Mary’s, Dunkirk (346 S. Broad St.)

Following 5:30 p.m. Mass (approx.. 6:15-7:45pm) in
the church basement.

Fr. Dave Newton will be the celebrant at Mass.
Sr. Joetta Huelsmann, PHJC and Sr. Rita Musante,
OLVM will facilitate discussion.

For additional information contact:

Sr. Joetta at 765-449-1975 or Sr. Rita at 260-402-5034.

Parish Pictorial Directory

Our new Parish Pictorial Directory is here! If you had your photo taken, a copy has been reserved for you. You may stop by the Rectory during office hours and receive your copy. If you cannot stop by the Rectory, please call (288-9223), and we will make other arrangements to accommodate you. If you did not have your photo taken and would like a copy of the Directory, please call the Parish Office. A limited number of copies are now available. Cost: \$10.00



***Palm Sunday, April 9
2:30 p.m.***

St. Lawrence Church

Concert entitled: **“I Thirst”**
with Tatiana “Tajci” Cameron
website: www.idobelieve.com

TAJCI’S BIO

Tatiana Cameron - Tajci (Nashville, TN) is an award winning singer and performer, motivational speaker, producer and host of TV show Waking Up in America, published author, and a mom of three sons. Former Croatian superstar, Tajci left her fame in order to find a deeper meaning to life and moved to America at the age of 21. In New York, Tajci graduated from American Musical and Dramatic Academy, performed at numerous venues - from off Broadway theatres to Carnegie Hall and Madison Square Garden; in over 1,000 concert events throughout the US; and wrote a full length musical "My Perfectly Beautiful Life". Most recently, Tajci released an indie pop album AWAKEN and launched a TV show "Waking Up in America".

Singer/ Songwriter, Creator of the acclaimed musical adaptations of the Crucifixion Story: “I Thirst;” “Let it Be - Mary’s Story” and “Emmanuel - The Story of Christmas” - all featured on EWTN, TBN, CatholicTV and numerous other Christian TV channels.

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**Spanish Mass Schedule
Here at St. Lawrence Church**

Mass time: 12:15 p.m.

April 16	May 14
June 11	July 9

BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY

This Ministry meets on a regular basis—once a month in St. Agnes Hall.

Time: 3:30-5:00 p.m. or 6:30-8:00 p.m.
on the following dates.

March 28	April 25
May 23	June 27
July 25	August 22
September 26	October 24
November 28	December 26

If you find yourself dealing with the impact of the loss of a loved one in your life, consider joining us in this ministry. It does not matter how long it has been. All are welcome! If you have any questions, contact Deb Saxon at 765-760-4800.

St. Vincent dePaul Thrift Store: Moms and Dads – we have prom dresses for sale. Only worn once. Price: \$5.00. Come check it out!!! **Store Hours:** Tuesday and Thursday-10am-6pm; Wednesday and Friday-10am-3pm, and Saturday-10am-12Noon.



Blood Drive

Monday, March 27 -- 3:00-7:00 p.m.
3600 W. Purdue Ave.

One donation saves up to three lives. One out of seven people entering the hospital will need a blood transfusion.

St. Francis of Assisi, Muncie

Parish Mission

March 27, 28 and 29

7:00 p.m. in the Church

**Now I See: Grasping Reality
with the Man Born Blind**

Preacher: Fr. Clayton Thompson, Parochial Vicar
All Saints Catholic Church, Logansport, Indiana

Join us for a checkup of your spiritual sight!
The story of the man born blind in John's Gospel teaches that only those who see the world with the eyes of Christ can see it as it truly is, and those who think that they see rightly without Him remain unknowingly blind.

Lenten Fish Fry

St. Francis of Assisi, Muncie

Friday, April 7

4:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Parish Hall

Proceeds will benefit our twin parish,
St. Michael's in Plaisance Haiti
\$10.00-Adult; \$8.00-BSU Student; \$8.00-Children
ages 6-12; children 5 and under-free.

Reminders.....

Here at St. Lawrence:

Confessions are offered from 2:00-4:00 p.m. on Saturdays during Lent.

Fridays during Lent: Our Lady of Sorrows Rosary—6:40 p.m.; **Stations of the Cross**—7:00 p.m.

EASTER FLOWERS



Envelopes to help defray the cost of flowers and Church furnishings for the Easter season are now available in the pews. Please return your donations in the collection basket on the weekend.

Upcoming Communal Penance Services

St. Mary, Muncie – April 3 – 6:30 p.m.
St. Lawrence, Muncie – April 4 – 6:30 p.m.