

Saint Lawrence Catholic Church

September 6th, 2020

23rd Sunday of Ordinary Time



The Nativity
of the Blessed
Virgin Mary

September 8th

Most Holy
Virgin Mary,
Pray for Us.

Parish Office Hours

Dave Ecke (DRE):

Monday-Friday 8:00-Noon

Kim Siegler

(Secretary/Bookkeeper):

Wednesday and Thursday
9:30-4:00

Dave will be available to
answer phone calls everyday
(M-F) 8-Noon. If you need to

reach Kim outside of her
office hour times you can
call 715-741-0153. Please
feel free to leave a message
and I will get back to you as
soon as possible.

THANKS!!!

Mass Schedule and Intention

Tuesday 6:00 pm at St. Lawrence - + Jeff Brundidge
Wednesday 8:45 am at St. Philips - + Dave Szemborski
Thursday 7:00 am at St. Lawrence - + Patty Zimmerman
Friday 7:00 am at St. Lawrence - Communion Service
Friday 8:45 am at St. Philips - Communion Service
Saturday 4:00 pm at St. Philips - + Eva McElroy
Saturday 6:00 pm at St. Lawrence - For the Parish
Sunday 8:30 at St. Philips - + Albin and Dolores Moscinski
Sunday 10:30 at St. Lawrence - Ann Tibbetts

For health and healing for Theresa Zanetti, Marie
Kaszuba, Eileen Folger, Dawn Weaver, Karen
Lorbeck Gail Narlock, and all whose names
appear on the prayer list, we pray to the Lord.
And for all the souls of the faithful departed, that
through the mercy of God, they may rest in peace,
we pray to the Lord.

St. Lawrence Directory

Rectory Hours--- Mon-Fri, 8:00am – noon
Rectory Phone----- 715-421-5777
Email ----- slparishwr@gmail.com
Website ----- saintlawrencewr.org
Facebook ----- “St. Lawrence Church”
Director of Religious Education email
-----stlawrenceevangelization@gmail.com
Fr. Janusz’s contact information:
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Parish Staff

Pastor ----- Rev. Janusz Kowalski
Deacon ----- Kevin Ray
Senior Deacon ----- Jim Landry
Parish Facilities Manager ----- Corey Siegler
Evangelization/Formation ----- Dave Ecke
Clerk/Bookkeeper ----- Dave Ecke

Sacraments

Baptism: Baptismal classes are required for parents having their infants baptized. Contact Father Janusz at the Parish Office.

Confession: Saturday 5:30 p.m. before Mass (weekday & Sunday) or by appointment.

Marriage: Please notify the Pastor/Parish Office as soon as you are engaged, but not less than nine months prior to the wedding date. A marriage preparation retreat is necessary, call St. Vincent de Paul for upcoming dates (715) 423-2111.

Anointing of the Sick: Those seriously ill or undergoing surgery should call the rectory to request an appointment with Pastor Janusz.

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Adoration

Friday, September 11th

After the 7am mass until noon.

If you know you will be able to attend please sign up in the back of Church. If you are unsure if you will be able to come and be with Jesus you don't have to sign up, just stop on by!



This is the year of Saint Joseph! We are starting a 33day Consecration to Saint Joseph. We will begin our weekly meetings for the Consecration on Tuesday September 29th and the Consecration will take place on All Saints Day, November 1st. Contact Dave at the office or by cell phone at 715-213-3166 for more information or to sign up! We will be ordering books for this, so please call soon. We know from Fatima that satan will attach our families like never before and it appears we are witnessing this now! Our churches have never been this empty! God is looking for us to join the fight. It's not a political fight it's not even about economics, this is a spiritual battle; one that will require sacrifice, commitment, and love, lots of love. Call to reserve your place and let's do this together!



- ◇ Faith Formation and Sacramental Preparation Orientation night will be Wednesday, September 6th at 6:00pm in the Church.
- ◇ Men's Group - Study on Catholicism 1st Tuesday of the Month at 7:00pm beginning September 1st. You do not need to be present for all nights. Come when you can! Held at the Welcome Center in Rudolph.
- ◇ In honor of the Blessed Mother's birthday, a Rosary and Litany of Blessed Mother Mary, will be held at the Rudolph Grotto on Tuesday, September 8 at 12 Noon, led by Jon Anderson. Please spread the word. We need our Blessed Mother's help in our world today.
- ◇ September 10: Regular Council meeting at 7:00 pm with the Officer's meeting at 6:30 pm at Our Lady Queen of Heaven. Wear masks and we will practice social distancing.
- ◇ No to COVID-19 Vaccines from Abortion Cell Lines; No to Federal Executions The US Bishops encourage the faithful to contact Congress on a number of important matters, including development of a COVID-19 vaccine that does not use cell lines from aborted babies, and opposition to the resumption of federal executions. Visit votervoice.net/USCCB/home to see how you can make your voice heard.
- ◇ The St. Lawrence CCW will have a gathering on Sept. 14th at 1pm in the church basement to discuss plans for the coming year. Social distancing and face coverings will be required. All ladies in the parish are invited!

Weekly Donations August 17th - 23rd

Envelopes - \$2,303.00
Votive Lights - \$26.00
Plate Collection - \$422.00

Total - \$2,751.00

Necessary weekly bills - \$5,750

This is the average cost of bills every week. But it does not include repairs, unexpected cost, etc.

