



ST. LAWRENCE CATHOLIC CHURCH

820 E. Charles Street
Muncie, IN 47305

September 9, 2018 Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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LORD'S DAY MASSES:

Saturday: 4:30 p.m.

Sunday: 8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.

Sunday: 12:15 p.m.—Spanish Mass

HOLY DAYS:

As announced in bulletin

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday 3:00-4:00 p.m.

(Anytime by appointment)

BAPTISMS:

Call the Parish Office to make an appointment with the Pastor.

WEDDINGS:

Must be arranged at least six months in advance.

NEW TO ST. LAWRENCE? WANT TO REGISTER?

Register online at www.stlawrencemuncie.com; fill out a registration form on the tables in the back of church; or stop by the office.

TRINITY COMMUNITY CENTER:

St. Vincent dePaul 765-282-2842

Soup Kitchen of Muncie 765-287-8439

BULLETIN DEADLINE: Wednesday, 12 Noon. Send items to: stlawrencemuncieparish@dol-in.org.

PARISH CALENDAR & MASS INTENTIONS

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN

ORDINARY TIME

Sun. 9	Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time	
8:00 a.m.	Mass (St. Lawrence Parish)	CH
10:00 a.m.	Mass (✠Donald L. Hiatt, Lucy R. Hiatt and Rodney Seffrin)	CH
11am-12:15pm	CCD Classes for grades K - 5	AH
12:15 p.m.	Spanish Mass (Int. of Contreras Family)	CH
5-7:00 p.m.	HSYG	AH
Mon. 10		
7:40 a.m.	Morning Prayer	CH
8:00 a.m.	Mass (✠Glen Mader)	CH
1:00 p.m.	Staff Meeting	RD
6:00 p.m.	150 th Anny Steering Comm.	AH
6:30 p.m.	RCIA Inquiry Class	AH
Tues. 11		
7:40 a.m.	Morning Prayer	CH
8:00 a.m.	Mass (✠Hilda Hoyt)	CH
10:00 a.m.	Mass at Westminster	
Wed. 12	The Most Holy Name of Mary	
7:40 a.m.	Morning Prayer	CH
8:00 a.m.	Mass (✠George Crow)	CH
	School Children Attend Mass	
10:00 a.m.	Communion Calls-Signature Healthcare	
6:30 p.m.	Parish Council	AH
Thurs. 13	No 8:00 a.m. Mass	
9:30 a.m.	Footprints Sewing Group	AH
10:30 a.m.	Mass at Morrison Woods	
6:30 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal	CH
Fri. 14	The Exaltation of the Holy Cross	
7:40 a.m.	Morning Prayer	CH
8:00 a.m.	Mass (✠Jim Greiwe)	CH
9:00 a.m.	Church Cleaning	
12N-5pm	Adoration	CH
4-5pm	Confessions	CH
6:00 p.m.	HSYG Fun Night	
Sat. 15	Our Lady of Sorrows	
8:00 a.m.	Mass (Welfare of Lauren Muzzarelli)	CH
3:00 p.m.	Confessions	CH
4:30 p.m.	Mass (✠William Dominick)	CH
Blessings for Catechists, Parents and Students at all Masses		
Sun. 16	Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time	
8:00 a.m.	Mass (St. Lawrence)	CH
10:00 a.m.	Mass (Int. of Danny & Beverly Dalton)	CH
11am-12:15pm	CCD Classes	AH
12:15 p.m.	Spanish Mass (✠Robert and Leona Kinnaman)	
1:00-5:00pm	Church Tours	

Dear Parishioners and friends,

Now, where were we?

Religious Education has begun and I am looking for someone who would be interested in working with me for the Middle School students (Grades 6 and 7). Last year I had a great volunteer whose life schedule just has become too demanding to be able to volunteer. The only requirement is that you like this age group. Our meetings are usually twice a month from 5:00-6:30pm. For the safety protocol, I always need another adult with me when working with young people. Last year my volunteer would begin with an ice-breaker so that the students would get to know each other, brought the one item essential with young people – food! The budget would cover the cost of food, so there is no expense to the volunteer.

My focus for this age group is connecting with Jesus – getting to know Him through prayer and scripture, learning about saints who served Him with their lives, then having social time with each other. Any volunteers?

