



# St. Lawrence Catholic Church

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St. Thomas Midkiff, TX St. Paschal Sterling, TX

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October 11, 2020

TWENTY-EIGHT SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



### Monday, October 12 (St. Lawrence)

6:00 pm + Doris Halfmann by Ernie & Debra Schwartz

### Tuesday, October 13 (St. Thomas )

8:00 am + Lonnie Kellermier by Billy & Diane Eggemeyer

### Wednesday, October 14 (St. Lawrence)

8:00 am Special Intention by Cecil & Wilma Halfmann

### Thursday, October 15

8:00 am +Jerome Hoelscher by Cody & Stephanie Wilson

### Friday October 16 (St. Lawrence)

8:00 am Special Intention by Alan Dierschke

### Saturday, October 17 (St. Lawrence)

6:00 pm + Walter Halfmann by Wendell & Linda Jones

### Sunday, October 18

(St. Thomas, St. Lawrence, St. Paschal)

8:30 am + Sandy Wilson by Chris & Lana Hirt

10:30 am +Clifford & Joyce Hoelscher by Sammy & Charolette Kellermier

(Live stream)

12:30 For the Parish & Missions

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31 — 5:1;

Ps 113:1b-5a, 6-7; Lk 11:29-32

Tuesday: Gal 5:1-6; Ps 119:41, 43-45, 47-48;

Lk 11:37-41

Wednesday: Gal 5:18-25; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 11:42-46

Thursday: Eph 1:1-10; Ps 98:1-6; Lk 11:47-54

Friday: Eph 1:11-14; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 12-13;

Lk 12:1-7

Saturday: Eph 1:15-23; Ps 8:2-3ab, 4-7; Lk 12:8-12

Sunday: Is 45:1, 4-6; Ps 96:1, 3-5, 7-10;

1 Thes 1:1-5b; Mt 22:15-21

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**For Funeral Needs:** In the event of a death in the family, please contact Fr. Chinna & Parish Council Chair Person Nathan Halfmann 432-270-3542

### St. Lawrence Church Ministries

#### Saturday, October 17

*Sacristan:* Duane Braden

*Readers:* Volunteers

*Eucharistic Ministers:* Volunteers

#### Sunday, October 18

*Sacristan:* Tommy Hoelscher

*Readers:* Volunteers

*Eucharistic Ministers:* Volunteers

### Vocation Cross

Pray for all Seminarians, all Bishops, Priests, Deacons & all religious life. Please also pray for more vocations to the priesthood, religious life and Seminarians of the Diocese.

#### October 11

St. Lawrence— Rory & Tibby Niehues

St. Thomas – Joyce Everidge

#### October 18

St. Lawrence— Harold & Ann Hoelscher

St. Thomas – Russ Eggemeyer Family



# ★ HAPPY BIRTHDAY! ★

### **St. Lawrence**

**Birthdays:** Colton Belew, Derek Halfmann, Roland Halfmann, Kannon Flores, Owen Seidenberger, Allan Fuchs, Alan Dierschke, Mason Halfmann, Doug Schaefer and Jerry Hoelscher

**Anniversaries:** Cecil & Wilma Halfmann

### **St. Thomas**

**Birthday:** Camden Eggemeyer

**Anniversaries:** None



## CCD NEWS

The CCD program will be on Wednesday October 14 at 5:45 pm.

## ATTENTION Junior High students.

Please join EDGE on Sunday, October 18<sup>th</sup> “Holy-ween” gathering at Tatum and Katie Braden’s house immediately following St. Lawrence 10:30 mass. Remember costumes are required...no scary ones please. Lunch, fun and fellowship will be provided. Contact Christy Seidenberger fmi at 432-264-8090

## SPECIAL COLLECTION

### WORLD MISSIONS SUNDAY

Sunday, October 18, 2020

On the above Sunday, Pope Francis reminds us of our baptismal call—to respond as missionaries, saying, “Here I Am, Send Me.” We respond to this call through our prayers and personal sacrifices for our brothers and sisters in the Missions—in places like Uganda where people face food uncertainty and violence...in the Philippines where local clergy face martyrdom...in Oceania where peoples’ livelihoods are threatened by climate change...and in remote regions of Latin America where people are hearing the Gospel for the first time.

Please keep the Pope’s missions in your prayers and be generous in next week’s collection for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith.

## Thank you for another great festival!

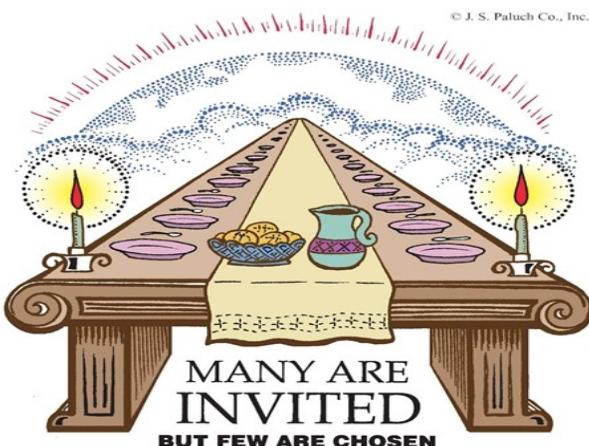
Many thanks to everyone that made our festival a success! Even though it was different from years past, because of the pandemic, it was amazing to see all the working hands come together for the good of the community, during these trying times.

