

**TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
AUGUST 25, 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

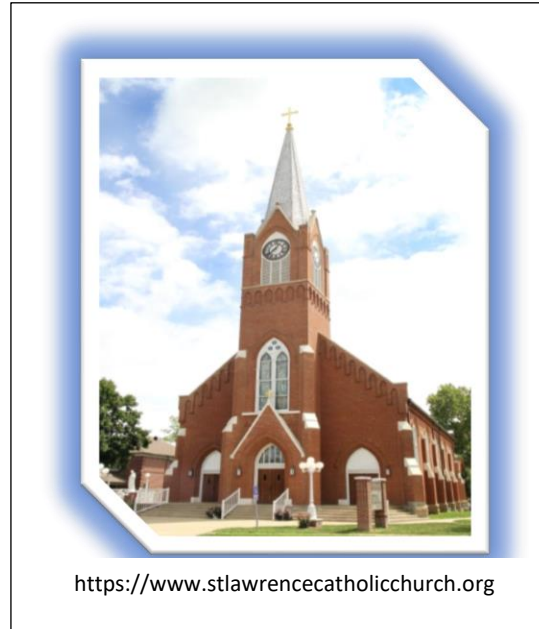
Father Christopher Aubuchon, Parochial Administrator

Deacon Steve Schwartz

Michele Renkemeyer, Parish Secretary

Donna Dickneite, St. Anthony Hall Rental

Lauren Kliethermes & Kara Scheulen, Faith Formation Coordinators



ST. ANTHONY PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Jacob Kliethermes, President

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Billy Buechter Sandy Wieberg

Loren Otto Scott Roark

ST. ANTHONY FINANCE COUNCIL

Eva Voss, President Mary Schulte

Kevin Otto Chris Dye

Jackie Perkins

**Bishop McKnight's
August prayer intention
for our Local Church**

For a greater respect for the
dignity of each and every
human life in all public
policies.



ST. LAWRENCE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Brett Holtmeyer, President

Abby Kemna, Secretary

Andrea Holtmeyer

Eric O'Neil

Chris Beck

Tom Oligschlaeger

ST. LAWRENCE FINANCE COUNCIL

Ben Scheulen, President

Leroy Heckemeyer

Kaye Finn

Jim Plassmeyer

Janet Beck

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WEEKLY HOLY MASS SCHEDULE: August 27 – September 1, 2024

St. Lawrence				St. Anthony	
Tuesday	Aug 27	6:00 PM 7:00 PM	Eucharistic Adoration / Confessions † Alfred & Mary Ann Doerhoff		
Wednesday	Aug 28	7:15 AM	† Connie Brandt		
Thursday	Aug 29	-----	NO MASS Mass Intention will be rescheduled	-----	NO MASS Mass Intention will be rescheduled
Friday	Aug 30	-----	NO MASS Mass Intention will be rescheduled		
Saturday	Aug 31	4:00 PM 5:00 PM	Confessions † Leonard & Marie Schanzmeyer		
Sunday	Sept 1	9:30 AM 10:00 AM	Confessions † George & Dorothy Heckemeyer	7:30 AM 8:00 AM	Confessions Parishioners of St. Anthony/St. Lawrence

Sunday, August 25, 2024 – Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time: *To whom shall we go?* This was a decisive moment for Jesus’ disciples. They had seen Him perform miracles, bring people to conversion, and contend with suspicious Jewish leaders. It seemed as if He could do nothing wrong! But now they had to make a hard decision; would they keep following Jesus when He said something they didn’t understand? How about when they didn’t like what they heard? Perhaps, it was all too much, and most of them “no longer accompanied him” (John 6:66). But Peter, speaking for himself and the rest of the Twelve, cut through the confusion with one simple question: *“Master, to whom shall we go?”* (John 6:68). There was no one like Jesus. He truly is “the Holy One of God”. Peter couldn’t let his lack of understanding derail him. He trusted that if he stayed close to Jesus, asked questions, listened carefully, and kept an open heart, he would one day get the answers he sought. Even if it took years, he would still stick with the One whose love and grace had dramatically changed his heart. Do some of Jesus’ words confuse you or shock you? Don’t let them cast a shadow over everything else you have heard. Certainly don’t let them cause you to doubt His love for you and for others. INSTEAD... draw closer to Him. Recall how patient He has been with you, and resolve to be just as patient in waiting for the answers you seek. And remember, you have the gift of faith for just this very purpose. Allow supernatural grace to help you trust in the Lord even when you don’t understand. Jesus truly is the Holy One of God. There’s nowhere else you can go to receive all he has for you.

