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ST. LAWRENCE CATHOLIC CHURCH

820 E. Charles Street | Muncie, IN 47305

June 2, 2019 The Ascension of the Lord

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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
THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD**

SEMINARIAN FUND APPEAL COLLECTION

SUN. 2 <u>The Ascension of the Lord</u>		
8:00 a.m.	Mass (L/D of George and Mary McGraw families)	CH
10:00 a.m.	Mass (Newly commissioned Stephen Ministers and St. Lawrence Parish)	CH
	Commissioning of Stephen Ministers	
12:15 p.m.	Spanish Mass (†Teresa Santoyo Gonzalez & Jose Almonza Tonorio)	CH
MON. 3 <u>St. Charles Lwanga & Companions, Martyrs</u>		
7:40 a.m.	Morning Prayer	CH
8:00 a.m.	Mass (†Harry Metzger)	CH
5:30 p.m.	150 th Anny Events Comm.	AH
6:30 p.m.	150 th Anny Steering Comm.	AH
TUES. 4 <u>NO MASS</u>		
WED. 5 <u>NO MASS</u>		
THURS. 6 <u>NO MASS</u>		
9:30 a.m.	Footprints Sewing Group	AH
FRI. 7 <u>NO MASS</u>		
11:30 a.m.	Oblates	AH
7:00 p.m.	Theology on Tap The Guardian Brewing Co.	
SAT. 8		
8:00 a.m.	Mass (†Danny Dalton, Jr.)	CH
8:30 a.m.	Contemplative Prayer	AH
3:00 p.m.	Confessions	
	Wear yellow, red, or orange to Mass in “celebration” of Pentecost	
4:30 p.m.	Mass (St. Lawrence Parish) School Update by Rob Frey	CH
SEMINARIAN FUND APPEAL COLLECTION		
SUN. 9 <u>Pentecost Sunday</u>		
	Wear yellow, red, or orange to Mass in “celebration” of Pentecost	
8:00 a.m.	Mass (†Brady Noonkester) School Update following Masses by Rob Frey	CH
10:00 a.m.	Mass (†Dick Hahn)	CH
12:15 p.m.	Spanish Mass(Poor Souls in Purgatory)	CH
1:30-3:30pm	Liturgical Ministers Retreat	CH

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

Dear Parishioners and Friends of St. Lawrence:

Fr Bob and I have returned from the ordination of two new priests for the Diocese. It is always a sign of life within the Church, just like a new born child’s baptism is a sign of life for a parish. Both are a source of joy and a sign of God’s blessing and work in the lives of families and the church. So with joy we welcome Sean M. Aaron and William T. Summerlin to the diocesan presbyterate .

It is also the weekend that the Diocese seeks support from all of the parishes to help fund the education and training of the future priests. The future of parish life depends on the formation of priests and that formation continues and deepens through the parish families the priest encounters. One learns more through the work and lived experience of parish ministry than the years of seminary training. People of the parishes also have a role in the formation of the priests by sharing their experience and wisdom gained from the pew and as recipients of ministry and as “full members of the body of Christ”. There are no “auxiliary members” only full members.

That is what is realized in our Stephen Ministry program, people of the parish “trained” to minister to other parishioners “one on one”. It is a program present in many Catholic parishes and churches of many denominations. It is designed to accompany people through difficult life events or personal tragedies. Each Stephen Minister has had an initial training of 50 hours and will continue on-going formation. A strong component of the program is strict confidentiality. The Stephen Minister does not speak about anything shared with them, nor divulge to whom they are a Stephen Minister. The confidentiality is very close to the priest’s “seal of confession”. There is a brochure inserted in the bulletin with more information both for those who might like to request a Stephen Minister or explore serving as a Stephen Minister in the parish.

Also, Fr Bob and I will be at Brown County State Park for the Priests Convocation. It will begin Monday evening and finish at noon on Thursday. The Thursday session will be an introduction to Diocesan Plan.

We can be reached in case of an emergency, but it may take some time to get the message.

Look at the date for the Kings Island trip. A bus has been reserved and space is on a first come–first served (or reserved) basis. July 11th mark your calendar.

Fr Dave

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Jesus tells the disciples that they will be witnesses to the ends of the earth (Acts 1:1-11).

Psalm — God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord (Psalm 47).

