TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME OCTOBER 20, 2024

Welcome to the Parish Communities of:

St. Anthony of Padua

132 Main Street Iberia, MO 65486

St. Lawrence

246 Main Street, PO Box 128 St. Elizabeth, MO 65075

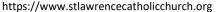
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Deacon Steve Schwartze
Michele Renkemeyer, Parish Secretary
Donna Dickneite, St. Anthony Hall Rental
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ST. ANTHONY PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

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Bishop McKnight's October prayer intention for our Local Church

For a greater conversion of hearts to God who loves us so much; that in living the stewardship way of life, we may avoid any sense of entitlement in our relationships with God and one another.

ST. LAWRENCE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Brett Holtmeyer, President Abby Kemna, Secretary

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WEEKLY HOLY MASS SCHEDULE: October 22 – November 3, 2024 All Saint's Day (November 1, 2024) is a Holy Day of Obligation (HDO)

St. Lawrence				St. Anthony	
Tuesday	Oct 22	6:00 PM	Eucharistic Adoration / Confessions		
		7:00 PM	† Martin & Gertrude Bax		
Wednesday	Oct 23	7:15 AM	† Mary Ann Doerhoff	6:30 PM	CCD Mass; Grades 3 & 4
•		6:40 PM	CCD Devotional (Divine Mercy Chaplet), Grade 5		† Carol Schaffer
Thursday	Oct 24	7:15 AM	† Herbert & Catherine Hoecker	5:30 PM	Confessions
				6:00 PM	† Tom Herx
Friday	Oct 25	7:15 AM	† Vernita Block		
Saturday	Oct 26	4:00 PM	Confessions		
		5:00 PM	† Louise Beck		
Sunday	Oct 27	9:30 AM	Confessions	7:30 AM	Confessions
		10:00 AM	Parishioners of St. Lawrence & St. Anthony	8:00 AM	† Lenus & Rosemary Wieberg
Tuesday	Oct 29	6:00 PM	Eucharistic Adoration / Confessions		
		7:00 PM	† Joseph & Anna Struemph		
Wednesday	Oct 30	6:15 PM	CCD Mass, Grades 11 & 12 / Choir: 4th Grade	6:30 PM	CCD Rosary @ St. Anthony Cemetery
			All Soul's Day Candle Service		(All Grades)
			† Joe & Bernard Struemph		Annual Lighting of the Graves
Thursday	Oct 31	7:15 AM	† Ray & Rosetta Doerhoff	6:30 PM	Confessions
				7:00 PM	All Saints' HDO Evening Mass
					† Henry & Christine Bax
FIRST Friday	Nov 1	7:00 AM	All Saints' Day (HDO) / † Leonard & Louise Beck		No First Friday Mass services
All Saints' Day		8 AM – Noon	Confessions: 8 -9 AM/Adoration: 8-Noon		
		7:00 PM	All Saints' Day (HDO) Evening Mass		
			Parishioners of St. Lawrence & St. Anthony		
FIRST Saturday	Nov 2	8:00 AM	All Souls' Day Mass / † Jerome & Beatrice Forck		
All Souls' Day		4:30 PM	Ministries: 9th Grade CCD/Cecilia Youth Choir		
		5:00 PM	Confessions		
			† Norbert & Betty Kemna		
FIRST Sunday	Nov 3	9:30 AM	Confessions	7:30 AM	Confessions
		10:00 AM	† Alma Koetting (Ministries: 8th Grade CCD)	8:00 AM	Parishioners of St. Anthony &
			Blessing of the Graves following Mass		St. Lawrence
					Blessing of the Graves following Mass

Sunday, October 20, 2024 – Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time: What a bold demand! James and John seem to have forgotten what Jesus had taught them about greatness. He had just rebuked them: "Whoever does not accept the Kingdom of God like a child will not enter it." (Mark 10:15) Jesus' model of greatness confounded them because in His Kingdom, "the last will be first". James and John should have known Jesus valued humility, not prominence. They should have remembered, "If anyone wished to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all" (Mark 9:35). But all they could think about was their position of His Kingdom. They wanted to be great, to be important, to be right up front with Jesus. We all want to be great in some way. We might want to be admired at work or seen as a good parent. We might even want to do great things for God: to live a holy life, to make a difference in the world, or to raise a family to love Jesus and serve the Church. These are all good desires. Even James and John's willingness to drink the cup with Jesus was a good one. Their desires just needed to be purified and so do ours. Today, imitate Jesus when He didn't make demands, but yielded to His Father, saying, "Not my will but yours be done" (Luke 22:42) May we all embrace the heart of our Savoir. "Jesus, I let go of my demands. Make me a servant like You."

