

Saint Lawrence Catholic Church

120 N. Gatewood Street, Lawrenceburg, KY 40342

January 24- January 25, 2026
3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time

As Catholic disciples of Jesus Christ and His Church, we respond to our Lord's Invitation to be faithful in prayer, celebrate the Sacraments, deepen our faith through lifelong formation, serve those in need, and invite others to the fullness of the Catholic faith.

St. Lawrence Welcomes

Welcome! We are glad you are here to worship with us. Whether you are a cradle Catholic, or this is your first time at a Catholic Mass; whether you are a lifelong member of St. Lawrence or a visitor to our parish we are blessed by your presence. If you are new to our parish or a visitor, be sure to introduce yourself to Fr. Steve on your way out of Mass.

If you are interested in joining our parish, or have questions about the Catholic Church and St Lawrence parish, mention it to Father Steve and call 502-839-6381 or email us at stlawrencenews@cdlex.org



Weekday Mass

Tuesday: 6:00pm

Wednesday 8:30am

Thursday: 8:30am

Friday: 11:30am

Weekend Mass

Saturday Vigil: 5:30pm

Sunday: 9:30am

Sunday 6:30pm (Spanish)

Holy Day Masses

6:00pm Vigil the evening before

11:30am Day of Obligation

Adoration

Wednesday 9:00am - 8:00pm

Benediction 8:00pm

Reconciliation

Saturday: 4:45 - 5:15pm

Sunday: 8:45 - 9:15am

or by appointment

St. Lawrence Connects

Live stream Sunday Mass on YouTube, Facebook, FM 76

stlawrencenews@cdlex.org

www.saintlawrencecatholicchurch.org

Look for us on Facebook!

To sign up on Flocknote Text STLAWKY to 82546 to join.

On Flocknote at <https://stlawrencecatholicchurch4.flocknote.com>

How Can We Help You?

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502-839-6381 ext. 5

**For Sacramental
Emergencies ext. 1**

Office hours: Monday-Thursday 9:00am-3:00pm

St Lawrence This Week

January 24- January 25, 2026

Sunday, January 25 8:45am Reconciliation 9:30am Mass 11:00am Adult Sunday School, OCIA 6:30pm Spanish Mass	Monday, January 26
Tuesday, January 27 6:00pm Mass 6:30pm Finance Meeting	Wednesday, January 28 8:30am Mass 9am–8:00pm Adoration 5:00pm Dinner & A Movie-FLC 8:00pm Benediction
Thursday, January 29 8:30am Mass	Friday, January 30 11:30am Mass 6:30pm Youth Group-FLC
Saturday, January 31 11:30am Tamale Making-FLC 4:45pm Reconciliation 5:30pm Mass	Live stream Sundays on YouTube, Facebook., FM 76 More events at: www.saintlawrencecatholicchurch.org/news

Inclement Weather may affect Masses and office hours. A Flocknote will be sent out during those affected days. As always, please use caution during inclement weather. If you do not feel safe driving, we prefer you stay home.

St Lawrence Worships

Mass Intentions

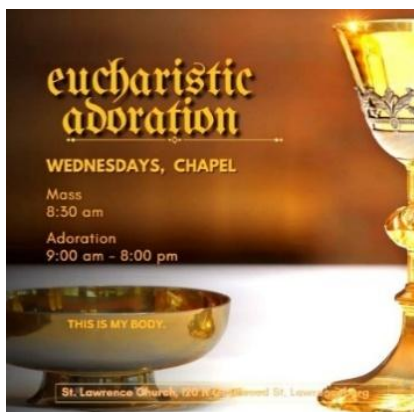
Saturday	January	24	†Bob Hite
Sunday	January	25	†Parishioners of St Lawrence
Sunday	January	25	†Souls of Purgatory
Tuesday	January	27	†Roger Cleaveland
Wednesday	January	28	†Bob Hite
Thursday	January	29	†David Birkett
Friday	January	30	†Wallace, Sharon & Chad Hart

