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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/register/; fill out a registration form that are on the tables in the back of church; or stop by the Parish Office.

Weekly Collections
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Weekend of March 12, 2017

St. Lawrence Parish\$10,114.00
Children’s Envelopes\$17.00

Dear Parishioners:

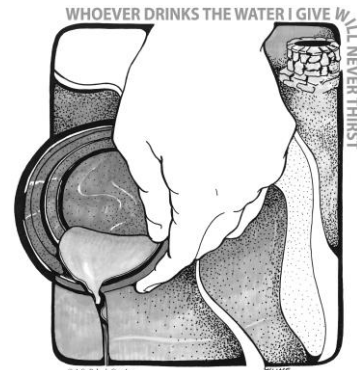
Thank you for your many prayers, cards, and thoughtfulness during my recent illness. You are a blessing!

As we reflect on today’s Gospel of the Woman at the Well, may we truly thirst for that “living water” for ourselves. Notice Jesus’ patience and kindness toward this woman beginning with the fact that He is willing to talk to her (a public sinner) and how He doesn’t leave her in her sin. Jesus doesn’t see her as hopeless or a lost cause rather Jesus reaches out to her and she responds.

THIRSTING FOR LIFE-GIVING WATERS

Especially during the Lenten, Holy Week, and Easter seasons, the prayer texts of the Eastern Church revel in paradoxical images of Christ: the eternal life who is put to death, the host of the supper who is also its meal, the thirsty crucified one with living water streaming from his side. These images flow from the evangelists’ portrayals of Jesus and from his very ministry, during which he often upset or reversed people’s expectations about him or the ways of God. This “reversal” is at play in today’s Gospel, as Jesus speaks to an enemy foreigner who is also a woman beneath his status. In addition, he, the thirsting one, shows the woman to be the one truly thirsting. He—whose parched lips will say “I thirst” before he dies—is the source of life and life-giving water. Lent calls upon us to dwell on how each of us is thirsting for Christ, and it leads us, ultimately, back to the life-giving waters of our baptism into his Body.

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God Bless You,
Fr. Dave

**PARISH CALENDAR &
MASS INTENTIONS,
THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT**

**Appeal weekend-Catholic Relief Services Collection
next weekend**

Sun. 19 Third Sunday of Lent

8:00 a.m. Mass (✠Rodger Sherrill) CH
10:00 a.m. Mass (St. Lawrence Church) CH
11am-12:15pm CCD Class St. Agnes Hall
1-3pm Marriage in Christ St. Agnes Hall

**Mon. 20 Saint Joseph, Spouse of the
Blessed Virgin Mary**

7:40 a.m. Morning Prayer CH
8:00 a.m. Mass (Welfare of Ralph Verdi) CH
5:15 p.m. Legion of Mary RD
6:30 p.m. RCIA St. Agnes Hall

Tue. 21 7:40 a.m. Morning Prayer CH
8:00 a.m. Mass (✠Margaret Seiler
and Larry Kidd) CH

Wed. 22 7:40 a.m. Morning Prayer CH
8:00 a.m. Mass (✠Conrad Brown) CH

Thur. 23 7:40 a.m. Morning Prayer CH
8:00 a.m. Mass (✠Doris Hellmann) CH
6:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal CH

Fri. 24 Blessed Oscar Romero, Bishop & Martyr
7:40 a.m. Morning Prayer CH
8:00 a.m. (✠Henry & Teresa Crook) CH
6:40 p.m. Our Lady of Sorrows Rosary CH
7:00 p.m. Stations CH

Sat. 25 The Annunciation of the Lord
8:00 a.m. Mass (Int. of Rita Waechter) CH
9:00 a.m. Church Cleaning CH
2:00-4:00 p.m. Confessions CH
4:30 p.m. Vigil Mass (St.Lawrence Parish) CH

**2nd Collection this weekend-Catholic
Relief Services**

Sun. 26 Fourth Sunday of Lent
8:00 a.m. Mass (L/D Members of
George & Mary McGraw family) CH
Second Scrutiny at 8am Mass
10:00 a.m. Mass (✠Fr. Donald Hardebeck) CH
1-3pm Marriage in Christ St. Agnes Hall

