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ST. LAWRENCE CATHOLIC CHURCH

820 E. Charles Street | Muncie, IN 47305

March 31, 2019 Fourth Sunday of Lent

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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
FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT**

2nd Collection – Catholic Relief Services

SUN. 31		
Fourth Sunday of Lent		
8:00 a.m.	Mass (St. Lawrence Parish) 2 nd Scrutiny	CH
10:00 a.m.	Mass (Int. of Traub family)	CH
11:15-12:30pm	CCD Classes-K-5	AH
12:15 p.m.	Spanish Mass (☩Fr. Robert Traub)	CH
3:00 p.m.	Concert-Dick Grill & Choir	CH
5:15-7:30pm	Confirmation Class	AH
MON. 1		
7:40 a.m.	Morning Prayer	CH
8:00 a.m.	Mass (☩Fr. Ed Greiwe)	CH
1:00 p.m.	Parish Staff Meeting	RD
6:30 p.m.	RCIA	AH
TUES. 2		
St. Francis of Paola, Hermit		
7:40 a.m.	Morning Prayer	CH
8:00 a.m.	Mass (☩Dick Hahn)	CH
1:00 p.m.	Communion Ministers to Homebound	AH
6:30 p.m.	Communion Ministers to Homebound	AH
WED. 3		
7:40 a.m.	Morning Prayer	CH
8:00 a.m.	Mass (Poor Souls in Purgatory) School Children attend Mass	CH
5:15 p.m.	Liturgy Committee Mtg.	AH
THURS. 4		
NO MASS		
6:30 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal	CH
FRI. 5		
St. Vincent Ferrer, Priest		
7:40 a.m.	Morning Prayer	CH
8:00 a.m.	Mass (☩Don Phillips)	CH
11:30 a.m.	Oblates	AH
6:35 p.m.	Rosary	CH
7:00 p.m.	Stations of the Cross	CH
SAT. 6		
8:00 a.m.	Mass (☩Bill Dominick)	CH
8:30 a.m.	Centering Prayer after Mass	AH
9:00 a.m.	Church Cleaning	
2:00-4:00 p.m.	Confessions	CH
4:30 p.m.	Mass (☩Marty Campisi)	CH
SUN. 7		
Fifth Sunday of Lent		
8:00 a.m.	Mass (L/D of George and Mary McGraw families)	CH
10:00 a.m.	Mass (St. Lawrence Parish) 3 rd Scrutiny	CH
11:15-12:30pm	CCD Classes-Grades K-5	AH
12:15 p.m.	Spanish Mass (Poor Souls in Purgatory)	CH
6:00 p.m.	The Last Supper Dramatization	CH

Dear Parishioners and Friends of St. Lawrence,

Our Lent continues and we journey toward a renewal of our baptismal vows –first made for us by our parents and at maturity have been called to renew them each year. The loss of close personal friends through the year have been a powerful reminder that the journey is not one without sorrow and loss, but that everything of this world is passing as we journey toward that which is eternal–Kingdom of God. As baptized people we journey with Jesus with our eyes fixed on Him. He is the shepherd who walks among us and with us – the one who never loses sight of the goal. He is the Way, the Truth, and the Life. He is the one who is the sure guide who knows the way to the Father, as He has come from the Father. He is the one who opens our eyes, overcoming our blindness and distractions of things that “glitter” showing us what has enduring and lasting value. We cannot go wrong if we keep our eyes fixed on Him. He not only shows us the way – He is the way.

His way is one of seeking not His own will, but the will of the Father. His way is one of embracing the cross each day, one of mercy and forgiveness, one of healing and restoring life. His way is one of embracing the outcast and sinner His life reveals the love of the Father for all. Our blindness is overcome when we see the Father’s love for us and recognize each one as a brother or sister who have the same heavenly Father that we have. This week, when ever you look at another person, recognize them as your brother or sister–only then will your site be restored–and healed from the blindness of a society that sees strangers, enemies, nobodies, and foreigners.

“Lord Jesus, heal our sight so that we might see everyone as you see them. If they are your children, even if lost, they are still our brothers and sisters, for you are the only Father of all.”