Stewardship Schedule	St. Lawrence – Saturday October 26 – 5:00 PM	St. Anthony – Sunday October 27 – 8:00 AM	St. Lawrence – Sunday October 27 – 10:00 AM
LECTORS	Karla Buechter	Margie Chipman	Kenney Schwartze
	Daisy Bax	Cohen Faulkner	Cameron Kesel
SERVERS	Addyson Heckman	Grant Holtmeyer	Alyna Oligschlaeger
	LilyAnne Heckman	Riley Holtmeyer	Mya Oligschlaeger
GIFT BEARERS	James & Katrina Wieberg	John & Chelsie Deardeuff	Brandon & Ashley Wilde
EUCHARISTIC	Ivan Wieberg	Mary Schulte	Doug Holtmeyer
MINISTERS	Dale Buechter		Karla Holtmeyer
SACRISTAN	Mike Verhoff	Catherine Kliethermes	Stan Struemph
PRAYER	Rosary: Kaye Finn	Rosary: Dorothy Buechter	Rosary: Syl & Mary Kesel
HOSPITALITY	Greeter: Dale & Andrea Holtmeyer	Greeters: Frankie & Mary Schulte	Greeters: Brett & Lindsey Holtmeyer
SERVICE		Ushers: Rodney Bax, Tony Bax, Michael Bennett, & Alan Blomberg	







CCD Schedule for Wednesday, October 23, 2024

Novena Prayer for the Electorate Mercy, Respect, Civility

In a contentious political atmosphere, Christians are called to come together and help foster a sense of peace and unity in society. By making time for intentional prayer, we open ourselves to the grace of God, asking for His guidance, wisdom, and the ability to promote civility in public discourse.

The Most Reverend W. Shawn McKnight, Bishop of Jefferson City, is inviting Catholics across our diocese to unite in prayer in the nine days leading up to the November 5, 2024, General Election. By joining in this Novena, we will help cultivate a spirit of mercy in ourselves and in our communities, praying for compassion, understanding, and respect for one another — especially when opinions differ.

With respect for the sanctity of all human life, our participation in this Novena will remind us of the dignity of every human person and call for society to move forward in a way that reflects peace, justice, charity, and the common good.

Special events during the Novena

Sunday, October 27; 6:30 p.m.

We welcome all to join in a special prayer service at the Proto-Cathedral of St. Peter, which is adjacent to the Missouri State Capitol. This service will include Eucharistic exposition, periods of silent prayer, a Rosary, recitation of the Novena prayer, and conclude with benediction.

Sunday, November 3

On the final Sunday before the election (including the Saturday vigil Masses), in light of the particular mission of the laity in secular affairs, the Mass "For the Laity" (Masses and Prayers for Various Needs and Occasions, no. 10) shall be used at all Masses celebrated with the faithful. The normal readings for the 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time, cycle B, shall be used for these Masses. It is recommended to use the "Eucharistic Prayer for Use in Masses for Various Needs: Il God Guides His Church along the Way of Salvation."

The faithful in each of our five diocesan Deaneries will be invited to gather at a selected church for a special Holy Hour, including the recitation of the Novena.

Praying the Novena

All Masses. October 26 — November 4

We will begin praying this special Novena prayer during all Sunday Masses the weekend of October 26-27 in the Diocese of Jefferson City.

As the final petition of the Universal Prayers at Mass, have the deacon (or lector) read the Novena petition for the day, with its normal conclusion, "Let us pray to the Lord. R/. Lord, hear our prayer)." And then the presiding celebrant would say "Let us pray together the Novena Prayer," with the prayer recited together and concluded with "Amen."

This special prayer should be prayed by all the faithful, individually in their homes, at Mass, and at other forms of common prayer in church, throughout the nine days of prayer.

Begin with the daily petition (on the opposite page) and conclude with the Novena Prayer:

Novena Prayer

Gracious and loving God, let your Spirit be with us today.