Church (CH), Schweier Center (SC), Rectory Dining Room (RD)

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please remember the following parishioners in your prayers this week: Jean Flynn, Beth Kaiser, Sonja Bickey, Larry Tricker, Dick Hahn, Van Simpson, Richard L. Johnson, Isaiah Greiner, Gloria Varner, Anne Rita Moloney, Dan Wade, Joe Morgan, Dale Goth, Marie Rhorer, Rosie Cox, David Traub, Quenten Fabiano, JoAnn Brown, Dixie Lindsey, J.R. Cunningham, Mary Kerrigan, Betty Matchett, Ruth Jenkinson, Miriam Walker, Charles Hiatt, Danny McDonald, Jr., Christina Benford, Sonya Beard, Lynn Locke, Adam Pence, Alex Pence, Anthony Pence, Paula Hughes, Joseph Jenkinson, Clara Persinger, Ray Ehrlich, Harry Metzger, Martha Jean McIntosh, Stacey Vencel, Noah Cross, Dorothy Duncan, Karl Read, Richard Johnson, and George Crow



**Holy Father's Prayer Intention for
March**

Support for Persecuted Christians: That persecuted Christians may be supported by the prayers and material help of the whole Church.



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

Pray for our

	Priests	Seminarians
Sun.	Fr. Richard Puetz	James DeOreo
Mon.	Dcn. Bill Rahill	James Diebolt
Tues.	Fr. David Rasner	Joseph Domina
Wed.	Dcn. Bill Reid	Matthew Jakupco
Thurs	Fr. Chris Roberts	Thomas Kappes
Fri.	Fr. Ted Rothrock	Griffin McHaffie
Sat.	Fr. Tony Rowland	Andrew Morand
p – studying for the permanent diaconate		

PRAYER CHAIN

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

LITURGICAL ASSIGNMENTS: MARCH 25 AND 26

	Readers	Altar Servers	E.M.H.C.	Greeters	Ushers
4:30 P.M.	Carolann Mikesell Richard Grill	Ava Echelbarger Cora Taylor	Tayla Greiner Joey Hahn Deb Saxon		Jeff Crabtree Jerry Fink Harold Hannon Steve Lansing
8:00 A.M.	Carolyn MacDougall Carl Lambert	Rachel Waechter	Tom Korson Paul Ranieri Marilyn Sherrill		Sheila Caudill Jerry Bricker Kevin Persinger Tom Ward
10:00 A.M.	Jennifer Johnson Bridget Hahn	Onnie Adams Alex Cox	Mary Bowling Kathy Brinson Joanna Wallace		Les Coutinho Omar Galan Mateo Romero Greg Smith

TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — When the people grumbled to Moses for water in the desert, the LORD heard and brought forth water from the rock for all to drink (Exodus 17:3-7).

Psalm — If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts (Psalm 95).

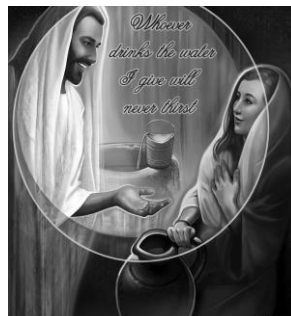
Second Reading — God’s love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit (Romans 5:1-2, 5-8).

Gospel — Ask, and you will be given living water so that you will never thirst again (John 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42]).

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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: Dn 3:25, 34-43; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6, 7bc, 8-9; Mt 18:21-35
- Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20; Mt 5:17-19
- Thursday: Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Lk 11:14-23
- Friday: Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81:6c-11ab, 14, 17; Mk 12:28-34
- Saturday: Is 7:10-14, 8:10; Ps 40:7-11; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38
- Sunday: 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Ps 23:1-6; Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41[1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38]



**HELP JESUS IN DISGUISE
SUPPORT THE CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES COLLECTION(CRSC)
NEXT WEEKEND**

“Behold, I stand at the door and knock.” Rev 3:20

Funds for this collection help provide food to the hungry, support to displaced refugees, and Christ’s love and respect to all people here at home and abroad. Next week, please give generously to the CRSC and **help Jesus in disguise**. Learn more about the collection at www.uscb.org/catholic-relief

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



Have a safe and refreshing Spring Break!
Classes resume on March 27.