Second Reading — God seated Jesus at his right hand in the heavens (Ephesians 1:17-23) *or Hebrews 9:24-28; 10:19-23.*

Gospel — As Jesus blessed his disciples he parted from them and was taken up to heaven (Luke 24:46-53).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 19:1-8; Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab; Jn 16:29-33

Tuesday: Acts 20:17-27; Ps 68:10-11, 20-21; Jn 17:1-11a

Wednesday: Acts 20:28-38; Ps 68:29-30, 33-36ab; Jn 17:11b-19

Thursday: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11; Jn 17:20-26

Friday: Acts 25:13b-21; Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab; Jn 21:15-19

Saturday: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Ps 11:4, 5, 7; Jn 21:20-25

Sunday: **Vigil:** Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5; Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-30; Rom 8:22-27; Jn 7:37-39

Day: Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104:1, 24, 29-31, 34; 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Rom 8:8-17; Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 14:15-16, 23b-26

Pray for Priests & Dcns/Seminarians

Sun.	Ch.Lt.Col J. Kinney	Jordan Boone
Mon.	Fr. Jeff Kirch	Jason Diebolt
Tues.	Fr. Bob Klemme	Brian Farrell
Wed.	Fr. Leonard Kostka	Matthew Jakupco
Thurs.	Fr. Peter Logsdon	Thomas Kappes
Fri.	Fr. Gustavo Lopez	Andrew Morand
Sat.	Fr. Phil Mahalic	TJ Slamkowski

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, 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, David Duke, Charles Hiatt.

PRAYER CHAIN

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



Holy Father's Prayer Intention for June

Dear God, During this month of June, we lift up all priests: May they, through the modesty and humility of their lives, commit themselves actively to a solidarity with those who are the most poor.

Weekly Collections
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Weekend of May 26

St. Lawrence Parish	\$5,990.67
School Support	\$797.00
Children's Envelopes	\$3.00
Deacon's Food Pantry	\$35.00
Fuel Fund	\$100.00

Seminarian Fund Appeal 2019

June 1 and 2, June 8 and 9

The annual Seminarian Fund Appeal is here. All gifts directed toward the "Fund" will go exclusively toward Seminarian educational living costs, which is budgeted to be \$500,000 in 2019. The Diocese's overall goal for this year is \$485,000. Other programs, events, etc. for the Office of Vocations are funded from other sources – part of which comes from Fruitful Harvest. Please consider a gift that will help to support the formation and journey for our seminarians. Funds additionally support educational needs as they focus on the four pillars of seminarian formation: intellectual, spiritual, pastoral and human. There will be envelopes that you can use and you can also go online at www.dol-in.org/sfa

STEPHEN MINISTRY COMMISSIONING



Stephen Ministry is a Christian companion ministry for those in need of spiritual and emotional support and it is becoming part of St. Lawrence! This Sunday, June 2, during the 10:00 a.m. Mass, we will be commissioning our Stephen Leaders and Ministers.

PARISH MINISTRIES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADULT FAITH FORMATION COLUMN

(Sue Wilhelm)

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

Jesus assures us, "I am with you always." Always. In our joy and thanksgiving times, in times of sorrow and hardship, in times of frustration and agitation, in times when we're restful and still. Remembering Jesus was (and is) with us, even if we forgot or were not aware is comforting. As a household of God, as you review your day and notice all that happened, you can add "and you, Jesus were with me." The more often we turn to Jesus, turn to His Spirit of Love, remembering we are not alone, even when we feel alone, the deeper will grow our faith and hope and love. May that be our prayer not only for ourselves and the members of our household but for everyone.

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**Small Groups for Be My Witness** will be forming soon. You are invited to pray and consider if you are called to host or to facilitate a small group. Also, you might consider simply participating this time if you did not the first time.

#### RCIA TEAM

We are looking for team members for RCIA. We have a hard working team of volunteers for RCIA and want to open the doors to others to join this wonderful work of introducing others to a deepening relationship with Christ and the community of St. Lawrence. Our Catholic Tradition is rich and deep! Here's who we need:

**Sponsors:** People who are willing to accompany someone beginning this journey. Time commitment varies.

**Witnesses:** People willing to share their story of how the Church, how Christ has touched them on their faith journey. 10-20 minute sharing. Please join us for one class.

**Hospitality:** If you would like to be on the list of people who provide refreshments once or twice during the program year, please let us know!

**Core Team:** We would like to expand our core team--those who walk alongside the group throughout the year. Time commitment: 2 hours weekly.

**Please consider and discern** if you might be called to be part of the RCIA team.

**CCD Team:** We are also looking for people to assist with CCD. It would be ideal to have two teachers for every grade level.

**Please call the parish office for more information or to arrange a time to talk with Sue regarding formation for CCD or RCIA ministries.**

(Adult Faith Formation column cont.)