Our Stephen Ministry team will begin the training of candidates next weekend at St. Joseph Retreat Center in Tipton. Keep all of them in prayer as it is very intensive and a life-giving ministry for the parish. Hopefully, this will build over the years providing much more ministry to the parish than I or any priest could every do by myself.

Our Ministry Fair will be the weekend of September 22-23. Many opportunities for assisting the parish will be available for sign-up. Yes, as that prayer goes, “St. Lawrence Parish is composed of people like me; I help make it what it is. Therefore, with Your help, O God, I, _____, shall dedicate myself to the task of being all things that I want St. Lawrence Parish to be.” Please bring your gift and energy and dedication to enrich the life of this parish. If you have a strong desire for a particular ministry at St. Lawrence, let us know. Many times people are aware of “it would have been nice if someone in the parish _____ when I really needed it” is usually a good sign of where God is calling you. Often it is our own situation of need that triggers in us an awareness of a more common need of others that isn’t recognized. If it is something that pulls strongly on you, seeming to keep coming to mind, that is how God moves us to act. I call it the “burning bush” in your life as God got Moses’ attention through the “burning bush.” It’s likely an interior “burning bush.”

*God Bless and keep you,
Fr. Dave*

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

MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS – SEPTEMBER 15 AND 16

	Readers	Altar Servers	E.M.H.C.	Ushers
4:30 P.M.	Kathy Crabtree Kathy Taylor	Jonathan Shaw Cora Taylor	Jim Carnes Michael Dransfield Tayla Greiner	Jeff Crabtree Jerry Fink Walter Vester Skip Vorhees
8:00 A.M.	Dan Waechter Lynette Varner	Rachel Waechter	Jerry Bricker Mary Burford Della Gregory	Sheila Caudill Kevin Persinger Jack Sharp Tom Ward
10:00 A.M.	Nancy Zachary Bridget Cole	Onnie Adams Ava Echelbarger	John Coutinho Les Coutinho Marianne Echelbarger Myron Echelbarger Jack Gardella Julie Huff Mary Ann Kratochvil	Omar Galan Jeff Huff Mateo Romero Mike Wallace

TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — Be strong, fear not! Here is your God (Isaiah 35:4-7a).

Psalms — Praise the Lord, my soul! (Psalm 146).

Second Reading — Show no partiality as you adhere to the faith in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ (James 2:1-5).

Gospel — Jesus makes the deaf hear and the mute speak (Mark 7:31-37).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: 1 Cor 5:1-8; Ps 5:5-7, 12; Lk 6:6-11
- Tuesday: 1 Cor 6:1-11; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Lk 6:12-19
- Wednesday: 1 Cor 7:25-31; Ps 45:11-12, 14-17;
Lk 6:20-26
- Thursday: 1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13; Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab,
23-24; Lk 6:27-38
- Friday: Nm 21:4b-9; Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-38;
Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17
- Saturday: 1 Cor 10:14-22; Ps 116:12-13, 17-18;
Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35
- Sunday: Is 50:5-9a; Ps 116:1-6, 8-9; Jas 2:14-18;
Mk 8:27-35

Pray for our Priests and Seminarians

Sun.	Dcn. Paul Lunsford	Matthew Jakupco
Mon.	Fr. Gustavo Lopez	Thomas Kappes
Tues.	Fr. Phil Mahalic	Andrew Morand
Wed.	Fr. John Mannion	TJ Slamkowski
Thurs.	Fr. Jeff Martin	Dcn. Will Summerlin
Fri.	Fr. Adam Mauman	Liam Thompson
Sat.	Dcn. Chris Bock	Andrew Thornton

