

ST. LAWRENCE CATHOLIC CHURCH

820 E. Charles Street | Muncie, IN 47305



April 12, 2020
Easter Sunday of the
Resurrection of the Lord

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday—Friday: 8:30 a.m.—4:30 p.m.

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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

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PARISH CALENDAR & MASS INTENTIONS

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE
RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

Livestreamed Masses via Facebook –
St. Lawrence Catholic Church, or on our website-
stlawrencemuncie.com

Sunday – 9:00 a.m. and Spanish Mass 12:15 p.m.

Daily: 8:00 a.m.

If you had a Mass scheduled for a loved one, Father Dave will mention the intention at the private Mass (*see Mass intentions below). He will include multiple intentions when there were several Masses scheduled for that day.

Easter Sunday Readings:

First Reading — Peter is an eyewitness: The Lord is risen (Acts 10:34a, 37-43).

Psalm — This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad (Psalm 118).

(1) Second Reading — All who are baptized, set your hearts in heaven (Colossians 3:1-4) *or*

(2) Second Reading — Christ our Passover is sacrificed; therefore let us celebrate (1 Corinthians 5:6b-8).

Gospel — Three witnesses, Mary, Peter, and John; each responds to the empty tomb (John 20:1-9) *or* Matthew 28:1-10 (*or, at an afternoon or evening Mass, Luke 24:13-35*).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11; Mt 28:8-15

Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22; Jn 20:11-18

Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10; Ps 105:1-4, 6-9; Lk 24:13-35

Thursday: Acts 3:11-26; Ps 8:2ab, 5-9; Lk 24:35-48

Friday: Acts 4:1-12; Ps 118:1-2, 4, 22-27a; Jn 21:1-14

Saturday: Acts 4:13-21; Ps 118:1, 14-21; Mk 16:9-15

Sunday: Acts 2:42-47; Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24;

1 Pt 1:3-9; Jn 20:19-31

MASS INTENTIONS:

Sunday: Repose of the souls of Brady Noonkester and Nancy Hansan.

Monday: Repose of the soul of Bill Dominick

Tuesday: Repose of the soul of Gene Boros

Wednesday: Poor Souls in Purgatory

Thursday:

Friday: Repose of the soul of Bill Dominick

Saturday: Repose of the soul of Phyllis Collins

Sunday (Divine Mercy) Weekend Mass intentions:

Saturday Vigil Mass – Repose of the soul of Joseph Laskowski; Sunday Masses – Repose of the souls of

Adam Thomas and Michael Alan Ross



Dear Parishioners and friends of St. Lawrence,

Blessed and Happy Easter! The greatest celebration of all – that the love of God for all of us – saints and sinners alike – has triumphed over the power of darkness, the power of death and sin. God’s love is greater than all human weakness, depravity, hatred, violence, indifference and hardness of heart; over all the power of the enemy (the devil and his dominions) by the love of Jesus Christ in pouring out His life in love for us to the very end. “It is finished” -- that expresses the infinite expression of His love. Human kinds’ greatest failure is to believe and trust in that infinite love. This is what Easter is all about – that we need not fear God – but turn to Him with all humility and trust. As John says, there is no fear in love but love drives out fear. We love because He first loved us (1 John 4:18,19). May His love conquer every fear.

I want to take this time to thank so many people: all the staff for their work during this time of uncertainty, all those who have volunteered to reach out and contact others in the parish, all who have sent notes of encouragement, the generosity of many to help with parish expenses and fill the shelves of the food pantry, those who have prayed for one another and joined in our community praying through the live-streamed liturgies, Rosary and Stations. No single prayer, however dark times may be, is left unheard nor just a cry in a great void. Every prayer from the heart reaches the heart of God.

A quote from the liturgy for Holy Thursday: “O God, who have called us to participate in this most sacred Supper, in which your Only Begotten Son, when about to hand himself over to death, entrusted to the Church a sacrifice new for all eternity, **the banquet of his love.**”

Blessed, Blessed Easter,

Fr. Dave

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, JoAnn Brown, Miriam Walker, Adam Pence, Alex Pence, Anthony Pence, Joseph Jenkinson, Clara Persinger, Martha Jean McIntosh, Dorothy Duncan, Linda Goth, Betty Wright, Shirley Jordan, Kameron Kadinger, Joe Duncan, Lucille Kanney, Pat Daunt, John Haack, Larry Rigel, Ronald Macken, Joyce Doyle, Marie Rhorer, for the family of Alex and Kim Flores, Stacey Vencel, Joshua Cole, Richard Biehl, Ed Kratochvil, Mary Hadley, Noah Cross, Judy Cool Beaty, Mary Kerrigan, Roni Johnson, William Berger, Tia Lindsey, Dixie Lindsey, David Duke, Bill Brown, Bailey Michelle Rinker, Jimmy Hossom, Paula Hughes, Don Cox, Kevin Farrell, Helen and Ronny Fouts, John Hartmeyer, Phyllis Dornberger, Julie Coley Werling, James Kenneth Barnes II, Gary Pavlechko, Jim Savage, Sister Paulette Shaw, Lora Brenner, Becky Chandler, Kathy Taylor, Marsha Clark.