We will have a **Casual Day on Friday, March 31.** Students are asked to bring in one or more cans of baked beans or tuna to support the Saint Lawrence Food Pantry.

CONFIRMATION CLASS: We do not meet this Sunday. Our next class is April 16.

CCD CLASSES: We meet this Sunday, March 19 from 11am-12:15 p.m.

RCIA Class, Monday, March 20, beginning at 6:30 p.m. and concluding by 8:00 p.m. We will meet in St. Agnes Hall—the building directly behind the church. If you have any questions, contact Fr. Hellmann at 288-9223.



Eucharistic Adorers Ministry

The next opportunity for Adoration will be **Sunday, April 2** immediately following the 10:00 a.m. Mass until Evening Prayer & Benediction 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.

MARRIAGE IN CHRIST

Please remember in your prayers the couples who are currently going through the Marriage in Christ Seminar. Pray that through the gift of the Holy Spirit, their marriages will be enriched.

FOOTPRINTS SEWING GROUP

The next meeting for Footprints will be **Thursday, March 30 at 9:30 a.m.** The annual Baby Shower for First Choice will continue through the Lenten Season. A bassinette is at the back of the church for your generous donations. **WE ARE IN DESPARATE NEED OF BABY WIPES AND DIAPERS.** As always, all things “Baby” are needed and appreciated. We are also accepting handmade objects and gently used clothing up to the age of two years old. The diapers and baby wipes will be used at First Choice for Women and Project Gabriel. The ladies are always busy making pac-n-play sheets, crib sheets, bibs, pockets and blankets. The blankets are made for our veterans and those less fortunate. For more information. Please contact Jayne Waechter at 765-288-8920; or Jeannie Clidence at 765-282-2722.



The **Secular Franciscans** will meet **Wednesday, March 22, at 7:00 pm** in **St. Mary’s Facilities Building.** We will continue with the 3rd program in our new series of recorded lectures: *Images of St. Francis: Living the Gospel*, by Fr.

Wayne Hellmann, OFM Conv. This month’s talk is entitled, **“Worker in the Vineyard.”** Anyone interested in learning about St. Francis of Assisi and his spiritual tradition is welcome to attend our meetings. For more information, contact Sharon Roberts at 286-5278 or sharon2161@att.net.

"You are the light of the world...your light must shine before others, that they may see your good deeds, and glorify your heavenly Father." (Matt 5: 14, 16)



Our parish now offers Online Giving, a web-based electronic contribution application. We are providing this service so that you have the option to manage your contributions online or with your offering envelopes. This service is safe and secure. And, it is convenient for you and for our parish staff. Sign up for Online Giving by visiting the following 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.

Praying with Scripture (bring your bible)

Wednesday, March 22

St. John's, Hartford City (209 E. Spring St.)

Following noon Mass (approx.. 12:45-2:15pm)
in the Parish Hall

or

Thursday, March 23

St. Mary's, Dunkirk (346 S. Broad St.)

Following 5:30 p.m. Mass (approx.. 6:15-7:45pm) in
the church basement.

Fr. Dave Newton will be the celebrant at Mass.
Sr. Joetta Huelsmann, PHJC and Sr. Rita Musante,
OLVM will facilitate discussion.

For additional information contact:

Sr. Joetta at 765-449-1975 or Sr. Rita at 260-402-5034.

Parish Pictorial Directory

Our new Parish Pictorial Directory is here! If you had your photo taken, a copy has been reserved for you. You may stop by the Rectory during office hours and receive your copy. If you cannot stop by the Rectory, please call (288-9223), and we will make other arrangements to accommodate you. If you did not have your photo taken and would like a copy of the Directory, please call and we will put your name on a list. Those copies will be available soon at a cost of \$10.00.