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please remember the following parishioners in your prayers this week: Beth Kaiser, Sonja Bickey, Larry Tricker, Isaiah Greiner, Dan Wade, Joe Morgan, Dale Goth, David Traub, JoAnn Brown, Miriam Walker, Charles Hiatt, Adam Pence, Alex Pence, Anthony Pence, Joseph Jenkinson, Clara Persinger, Harry Metzger, Martha Jean McIntosh, Noah Cross, Dorothy Duncan, Linda Goth, Pete Whitcomb, Betty Matchett, 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, Sheila Dalton, Pat Daunt, John Haack, Bonnie Milas, Sharon Newton, Jimmy Hossom, Larry Rigel, Ronald Macken, Joyce Doyle, Marie Rhorer, Bob Bering, Rex Allen, for the family of Alex and Kim Flores, Lauren Muzzarelli, Cristina Jones, Stacey Vencel, Joshua Cole, Dixie VanCamp, Richard Biehl, Patrick Turner, Dick Hahn, Marsha Clark and Clifford Tweedy

PRAYER CHAIN

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



Holy Father’s Prayer Intention for September

Universal – Young People in Africa
That young people in Africa may have access to education and work in their own countries.

PARISH MINISTRIES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS



Saint Lawrence Catholic School

stlawrencemuncie.org

765.282.9353

Rob Frey, Principal: r.frey@stlawrencemuncie.org

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

Wednesday, September 12 – 8am Mass
 Friday, September 14 – Casual Day (Dismissal at 1:00 p.m.)

Scrip Order forms have been inserted in the bulletins this weekend. **Orders are due with payment by 10:00 a.m. on Monday, September 17.** You can place your order in the collection basket, bring to the school or drop off at the Parish Office.

FALL FESTIVAL IS NEXT WEEKEND

Saturday, Sept. 15 – 11am-8pm

Sunday, Sept. 16 – 11am-5pm

(in conjunction with the Old Washington Street Festival)

***Cash Raffle – \$1000 – top prize**

Saint Lawrence School booths will be on the corner of Monroe and Washington Streets. Come see us! Fun for the whole family!

***RAFFLE TICKETS**

Fall Festival Fundraiser

There are envelopes of raffle tickets in a box in the back of church. Tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. Each envelope contains 30 tickets. Please help us by either purchasing these tickets or sell them to family members or friends. **The grand prize is \$1,000.** Additional cash prizes will also be drawn. See information on the ticket. Drawing will be Sunday, September 16 at 5:00 p.m.



Eucharistic Adorers Ministry

The next opportunity for Adoration is Sunday, September 23, 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.



Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Our next Inquiry Class will be on **Monday, September 10, at 6:30 p.m. in St. Agnes Hall.** Additional “inquiry” sessions will be held on September 17, and October 1. The sessions conclude by 8:00 p.m. and are held in St. Agnes Hall -- the building directly behind the church which faces Hackley St. Use the side/alley entrance.

CCD CLASSES for grades K thru 5. First class will be THIS Sunday, Sept. 9 from 11:00 am-12:15 p.m. in St. Agnes Hall. You can register at this time. Contact Sheila Henry at 765-729-1229.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES BEGIN ON SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 23 from 5:15 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. in St. Agnes Hall. Students in grade 8 or older are encouraged to enroll. Contact Jason for additional information at jhart@stlawrencemuncie.com.

MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP (MSYG) for grades 6 and 7 will begin on Sunday, September 23 in St. Agnes Hall starting at 5:00 p.m. and concluding at 6:30 p.m.

Welcome to St. Lawrence

Cheryl Schmitt

Paul and April Johnson



Spanish Mass Every Sunday at 12:15 p.m.

CHURCH TOURS – SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 16 from 1:00 – 5:00 P.M. If interested in helping with the tours, please call the Rectory 288-9223.

Weekly Collections

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Weekend of September 2, 2018

St. Lawrence Parish.....	\$ 8,552.50
School Support.....	\$ 976.00
Children's Envelopes.....	\$ 0.00
Food Pantry.....	\$ 60.00
Fuel Fund	\$ 100.00

MONTHLY COLLECTION TOTALS FOR AUGUST 2018

St. Lawrence Parish	\$30,845.23
School Support	\$ 2,824.00
Children's Envelopes	\$ 116.00
Food Pantry	\$ 855.00
Fuel Fund	\$ 400.00
Solidarity for Africa	\$ 1,246.16
Little Sisters of the Poor	\$ 2,393.00

ONLINE COLLECTION TOTALS FOR AUGUST 2018

St. Lawrence Parish	\$ 6,814.00
School Support	\$ 885.00
Food Pantry	\$ 347.00
Other	\$ 320.00

FRUITFUL HARVEST 2018 Biennial Appeal

"Walking Together in the Light of Christ"

2018 Fruitful Harvest pledge card packets will be mailed directly to parishioner's homes from Our Sunday Visitor (OSV) and should arrive beginning around September 12. Our kick-off commitment weekend is October 6 and 7 where you will bring the pledge card that was mailed to you to the Mass that you attend.