All of the generosity and support towards this event will provide the needed financial support for the parish to thrive.

Thank you for coming out to celebrate this special time of the year.

All of our Communities are blessed by your participation.

May God Bless you all. Father Chinna



## October - Respect Life Month

Each October the Church in the United States celebrates *Respect Life Month*, and the first Sunday of October is observed as *Respect Life Sunday*.

As Catholics, we are called to cherish, defend, and protect those who are most vulnerable, from the beginning of life to its end, and at every point in between. During the month of October, the Church asks us to reflect more deeply on the dignity of every human life.

## CATHOLICISM: THE ROMAN MISSAL

The Roman Missal is the book containing the prescribed prayers, chants, and instructions for the celebration of the Mass in the Roman Catholic Church. Published first in Latin under the title *Missale Romanum*, the text is then translated and, once approved by a recognito by the Vatican Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments, is published in modern languages for use in local churches throughout the world.

The first book bearing the name *Missale Romanum* appeared in 1474—the same century as the invention of the printing press by Johannes

Gutenberg (1440). But it was not until after the Council of Trent that Pope Pius V, in 1570, promulgated an edition of the *Missale Romanum* that was to be in obligatory use throughout the Latin Church (except in cases where another rite had been in place for at least 200 years). This marked the first official attempt at uniformity in the celebration of the Mass in the history of the Church.

In the earliest centuries of the Church, there were no books containing prescribed liturgical prayers, texts, or other instruction. Because the faith of the Church was (and still is) articulated in liturgical prayer, there was a need for consistency and authenticity in the words used in the celebration of the Liturgy. Collections of prayers developed gradually in particular location and situations such as for a particular monastery, for the Pope, or for other local churches. Such collections were contained in libelli (“booklets”) which over centuries were drawn together into larger collections of prayers.

In 2002, St. John Paul II introduced a new edition of the Roman Missal, the “third typical edition” (since the Second Vatican Council) for use in the Church

As the Church in the United States introduced the new edition of the Missal in late 2011, so too did much of the English-speaking world. In addition, the *Missale Romanum*, is being translated into other languages for use by the Church in other countries. The process of implementing a new edition of the prayers of the Mass is not new, but has occurred numerous times throughout the history of the Church as the Liturgy developed and was adapted to particular circumstances to meet the needs of the Church.

United States Conference of Catholic Bishops

## Latzel Thank You Note

Johnny and Teresa Latzel would like to thank all those who have prayed for them during their recent bout with COVID 19 and for all of the wonderful meal brought. They really helped out during their time of need and are still appreciated. They would like the community to know they have been COVID free for 2 weeks and would welcome any visitors. You would make their day by stopping in for a visit!!

## 28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### Entrance Antiphon

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities,  
Lord, who could stand?  
But with you is found forgiveness,  
O God of Israel. *Ps 130 (129):3-4*

### Gloria

*(When it is prescribed, this hymn is either said or sung:)*

Glory to God in the highest,  
and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you,  
we bless you,  
we adore you,  
we glorify you,  
we give you thanks for your great glory,  
Lord God, heavenly King,  
O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,  
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
you take away the sins of the world,  
have mercy on us;  
you take away the sins of the world,  
receive our prayer;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,  
have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father.  
Amen.

### Collect

May your grace, O Lord, we pray,  
at all times go before us and follow after  
and make us always determined  
to carry out good works.  
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.**

### Isaiah 25:6-10a

On this mountain the Lord of hosts  
will provide for all peoples  
a feast of rich food and choice wines,  
juicy, rich food and pure, choice wines.  
On this mountain he will destroy  
the veil that veils all peoples,  
the web that is woven over all nations;  
he will destroy death forever.  
The Lord God will wipe away  
the tears from every face;  
the reproach of his people he will remove  
from the whole earth; for the Lord has spoken.  
On that day it will be said:  
“Behold our God, to whom we looked to save  
us!  
This is the Lord for whom we looked;  
let us rejoice and be glad that he has saved us!”  
For the hand of the Lord will rest on this  
mountain.

The Word of the Lord

**R. I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days  
of my life.**

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.  
In verdant pastures he gives me repose;  
beside restful waters he leads me;  
he refreshes my soul. **R.**

He guides me in right paths  
for his name's sake.  
Even though I walk in the dark valley  
I fear no evil; for you are at my side  
with your rod and your staff  
that give me courage. **R.**

You spread the table before me  
in the sight of my foes;  
you anoint my head with oil;  
my cup overflows. **R.**

Only goodness and kindness follow me  
all the days of my life;  
and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord  
for years to come. **R.**

### Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20

Brothers and sisters: I know how to live in humble  
circumstances; I know also how to live with abun-  
dance. In every circumstance and in all things I have  
learned the secret of being well fed and of going hun-  
gry, of living in abundance and of being in need. I can  
do all things in him who strengthens me. Still, it was  
kind of you to share in my distress.  
My God will fully supply whatever you need, in ac-  
cord with his glorious riches in Christ Jesus. To our  
God and Father, glory forever and ever. Amen.