Liturgical Ministers

Date	Time	Sacristan	EMOHC	Lectors	Greeters	Altar Server	Musicians
Jan 24	5:30pm	Pat M	John	Mary Jo & Annette R	Brenda P & Mary C	Bill S	
Jan 25	9:30am	Dave N	Monty & Tina	Ann & Wayne M	Denis K & Walt M	Sarah, Leyton & Kingsley	Libby/ Livia
25 de Ene	6:30pm					Lexi & Mena	
Jan 31	5:30pm	Lisa	John	Mary Jo & Mary C	Gail B & Jeanie M		
Feb 01	9:30am	Christine B	Joann & Tina	Bill G & Sue L.	Bob L	Oren, Eli, Henry & Samson	Libby/ Johnny
01 de Feb	6:30pm					Alex, Axel, & Mario	

This Week's Mass Readings-

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Adoration Wednesday from 9am to 8pm in the chapel. Benediction at 8pm.

St Lawrence Prays

For Those in Need

Parishioners: Tina Akers, Jim Bach, Tommy Brown, Dr. Glyn Caldwell, Terry & Charlene Cherry, Rosalie Covello, Bob Crane, Lupita Molina Del Porte, Terry Elder, Shirley Eldridge, Joe Feribach, David Foye, Iran Garcia, John Greer, Frank Goin, Kendall Harper, Betty Hettinger, Donna House, Traudi Killinen, Martin Mattingly, Mary Medlar, Walter Metcalf, Rose Miller, Tammy Mileer, Kathy Mirilovich, Shirley Norris, Sandra & Neil Nucci, Laura Obertal, Dick & Carol Pohlman, Mark Salazar, Maria Sepulveda, Sepulveda Family, Ellen Silvernail, Bob Simon, Ron Stohr, Nadine Thompson

Family & Friends: Andrew Basham (R Basham), Shirley Durr; Michael Caldwell (G. Caldwell); Barbara Cann, (L. Cann); Ann Cheak (J Cheak), Kenny Blair (P. Crane); David Connelly (L. Connelly), Bryan Courtney; Deacon Richard Abbey (A. Courtney); Dana Dahlen (B Dahlen), Kathleen & Carl Riestler, Susan & John Nelson, Nick Doyle, Erica, John & James Nelson, Ryan Bickell (A. Dull); Suzanne Speight, Sharon Hirschman, Jeff Ryan, V, Cammie Marshall, Paula Henderson (A Goin); Loretta and Shelby Newton (Libby H); Naomi Collins (Denis K); Alli Johnson (Jo J); Bonnie Clements; Dale Lowe, (S. Litkenhus); Joseph Caudill, Francis Wheatly (L Mattingly); Joel Hardin (Y Maddux); Benny Young, Marguerite Wordell, Gayle & John Roth (P. Marraccini); Cathy Campbell (M. Medlar), Mark Metcalf (W. Metcalf); Houghland Family, (K. Mirilovich); Ann Simpson (A. Pike); Cynthia & Alan McMillen, Susie & Bob Schutz, Jeff & Iva Warren, Roy Tomey, Michelle Scott (M. Roark); Marianne Christi, Dan Groth, , Heather Griffin, (S. Rue); Jim Reid (Fr. Steve); Jacen Hoyt (J. Stohr); Pam Hall, Gary Briscoe, Larry Slone (B. Sloan); Joy Bozorgzad, Lavolia Snell, Becky Vaughn, (S Sloan); Shawna Timmerman, Don Hart, Machell Adams (MJ Timmerman); Mike Rakestraw, Carolyn Rakestraw, Mary Margret Mattingly, (J. Thompson); Martha Clark, Lou Ann Clark, (N Thompson); Vidalina Mojica, Angelina Bermudez, Jose Bermudez (G. Twohig); Douglas Wade Jr. (J. Wade); Michael Wallace (T Wallace), Karen Scott (A Wireman), Carolyn & Ralph Booth (M. Yeager)

Those who serve our country: Shane Carey, Alex Crane, Hugh Devane, Konner Larson, David Lanier Jr., Colt Litkenhus, Mike LoSchiavo Jr., Travis Nicolette, Kristin Palmgren, Bill Redding, Clayton Riddle, Colin Roark, Todd Rucker, Matthew Spencer

For the intentions in our hearts and for all those suffering

St Lawrence Formation

Adult Sunday School meets this week weather permitting. We will continue discussing the book entitled *In the School of the Holy Spirit*, by Fr. Jacques Philippe. It is a very practical book in how to grow in holiness and be attuned to the Holy Spirit as it leads us to become who God made us to be!

OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation Adults) meets at 11am on Sunday weather permitting in Gabriel Hall conference room. If you are interested in becoming Catholic, this is the program for you. Registration and information will begin this year's formation. This program is for adults 18 years and older.

Youth Group meets on Fridays from 6-8pm. Come join us for fun, formation, friendship and activities in the Family Life Center. Text STLAUYOUTH to 84576 to join. The Youth Group enjoy many activities throughout the year. Schedules are available in the narthex.

NO CCD THIS WEEKEND Classes will resume Feb 1 at 11am in Gabriel Hall classrooms. **2027 Confirmation class** has begun and will join the High School group to start.

St Lawrence Reading Scripture

The Book of Proverbs

This month, our parish will be reading through the book of Proverbs. It's a deceptively simple book and there is a lot to gain from it, but here are a few tips to help you along.

Introduction to the Book of Proverbs

When you think of the Old Testament, likely several things will immediately come to mind. Perhaps, you first think of the great stories of the Old Testament, stories with miracles and heroes (and more than a few villains). Or perhaps your mind goes to all of the commandments and laws, well over 600 of them in the first 5 books alone. Or maybe even your first thought goes to the prophets who promise the coming of our Lord.

But I would be willing to bet that one of the last things that comes to your mind are the books of wisdom. Which is too bad, because while the books of history tell us what it means for us to be the people of God, and the books of the prophets give us a glimpse into the very heart of God (both important things to meditate upon!), it is the books of wisdom that ask the question, "What does it mean to live a good life?"

And isn't that what we all want to figure out? We prepare for the Catholic life through classes like OCIA or CCD, which give us a solid moral and intellectual understanding of the faith. But anyone who's attempted to take our faith seriously knows that the reality of actually *living* the Catholic life is more than just knowing Catholic trivia and going to Mass once a week. The good life, the life that God has made us for, is hard. It's rarely straight-forward. It has to be thought about carefully and then lived out with discipline. And none of that comes easy.

But this is why the book of Proverbs exists: to challenge us to think more clearly about the good life. And while Proverbs is far from a practical guide (it's not like anything you'll find in the self-help section of a bookstore), the Proverbs sit in our scripture as a starting point for looking carefully at the world around us and asking ourselves how we're supposed to navigate it.

This week in Proverbs

Does wisdom look for us, or do we need to search for it? Sometimes when the Proverbs speak of wisdom or understanding, it talks as if it were a quality to be gained or a goal to be achieved. The book tells us to "seek it like silver, and search for it as for hidden treasures" (Prov. 2:4), which I think makes sense to us. In our world we often hear about the importance of "educating yourself" or are encouraged to "do your own research." The truth is out there and it's up to us to find it! However, while seeking wisdom and understanding is important, far more often in this book it is wisdom itself that is doing the searching. Recall in the very beginning of Proverbs, when Wisdom is personified as a woman crying out in the streets, saying, "Give heed to my reproof; I will pour out my thoughts to you; I will make my words known to you." (Prov 1:20-23). Or later in chapter 9, when she is spoken of as a woman who has prepared a great feast and is begging for us to join her; Wisdom shouts, "You that are simple, turn in here! Come, eat of my bread and drink of the wine I have mixed!

Lay aside immaturity and live and walk in the way of insight!" (Prov. 9:4-6) We tend to think of wisdom as something we must pursue, but more often the Proverbs speaks of wisdom as something that chases us. Wisdom is gained, not through our own gumption and initiative, and certainly not because we're intellectually gifted or went to a good school, but through the rebukes and corrections of those around us. Even (and especially!) from those whom we don't want to hear it.