FOOTPRINTS SEWING GROUP

This group will meet only one time in September. **We will meet September 13 in St. Agnes Hall at 9:30 a.m.** The group will be completing items and planning for participation in the Old Washington Street Festival on September 15 and 16. Come visit our booth. Proceeds benefit Saint Lawrence Catholic School. For more information, contact Carmen Simmons at 765/808-1917 or Jayne Waechter at 765/288-8920

Just a reminder – Catechetical Sunday is next Sunday, September 16. At all the Masses this weekend, Catechists, parents, and students will receive a special blessing. (This includes those involved with Sunday CCD, the RCIA program and St. Lawrence School.)



Parish Ministry Fair September 22 and 23 After all the Masses

All ministries/groups; organizations are asked to participate and have information available about their ministry or group and hopefully recruit new members!

Please call the Parish Rectory to assure us of your involvement and for further details!

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, September 25.** 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.



The Women's Prayer/Book Study Group will meet again on **Wednesday, September 19 at 2:30 p.m.** in St. Agnes Hall.

STEPHEN MINISTRY

The Stephen Ministry would like to request your prayers for those who are currently being trained as Stephen Ministers here at St. Lawrence. A Training Retreat will be taking place next weekend -- September 14 through September 16 with parishioners who will be commissioned in 2019. Please remember them in your prayers.

Schweier Center Clearing Out!!

We are in the process of clearing out items in the Schweier Center (basement of the church). If any committees have items there that they wish to retrieve, please do so by the end of next week. Come to the Rectory and someone will be available to let you in.



MINISTRY OF THE FIBERS

(A Prayer Shawl Ministry and Tri-Parish Organization)

13th Annual Prayer Service

Theme: Cradled in Hope

Date: Wednesday, September 26

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Place: St. Mary Church

The parish community is invited to this special event/celebration where we remember all those we have ministered to this past year with an item we have created. Bring a friend and celebrate with us!! Immediately following the service, there will be a catered dinner in Noll Hall. **Since the dinner is catered, RSVPs are due by September 17 to Jeanette Carnes at 729-3638 or Janice Hossom at 760-2087. (Please note: The annual Prayer Service replaces the September meeting—morning and evening.)**



High School Youth Group (HSYG) Meetings/Fun Nights

September 9 – meeting - 5pm – St. Agnes Hall
 September 14 – fun night at 6pm
 September 23 – meeting – 5pm – St. Agnes Hall
 If you have any questions, feel free to Lexie at: 765-760-2813 or ahstarost@bsu.edu

40 Days of Prayer, Fasting and Penance August 26-October 4

As we continue to pray for all those who have been afflicted by abuse, please note the following:

- After each weekend Mass we will pray the Rosary.
- **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** will be each Friday of the 40 days from 12N-5 p.m. (see sign up sheet in the back of church)
- **Opportunities for Confessions:**
 September 14 4:00 – 5:00 p.m.
 September 21 12N – 1:00 p.m.
 September 28 3:00 – 5:00 p.m.
- **Week of Prayer – September 24-28:**
 9:00-10:00 a.m. Holy Hour each day
 5:30 p.m. Mass each day
- **Mass for Healing:** We will close the 40 Days with a Mass for Healing on Thursday, October 4 at 6:00 p.m.

Deacon's Food Pantry

During the month of August, the pantry helped 177 households which resulted in 301 adults and 133 children being served. **The pantry is in need of canned fruit.** We welcome Anne Cloud as Coordinator of Deacon's Pantry!!

St. Vincent dePaul Thrift Store

The Thrift Store is in need of a couple of volunteers to do some painting at the store. If interested, please call Nancy Taverna at the store 282-2842 or stop by. Store Hours are: Tuesday and Thursday-10am-6pm; Wednesday and Friday-10am-3pm.

