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BULLETIN DEADLINE: The deadline for the bulletin is
Wednesday, 12 Noon. Please send your items to
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ARE YOU NEW AT ST. LAWRENCE? Want to register with our parish family? You can register online at www.stlawrencemuncie.com; fill out a registration form that are on the tables in the back of church; or stop by the Parish Office.

Dear Parishioners and Friends of St. Lawrence:

Our Lenten season is rapidly moving forward as next Sunday is Palm Sunday. As a child, I thought Lent lasted forever—or at least a long, long time. Now it seems to be moving very rapidly – it just got started and now it is concluding. So, take the opportunity to renew your Lenten sacrifices, but especially your works of charity and kindness. May it be our very selves that are renewed during Lent.

Our Lenten Penance Services are Wednesday at 2:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. I wanted to experiment with the afternoon one as many of the older parishioners have said that they find it difficult to get out in the evening. So, this Lent, we will still have the evening one, but provide an alternative at 2:00 p.m. that same afternoon. Hope this helps the schedule for some of you.

Great news with the planning of the food pantry. It really is coming along fine. We have partnered with Second Harvest so that we have access to more food at a lower rate. Give some consideration to volunteering at the food pantry – now named “The Deacon’s Pantry” – after St. Lawrence who served as a deacon of the Church in Rome. We will have an open house soon and will publish that date in the bulletin.

Much preparation work has been done for the installation of the new furnace and air conditioners. This system should also be much quieter than we have had in the past as well as reduce our heating and air conditioning costs. Hopefully it will be completed a couple weeks after Easter.

Just floating around the idea to see if there is any interest in a “Men’s Group” in the parish. It would be whatever you would want it to be – with a spiritual component focused on men, prayer and scripture – as Jesus called men to “come and follow me.” Any interest? Let me know.

God Bless,

Fr. Dave

PARISH CALENDAR & MASS INTENTIONS

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Sun. 18	Fifth Sunday of Lent	
8:00 a.m.	Mass (L/D Members of George and Mary McGraw Families)	CH
10:00 a.m.	Mass (St. Lawrence) 3 rd Scrutiny	CH
11:00 a.m.	Baptism – Philip Kosin	CH
11:00 a.m.	Adoration	CH
11-12:15 p.m.	CCD Classes	AH
12:15 p.m.	Spanish Mass (†Leo & Mary Margaret Scheetz)	
5-6:30 p.m.	Middle School Youth	AH
5-7:00 p.m.	High School Youth	AH
5:15-7:30pm	Confirmation Class	AH
7:00 p.m.	Benediction	CH
Mon. 19	St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary	
7:40 a.m.	Morning Prayer	CH
8:00 a.m.	Mass (†Dean McPherson)	CH
1:00 p.m.	Staff Meeting	RD
5:15 p.m.	Legion of Mary	RD
6:30 p.m.	RCIA	AH
Tues. 20		
7:40 a.m.	Morning Prayer	CH
8:00 a.m.	Mass (†Jim Greiwe)	CH
Wed. 21		
7:40 a.m.	Morning Prayer	CH
8:00 a.m.	Mass (†William Heldenbrand) School Children Attend Mass	CH
10:30 a.m.	Mass at Elmcroft	
2:00 p.m.	Penance Service	CH
6:30 p.m.	Parish Pastoral Council	AH
7:00 p.m.	Penance Service	AH
Thurs. 22	No Mass	
9:30 a.m.	Footprints	AH
6:30 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal	CH
Fri. 23		
7:40 a.m.	Morning Prayer	CH
8:00 a.m.	Mass (†Doris Hellmann)	CH
6:35 p.m.	Rosary	CH
7:00 p.m.	Stations of the Cross	CH
Sat. 24	Blessed Oscar Romero, Bishop & Martyr	
8:00 a.m.	Mass (L/D Members of Coutinho Family)	CH
9:00 a.m.	Laudato Si' discussion	RL
9:00 a.m.	Church Cleaning	
3:00 p.m.	AFF-Faith Alive Series (Hearts of Hope)	AH
3:00 p.m.	Confessions	CH
4:30 p.m.	Mass (St. Lawrence)	CH
Sun. 25	Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord	
8:00 a.m.	Mass (†Rodger Sherrill)	CH
10:00 a.m.	Mass (†Eva Moore)	CH
11-12:15 p.m.	CCD Classes	AH
12:15 p.m.	Spanish Mass (†Daniel Pazak)	AH