Hear our prayers and increase within us the will to follow your Son, Jesus.

Help us to draw on the resources of our faith as we use the opportunities of our democracy to shape a society more respectful of the life, dignity, and rights of the human person, especially the poor and vulnerable.

We ask this through our Lord, Jesus Christ,
Who lives and reigns with you
in the communion of the Holy Spirit,
God, forever and ever. Amen.

Day 1 — Sunday, October 27

For the grace of God's peace to settle in our hearts and in our communities. May we be peacemakers in a world prone to conflict; that we may listen with open hearts and respond with calm minds. Let God's peace reign in our homes, in our nation, and in every conversation. May our words and actions be a source of reconciliation.

Let us Pray...(Pray the Novena Prayer)

Day 3 — Tuesday, October 29

That we may place our trust in God. We know that He holds the future in His hands. For calm to overcome our anxieties and for confidence that God's will is being accomplished. May our minds and hearts respond not to fear or anger, but out of love for you and for our neighbor.

Let us Pray...(Pray the Novena Prayer)

Day 5 — Thursday, October 31

For unity among all believers as we bring before God the wounds of discord of our nation. That we may seek the common good, working together for the well-being of all. May we see each other not as opponents, but as fellow pilgrims journeying toward a better future, united in our desire for justice and peace.

Let us Pray...(Pray the Novena Prayer)

Day 7 — Saturday, November 2

For the strength to speak with kindness and wisdom. In the heat of debate, may we always remember the dignity of every person. Let our conversations be filled with truth, tempered by love, and marked by respect.

Let us Pray...(Pray the Novena Prayer)

- Day 9 — Monday, November 4 -

For the strength to love our neighbors, especially those with whom we may disagree. May we embody the compassion God shows us, never failing to extend kindness to others. May our words and actions always reflect the mercy that flows from God. Let us always seek to heal rather than wound.

Let us Pray...(Pray the Novena Prayer)

Day 2 — Monday, October 28

For our communities and our country, that we may be granted the will to live out God's mercy, to seek peace, and to uphold the dignity of every human life. Where there has been division, let us seek unity. Where there has been anger, that we may act as peacemakers. Where there has been injury, let forgiveness prevail. May God's love be the foundation upon which we build trust and cooperation.

Let us Pray...(Pray the Novena Prayer)

Day 4 — Wednesday, October 30

For our society to embrace a culture of life from conception to natural death. Let our laws reflect the sanctity of every human life, and let our hearts be moved to protect the unborn, the elderly, the poor, the stranger, and all those who are vulnerable. May we always stand as champions for the dignity of every person and promote the flourishing of all.

Let us Pray...(Pray the Novena Prayer)

Day 6 — Friday, November 1

For hearts that reflect God's mercy. May we remember that each person bears God's image, regardless of differing beliefs. That we may extend grace, not judgment, and compassion, not contempt. Let mercy be the foundation of all our interactions as we strive to see beyond divisions.

Let us Pray...(Pray the Novena Prayer)

Day 8 — Sunday, November 3

For the wisdom to see what unites us. We are one in the Body of Christ. In this time of division and polarization, may we pursue unity, not as conformity, but as the harmony of many voices seeking the common good. May we have the strength to overcome barriers of race, class, and political views, and to build bridges of understanding.

Let us Pray...(Pray the Novena Prayer)



IT'S A <u>NEW</u> FISCAL YEAR: 2024 - 2025 ST. LAWRENCE PARISH STATISTICS As of 07/01/2024: Number of Registered Households - 289						
ST. LAWRENCE OFFERINGS	Fiscal Year to Date (FYD) Totals 07/01/2024 – 10/16/2024					
Adult Envelopes	\$ 52,451.36					
Online Offerings	9,200.00	Total Offertory Contributions				
Youth Envelopes / Loose	185.00 / 2,010.00	\$ 74,701.36				
Mission Collection	10,855.00					
	Other Income	28,707.38				
	Total YTD Parish Income	103,408.74				
	Expenses	\$ 131,044.85				
	Month	Weekly Average Offertory Contributions				
FY Budget 24 - 25	July 2024	\$ 8,204.82				
\$ 324,079.35	August 2024	\$ 6,020.85				
Weekly Avg Offertory: \$ 6,232.00	September 2024	\$ 6,180.16				
\$ 0,232.00	October 2024					