“Lord, help me to stay close to You, especially when I have questions.”

Stewardship Schedule	St. Lawrence - Saturday August 31 – 5:00 PM	St. Anthony - Sunday September 1 – 8:00 AM	St. Lawrence - Sunday September 1 – 10:00 AM
LECTORS	Kathleen Schwartz	Lisa Otto	Kaye Finn
SERVERS	Harrison Plassmeyer Preston Plassmeyer Noah Wieberg	Sidney Engelmeyer Aiden Faulkner Cohen Faulkner	Kiptyn Green Clarise Green Rowan Juergensmeyer
GIFT BEARERS	Greg & Mary Lou Rehagen	Brandon & Amanda Buechter	Pat & James Struempfh
EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS	Deacon Schwartz Janet Weckenborg	Deacon Schwartz	Deacon Schwartz Teresa Struempfh
SACRISTAN	Diane Juergensmeyer	Mary Schulte	Lindsey Holtmeyer
PRAYER HOSPITALITY SERVICE	Rosary: Jennifer Oligschlaeger Greeters: Frank & June Bax	Rosary: Paul & Catherine Kliethermes Greeters: Jacob & Lauren Kliethermes Ushers: Loren Otto, Mark Otto, Clint Perkins, & Scott Roark	Rosary: Mary Ann Fennwald Greeters: Eric & Alysha O’Neil

IT’S A NEW FISCAL YEAR: 2024 - 2025 ST. LAWRENCE PARISH STATISTICS As of 07/01/2024: Number of Registered Households - 286		
ST. LAWRENCE OFFERINGS	Fiscal Year to Date (FYD) Totals 07/01/2024 – 08/21/2024	
Adult Envelopes	\$ 22,785.72	Total Offertory Contributions \$ 39,538.72
Online Offerings	4,820.00	
Youth Envelopes / Loose	80.00 / 998.00	
Mission Collection	10,855.00	
Other Income		21,790.17
Total YTD Parish Income		61,328.89
Expenses		\$ 42,094.95
FY Budget 24 - 25 \$ 324,079.35 Weekly Avg Offertory: \$ 6,232.00	Month	Weekly Average Offertory Contributions
	July 2024	\$ 7,076.22
	August 2024	
	September 2024	
	October 2024	

IT’S A NEW FISCAL YEAR: 2024 - 2025 ST. ANTHONY PARISH STATISTICS As of 07/01/2024: Number of Registered Households - 140		
ST. ANTHONY OFFERINGS	Fiscal Year to Date (FYD) Totals 07/01/2024 – 08/21/2024	
Adult Envelopes	\$ 11,820.52	Total Offertory Contributions \$ 14,955.52
Online Offering	1,710.00	
Loose	720.00	
Mission Collection	705.00	
Other Income		2,293.06
Total YTD Parish Income		17,248.58
Expenses		\$ 24,089.79
FY Budget 24 - 25 \$ 126,780.00 Weekly Avg Offertory: \$ 2,438.00	Month	Weekly Average Offertory Contributions
	July 2024	\$ 2,081.25
	August 2024	
	September 2024	
	October 2024	

24-25 CCD NEWS & EVENTS

The CCD Program begins on Wed, September 4, 2024 and concludes on Wednesday, April 2, 2025. This program year contains a spiritual component, which consists of Mass or Adoration/Rosary beginning at 6:30 PM each week. It is the expectation of CCD students and teachers to attend the spiritual component and we welcome parents and parishioners to attend as well! **REMINDER:** For St. Lawrence students, when classes begin with Mass, St. Elizabeth School will **NOT** be open until **AFTER** Mass is over; therefore, no supervision for children if they are dropped off at school before Mass is over.