Palm Sunday, April 9

2:30 p.m.

St. Lawrence Church

Concert entitled: **"I Thirst"**
with Tatiana "Tajci" Cameron
website: www.idobelieve.com

If you haven't already went to this website, you should. There is a wealth of information regarding this phenomenal artist!!!!

TAJCI'S BIO

Tatiana Cameron - Tajci (Nashville, TN) is an award winning singer and performer, motivational speaker, producer and host of TV show *Waking Up in America*, published author, and a mom of three sons. Former Croatian superstar, Tajci left her fame in order to find a deeper meaning to life and moved to America at the age of 21. In New York, Tajci graduated from American Musical and Dramatic Academy, performed at numerous venues - from off Broadway theatres to Carnegie Hall and Madison Square Garden; in over 1,000 concert events throughout the US; and wrote a full length musical "My Perfectly Beautiful Life". Most recently, Tajci released an indie pop album *AWAKEN* and launched a TV show "Waking Up in America".

In partnership with her husband Matthew, a fearless, all-American entrepreneur from Indiana, Tajci produced music, video and live events that were featured on all major Catholic media and performed in almost every State in the Union.

Tajci, her husband Matthew and their three sons live in Franklin, TN.

Singer/ Songwriter, Creator of the acclaimed musical adaptations of the Crucifixion Story: "I Thirst;" "Let it Be - Mary's Story" and "Emmanuel - The Story of Christmas" - all featured on EWTN, TBN, CatholicTV and numerous other Christian TV channels.

The Catholic Moment



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It's not too lateyou can still turn in your envelope contribution for The Catholic Moment--our Diocesan Catholic Newspaper. Cost is \$22 per year. Envelopes are available in the pews or on the tables in the back of church. Every household receives this subscription whether they are able to pay for it or not. You can place your contribution in the collection basket on the weekend.



Spanish Mass Schedule Here at St. Lawrence Church

Mass time: 12:15 p.m.

April 16 May 14
June 11 July 9

BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY

This Ministry will begin meeting 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.

on the following dates.

March 28 April 25
May 23 June 27
July 25 August 22
September 26 October 24
November 28 December 26

If you find yourself dealing with the impact of the loss of a loved one in your life, consider joining us in this ministry. It does not matter how long it has been. All are welcome! If you have any questions, contact Deb Saxon at 765-760-4800.

Sympathy and Consolation

Is extended to the family of Raymond Mellen who passed away on March 11. His funeral was held here on Wednesday, March 15.

Legion of Mary

The annual Legion of Mary Acies Ceremony for active and auxiliary members and families will be held on **March 26 at St. Joan of Arc Parish in Kokomo.** There is a 1:00 p.m. meeting with a 2:00 p.m. consecration ceremony, followed by a dinner and social time. For more information call JoEllen Ward, Vice President – 765-212-2548.

St. Vincent dePaul Thrift Store: Moms and Dads – we have prom dresses for sale.

Only worn once. Price: \$5.00. Come check it out!!! Also, the store is in need of toddler boys clothes and regular size clothing for boys. **Store Hours:** Tuesday and Thursday-10am-6pm; Wednesday and Friday-10am-3pm, and Saturday-10am-12Noon.



Upcoming Meeting:

March 21 7:00 p.m. Council 560 Business

Blood Drive

Monday, March 27 -- 3:00-7:00 p.m.

3600 W. Purdue Ave.

One donation saves up to three lives. One out of seven people entering the hospital will need a blood transfusion.

HARVEST SOUP KITCHEN ANNUAL DINNER AND AUCTION

Saturday, March 25

Time: 6:00 p.m.

**Location: Knights of Columbus Hall
(3600 W. Purdue Ave.)**

Avoid the hassle, reserve your table now!
\$200 per 8-person table; \$25 individual tickets
Purchase tickets: www.harvestsoupkitchen.org