

**TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY
OCTOBER 6, 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

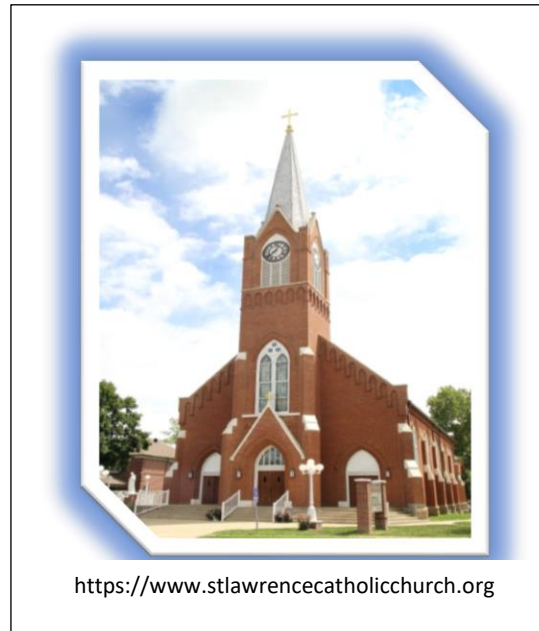
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Deacon Steve Schwartz

Michele Renkemeyer, Parish Secretary

Donna Dickneite, St. Anthony Hall Rental

Lauren Kliethermes & Kara Scheulen, Faith Formation Coordinators



ST. ANTHONY PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

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Jackie Perkins

**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

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WEEKLY HOLY MASS SCHEDULE: October 8 - 13, 2024

St. Lawrence				St. Anthony	
Tuesday	Oct 8	6:00 PM	Eucharistic Adoration / Communion Service Only No Mass / Annual Priest Institute Conference		
Wednesday	Oct 9	6:40 PM	CCD begins with The Rosary Grade 8	6:30 PM	CCD begins with The Walking Rosary Grades 10, 11, & 12
Thursday	Oct 10	NO MASS	Annual Priest Institute Conference	NO MASS	Annual Priest Institute Conference
Friday	Oct 11	NO MASS	Annual Priest Institute Conference		
Saturday	Oct 12	4:00 PM 5:00 PM	Confessions † Wilfred Hoecker		
Sunday	Oct 13	9:30 AM 10:00 AM	Confessions Parishioners of St. Lawrence & St. Anthony	7:30 AM 8:00 AM	Confessions † Leo & Marie Wieberg

We get a glimpse today of the mind of God for His people in that it is not good for us to be alone. Into our solitude, God provides companions and we are created to find our meaning & fulfillment in relationships. Our Creator is passionate about being in relationship, especially with us. In the Gospel, Jesus first talks about the integrity and importance of marriage, and fidelity in marriage, and then talks about children and letting the children come to Him. This is why the Church is so strongly against divorce, and so strongly pro-life. Strong marriages are necessary for strong families. As we observe Respect Life Sunday, think about how Christ's sacrifice on The Cross gives dignity and meaning to all human life from conception to death. In the prophet Jeremiah, God says, before I formed you in the womb, I called you. Notice how God accompanies us from conception to death. And He calls us to accompany each other in the same way, with mercy and with love, supporting families before, during, and after pregnancy. We have many ministries of mercy, but the truth is that we need more. Every Christian man and woman are called to imitate the Heavenly Father in a ministry of mercy to support and accompany others, especially pregnant women and single mothers.

The Gospel of Life demands we speak out on the moral issue that is Amendment 3. Amendment 3 is a constitutional amendment for the State of Missouri. Meaning, if it passes, it will be beyond the reach of the legislature. This Amendment will prohibit the legislature from outlawing or even regulating abortions before viability. Beyond point of viability; generally understood to be 6 months after the baby is conceived, the abortion Amendment says the state government can regulate but cannot prohibit abortion. So it would allow for abortion over the whole 9 months of pregnancy. The Amendment would override safeguards in Missouri law that help protect women from unsafe abortions, for example, that abortion clinics comply with the state's health and safety standards for outpatient surgical centers and be located close enough to a hospital that a woman can get treatment if life-threatening complications arise. It also overrides the current law that parents of a minor be notified before their daughter can have an abortion. The Amendment only requires a healthcare professional to perform the abortion procedure, which could include a Physician Assistant, a pharmacist, or even a dental hygienist. The Catholic Missourian has some great articles regarding Amendment 3. I strongly encourage you to read them and to inform yourselves on this issue. Don't be afraid to let people know, calmly and with mercy, your thoughts on this Amendment. Speak with mercy and love, and be a light for others. Jesus says still today, let the children come to me. Let the Church be pro-life. Let's walk together, as little children, to Jesus, who knitted us together in the womb, who knows and loves us from the womb. Let us strive to know and love from the womb, too.