GRADE	ST. ANTHONY CCD TEACHERS	ST. LAWRENCE CCD TEACHERS
1 st Grade	Cathy Engelmeyer	Ashley Buechter & Colette Weckenborg
2 nd Grade	Julie Wieberg	Kelli Green
3 rd Grade	Marie Minor (Engelmeyer)	Megan Wilde
4 th Grade	Marie Minor (Engelmeyer)	Jane Doerhoff
5 th Grade	Elaine Hagenhoff	Samantha Heckemeyer & Bambi Kemna
6 th Grade	Elaine Hagenhoff	Tanya Lueckenotto & Angela Struempf
7 th Grade	Lisa Otto	Eric O'Neil
8 th Grade	Margie Chipman	Kenney Schwartze
9 th Grade	Margie Chipman	Kim Plassmeyer
10 th Grade	Randy Holtmeyer	Bert Doerhoff/ Brett & Lindsey Holtmeyer
11 th Grade	Randy Holtmeyer	Brett & Lindsey Holtmeyer
12 th Grade	Randy Holtmeyer	Brett & Lindsey Holtmeyer

The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) is an apprenticeship in living the Christian life in the Catholic Church. Candidates experience a gradual process of conversion and spiritual formation through times of prayer, study, reflection, faith sharing, ongoing discernment, and participation in the life of the parish. The rite involves four elements: Word/Scripture, Worship/Liturgy, Community, and Service. Classes will begin early October 2024 and end in April 2025. This ministry is for those who want to become Catholic and/or those who need to complete the Sacraments, such as Confirmation. Classes consist of meeting for 2 hours on a weekly basis with Father Aubuchon. Contact Father Aubuchon directly at caubuchon@diojeffcity.org with any questions or to register, contact Michele at stlawrencegridiron@hotmail.com

FLU SHOTS – Offered by Miller County Health Department

WHEN: Wed, Oct 9, 2024. **WHERE:** St. Anthony Parish Hall: 9:30 AM – Noon and St. Elizabeth Community Center: 1:30 PM – 4:00 PM

DEANERY NEWS

What exactly is a Deanery and what's the purpose? Technically, and in part, "canon 374 §2 of the Code of Canon Law provides that several neighboring parishes can be joined together in special groups known as "Vicariates Forane," or Deaneries, for the purpose of fostering pastoral care under a priest appointed by the Diocesan Bishop as the Dean (cf. canons 553-555)". The intent of Deaneries within the Diocese of Jefferson City is to help parishes interact more effectively with each other and receive better administrative support from Bishop McKnight and his staff. The Parishes of St. Anthony of Pauda and St. Lawrence are located in the Southwest Deanery.

Southwest Deanery Counties: Benton, Camden, Cooper, Hickory, Miller, Moniteau, Morgan and Pettis
Dean: Father Joseph S. Corel VF, Pastor of St. Vincent de Paul Parish in Sedalia

For more information *AND* the Southwest Deanery Newsletter, visit the Diocese of Jefferson City website at: www.diojeffcity.org. Hover over Decrees, News, & Events and click on Deanery Updates, then click on Southwest Deanery News. Here is a quick reminder of upcoming **PARISH LEADERSHIP (SOUTHWEST) DEANERY MEETINGS FOR 2024-2025**. All meetings are currently scheduled for 6:30-8 PM and held at St. Patrick Parish, 176 Marian Drive, Gravois Mills (Laurie, MO): Sept 3, 2024, Nov 12, 2024, Feb 25, 2025, Jun 3, 2025, Sept 9, 2025, and Nov 4, 2025. All are welcome and especially those parishioners engaged in sacramental preparation (catechists, marriage preparation teams, vocations committee members, etc.), as well as council members and other lay leaders, clergy and religious.

ST. ANTHONY PARISH & COMMUNITY NEWS

Wednesday, August 28, 1:00 PM: Senior Citizen meet for snacks and cards. Snacks will be provided by the club.

ST. LAWRENCE PARISH & ST. ELIZABETH COMMUNITY NEWS

Sunday, September 8, 6:00 PM: St. Elizabeth Card Club meets to play cards! Contact Lerilee Human for details.

First Monday/Labor Day, September 2, 7 PM: Patriotic Rosary at St. Lawrence Church. All are welcome to join.

OTHER NEWS

St. Elizabeth Coed Bowling League held its public meeting Monday, August 19, 7 PM. The upcoming St. Elizabeth Coed Bowling League is to start on Wednesday, October 9, 2024. Anyone interested in forming or joining a team, please contact RJ Scheulen at 573-694-1858.