IT'S A <u>NEW</u> FISCAL YEAR: 2024 -2025 ST. ANTHONY PARISH STATISTICS As of 07/01/2024: Number of Registered Households - 140					
ST. ANTHONY OFFERINGS	Date (FYD) Totals - 10/16/2024				
Adult Envelopes	\$ 24,649.52				
Online Offering	3,420.00	Total Offertory Contributions			
Loose	1,371.00 \$ 30,145.52				
Mission Collection	705.00				
	2,869.08				
	33,014.60				
	\$ 40,868.58				
FY Budget 24 - 25	Month	Weekly Average Offertory Contributions			
\$ 126,780.00	July 2024	\$ 2,518.25			
Weekly Avg Offertory:	August 2024	\$ 2,227.70			
\$ 2,438.00	September 2024	\$ 2,095.85			
	October 2024				

CCD News

On Wednesday, OCTOBER 30, St. Anthony CCD, we will be starting in the St. Anthony Cemetery with/for the Rosary and the Annual Lighting of the Graves. All Souls' Day Candle Lighting CCD Mass will be on Wednesday, November 6 @ 6:15 PM.

IMPORTANT: See Weekly Holy Mass Schedule for other Mass times and CCD activities.

24-25 Confirmation Retreat, Saturday, November 23, St. Stanislaus Parish, Wardsville, MO: For the 7th Grade classes in both Parishes, we plan to attend this Confirmation Retreat. The Confirmation Retreat is required for all Confirmation Candidates and Sponsors are highly encouraged to attend. Contact Faith Formation Coordinators Lauren Kliethermes & Kara Scheulen with questions.

CATHOLIC STEWARDSHIP RENEWAL 2024 - Commitment Sunday (October 20, 2024)

Thank you for prayerfully considering how you and your family will share your gifts with our parish family by making your one-year commitment through the spiritual act of completing the Catholic Stewardship Renewal (CSR) packet. Through your generosity of time, talent and treasure, our parishes will continue to thrive as a center of charity and sanctuary of mercy for our communities. CSR packets will be distributed and available this weekend. This information can also be found on your Church's Website. Please take a few minutes to read Father Aubuchon's Pastor Letter and then complete the Time & Talent Form and Treasure (Tithe) Form. Please return your forms via the Collection Basket or mail to either Church, Attention: Michele. Please return forms by Sunday, November 10. Contact Randy Holtmeyer (St. Anthony) or Lindsey Holtmeyer (St. Lawrence) with any questions.

ST. ANTHONY PARISH & COMMUNITY NEWS

Friday, October 25: The St. Anthony CYO will hold a Trick-or-Treat on the Parish Hall grounds (similar to a Trunk-or-Treat) as part of their Fall fundraiser. A space may be purchased for a \$10 fee by anyone who would like to hand out Halloween candy/treats. A table will be provided or you can bring your own set-up. Spaces are encouraged to be decorated and a prize will be given to the space voted #1! Participants are asked to sign up with Cathy Engelmeyer (573-690-4573) or Margie Chipman (573-291-6749) by October 20. ADDITIONALLY, a Haunted Hayride will run from 6-8 PM; tickets are \$3.00/person; age 3 and under are free. Chili, chicken noodle soup, hotdogs, and cinnamon rolls will be served in the Parish Hall from 4:30 – 8:30 PM.

October is Month of the Holy Rosary: Held at St. Anthony Church, 6:00 PM. On October 27, a Rosary for our Nation. Please join us!

ST. LAWRENCE PARISH & ST. ELIZABETH COMMUNITY NEWS

Sunday, October 27, Knights of Columbus Fall Supper, Serving 11 AM – 4 PM: Fried chicken, sausage, and all the trimmings! Gun Raffle: Henry Golden Boy 22 & Savage 30.06 with scope.

Monday, October 28, 6:30 PM: St. Ann's will meet in the church basement. All members are invited and new members are most welcome! Discussions will be around The Christmas Season, church decorations, and other activities.

Tuesday & Wednesday, Oct 29-30: Community Center Picnic Quilting. Begins at 8 AM and continues throughout the day. Please come join us. All quilters welcome!