Stewardship Schedule	St. Lawrence – Saturday October 12 – 5:00 PM	St. Anthony – Sunday October 13 – 8:00 AM	St. Lawrence – Sunday October 13 – 10:00 AM
LECTORS	Ann Wieberg	Donna Dickneite	Kristi Green
SERVERS	Heath Heckemeyer Matthew Heckemeyer Alayna Oligschlaeger	Knox Buechter Bryan Chipman Augie Dearduff	Brennan Doerhoff Kiptyn Green Clarise Green
GIFT BEARERS	Brian & Colette Weckenborg	Patrick & LaVeta Buechter	Ethan & Jessica Wieberg
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	Deacon Schwartze Janet Weckenborg	Deacon Schwartze	Deacon Schwartze Chad Green
SACRISTAN	Kathleen Schwartze	Mary Schulte	Lindsey Holtmeyer
PRAYER HOSPITALITY SERVICE	Rosary: Jennifer Oligschlaeger Greeters: Joe & Kim Plassmeyer	Rosary: Betty Voss Greeters: Scott & Shawn Roark Ushers: Stanley, Tony, and Walter Wieberg & Dennis Wilson	Rosary: Carl & Sharon Kemna Greeters: Dianne Heckemeyer & Kaye Finn

IT'S A NEW FISCAL YEAR: 2024 - 2025 ST. LAWRENCE PARISH STATISTICS As of 07/01/2024: Number of Registered Households - 289			IT'S A NEW FISCAL YEAR: 2024 - 2025 ST. ANTHONY PARISH STATISTICS As of 07/01/2024: Number of Registered Households - 140		
ST. LAWRENCE OFFERINGS	Fiscal Year to Date (FYD) Totals 07/01/2024 – 09/30/2024		ST. ANTHONY OFFERINGS	Fiscal Year to Date (FYD) Totals 07/01/2024 – 09/30/2024	
Adult Envelopes	\$ 42,530.96	Total Offertory Contributions \$ 62,929.96	Adult Envelopes	\$ 21,570.52	Total Offertory Contributions \$ 26,783.52
Online Offerings	7,510.00		Online Offering	3,280.00	
Youth Envelopes / Loose	165.00 / 1,869.00		Loose	1,228.00	
Mission Collection	10,855.00		Mission Collection	705.00	
	Other Income	29,570.40		Other Income	2,679.55
	Total YTD Parish Income	92,500.36		Total YTD Parish Income	29,463.07
	Expenses	\$ 102,610.96		Expenses	\$ 31,688.69
FY Budget 24 - 25 \$ 324,079.35 Weekly Avg Offertory: \$ 6,232.00	Month	Weekly Average Offertory Contributions	FY Budget 24 - 25 \$ 126,780.00 Weekly Avg Offertory: \$ 2,438.00	Month	Weekly Average Offertory Contributions
	July 2024	\$ 8,204.82		July 2024	\$ 2,518.25
	August 2024	\$ 6,020.85		August 2024	\$ 2,227.70
	September 2024	\$ 6,180.16		September 2024	\$ 2,095.85
	October 2024			October 2024	



CCD Schedule for Wednesday, October 9, 2024

St. Anthony begins with The Walking Rosary @ 6:30 PM; Grades 10, 11, & 12
St. Lawrence begins with The Rosary @ 6:40 PM; Grade 8



CATHOLIC STEWARDSHIP RENEWAL 2024

This year's theme for our Catholic Stewardship Renewal is **"Without Cost you have received, without cost you are to give."** This verse is in Matthew 10 when Jesus commissions His 12 disciples to go and find the lost sheep and proclaim 'The kingdom of heaven is at hand.' And why are they being called to do this? Because we were created in the image of God and we are all called to be his hands and feet to love and serve using our God given gifts.

Jesus sends His disciples to teach the way to salvation. Without cost we have received God's love and grace and therefore we are called to give without cost to others. **Catholic Stewardship Renewal commitment weekend is October 19-20.** Now is the time to discern and pray about how we can pray more, actively participate in the life of our parish family and the universal Church and give sacrificially of our first fruits. We invite all parishioners to participate in this spiritual process, the goal of which is to strengthen the ministry of our parish by calling everyone into a deeper level of discipleship and relationship with the Lord Jesus. More details will be shared next week.

Small Groups: Are forming now. Sign-up sheets are located in the back of both Churches until **Friday, October 13th**. Groups will start end of October and end before Thanksgiving. Questions can be directed to Randy Holtmeyer, St. Anthony or Lindsey Holtmeyer, St. Lawrence.

ST. ANTHONY PARISH & COMMUNITY NEWS

Wednesday, October 9, 9:30 AM: Senior Citizens meet for cards and Bingo in the Parish Hall. The club will furnish pulled pork. Everyone is asked to bring a side dish. Don't forget, Flu shots offered this day too by Miller County Health Department.

October is Month of the Holy Rosary: Held at St. Anthony Church, 6:00 PM. On October 6, we pray for The Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary, on October 13, 107th Anniversary of the Final Fatima Apparition and the Miracle of the Sun, and on October 27, a Rosary for our Nation. Please join us!