CH-church; RD-Rectory Dining; AH-St. Agnes Hall; RL-Rectory Living Room

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please remember the following parishioners in your prayers this week: Beth Kaiser, Sonja Bickey, Larry Tricker, Dick Hahn, Isaiah Greiner, Gloria Varner, Anne Rita Moloney, Dan Wade, Joe Morgan, Dale Goth, David Traub, Quenten Fabiano, JoAnn Brown, Dixie Lindsey, J.R. Cunningham, Miriam Walker, Charles Hiatt, Danny McDonald, Jr., Christina Benford, Adam Pence, Alex Pence, Anthony Pence, Paula Hughes, Joseph Jenkinson, Clara Persinger, Harry Metzger, Martha Jean McIntosh, Stacey Vencel, Noah Cross, Dorothy Duncan, Karl Read, George Crow, Marie Rhorer, Linda Goth, Pete Whitcomb, Betty Matchett, Richard Biehl, Bill Dominick, Jimmy Hossom, Betty Wright, Beverly Dalton, Don Phillips, Shirley Jordan, Kameron Kadinger, Joe Duncan, Melinda Haack, Travis Wenning, Shirley Phillips, John Persinger, Mary Kerrigan, Mary Bering, Dick and Lucille Kanney, and Sheila Dalton.

PRAYER CHAIN

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



Holy Father's Prayer Intention for March

Formation in Spiritual Discernment – That the Church may appreciate the urgency of formation in spiritual discernment, both on the personal and communitarian levels.



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, Jon Powell, Stephen Smith, Kyle Stewart, Sam Tankersley, Thomas Tricker, Christopher Tolmachoff, and Tom Wright.

Pray for our Priests and Seminarians

Sun.	Fr. Brian Doerr	Jordan Boone
Mon.	Fr. Richard Doerr	Dcn Christian DeCarlo
Tues.	Fr. A. Dudzinski	Dcn James DeOreo
Wed.	Fr. Brian Dudzinski	Jason Diebolt
Thurs.	Fr. Ted Dudzinski	Brian Farrell
Fri.	Fr. Daniel Duff	Matthew Jakupco
Sat.	Msgr. John Duncan	Thomas Kappes

LITURGICAL ASSIGNMENTS: MARCH 24 AND 25

	Readers	Altar Servers	E.M.H.C.	Greeters	Ushers
4:30 P.M.	Jack Greiner Jim Jones	Nicholas Dosch Cora Taylor	Joey Hahn Nancy Hansan Carolann Mikesell		Mike Brand Jeff Crabtree Jerry Fink Steve Lansing
8:00 A.M.	Dan Waechter Pete Walters	Noah Waechter	Mary Burford JoEllen Ward Tom Ward		Jerry Bricker Sheila Caudill Norm Gayda Jack Holland
10:00 A.M.	Marianne Vorhees Kayleigh Cooper	Onnie Adams Ava Echelbarger	Amy Miller Sherry Richardson Deb Saxon Richard Shirey Julie Snider Cynthia Spears Joanna Wallace		Jeff Huff Omar Galan Mateo Romero Mike Wallace

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — I will place my law within them and write it upon their hearts. (Jeremiah 31:31-34) *or* Ezekiel 37:12-14.