OTHER NEWS

October 23, 7 PM: Do you live within city limits of St. Elizabeth? The Village Board is hosting a public meeting in the Community Center to educate the public about **Proposition U**, and how Use Tax can help the Village of St. Elizabeth. If you can't make the meeting the webinar that will be shown is available now at: stelizabethmo.org/town-council. Proposition U will be on your ballot on November 5, 2024.

Monday, Nov 4, 6:30 PM: In our effort to defeat Amendment 3, a rosary will be prayed at Immaculate Conception Church in Jefferson City. Adoration will also be held from 6 am – 7 pm on Tues, Nov 5 at Immaculate Conception. There will be a regularly scheduled Communion Service in church at 7:00 am and Mass at 5:30 pm on Nov 5.

Friday, Nov 8: The Student Community Outreach Program (SCOP) is hosting a community event, Fall Fest. We are looking for local businesses or community members to partner with us by donating the following items: pumpkins for decorating, hot chocolate and cups, s'mores supplies, hot dogs & buns. We will display all partnerships via signage at Fall Fest. Contact Becky Otto, Nicole McDonnell, Dana Voss, Sarah Wankum or Mandy Gibson for additional information or to partner with us. Thank you for your consideration!







Nolan Kesel Cathy Thompson **Grant Lamb** Janice Lewis Liz Holtmeyer Deidra Buechter Twyla Holt Greyson Juergensmeyer Joel Gares Emberlee, Josie, & Brody Boeckman Ollie Victoria Eidson Jerry Herx Mike Kesel Louis Toebben Vicki Cox Bullock Ramona Bax Bruce Berendzen Tony Libbert Kenneth Brown Stacey Luttrell

Christopher Thompson Nic Gilardi Patrick Holtmeyer **Trevor Burrows** Treyton Kemna Dane Steenburgen Joseph Volmert Stacia Kimball Robert (Bob) Kesel Diane Bax Frank Bax Pam Tipton Michael Wansing Henry Kemna Maggie Dickneite Milinda Hoecker Melody Welschmeyer Rachel Woehr Gene Wilde





The Knights of Columbus Council 6640 is preparing to celebrate 50 years of service. The Council was chartered on December 9, 1974 with 42 original members of which 8 are still members to date. The Council has decided to celebrate occasion with а recognition after the 10 AM, St. Lawrence Mass, on Sunday, Dec 8, 2024. After Mass, there will be fellowship including complimentary fried chicken dinner with dessert in the St. Elizabeth Community Center. It would be very meaningful for past Knights of Columbus Officers, especially Grand Knights, to be present as well as any K of C Members & their families. There will be a sign-up form in the church foyer to RSVP by December 1, 2024.

Thank You, Grand Knight Dale Holtmeyer St. Flizabeth KofC Council 6640

2024 FALL FESTIVALS & EVENTS

St. Anthony of Padua Fall Supper

St. Anthony, MO Sunday, October 20 / Serving 11 am – 4 pm

St. Joseph Parish Fall Festival

Westphalia, MO Sunday, October 20 / Serving 11 am – 6 pm

St. Margaret's Parish / Osage Bend Shooting Match

Osage Bend, MO

Sunday, October 20; Starting at 10:30 AM Contact: Denise Massman, Parish Secretary

St. Elizabeth Knight of Columbus Fall Supper

Sunday, October 27 / Serving 11 am – 4 pm

Sacred Heart Parish Fall Festival

Rich Fountain, MO Sunday, October 27 / Serving 11 am – 6 pm

VFW Argyle Post 8045 and Auxiliary

Argyle, MO Sunday, October 27 / Serving 11 am – 5:30 pm

Diocese of Jefferson City Events

Women's Ministry

Friday & Saturday, November 2, 2024 https://diojeffcity.org/womens-ministry-upcoming-events/

Fall Youth Rally

Sunday, November 3, 2024 https://diojeffcity.org/youth-rally-2024/

Memorial Mass for Deceased Priests

Wednesday, November 6, 2024 @ 11 AM Cathedral of St. Joseph, Jefferson City Please register to attend:

https://diojeffcity.org/memorial-mass-for-deceased-priests/



St. Lawrence Church Clocks

What time is it? Well, it depends on which side of the Church you are gazing upon. The four clocks of the St. Lawrence Church Tower all tell a different time; however, the Bells continue to ring ON TIME. The clocks and bells work independently of each other. The clocks are about 20 years old and repair options

are under review. Stay tuned for updates.