**Adult Liturgical Ministers** (Ushers, Communion Distributors, Readers, Greeters, Choir members) **Retreat: June 9 -- 1:30-3:30pm in the Church.** This important formation will assist in deepening your understanding of Liturgy and your place as ministers within Liturgy. Please register by calling the parish or registering through the parish website. Babysitting is an option. When you register, please indicate if you would like this for your children and how many.

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Centering Prayer: All are welcome for Centering Prayer practiced in community **every Saturday after 8:00am** **Mass at St. Agnes Hall.** The intention of Centering Prayer is consent (or surrender) to God's presence and action within. This silent prayer practice is open to everyone. Sue Wilhelm usually facilitates the practice. The **Contemplative Prayer Group** is studying **The Cloud of Unknowing** translated by Carmen Butcher. Our next study will be June 8 after Mass including Centering Prayer and exploring chapters 1-7.

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**Theology on Tap:** The next meeting will be **Friday June 7 at 7pm at The Guardian Brewing Company.** For Young Adults (21-39).

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Taize Prayer through song, scripture, silence and beauty. In Church on **Wednesday, June 26, 2019 at 7:00pm.** This prayer follows a similar format to the Liturgy of the Hours with meditative singing. All are welcome!



Eucharistic Adorers Ministry

The next opportunity for Adoration will be **Sunday, June 23-Feast of Corpus Christi following the procession** 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 June 25 and will be held at the Rectory.** 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.

Church Cleaners

We are in need of Church Cleaners for Saturday mornings. This group will clean every other Saturday after the 8:00 a.m. Mass. Another crew cleans every other Friday. If you have the time for this ministry, please call the Parish Office at 288-9223. It goes pretty quickly—only about an hour!



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.

Congratulations to our May Virtues in Practice recipients! These students represented Saint Lawrence Catholic School proudly by modeling Diligence (Doing your best and working hard until you're finished).

Jonah Harrell-Kindergarten

"Jonah is a very hard worker and has been all year long. He never complains when he has a paper to do. He concentrates and works until it is completed."

-Mrs. McKinley

Giselle Hart-Grade 2

"Giselle gets started right away on assignments, often without having to be told. I can depend on her to work independently, and even assist others."

-Miss Gardner

Our September virtue is Charity (Loving God with all your heart, mind, and strength, and loving your neighbor as yourself).

We have **Kings Island** coupons available. These coupons can save you up to \$30 on admission between now and October 27, 2019. Stop by the parish Rectory for coupons.

FOOTPRINTS SEWING GROUP

Our semi-annual delivery for our Veterans has been made. We will make another delivery in September. In the meantime, we will continue to make items for our September donation to the Veterans along with our usual items of pockets for wheelchairs, bedsides, walkers, etc. Also, adult and children's bibs, blankets and lap robes. Our June meetings will be held June 6 and June 20 in St. Agnes Hall at 9:30 a.m. For more information, please contact Carmen Simmons at 765/808-1917 or Jayne Waechter at 765/288-8920.



DEACON'S FOOD PANTRY

(Kroger/PayLess Community Rewards)

You still keep your rewards when you purchase items in the store and at the gas station as well!

The "pantry" is now enrolled in the Kroger/PayLess Community Rewards Program. To Use the Kroger Community Rewards Program: visit <http://www.kroger.com>. Once logged into your Kroger/PayLess account you can search for Deacon's Pantry either by name or DR021 and then click "Enroll." New users will need to create an account which requires some basic information, a valid email address and a *rewards* card.

You must have a registered Kroger/PayLess *rewards* card account to link to the Deacon's Food Pantry. If you do not yet have a Kroger/Payless *rewards* card, they are available at the customer service desk at any Kroger/Payless store.

REMEMBER -- purchases will not count for Deacon's Food Pantry until after you register your *rewards* card. Participants must swipe their registered *rewards* card or use the phone number that is related to their registered *rewards* card when shopping for each purchase to count. **Note: Ruler Foods is also a Kroger store.**

SAVE THE DATE JUNE 13th! The Saint Vincent de Paul Society of Muncie is having a fundraiser at the Red Apple Café located at 3001 N Oakwood Ave, Muncie, IN, we will receive **30%** of the proceeds from breakfast or dinner sales on **Thursday June 13**. Come and bring a friend! Hours for breakfast are 8am-10am.



Dinner is 5pm-7pm. Also, on sale will be new contemporary Christian music by Trust In Mercy, the music group started by Angela Saval and Travis Graves. CDs will be on sale for \$10. All profits from the CD sales will be donated to SVDP. Listen to the music at <https://trustinmercy.world> Follow on social media @trustinmercy7 **Donations will support the poor and homeless in the Muncie community with utilities, rent, and food.**



150th Anniversary of Our Church
Remember Renew Rejoice

Father Schmidt celebrated the silver jubilee of his ordination in 1899.