In this way, the Proverbs tell us that the real trick to growing in wisdom is to make sure we respond well when it comes. When the Proverbs talk about the folly of one who is quick to anger, or the foolishness of a lazy person, these are important because anger and apathy are so often the obstacles to receiving corrections well. Or when the Proverbs instruct us in how to relate to others, whether it be our family, our peers, or those who live on the margins of society, it is because those are the people from whom correction and rebuke will often come; but they can't correct us if we don't have an intact relationship with them.

Wisdom ought to be sought after, of course. But according to the Proverbs, the real trick to growing in wisdom is being receptive to it, regardless of who it comes from (because all wisdom ultimately comes from God!). And that is much easier said than done.

Suggested Reading Schedule for January.

Date	Chapters	Topic
Monday, January 12, 2026	1-3	Letters to a son
Tuesday, January 13, 2026	4-6	Letters to a son
Wednesday, January 14, 2026	7-9	Letters to a son
Thursday, January 15, 2026	10-11	Proverbs of Solomon
Friday, January 16, 2026	12	Proverbs of Solomon
Saturday, January 17, 2026	13	Proverbs of Solomon
Sunday, January 18, 2026	14	Proverbs of Solomon
Monday, January 19, 2026	15	Proverbs of Solomon
Tuesday, January 20, 2026	16	Proverbs of Solomon
Wednesday, January 21, 2026	17-18	Proverbs of Solomon
Thursday, January 22, 2026	19	Proverbs of Solomon
Friday, January 23, 2026	20	Proverbs of Solomon
Saturday, January 24, 2026	21-22:16	Words of the Wise
Sunday, January 25, 2026	22:17-23	Words of the Wise
Monday, January 26, 2026	24	More Proverbs of Solomon
Tuesday, January 27, 2026	25-26	More Proverbs of Solomon
Wednesday, January 28, 2026	27-28	More Proverbs of Solomon
Thursday, January 29, 2026	29	More Proverbs of Solomon
Friday, January 30, 2026	30	The Words of Agur
Saturday, January 31, 2026	31	The Words of Lemuel and the Song of the Wise Woman

St. Lawrence Gives

Date	Attendance	Tithe	Amount
Saturday	104	Offertory	\$3,643.05
Sunday	141	Building	\$414
Domingo	33	Opportunities for Life	\$680

Building Fund collections goes towards facility upkeep and maintenance. **Poor Fund collections** go to help some of our parishioners with financial difficulties as well as the LIGHT Center with helps those in our community in need.

There will be a special Collection for the Church in Latin America this week, January 24th & 25th

Offertory Envelope boxes are in the Narthex. For blank boxes, please remember to add your name and email address on the first 4 envelopes to ensure we have the correct name to the corresponding number.

We are looking for person with box # 94. Please write your name on your envelope or contact the office.

Because of your generous donations St Lawrence was able to donate \$1500 for the Anderson United Clinics. This money will be used to purchase and distribute food and other needed items through the Anderson United Food Bank.



St. Lawrence Serves

Open Hands Community Food Pantry (1111 Industry Rd, Lawrenceburg, KY 40342) serves dinner every Tuesday and Thursday from 6-7 PM. All are welcome. Thank you to our dedicated volunteers who help to prepare and serve. And thank you to everyone for whom, without your donations we would not be able to participate in such a wonderful ministry.

Martha's Ministry helps our parishioners who are sick or have come home from the hospital and could use a home cooked meal and a visit from fellow parishioners from church. We can also bring communion and assist with community events such as dinner at the library. Please contact Sue Litkenhus to join this beautiful ministry.

The Knights of Columbus gathered to help a parishioner in the community. They worked together to clean out the leaves and debris from the gutters on this home in Lawrenceburg. If you are interested in joining the Knights, contact Johnny Benningfield.



UNDERGARMENT AND CLOTHING DRIVE



Anderson United is a FREE community clinic hosted by participating local Christian churches in Anderson County working together to serve our neighbors by providing for both their physical and spiritual needs.

This year we are again requesting NEW socks and underwear as well as gently used, clean clothing.

NEW socks and undergarments are the most requested items from our clothing closet and were greatly appreciated by all who received them at the last clinic.

What is needed?

We are collecting **NEW pairs of underwear and NEW pairs of socks.**

We are in need of all sizes for girls, boys, women and men.

Health Department regulations require these to be new.