### Gospel Acclamation

#### Alleluia, alleluia.

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ  
enlighten the eyes of our hearts,  
so that we may know what is the hope  
that belongs to our call. *Cf. Eph 1:17-18*

#### Alleluia, alleluia.

### Matthew 22:1-14 (or Matthew 22:1-10)

Jesus again in reply spoke to the chief priests and el-  
ders of the people in parables, saying, “The kingdom  
of heaven may be likened to a king who gave a wed-  
ding feast for his son. He dispatched his servants to  
summon the invited guests to the feast, but they re-  
fused to come. A second time he sent other servants,  
saying, ‘Tell those invited: “Behold, I have prepared  
my banquet, my calves and fattened cattle are killed,  
and everything is ready; come to the feast.”’ Some  
ignored the invitation and went away, one to his farm,  
another to his business. The rest laid hold of his serv-  
ants, mistreated them, and killed them. The king was  
enraged and sent his troops, destroyed those murder-  
ers, and burned their city. Then he said to his serv-  
ants, ‘The feast is ready, but those who were invited  
were not worthy to come. Go out, therefore, into the  
main roads and invite to the feast whomever you  
find.’ The servants went out into the streets and gath-  
ered all they found, bad and good alike, and the hall  
was filled with guests. But when the king came in to  
meet the guests, he saw a man there not dressed in a  
wedding garment.

The king said to him, ‘My friend, how is it that you came in here without a wedding garment?’ But he was reduced to silence. Then the king said to his attendants, ‘Bind his hands and feet, and cast him into the darkness outside, where there will be wailing and grinding of teeth.’ Many are invited, but few are chosen.”

The Gospel of the Lord

### **DAILY MEDITATION: MATTHEW 22:1-14**

*Many are invited, but few are chosen. (Matthew 22:14)*

Does this sentence give you a chill? Maybe it makes you wonder, “I hope I get chosen for heaven.” Or maybe you question the justice in it. “If God has already invited people, why would he not choose them?” Today’s parable offers some answers.

First, we hear about a king who decided to look elsewhere when the first set of invitees refused to come to his son’s wedding and abused his messengers. “Those who were invited were not worthy to come,” he said (Matthew 22:8). Then, we see him telling his servants to go invite *everyone* they could find.

Look at the “worthiness” of the king’s initial invitees. They turned out to be murderers, so the king probably knew they weren’t “worthy” to begin with. But that didn’t matter. Even if they had a sinful past, that did not have to disqualify them. By accepting the invitation and making their way toward the banquet hall, they would have placed themselves on the path of repentance and new life. The same is true of the second group, which was made up of the “bad and good alike” (Matthew 22:10). They were not bound by whatever they had done or failed to do earlier. The same is true for you. Your worthiness is not based on whether you have done everything right. You become worthy as you accept his invitation. Every step you take that brings you closer to the heavenly banquet hall makes you more worthy. It weaves another thread of the garment of holiness that all the saints in heaven wear.

God invites everyone to his banquet. His light shines “on the bad and the good” and “on the just and the unjust” (Matthew 5:45). Ever and always, he is calling out, urging, even begging us to come to him. Everyone is called; may we all accept the invitation so that we can be counted among the “chosen” (Matthew 22:14).

*“Thank you, Jesus, for inviting me to your banquet! Help me to choose to live for you this day.”*

Isaiah 25:6-10

Psalm 23:1-6

Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20

***I can do all things in him who strengthens me.***

### **Profession of Faith**

I believe in one God,  
the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the Only Begotten Son of God,  
born of the Father before all ages.  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;  
through him all things were made.  
For us men and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,

*(At the words that follow, up to and including and became man, all bow.)*

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,  
and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,  
he suffered death and was buried,  
and rose again on the third day  
in accordance with the Scriptures.  
He ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory  
to judge the living and the dead  
and his kingdom will have no end.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.  
I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.  
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins  
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

### **Prayer over the Offerings**

Accept, O Lord, the prayers of your faithful  
with the sacrificial offerings,  
that, through these acts of devotedness,  
we may pass over to the glory of heaven.  
Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### **Communion Antiphon**

The rich suffer want and go hungry,  
but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing. *Cf. Ps 34 (33):11* **OR**

When the Lord appears, we shall be like him,  
for we shall see him as he is. *1 Jn 3:2*

### **An Act of Spiritual Communion**

My Jesus,  
I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.  
I love You above all things,  
and I desire to receive You into my soul.  
Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,  
come at least spiritually into my heart.  
I embrace You as if You were already there  
and unite myself wholly to You.  
Never permit me to be separated from You.  
Amen.

### **Prayer after Communion**

We entreat your majesty most humbly, O Lord,  
that, as you feed us with the nourishment  
which comes from the most holy Body and Blood of  
your Son,  
so you may make us sharers of his divine nature.  
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**