PRAYER CHAIN

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

Holy Father's Prayer Intention for April

Universal: Freedom from Addiction

We pray that those suffering from addiction may be helped and accompanied.

Pray For:

Our Priests, Deacons, and Seminarians

Sun.	Fr. Andy DeKeyser	Dcn. Paul Lunsford
Mon.	Fr. James DeOreo	Dcn. Todd Marye
Tues.	Fr. Brian Doerr	Dcn. Mike Mescall
Wed.	Fr. Richard Doerr	Dcn. Mark Miller
Thurs.	Fr. A. Dudzinski	Dcn. Steve Miller
Friday	Fr. Brian Dudzinski	Dcn. Ron Morrow
Sat.	Fr. Ted Dudzinski	Dcn. Jose Munoz

Weekly Collections
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**Weekend of April 5, 2020
Mailed in or Dropped Off**

St. Lawrence Parish	\$8,677.00
School Support	\$ 120.00
Deacon's Food Pantry	\$ 130.00
Fuel Fund	\$ 25.00
Catholic Relief Services	\$ 50.00
Funeral Dinners	\$ 155.00

**Thank you to the
Knights of Columbus
for their gift of
\$12,511.01**



We have seen an increase in online givers. Thanks for taking the leap! Please consider online giving. Go to www.osvonlinegiving.com/4289 or call the Business Office at St. Lawrence 765-288-9223, Ext. 22.

Weekly Collection

We sincerely thank all of you who have dropped off or mailed in your weekly or monthly contributions. We are indeed blessed. We can fill your prayers of support as well, and we are remembering all of you in our prayers. Know that we understand if you are not able to contribute at this time. As previously announced, the Parish Office is still open at this time. **Please call the office prior to stopping by as hours of coverage will be shorter during this time.**

FRUITFUL HARVEST

Thanks to all of you who continue to send in your pledges. Currently we are at about 90% of our goal. If we receive 100%, we will be able to get our rebate amount which will truly help the parish. If you are in a position to help, you can send your check made out to Fruitful Harvest, to the Parish Office, and we will make sure that it gets to the Diocese and entered correctly to credit St. Lawrence Parish.



Eucharistic Adorers Ministry

The next date for Eucharistic Adoration has not been scheduled at this time. 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 will not be meeting until further notice. If you have any questions, contact Deb Saxon at 765-760-4800.



FOOTPRINTS SEWING GROUP

The ladies are currently making face masks and delivering them to the nursing homes. All meetings of this group have been discontinued at this time. For more information, please contact Carmen Simmons at 765/808-1917 or Jayne Waechter at 765/288-8920.

PARISH MINISTRIES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADULT FAITH FORMATION COLUMN (Sue Wilhelm)

Dear Friends,

This morning I saw a post about this year's celebration of Easter possibly being more akin to that first Easter. The disciples, the women, both encountered an empty tomb. They didn't shout or sing "Alleluia!" as we do now. The empty tomb may have sparked hope—but they were living into the reality that there was something more on the other side of Good Friday. Perhaps that's not a bad place for us to start—what does it mean for us to go to the empty tomb and to perhaps be encountered by the Risen Jesus?

This coming week before night prayer, there will be a 15 minute meditation on the Gospel of the coming day. Bring your Bible or *The Word Among Us* or other liturgical publication if you receive one. The meditations will be guided using the Gospel and there will be some time of silence. These meditations will be offered Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday evenings at 7:15 with Night Prayer following.

Tuesday at 9:00am we are offering Sunday Scripture sharing for the coming Sunday. Email Sue at swilhelm@parish.dol-in.org if you are interested. The Zoom platform is used.

Blessings, friends!

Sue

*Christ
is
Risen!*



Divine Mercy Sunday, April 19 – 3:00 p.m. – Divine Mercy Chaplet will be live-streamed.

St. Vincent dePaul Thrift Store is currently closed until further notice. Please **do not drop off any donations at this time.**

Deacon's Food Pantry – The pantry is still giving sacks of food out to those who come to the pantry on Tuesdays and Thursdays. If you have non-perishable items to donate, you can drop them off at the Parish Office. If it is a large donation, call the office (288-9223) and we can meet you at the pantry to help you unload. **Their greatest need at this time is for canned fruit.**

FAITH OPPORTUNITIES FOR OUR YOUTH!!