The St. Lawrence Church 150th Anniversary Gala Dinner
June 15, 2019 – 6-10pm
 Cornerstone Center for the Arts
 520 E. Main Street
 (Formal Dress not required)
Deadline for ticket purchases was May 24
We are looking forward to seeing everyone at this event

Thanks to everyone who submitted photos and silent auction items!

We have 150th Anniversary T-SHIRTS FOR SALE that have our logo printed on them. If interested, please call the Parish Office at 288-9223.

SAVE THE DATES FOR UPCOMING EVENTS IN CELEBRATION OF OUR 150TH

Saturday, August 10 – 4:30 p.m. Mass with Bishop Doherty with a catered dinner to follow at the Knights of Columbus Hall



Sunday, August 18 – Golf Outing – Cardinal Hills (this is not a tournament or fundraiser – it will be a fun/social get-together for parishioners and friends.)



Kings Island – Family Trip
July 11 -- \$40 per ticket.

This ticket price is a \$30 savings on the price of one day admission. You will also receive a wrist band that will give you unlimited drinks throughout the day. We will charter a bus if there is enough interest and the parish will cover this expense. We will leave at 8:00 a.m. and return home by 10:00 p.m. **Reservations are due no later than June 21.** Call the Parish Office to reserve your spot! (288-9223)

An Invitation to learn the Focolare (Work of Mary)

Way of living our faith

Sunday, June 23 – 1:30-3:30 p.m.

St. Lawrence Rectory

Do you desire to live a life of faith that is centered on Jesus and the Gospel?

- A life lived in unity with the church that is lived first in the family and home;
- A life embracing difficulties and painful moments as giving us a deeper unity with Jesus Forsaken
- Not abandoning the journey of faith because we or other people are not perfect?

Questions – call: Deb Conlon 765-749-7299.



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!

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.

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.

MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS FOR JUNE 8 AND 9

	Readers	Altar Servers	E.M.H.C.	Ushers
4:30 P.M.	Kathy Crabtree Nick Flowers	Nicholas Dosch Cora Taylor	Nany Mills Marianne Vorhees Skip Vorhees	Jeff Crabtree Matt Hill Harold Hannon Walter Vester
8:00 A.M.	Carolyn MacDougall Mary Burford	Evelyn Kress	Jessi Dirksen Paul Ranieri Marilyn Sherrill Nancy Taverna JoEllen Ward	Sheila Caudill Jack Holland Kevin Persinger Tom Ward
10:00 A.M.	Myron Echelbarger Jennifer Johnson	Onnie Adams Alex Cox	Rob Frey Sherry Richardson Deb Saxon Julie Snider Cynthia Spears	Les Coutinho John Coutinho Jeff Huff Mike Wallace



**2030 Pastoral Plan
Diocese of Lafayette**

All parishioners are invited to attend the Deanery meeting that will be held at St. Mary, Muncie, on June 27 at 9:00 a.m. in Noll Hall.

This meeting will outline the future plans for the diocese. This plan took many facets and data analyses of our diocese into consideration, and will make a once in a lifetime impact to our diocese. If you want an opportunity to 1) know what is being planned, 2) have an opportunity to respond to what is being planned, this is your only chance to do so. There is only going to be one meeting per deanery. Your attendance at this deanery meeting is crucial to the future of our diocese.



SAVE THE DATE
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
June 24-28 – 6pm-7:30pm
If you can help in any way, give Sheila Henry a call at 765-729-1229.

Remember to wear red, orange or yellow next weekend as we celebrate Pentecost.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The mystery of the Ascension has to do with holding in tension a sense of God's nearness, along with the burden caused by apparent signs of absence.



The risen Jesus says to Mary Magdalene, "Do not cling to me," perhaps pointing out to her that his physical presence to the disciples was time-bound and temporary. It was a gift for their transformation, and after forty days, he vanished from their sight and hearing, though never out of their consciousness.

They do not mourn at his going this time: there is no trace of the disciples who hid in fear at his crucifixion, no sense of the women who wept softly as they carried ointments to the tomb through the dewy morning light. Instead, the scriptural accounts show them full of joy, comforted by his promise to be with them forever, and open to the Spirit's power. They are joyful, energized, aware, and united with one another in love. They seem to grasp an awareness that if the mission to the whole world was a serious one, then the presence of the Risen Christ could not be pinned down to any one place or time, but had to be always and everywhere completely available. All peoples, all times, all cultures were opened to receive him in this moment of the Ascension. The energy of this feast is drawn not from absence, but renewed and deeper presence.

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