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A young man wandered through the deserts. It was hot and dry and very hard. A few days ago the water and food ran out. He walked with mixed thoughts about what will happen to him. Will I end my life here, or maybe someone will find help. What will it be? He walked very exhausted. He came to an intersection, here the roads crossed in four directions. He thought for a moment, and said to himself. I will wait here at this crossroad; maybe someone will pass by and help me? Someone who will have water maybe? Suddenly, a man came, he was a world-famous doctor. The young man asked for water, but in response he received a lecture on how much water should be drunk daily, and how not to be dehydrated. The lecture was long, and then the doctor left. Immediately after that, a chemist came from the next side, who explained to the young man what water is. It is a miracle of nature that there is such water. He also continued on. Immediately behind him came the priest. When asked about water, he began to explain what water was and its use in baptism and the meaning of water symbols in the Bible. He, too, after a long translation, went away and did not give the young man water. This man sat very rich in knowledge and experience, but still was very thirsty for water. He was dying. Finally, a little girl came from the fourth road; she was only a few years old. When she came over she asked if she could help him with something. He softly replied water, he wants water. The little girl took a bottle of water out of her purse and handed it to the dying young man. He asked, maybe you need this water more than me? She replied, my mother taught me to help those who need help. Everything is important, experience and learning, but the most important thing is that they go hand in hand with love! And when they are all gone, love is enough. How can we rebuke our brothers, husbands, and children? What needs to be done and how do we apply Jesus' formula. He says to remember two things.

Is my scolding to another for a bad act actually what God wants from me? For example, if you know someone who steals, takes from another, this is a commandment given by God, don't steal. So, yes, we have that right to scold. However, if you do not have love for another person, do not open your mouth. What does it mean? If you don't love, don't reprimand even if it were true. Reprimand in love and with love.

When these two principles are adopted, then, as Jesus says, go reprimand your brother in private, if several people do not listen to each other, and do the same, if it does not work, he will report to the church, that is, let the matter become public. We do not forget to teach about God and to love our neighbor always.

- Fr. Janusz -



Gun Raffle...Because of Covid we are not going to have a Sportsman's Banquet this year. Instead we will raffle off the four guns and optics that remained from our first raffle. Tickets will be sold after weekend Masses at St. Philip and St. Lawrence for \$10 a ticket. Drawing will be held on Sunday, December 20, 9:30 a.m. right after the 8:30 mass at St. Philip rectory.



I am writing this as the part-time Director of Music at St. Lawrence who coordinates the musicians and music for the parish. Fr. Janusz, as part of looking at expenses at the parish, saw the amount we were paying every year for our subscription to the Breaking Bread disposable hymnal subscription. Every year, we have been purchasing 335 Breaking Bread hymnals at \$5.68 each for a total cost of \$1902.80/year. With shipping, it is a total of \$2211.00. The number of Breaking Bread hymnals we have been getting allows for there to be six hymnals in the 3 hymnal racks under each pew of the church. Additional copies are for the musicians and ministers. Fr. Janusz asked me to work with musicians on exploring a hardcover hymnal we could purchase that is a more sustainable option. After doing a thorough hymnal comparison with options available through OCP (the publisher of the Breaking Bread hymnal); we believe the best option for St. Lawrence, considering the repertoire of music we enjoy singing is: Glory and Praise (3rd Edition) that includes the Sunday readings. Hardcover hymnals usually last at least 10 years.

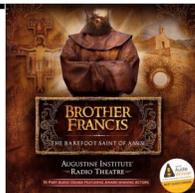
The plan is to purchase 150 copies. Instead of putting the hymnals in the pews, we will have them on hymnal racks on wheels for people to pick up on their way into church, and put back on their way out. We have been getting used to doing this now as we have opened up for 25% capacity. This way we don't have to purchase as many.

The cost of each hymnal is: \$19.50. We will be providing an opportunity for parishioners to purchase hymnals in memory of a loved one. The person's name will be noted on a label in the front cover. Watch for more information in the near future on how you can participate!

Dropping the Breaking Bread subscription means we will need to also purchase ALL supplemental music, with no more complementary copies. The total cost of these items is: \$374.00. Eventually, we hope to replace the old CP3 hymnals the choir has with choir/cantor editions of the new Glory and Praise hymnal. These editions include choir/cantor parts; so it would also be helpful if each cantor had one. Those cost \$32.00 each. If anyone is interested in donating the cost of any of the supplemental music listed, please leave a message at the parish office. Thank you!

~Julanne Ranek-Stoltz

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ON FORMED.ORG (Free to ALL parishioners and their family)

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- You can also watch it on any computer or tablet device. Just go to Formed.org and register under Saint Lawrence in Wisconsin Rapids, WI.

Also, don't forget to tune into Relevant Radio at 93.9 FM, online at Relevantradio.com, or on the mobile app Relevant Radio. Some of my favorite shows are Patrick Madrid 8am-11am and Father Simeon 1pm-2pm. Along with the Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 3:30pm and Family Rosary at 7:00pm - Kim

Employment Postings:

K-5 Special Education Interventionist-FTE long term substitute until November 23, 2020. Please contact Rebecca Gudelis rgudelis@assumptioncatholicschools.org 715/422-0960. The position is also available on WECAN.

PT custodian at St. Vincent de Paul School. Hours would be 3:00-6:00. Please contact Sue Sopa ssopa@assumptioncatholicschools.org 715/422-0960

Assumption Catholic Schools is in desperate need of people willing to be Substitute teachers or Office/Classroom Aides this school year. Substitutes must have a college degree, and a teaching license is preferred, but not required. If you are someone you know would be interested, please contact our Finance Office at 715-422-0917 ASAP.

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Please send letter of interest, resume, and 3 letters of reference to the associated contact. (Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri) 10-1:30 (Thursday) 6:30-1:30
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