FALL SUPPER is Sunday, October 20, 2024 (Hall Cleaning: Saturday, October 12, 8:00 AM)

- o **Food Donation:** Contact Daphne Bennett at 573-280-4586 or Darla Kliethermes at 573-280-1216.
- o **Country Store Donation** (Baked goods, Jelly, craft item, Produce, Plants, etc.): Contact Betty Voss or any Council Member.
- o **Pie & Bread Donations:** Donations towards PIES may be put in the collection and mark envelope **PIES**; \$25 is requested (Be sure to include your name). Homemade pies are appreciated too. Estimated Pie Expense: \$ 405.00 / Donations Received to Date: \$ 280.00

THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HAVE DONATED IN ANY WAY. WE APPRECIATE YOUR HELP AND SUPPORT.

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**. Come out and enjoy seeing our youth in their costumes while supporting the CYO at the same time! (More information to follow regarding the traditional chili/chicken noodle soup meal and hayride to be held the same night!)

ST. LAWRENCE PARISH & ST. ELIZABETH COMMUNITY NEWS

October 12-13 Weekend: Knights of Columbus' Totsie Roll Drive after both Masses. Proceeds benefit the Special Learning Center at Cardinal Glennon and St. Elizabeth's School Special Learning Program.

Tuesday, October 15, 7:40 PM: Parish and Finance Council Meeting in the Church Basement.

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. A worklist including spouses/kids of current members will be available soon.

The St. Elizabeth R-4 School District seeks a qualified individual to transport a student from a district residence to the Special Learning Center in Jefferson City, Missouri. Estimated hours are from 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday. Interested applicants are encouraged to contact Ms. Stacie Wieberg or Mr. Doug Kempker for more information at 573-493-2246. Employment is expected to begin in February 2025.

St. Elizabeth FBLA (Future Business Leaders of America) is selling reflective address signs that can be attached to your mailbox or posted by your driveway. These signs help clearly mark your home or business so emergency personnel can more quickly find emergency locations. Signs will be green 6"x18" with white 4" reflective numbers. Orders will be collected till Monday, October 7. Please email Kristen Holtmeyer (kristen@ste.k12.mo.us) if you would like to purchase a sign. The cost is \$20. Please make checks payable to St. Elizabeth FBLA.

OTHER NEWS

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

THANK YOU !
To all those who helped with the Cemetery Fence Clean Up Project!
It looks AMAZING!
Janet Beck, Dale & Andrea Holtmeyer, Tom Oligschlaeger, Chris Beck, and Kaye Finn AND Especially Deacon Steve!



HOLY MATRIMONY CONGRATULATIONS

Brett & Sheldon (Holtmeyer) Wieberg
 Married Saturday, October 5, 2024
 St. Lawrence Church
 God Bless & Best Holy Wishes!

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
 Brad Niemeier
 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
 Ed Grellner
 Frank Bax
 Pam Tipton
 Michael Wansing
 Henry Kemna
 Maggie Dickneite
 Milinda Hoecker
 Melody Welschmeyer
 Rachel Woehr
 Gene Wilde

2024 Witness Youth Rally

*featuring Fr. Leo Patalinghug of Plating Grace
& special musical guest, The Vigil Project*

November 3
1 - 6 p.m.

Cathedral of St. Joseph
Jefferson City, MO

12:30 p.m. — Lunch and Check-in
 5 p.m. — Closing Mass
 with Bishop McKnight

Cost: \$10 per youth
 (no charge for adults)

RSVP at diojeffcity.org/youth-rally-2024

Registration/Information: <https://diojeffcity.org/youth-rally-2024/>

2024 FALL FESTIVALS & EVENTS

St. George Parish Fall Festival

Linn, MO
 Sunday, October 6 / Serving 11 am – 6 pm

St. Aloysius & St. Boniface Fall Festival

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

St. Andrew Parish Fall Festival

Holts Summit, MO
 Sunday, October 6 / Serving 11 am – 4 pm

Guardian Angels Parish Fall Dinner

Brinktown, MO
 Sunday, October 13 / Serving 11 am – 4:30 pm

Miller County Care & Rehab Center Fall Festival & Hog Roast

Tuscumbia, MO
 Saturday, October 19 / Serving 11 am – 3 pm

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. 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

Dear Church Families of St. Anthony & St. Lawrence Parishes, It's time for the 2025 Parish Directory!

Our church directories are SO important and simply, will not be complete without you/your family's photo. Work has begun and our Parish Directory Teams are here to help.

**Photography dates are
 November 12 & 13 @ St. Anthony Parish Hall
 November 14, 15, & 16 @ St. Elizabeth Comm Center**

There are 2 ways to sign-up and schedule your photo session:

1. Do It Yourself Online. (Instructions found on our Church Group FB Page)
2. Sign-up In Person after Mass or Contact a Parish Directory Team Member

Teams are available this weekend after Mass; listen for Father's announcement. For the weekend of October 12 - 13, Parish Directory Teams will be available AFTER each of these Masses:

Saturday, Oct 12	St. Lawrence	6:00 – 6:30 PM
Sunday, Oct 13	St. Anthony	9:00 – 9:30 AM
Sunday, Oct 13	St. Lawrence	11:00 – 11:30 AM

St. Anthony Parish Directory Team

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