Psalm — Create a clean heart in me, O God (Psalm 51) *or Psalm 130.*

Second Reading — Christ became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him (Hebrews 5:7-9) *or Romans 8:8-11.*

Gospel — If a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it produces much fruit (John 12:20-33) *or John 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45].*

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a
- Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9; Ps 102:2-3, 16-21; Jn 8:21-30
- Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Dn 3:52-56; Jn 8:31-42
- Thursday: Gn 17:3-9; Ps 105:4-9; Jn 8:51-59
- Friday: Jer 20:10-13; Ps 18:2-7; Jn 10:31-42
- Saturday: Ez 37:21-28; Jer 31:10, 11-13; Jn 11:45-56
- Sunday: Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16; (procession) Is 50:4-7; Ps 22: 8-9, 17-20, 23-24; Phil 2:6-11; Mk 14:1 — 15:47 [15:1-39]

“ANNOUNCEMENTS”



RICE BOWLS

Please turn in your Rice Bowls on Palm Sunday weekend, March 24 and 25. There will be two rubbermaid tubs up front—one by the Blessed Mother’s altar and one on the St. Joseph’s side. Please place your Rice Bowls in one of them.

EASTER FLOWERS



Envelopes to help defray the cost of flowers and Church furnishings for the Easter season are in the pews. Please place your donation in the collection basket over the weekend.

Deadline: March 25.

Help Jesus in Disguise

“Behold, I stand at the door and knock.” (Rev 3:20) Thank you for your generous support of The Catholic Relief Services Collection and for helping ***Jesus in Disguise***. Your contributions will make a difference for the poor and marginalized around the world. If you missed the collection, it’s not too late to give! Just visit www.usccb.org/nationalcollections, and click on the “How to Give” link on the left. You can also give your donation to your parish and they will forward to Catholic Relief Services.

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

Wednesday, March 21 – 8:00 a.m. Mass at Church – arrive by 7:50 a.m.

Spring Break is coming up – March 26-30. School is also out on Easter Monday, April 2.

There is still time to help our students by taking advantage of the Indiana Tax Credit! As of March 5, 2018, there were **\$1,205,471** of tax credits remaining in the Indiana Tax Credit Scholarship fund. If you make a donation now, you can apply your gift to your **2018** taxes. To learn more or make a contribution, call [317.951.8781](tel:317.951.8781) or go to: <http://www.i4qed.org/sgo/donors>

When you donate, be sure to specify "Saint Lawrence School, MUNCIE" (school A790). This program is a tremendous help to many of our school's families. Your contributions allow more students to attend our Four-Star, "A" rated school! If you're unsure of where to start, call the school and ask for Rob.



CCD CLASSES

Sunday, March 18 – 11am-12:15pm-St. Agnes Hall

Confirmation Class

Sunday, March 18 -5:15pm-7:30pm-St. Agnes Hall.

High School and Middle School Youth

High School: March 18 – 5-7pm – St. Agnes Hall

Middle School: March 18 – 5-6:30pm – St. Agnes Hall



Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

Our next RCIA class will be **Monday, March 19**, beginning at 6:30 p.m. and concluding by 8:00 p.m. Location: St. Agnes Hall—building directly behind the church. If you have any questions, please call the Parish Office at 288-9223.



Spanish Mass
St. Lawrence Church
Every Sunday
Time: 12:15 p.m.



Eucharistic Adorers Ministry

The next opportunity for Adoration is this Sunday, March 18 after the 10:00 a.m. Mass until Evening Devotions 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.

Weekly Collections

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Weekend of March 11, 2018

St. Lawrence Parish.....	\$9,050.10
School Support.....	\$ 645.00
Children's Envelopes.....	\$ 227.00
Food Pantry.....	\$ 0.00
Fuel Fund.....	\$ 170.00
The Catholic Moment.....	\$ 336.00
Catholic Relief Services.....	\$1,617.00

Fridays during Lent: 6:35 p.m. - Our Lady of Sorrows Rosary; 7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross in church.

HEARTS OF HOPE 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. Our next meeting will be Tuesday, March 27.** All are welcome who have lost a loved one or anticipate the loss of a loved one. Join us! If you have any questions, contact Deb Saxon at 765-760-4800.

FOOTPRINTS SEWING GROUP

A reminder that our **Lenten Baby Shower ends March 22.** We are still accepting new and gently used baby clothes and baby furniture. The shower benefits Project Gabriel and First Choice for Women. We will begin working on adult and baby bibs, pockets for wheelchairs, walkers and hospital bed. We are also making blankets, scarves and hats. **The next meeting will be held in St. Agnes Hall at 9:30 a.m. on March 22.** Come join us. For more information contact Carmen Simmons at 765/808-1917 or Jayne Waechter at 765/288-8920.