Attn: Parishioners

Updated Information Needed

We are finding that our database is not completely accurate with regards to telephone numbers. If you no longer have a "landline" phone but have a cell phone number, please call the Parish Office at 288-9223 to update your information. If you have moved, please notify us of your new address.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

OCTOBER HAPPENINGS

- October 4 – Mass – 6:00 p.m. (See info under 40 Days of Prayer, Fasting and Penance)
- October 7 – 11:30 a.m. – Blessing of Animals
- October 6 and 7 – Reader Training after all the Masses
- October 7 – Respect Life Sunday – "Life Chain" – 2:00-3:00 p.m. on McGalliard Road – in front of Hobby Lobby
- October 7 – 3:00 p.m. – Richard Grill – Organ Recital
- October 6 and 7 – Fruitful Harvest 2018 – Commitment Weekend
- October 21 – 23 – Forty Hours
- October 27 and 28 – Anointing of the Sick at all Masses

Thank You from Little Sisters of the Poor

"Dear Fr. Hellmann: Thank you for welcoming us to St. Lawrence the weekend of August 18 and 19. The other sisters and I were glad to meet some of your parishioners and to be united with them in prayer. We are grateful for the generous financial help, of course, and the opportunity to introduce ourselves and speak about our mission is very important to us. You and your parishioners are in our grateful prayers! Gratefully in Christ, Sr. Amy"

Our Parish Mission and Vision

Mission: St. Lawrence Parish, a people of prayer and service glorifying God. **Vision:** Through prayer and service, St. Lawrence Parish deepens its love for and knowledge of God.



In case of an emergency, an AED (Automatic External Defibrillator) is located in the vestibule of the church.



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

Davis Brown, William Cox, Jared Hargis, Kyle Jones, Kyle & Leandra Long, Jon Powell, Stephen Smith, Kyle Stewart, Christopher Tolmachoff, Chandler Brocki and Matt Johns.



Online Giving

Online Giving made easy....Go to www.osvonlinegiving.com/4289 or call Dick Shirey at 765-288-9223, Ext. 22. He will help you work through the process in no time.

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.

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Did not God choose those who are poor in the world to be rich in faith and heirs to the kingdom?

— James 2:5

THOUGHTS

The happiness of your life depends upon the quality of your thoughts.

**Retreat Opportunities
Saint Joseph Retreat and
Conference Center
Tipton, Indiana**

Get Away for a Day Retreat – September 25
Cost: \$40. 9:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

St. Francis Day of Reflection – October 3
Cost: \$40. 9:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

Our Lady of The Rosary Day of Reflection
October 24 – 9:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Cost: \$40

For more information on these retreats contact Director Samir Azer at 765-551-9570 or go to their website: www.stjosephretreat.org. You may also contact Fr. David Huemmer at fr.dhuemmer@dol-in.org or 765-551-9585.

Stewardship Bulletin Reflection: 9-09-18

Today’s readings offer beautiful illustrations of two of the Four Pillars of Parish Stewardship — hospitality and service, and the joy that a life lived for others can bring.

Our second reading, from the letter of St. James, teaches that all are equally worthy of our hospitality. We must welcome and serve everyone who walks through our church’s doors, extending warmth and a dignified greeting to all. The person who wanders in late to Mass, who is not dressed to our personal standards, may be just the person who is most in need of Christ’s love. Sometimes we can offer that love simply with a smile and offer to come and sit next to us in “our” pew.

The Gospel reading from Mark demonstrates the connection between hospitality and service. In this passage we find Jesus on the go, and “people brought to Him a deaf man who had a speech impediment and begged Him to lay His hand on him.” These people had already heard the Good News that Jesus was preaching. In response, they reached out to a man who literally could not hear and brought him close to Jesus so that he could receive the Good News, too. This is true service and hospitality at its finest. Jesus responds immediately with a miraculous healing. He blessed those whose service and hospitality had made this encounter possible, confirming their faith to such an extent that they could not stop themselves from proclaiming the wonder they had witnessed.

This week, let’s challenge ourselves to step out of our comfort zone to reach out to someone who needs to hear the Good News of Jesus. We may just find ourselves astonished at what miracles He accomplishes!