Cathy Thompson
 Grant Lamb
 Janice Lewis
 Liz Holtmeyer
 Deidra Buechter
 Twyla Holt
 Greyson Juergensmeyer
 Joel Gares
 Isla Joe Wieberg
 Emberlee, Josie, & Brody Boeckman
 Ollie Victoria Eidson
 Jerry Herx
 Betty Jean (Jeanie) Kemna
 Mike Kesel
 Maxine (Maxi) Reinkemeyer
 Louis Toebben
 Vicki Cox Bullock
 Brad Niemeier
 Ramona Bax
 Bruce Berendzen
 Tony Libbert
 Kenneth Brown
 Stacey Luttrell
 Christopher Thompson

Nic Gilardi
 Patrick Holtmeyer
 Trevor Burrows
 Treyton Kemna
 Dane Steenburgen
 Josie Boeckman
 Joseph Volmert
 Stacia Kimball
 Robert (Bob) Kesel
 Diane Bax
 Ed Grellner
 Frank Bax
 Pam Tipton
 Michael Wansing
 Henry Kemna
 Maggie Dickneite
 Milinda Hoecker
 Melody Welschmeyer
 Keith Pigg
 Rachel Woehr
 Gene Wilde
 Wanda Clark

2024 PARISH PICNICS & FALL FESTIVALS

Sacred Heart Parish Picnic

Eldon Parish Picnic
 Sunday, August 25 / Serving 11 am – 6 pm

Our Lady of the Snows

Mary's Home Parish Picnic
 Sunday, September 1 / Serving 11 am – 7 pm

Freeburg Holy Family Parish Picnic

Sunday, September 1 / Serving 11:30 am – 7 pm

St. Aloysius & St. Boniface

Fall Festival – Argyle, MO
 Sunday, October 6 / Serving 11 am – 6 pm

** Stewardship Renewal is Coming! **

Each year, during the month of October, we are asked to prayerfully consider and revisit how each of us can deepen and express our faith and participation in the mission of our Parish by way of sharing time through Hospitality & Prayer, talent through Formation & Service, and tithing through Sacrificial Giving. Like last year during September & October, we will again revisit the Stewardship Pillars (Hospitality, Prayer, Formation, Service) and tithe information, as well as, provide Stewardship information to all parishioner families. Your Stewardship Renewal opportunity comes with Stewardship Sunday in October! Watch the Bulletin for more information. In the meantime, please ask yourself and your family this question:

How can I/We repay the Lord for all the great good He has done for me/us?

Fiscal Year End Financials

The task of the Parish Finance Council is to assist the pastor, who is accountable to the Diocesan Bishop for the administration and stewardship of the temporal goods of his parish. The pastor has the ultimate responsibility for parish financial and temporal management. The parish finance council is a consultative body assisting the pastor in meeting these obligations. By sharing their expertise and experience with the pastor, lay members of the Christian faithful participate in the governance of their parish. The parish finance council assists the pastor in making financial decisions and the sharing of information, consultation, listening, and promoting consensus is at the heart of this process. Finance Councils meet regularly to review and/or approve monthly income/expenditures and annual budgets. Questions pertaining to your parish's financials can be directed to your Parish Council President. The following, long-standing, bank accounts make up each parish's respective budget.

Main - General operating income and expenses.

Stipend - Mass Intentions and votive candle income and expense. Mass stipends for Mass intentions are held here until Masses are fulfilled (said). After Mass is fulfilled, the stipend is then transferred to Main Account.

Parish Project/Restoration - Income and expenses related specifically to restoration and improvements of parish buildings and grounds.

Diocesan - Pastor and Finance Council approved monies under the investment direction by the Diocese of Jefferson City. Fund availability, to the parish, is dependent on fund type: short-term or long-term.

St. Anthony Parish Account Balances As of July 1, 2024

Main Account	\$ 79,669.33
Stipend Account	\$ 4,072.50
Parish Project Fund	\$ 42,670.80
Diocesan Investments	\$ 90,576.87

St. Lawrence Parish Account Balances As of July 1, 2024

Main Account	\$ 156,404.22
Stipend Account	\$ 7,713.61
Restoration Fund	\$ 44,850.66
Diocesan Investments	\$ 145,402.47