God Bless,

Fr. Dave

MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS FOR APRIL 6 AND 7

	Readers	Altar Servers	E.M.H.C.	Ushers
4:30 P.M.	Kathy Crabtree Jim Jones	Andrew Shaw Jonathan Shaw	Tayla Greiner Richard Grill Nancy Hansan	Jeff Crabtree Harold Hannon Jim Jones Steve Lansing
8:00 A.M.	Lucia Hart Lynette Varner	Robert Berger	Della Gregory Lynne Hellman Patrick Hellman Sheila Henry Jack Holland	Jerry Bricker Norm Gayda Jack Sharp Tom Ward
10:00 A.M.	Mary Cox Wednesday Cunningham	Onnie Adams Alex Cox	John Coutinho Les Coutinho Marianne Echelbarger Myron Echelbarger Stephanie Echelbarger	John Coutinho Omar Galan Mateo Romero Mike Wallace

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The Israelites ate of the yield of the land of Canaan (Joshua 5:9a, 10-12) or *1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a*.

Psalm — Taste and see the goodness of the Lord (Psalm 34) or *Psalm 23*.

Second Reading — Whoever is in Christ is a new creation (2 Corinthians 5:17-21) or *Ephesians 5:8-14*.

Gospel — This man welcomes sinners and eats with them (Luke 15:1-3, 11-32) or *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: Is 43:16-21; Ps 126:1-6; Phil 3:8-14; Jn 8:1-11
- Alternate readings (Year A):
 Ez 37:12-14; Ps 130:1-8; Rom 8:8-11;
 Jn 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45]

Pray for Priests & Seminarians		
Sun.	Fr. Joseph Westfall	Elliot Zak
Mon.	Fr. Paul Wicklum	Dcn Sean Aaron
Tues.	Fr. Robert Williams	Michael Block
Wed.	Fr. Dominic Young	Jordan Boone
Thurs.	Pope Francis	Jason Diebolt
Fri.	Bishop Doherty	Brian Farrell
Sat.	Bishop Emer. Higi	Matthew Jakupco

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, Martha Jean McIntosh, Dorothy Duncan, Linda Goth, Pete Whitcomb, Betty Wright, Beverly Dalton, Shirley Jordan, Kameron Kadinger, Joe Duncan, Shirley Phillips, John Persinger, Dick and Lucille Kanney, Pat Daunt, John Haack, Sharon Newton, Larry Rigel, Ronald Macken, Joyce Doyle, Marie Rhorer, Bob Bering, for the family of Alex and Kim Flores, Cristina Jones, Stacey Vencel, Joshua Cole, Richard Biehl, Clifford Tweedy, Rod Clements, Ed Kratochvil, Mary Hadley, Noah Cross, Raymond Gaff, Betty Anderson, Judy Cool Beaty, Stephanie Echelbarger, Pat Savage, Mary Kerrigan, Roni Johnson, William Berger, Tia Lindsey, Dixie Lindsey, Jim Shaw, Harry Seffrin.

PRAYER CHAIN

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



Holy Father's Prayer Intention for April

Dear God, During this season of Lent, we pray for Christian communities throughout the world, especially those who are persecuted. May they feel that they are close to Christ and may their rights be respected. We also lift up to you, all doctors and their humanitarian collaborators in war zones, who risk their lives to save the lives of others. Be close to them, dear Lord.

PARISH MINISTRIES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADULT FAITH FORMATION COLUMN (Sue Wilhelm)

Maya Reynon will be leading the children's liturgy of the Word. If you are in high school or a college student and would like to assist with this ministry, please let Sue or Kelsi know. We could use a few more hands.

I am a member of the Household of God. God is head of my household.

Last Sunday a group of us travelled to Lafayette to the Cathedral of St. Mary so that our catechumen and candidates who will be welcomed into the Church at the Easter Vigil could be received by the Bishop. It was a beautiful service and reaffirmed that we are part of the larger Body of Christ. The Church we belong to is larger than St. Lawrence.

The long drive reminded me that we are on a pilgrimage throughout the whole of our life. And along the way we travel with one another, we hear each other's stories, we break bread together. Sometimes we hit bumps on the road, and at other times we dance for joy—and all this in community. This week, each day, notice and be grateful for one thing that reminds you that you are part of this larger community, the Body of Christ. That we give and receive Christ in one another. And this indeed is Church.

Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist: Please remember to fill out the form we sent as we begin to expand the ministry to our homebound parishioners. **Training will be April 2nd at 1:00 pm or 6:30pm at St. Agnes.** Please drop your questionnaire in the collection. Thank you!

Centering Prayer

All are welcome for Centering Prayer practiced in community **every Saturday after 8:00am Mass at St. Agnes** The intention of Centering Prayer is consent (or surrender) to God's presence and action within. Sue Wilhelm will facilitate the practice. The fourth Saturday of each month will include study and reflection after Centering Prayer.

College Students! Join us for Coffee and Donuts—Palm Sunday, April 14th after 10:00am Mass.

Taize April 26 at 7:30 p.m. in Church. We invite you to join us for a candle lit prayerful setting with meditative singing, scripture, silence and prayers for the world.

Save the Dates

Upcoming Penance Services:

April 10 – 2:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.—St. Lawrence
April 8 – 6:30 p.m.—St. Mary, Muncie

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults



Our next class will be on **Monday, April 1 at 6:30 p.m.** in St. Agnes Hall.



Eucharistic Adorers Ministry

The next opportunity for Adoration will be **Palm Sunday, April 14** 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.

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 **April 23.** 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

The Footprints Sewing Group is focusing on the Annual Baby Shower (3/9-4/14/19). The Stork is set up in the back of the Church. Your help is appreciated. **The Group will be meeting April 11 and April 25 at 9:30 a.m. in St. Agnes Hall.** If you would be interested in joining this lively group of ladies, we would be happy to have you. For more information contact Carmen Simmons 765-808-1917 or Jayne Waechter 765-288-8920.



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: April 14.



The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be offered from **2:00-4:00 PM** each Saturday during Lent.

Join us for the **Rosary** at 6:35 P.M. and **Stations of the Cross** each Friday during Lent at 7:00 P.M.



Saint Lawrence Catholic School

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

CLASSES/ACTIVITIES FOR OUR

CCD CLASSES for grades K thru 5 will meet this **Sunday, March 31 from 11:15am-12:30pm in St. Agnes Hall.** If you have any questions, contact Sheila Henry at 765-729-1229. **(Please note the adjustment to the time. This time will work better to have at least an hour with the students after 10am Mass.)**

CONFIRMATION CLASS – Our next class is **Sunday, March 31 from 5:15 p.m.-7:30 p.m. in St. Agnes Hall.** Contact Jason for additional information at jhart@stlawrencemuncie.com.

MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP (MSYG)
Our next meeting/get-together will be **Sunday, April 14 from 5-6:30 p.m. in St. Agnes Hall.**

2ND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND FOR CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES

This week, we take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection to help Jesus in disguise. This collection helps six Catholic agencies provide relief and support to struggling communities and work for 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.usccb.org/catholic-relief.

Sunday, March 31 | 3:00 PM
Organ recital featuring "**The Seven Last Words of Christ**" by Richard Grill. The recital will include musical numbers by the St. Lawrence Choir.

Sunday, April 7 | 6:00 PM
Join us for a dramatization of the **Last Supper** presented by men of the parish and the St. Lawrence Choir. In this living dramatization, the Twelve Apostles speak their minds to themselves, to each other and to the Lord in the light of the words that they have just heard Jesus speak: "One of you will betray Me." The play focuses on just a few seconds in time at the Last Supper when Jesus announced that someone would betray him that night. After each shocking pronouncement, each apostle in turn relives his history with Jesus, reviews his faith and agonizes that he may be the traitor.

Monday, April 3 – Mass at church.

GREAT NEWS!

Our grade 3 students recently took the state-mandated IREAD-3 test. This assessment measures reading comprehension skills and makes sure that children are reading at or above grade level. As is usually the case, 100% of our grade 3 students passed this test!

Congratulations to our March Virtues in Practice recipients! These students modeled Temperance (Enjoying things in a proper, balanced way).

Samyah and Ce'Azyiah-Grade 4 (Mrs. Cunnington)

"Samyah and Ce'Azyiah, at their own discretion and without being asked, chose to stay in the classroom during recess to finish their math assignment rather than going outside to play. They put aside fun things to focus on getting their school work completed."

Our April Virtue is Obedience (Saying "yes" to the loving will of God and those he has set over us).

"They Said It!"

What is the best thing about going to school at Saint Lawrence?