SACRAMENT CLASSES FOR FIRST COMMUNION AND FIRST PENANCE:

Due to the National Emergency concerning the COVID-19 virus, our Sacrament Class will not be meeting until the restrictions are

lifted. For any questions, contact Sheila Henry at 765-729-1229.

A FAMILY OF FAITH (Grades K-8)

No meetings scheduled at this time.

With Our Sympathy

We extend our heartfelt sympathy to the Dalton family on the death of Benny Dalton. Benny passed away on Sunday, April 5.

We also extend our sympathy to Karen Moore and Gloria Frasier on the death of their mother, Mary Jean Harnish, who passed away on Saturday, April 4.

"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me." Philippians 4:13

St. Lawrence 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.



Saint Lawrence Catholic School

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Our mission is to provide a Catholic Christ-centered education rooted in love and compassion to prepare students to lead meaningful lives of service

Our school is currently not in session until further notice

Students will be utilizing e-learning throughout the month of April. Be sure to visit the school website to see what our students are learning. www.stlawrencemuncie.org

ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY FOR A LIVESTREAM MASS:

Bishop Doherty will live stream Sunday Mass at 8:00 a.m. from the Church of the Blessed Sacrament. Here is the website: <http://churchoftheblessedsacrament.yourstreamlive.com>.

One of our parishioners, Dorothy Tricker, has sent the following information. "I hope that all people know they have the opportunity to stay connected to the Church through all the various programs offered through EWTN. Get program details at www.ewtn.com and visit www.ewtn.com/channelfinder You will find all kinds of special documentaries and information along with the ability to hear daily Mass."

Check Out this website!

We were notified by our parishioner, John Coutinho, of the following website: www.dcema.com This is the carona virus hub for Delaware County with lots of helpful information and advice.

A Note from Stephen Ministry...

Each of us look forward to the first signs of Spring. This past week, if you took a walk outside, you may have been struck by the realization that, despite the difficult times we are all going through, the birds are still singing, the trees are beginning to burst forth with green leaves and flowers, and soon it will be necessary to give our lawns a trim. This is the time to look all around and to remember that despite this Pandemic, we still have hope, and Easter has come!

We recalled a poem by Emily Dickinson which states that...

"Hope is a thing with feathers, that perches in the soul, and sings the tune without the words, and never stops at all,"

Music is a gift from our heavenly Father. It is a blessing that brings us joy and hope and is truly like praying twice. So, this week, as we all continue to walk through this difficult time, recall that you are loved by God. At times when you may feel worried or even hopeless, and you are seeking joy...say a prayer for each of us, take a deep breath and SING! The grass is green, the birds are singing and CHRIST IS RISEN, and so, in the words of a favorite hymn, "How Can We Keep From Singing?"

Have a Blessed Easter,
The Stephen Ministry Leaders

A Prayer for the Sick Loving God,

You sent your son Jesus Christ to heal the sick. We ask you to come to our aid in the midst of the coronavirus crisis that we, too, may experience your healing love. We ask you to heal the sick. Calm those who are living in fear. Be with those who have died and comfort their families. Inspire health professionals to aid them in their healing work. Guide national leaders to lead and make decisions with wisdom. Help us to always be aware of your presence as we place our trust in you. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.

Heavenly Father
Thank you for the gift of faith.
By the power of your spirit help me to live this day with Jesus' words in mind –
"Take heart, it is I – have no fear."

Easter Flowers -- In Memory of:

Arguijo, Jose, Julieta, Chris Sr. & Jason
 Bechelli, Betty and Fritz
 Beck, Homer and Anne
 Becker, Rita McGuire
 Biehl, Walter and Evelyn
 Buchanan, Betsy O'Neill
 Campisi, Marty
 Carnes, Jim and Betty
 Disinger, Larry
 Dornberger, Leonard and Felicia
 Dugan, Paul and Evelyn
 Flores, Alex Jr.
 Fulton, family of Judy and Bill
 Glaser, Clarence and Hope
 Glaser, Craig
 Glaser, Jim and Joyce
 Glaser, Nancy
 Greiwe, Fr. Edward
 Greiwe, Jim
 Greiwe, Paul and Thelma
 Hahn, Dick
 Hahn, Lewis and Florence and sons
 Hansan, Nancy
 Harris, Joseph and Louise
 Hoyt, deceased members of Marion and Hilda
 Kerkhove, deceased members of Frank and Cecelia
 Kress, deceased members of Charles and Julia
 Krug, Melvin and Katherine
 Land, Susan
 Lands, Clarence and Mary
 Laskowski, Joseph and Kathryn
 Livingston, Tom R.
 Matchett, Morris and Ruth
 Matchett, Ralph
 McIntosh, William and Coletta
 McPherson, Dean and Agnes
 Pedigo, Debora
 Rahe, Harold and Rita
 Read, Karl
 Riddle Family
 Rudo, George and Ruth
 Singleton, Bill and Joan
 Spears, Jack
 Stoecklein, Ray
 Taverna, Pete
 Vest, Tina
 Vester, Jim
 Zvokel and DeLoughery families

Easter Sunday Readings:

Entrance Antiphon: I have risen, and I am with you still, alleluia. You have laid your hand upon me, alleluia. Too wonderful for me, this knowledge, alleluia, alleluia.