Adult Formation-Faith Alive Series

There will a session every month through June
Location: St. Agnes Hall
Time: 3:00-4:30 p.m.

March 24 – Hearts of Hope (Bereavement Ministry)

In our grief group, Hearts of Hope, here at St. Lawrence, those who are interested in working toward intentional healing may be new to the grief journey or have been on the journey for an extended period of time. Come join us for an informational session to find out what this ministry has to offer!

Upcoming talks/presentations are as follows:

- April 28 Stephen Ministry-“Spiritual Companions”
- May 12 Habitat For Humanity
- June 23 Haiti Library Ministry

Memorial Flowers

Would you like to honor the memory of a loved one, special intentions, and anniversaries with a special flower arrangement that will help adorn the church? Normandy Flower Shop, Inc. has graciously agreed to offer Memorial Flowers for \$25.00. Call the Rectory at 288-9223, to make the arrangements.



If you are interested in doing online giving, go to our parish 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.



Ministry of the Fibers

(A Prayer Shawl Ministry)

Wednesday, March 21

10:00 a.m. or 6:45 p.m.

St. Mary – St. Elizabeth House

(formerly Facilities Bldg.)

This tri-parish group meets the third Wednesday of every month. We knit and crochet baptismal blankets, prayer shawls, and lap blankets to give to those in need of prayer or for special celebrations as well. To make it convenient for everyone, we have two meetings—one in the morning and one in the evening. If you are interested in learning to crochet or knit, then this group is for you. The heat will be turned up in the St. Elizabeth House to keep you warm when you come in from the cold. The fellowship and ideas that generate from this group are awesome! Come join us! For more information contact: Jeanette Carnes 729-3638; Janice Hossom 760-2087; Terri Shockley 288-1726.

**Easter Egg
Treasure Hunt**



Annual Knights of Columbus

Easter Egg Hunt

Date: Saturday, March 31

Time: 10:00 a.m. sharp

if you arrive after 10am, it is over!!!

Location: 3600 W. Purdue Ave., Muncie

3 age groups

RAIN OR SHINE!!

Over 4000 eggs and 300 prizes, and lots of candy.

Open to the public.

Any questions, please contact the
Knights of Columbus at 765-282-8280
or Brad Robertson 765-215-6816



Three day Triduum

Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday

March 29 – Holy Thursday

7:00 p.m. Mass of the Lord’s Supper

Father Hellmann will be doing the washing of the feet. **Those that wish to have his/her feet washed are asked to please bring a small towel.**
Night Prayer: After Mass until 10:00 p.m.

March 30 – Good Friday

12 Noon – Stations of the Cross

3:00 p.m. Service – Reading of the Passion, Universal Prayer of the Church for the World, Veneration of the Cross, and a Communion Service.
 Special collection to support Christians in the Holy Land

March 31 – Holy Saturday: Easter Vigil

8:30 p.m. Mass

(10:30 a.m. Decorating the Church)
 (12 Noon – Blessing of Easter Food in church)

April 1 – Easter Sunday

Masses: 8:00 a.m.; 10:00 a.m.; and
 Spanish Mass: 12:15 p.m.

Divine Mercy Sunday

Divine Mercy Devotions will be prayed Sunday, April 8 at 2:45 P.M. Please bring any religious items you would like to have blessed. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available.



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Don’t Forget

Please fill out our **Parish Survey** which is on our website: [www:stlawrencemuncie.com](http://www.stlawrencemuncie.com) or pick up a hard copy of the survey on the tables in the back of church. The survey will cover all areas of parish life including hospitality, how we communicate, the effectiveness of our ministries, faith formation, adult education and the prayer life of our parish. It will also cover areas related to prayer, spiritual formation, and faith formation for children, teens, and adults. The goal of our survey is to develop a plan for our parish to live out our mission as baptized Catholics more fully. You can return these in the offertory next week or mail them to the Parish Office. Each person in your household can fill out the survey. Thank you for your prayerful and honest answers to the questions. **The survey closes on March 28.**