"That we get to learn about God, because some schools don't teach Religion."

Natalie, grade 3

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

150th Anniversary of Our Church
Remember Renew Rejoice

In 1875 Father Schmidt was traveling by railroad handcar and on horseback to neighboring Hartford City and Montpelier as well as serving as Pastor of Saint Lawrence Parish.

Our “keepsake ornament” is not just something for the Christmas season. These can be displayed throughout the year in your home. Give as an anniversary gift, a birthday gift, or as a wedding gift. They are available at the Rectory for \$25.



We are currently gathering photographs for our 150th Anniversary Gala and other events throughout the year. If you have photos from church or school events that you would like to share, please stop by the Parish Office so we may make a digital copy, or you may email them to galaphotos@stlawrencemuncie.com.

Any information you can include with the photos (ie. year, names, event, etc.) would be greatly appreciated.

St. Lawrence 150th Anniversary Gala
June 15—6:00-10:00 p.m.
Silent Auction

We know there is lots of amazing talent here in our parish. We would love to hear from you. As we celebrate the founding of our church during the St. Lawrence Gala, let us celebrate the talents of our parishioners. If you would like to donate an item that showcases your talent to be sold in the Silent Auction during the June Gala, please contact us. Proceeds from the Silent Auction will be used to offset the cost of the Gala and any extra funds will be placed in the St. Lawrence Building Fund to maintain our historical church and grounds.

Contact one of the Silent Auction Committee members listed here:

- Lynette Varner lsvarner@bsu.edu
- Maria Hart jasonandmariahart@comcast.net
- Nancy Zachary nazachary@comcast.net

Weekly Collections
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Weekend of March 24, 2019

Will be included in next weekend’s bulletin.



Please consider online giving. Go to www.osvonlinegiving.com/4289 or call the Business Office at St. Lawrence 765-288-9223, Ext. 22. We will help you work through the process in no time!

UPCOMING FISH FRY
Friday, April 5 -- 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

St Mary/Burriss Cub Scout Pack 42 is hosting a Lenten fish fry dinner at the Knights of Columbus Family Center, 3600 W. Purdue Road. Menu: Choice of fish sandwich or grilled cheese, french fries, cole slaw, green beans, dessert, and drink. Cost: Child (3 to 12) \$4, Adult (13+) \$8. All funds support Cub Scout Pack 42.



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, Payden Schug, and Matt Johns.



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



With gratitude...

Thank you to our Parish Family for the love and support we received at the death of my husband, Richard (D0ck) Hahn. The Funeral Liturgy was a great source of comfort. Thank you Fr. Dave, Fr. Bob, the choir and Jason. The dinner that followed was a special time together with family and friends. Thank you to the Knights of Columbus for sharing their facility. Thank you to those who prepared and served the delicious dinner. What a great ministry this is! Thank you everyone for your continued prayers and support.

Joey Hahn and family

Photos from the Passion Play on March 19 Saint Lawrence School Students



St. Francis Friendship Circle Spring Luncheon
Tuesday, May 7, 2019 from Noon-2pm @ St. Francis Parish
Hall

\$10 tickets for the catered luncheon are available for
purchase until May 1, 2019

Featured Speaker:

Jim Needham, retired General Manager from WIPB-TV,
presents The Real Story of Bob Ross and “The Joy of
Painting.”

Charitable collection:

Delaware County Foster Closet

eases the financial burden for foster families through
community donations of clothing, toys and every day items for
foster children

Please contact the St. Francis parish office 765-288- or
email St. FrancisFriendshipCircle@gmail.com for tickets
and/or information.

Science and The Mystery of God: Life as a Catholic Scientist with Dr. Giorgio Ambrosio of Fermilab, America’s Particle Physics and Accelerator Laboratory

April 11th
6:30 - 8 PM with Mass to follow
St Francis Catholic Church Parish Hall, Muncie.

Dr. Giorgio Ambrosio of Fermilab has also headed
projects at CERN, the international lab of particle
physics. He will speak on his experience as a
Catholic scientist and his encounter with the mystery
of God.

Our condolences...

The St. Lawrence community extends our deepest
prayers and condolences to the Shirey Family on the
passing of Dick Shirey and to the Metzger Family on
the passing of Harry Metzger. May their souls, and the
souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of
God, rest in peace.