Collect: O God, who on this day, through your Only Begotten Son, have conquered death and unlocked for us the path to eternity, grant, we pray, that we who keep the solemnity of the Lord's Resurrection may, through the renewal brought by your Spirit, rise up in the light of life. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Reading 1**Acts 10:34a, 37-43**

Peter proceeded to speak and said: "You know what has happened all over Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John preached, how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power. He went about doing good and healing all those oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses of all that he did both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree. This man God raised on the third day and granted that he be visible, not to all the people, but to us, the witnesses chosen by God in advance, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commissioned us to preach to the people and testify that he is the one appointed by God as judge of the living and the dead. To him all the prophets bear witness, that everyone who believes in him will receive forgiveness of sins through his name."

Responsorial Psalm**Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23**

R. (24) **This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.**

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his mercy endures forever.

Let the house of Israel say, "His mercy endures forever."

R. **This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.**

"The right hand of the LORD has struck with power; the right hand of the LORD is exalted.

I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the LORD."

R. **This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.**

The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.

By the LORD has this been done; it is wonderful in our eyes.

R. **This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.**

Reading 2**Col 3:1-4**

Brothers and sisters: If then you were raised with Christ, seek what is above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. Think of what is above, not of what is on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ your life appears, then you too will appear with him in glory.

— or —

1 Cor 5:6b-8

Brothers and sisters: Do you not know that a little yeast leavens all the dough? Clear out the old yeast, so that you may become a fresh batch of dough, inasmuch as you are unleavened. For our paschal lamb, Christ, has been sacrificed. Therefore, let us celebrate the feast, not with the old yeast, the yeast of malice and wickedness, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

Gospel**Jn 20:1-9**

On the first day of the week, Mary of Magdala came to the tomb early in the morning, while it was still dark, and saw the stone removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and to the other disciple whom Jesus loved, and told them, “They have taken the Lord from the tomb, and we don’t know where they put him.” So Peter and the other disciple went out and came to the tomb. They both ran, but the other disciple ran faster than Peter and arrived at the tomb first; he bent down and saw the burial cloths there, but did not go in. When Simon Peter arrived after him, he went into the tomb and saw the burial cloths there, and the cloth that had covered his head, not with the burial cloths but rolled up in a separate place. Then the other disciple also went in, the one who had arrived at the tomb first, and he saw and believed. For they did not yet understand the Scripture that he had to rise from the dead.

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The great feast of Easter has begun, Christian stewards. Let us rejoice and be glad! Just as we embraced the discipline and fasting of Lent, let us fully embrace the joy and feasting that the next 50 days offer. We are called to be good stewards of the Easter season.

Our first reading, from Acts, gives instruction on how to do this. Here, St. Peter says that our Lord, “commissioned us to preach to the people and testify that he is the one appointed by God as judge of the living and the dead... that everyone who believes in him will receive forgiveness of sins through his name.”

How do we ordinary people preach and testify to all that God has done? By the way we live our ordinary lives — through the intentional use of our time, talents and treasure for the kingdom of God. Putting God and others ahead of ourselves in every aspect of our lives is the most eloquent preaching we can do. Boldly and joyfully embracing a stewardship way of life is our most powerful testimony.

As Christian stewards, we are the modern-day witnesses of an incredible miracle prompted by unfathomable love — the death and Resurrection of our Savior for us. Let us rejoice and be glad and let’s make sure our lives are a testimony to this amazing grace!

John 20:9 They did not yet understand.

Reflection: Happy Easter! Christ is risen! Sin is defeated, and death has lost its sting! The long years of waiting and hoping have finally come to an end.

You would think that the Gospel reading for today would reflect all the joy embedded in these truths. But that’s not what we hear. Rather, we hear a tale of panic, misunderstanding, and incomplete faith. Mary Magdalene thinks Jesus’ corpse has been stolen. Peter is stunned by the empty tomb. And John? He begins to believe, but he still leaves the scene unsatisfied. Where is the joy? What about the victory that Jesus has promised?

It’s on the threshold, just about to break through. One more thing still had to happen. The disciples still have to meet the risen Lord.

Over the next few days at Mass, we’ll see Mary Magdalen, the apostles, the Emmaus disciples, and Peter all have personal encounters with Jesus. And when they do—that’s when the joy comes in.