Gently used, clean clothing,

especially infant, children, and plus size adult clothing but all sizes are welcome.

When is it needed?

To help us organize your generous donations of socks and undergarments and clothing, please bring your items to church by **Sunday, February 22nd.**

Please deposit your donated socks and undergarments in the Anderson United basket in the narthex
Clothing items should be placed in the large box in Blanford Hall

Questions?

Andrea Dull, 256-337-6658, andreadullky@gmail.com

Jeff Wedding, 502-598-9507, jwedding264@gmail.com



Anderson United Are you interested in learning more about Anderson United? Check out our website: andersonunited.org or call Andrea Dull (256-337-6658) or Jeff Wedding (502-598-9507)

St. Lawrence Community

This Week's Birthdays- Jan 26 -Virginia Morris Garcia, Jan 28-Susan Rue,
Jan 28 - Myra Keleman, Jan 30- Jamie Greer

Dinner and a Movie is the 1st, 2nd, and 4th Wednesday of the month at 5 pm in the Family Life Center. Please contact Bill Pfalzer for more information or join the movie night group in Flocknote for communications.

Learn to make Tamales on Saturday January 31st from 11:30am-3:30pm. We will be serving them at the Candlemas Celebration

Candlemas Potluck Celebration Breakfast will be next Sunday Feb 1st in the FLC after Mass. If you had a baby Jesus in your piece of Epiphany Cake, please remember to bring an item to share.

Choir practice for the Easter Season will begin on Tuesday, February 3rd. Practice will be in the Church, following the 6 PM Mass. We would love to have new members. You do NOT need to know how to read music. Please come and enjoy the fun! Questions? Call Jane 859-576-6288

Ministry Committee Chairs

Pastoral Council	Robin Basham		Finance Council	Jim Martin
Liturgy	Deacon Frank Villalobos		Religious Education	Robin Basham
Sacristans	Robin Basham		Altar Servers	Deacon Frank Villalobos
EMOHC	Monty Collingsworth		Lectors	Sue Litkenhus
Greeters	Denis King		Altar Society	Cathy Figlestahler, Robin Basham
Homebound Ministry	John Casper		Funeral Coordinator	Pat Miller
Bible Study	Marcia Roark		Mowing Team	Bob Figlestahler
Open Hands Food Pantry	Andrea Dull, Lisa Cann		Hispanic Committee	Maria Gonzalez
Knights of Columbus	Johnny Benningfield		Women's Ministry	Diana Nichols & Donna House
Rosary Makers	Donna Nicolette		Laudato Si	Andrea Dull (interim)
Youth Group	Mike Armstrong		Outreach	Jim Martin, Andrea Dull
Martha's Ministry	Sue Litkenhus		Welcome Committee	Christine Buntain
St Barnabas	Carolyn Bond			

Diocese of Lexington

Magnificat Breakfast Mary's Garden, Saturday, Feb. 7, 2026. At Cathedral of Christ the King 299 Colony Blvd. Lexington, KY 40502 Mass 8:00 a.m. Breakfast 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Guest Speaker: Maria Fischer-Boothe Please contact Pat Hunt by email: magnificatrsvp@gmail.com by February 4 to reserve a spot. Catered by Suggins. Payment of \$15.00 may be made at the breakfast for those with reservations. Questions? Contact Pat Hunt at pwhunt27@aol.com

Job Opportunity Catholic Charities of Lexington is seeking a detail-oriented and tech-savvy Administrative Assistant to join our team. This role is essential to the smooth operation of our office, supporting leadership, staff, and programs through a wide range of administrative tasks.

Come & See Weekend at Bishop Simon Brute College Seminary in Indianapolis, February 12–15. This is open to high school seniors and early college-aged men who do not yet have a bachelor's degree and who would enter college seminary as part of priestly formation. Participants will experience seminary life, sit in on classes, pray with the community, and meet Maynard Reinhardt, seminarian of the Diocese of Lexington. Contact: mbentley@cdlex.org

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1st-3rd
6pm-7pm

St. Lawrence Appreciates



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American Legion Post 34
Lawrenceburg, Kentucky



"Come join the family"
Monthly meeting every
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