

Saint Lawrence Catholic Church

120 N. Gatewood Street, Lawrenceburg, KY 40342

August 15th & 16th, 2026
Twentieth Sunday in 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://stlawrencecatholicchurc4.flocknote.com>

How Can We Help You?

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502-839-6381 ext. 2

**For Sacramental
Emergencies ext. 1**

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

St. Lawrence This Week

Aug. 15th – Aug. 16th, 2026

Sunday, Aug. 16 8:45am Confessions 9:30am Mass 10:30am K of C Pancake Breakfast 11:00am Adult Bible School, OCIA 6:30pm Spanish Mass	Monday, Aug. 17
Tuesday, Aug. 18 5:30pm Healing Rosary 6:00pm Mass 6:30pm Pastoral Committee	Wednesday, Aug. 19 8:30am Mass 9:00am Adoration 5:00pm Rosary Makers -FLC 6:00pm Grief Share – Blandford Hall 6:30pm EMOHC Training- Main Church 8:00pm Benediction
Thursday, Aug. 20 8:30am Mass 6:30pm K of C Meeting- FLC	Friday, Aug. 21 11:30am Mass 6:00pm Youth Group
Saturday, Aug. 22 4:45pm Confessions 5:30pm Mass 6:30pm-Dinner with the Gospel Young Adult Group -Rectory after 5:30pm Mass.	Live stream Sundays on YouTube, Facebook., FM 76 More events at: www.saintlawrencecatholicchurch.org/news

**Please check the calendar on our website for more up to date information on
events, meetings and times.**

St. Lawrence Worships

This week's readings:

Reading 1: Isaiah 56:1, 6-7
Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8
Reading 2: Romans 11:13-15, 29-32
Gospel: Matthew 15:21-28

Mass Intentions

Saturday	August	15	Parishioners of St Lawrence
Sunday	August	16	†Deceased Members of the Casper Family
Sunday	August	16	† Souls of Purgatory
Tuesday	August	18	†Bib Hite
Wednesday	August	19	† Opal Mattingly
Thursday	August	20	† Opal Mattingly
Friday	August	21	† Opal Mattingly

Liturgical Ministers

Date	Time	Sacristan	EMOHC	Lectors	Greeters	Altar Server	Musicians
Sat. Aug. 15	5:30pm	Gail B	Christine B & Sue R	Anne G & Mary C	Jeanie & Andrea		
Sun. Aug. 16	9:30am	Robin B	Andrea B & Chris W.	Marcia R & Sue	Dave N & Chad	Jordan G., Zeke & Connor	Libby & Birdie
Domingo 16 de Agosto	6:30pm			Karina Ojeda		Alex, Axel & Mario	
Sat. Aug. 22	5:30pm	Anna	John & Nadine	Stacy B & Sally	Judy & Bryan		
Sun. Aug. 23	9:30am	Dave N.	Monty C. & Robin B	Nikki & Tom McN.	Joe & Amanda	Quartus, Uriah & Alexander	Jane/Christine
Domingo 23 de Agosto	6:30pm			Oswaldo & Avigail		Yazmin & Mena	

During Communion if you are not Catholic or are not in good standing with the Catholic Church, we gladly invite you to approach the minister with your arms crossed on your chest to receive an unconditional blessing of the Church.

St Lawrence Formation

Confirmation classes are set to begin August 26th! Classes will be held on **Wednesdays at 6:30pm** in the Gabriel Hall classrooms. **The first session will be a family session. At least one parent is required to attend on August 26th.** If you have not yet registered for CCD or Confirmation class, please do so this Sunday in the Family Life Center. For more information, please contact Deacon Frank or Robin.

EMOHC Training for CURRENT and NEW Extra Ordinary Ministers of Communion. There will be a training class in the main church on Wednesday August 19th at 6:30pm. Attendance is mandatory.

Dinner with the Gospel Summer Young Adult Ministry meets after the 5:30pm Mass every Saturdays throughout the summer across the street at Rectory. Supper is provided! We will be discussing the weekend Mass readings and how they apply to our daily lives as followers of Jesus Christ and other fun and interesting theological topics. High School Students, College Students and Young Adults welcome.

A Healing Rosary will be said every Tuesday at 5:30pm in the main church just prior to 6:00pm Mass.

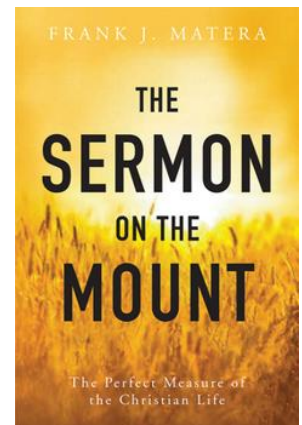
CCD classes will begin on Aug 23rd. Flocknote will be sent out and a schedule is available in the ministry file folder in the narthex as well as page 7 of this bulletin.

OCIA Classes meet at 11:00am on Sundays in August and meet in Gabriel Hall conference room. Contact Deacon Frank if you are interested in joining the Catholic faith.

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

Adult Sunday School meets on Sundays at 11am. The most important 2000 words ever spoken or written, Jesus' Sermon on the Mount. Our book discussion will be from *The Sermon on the Mount* by Frank Matera. Saint Augustine once described the Sermon on the Mount as "the perfect measure of the Christian life." Taking his cue from Augustine, Frank Matera provides an exposition of the sermon for contemporary readers who wish to use the sermon as the standard by which they live their lives every day. Join us on Sunday at 11 am as we explore this amazing book. More books are available.

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 enjoys many activities throughout the year. Youth group schedules are also available in Ministry Handout hanging folder located in the Narthex and FLC.



St Lawrence Picnic





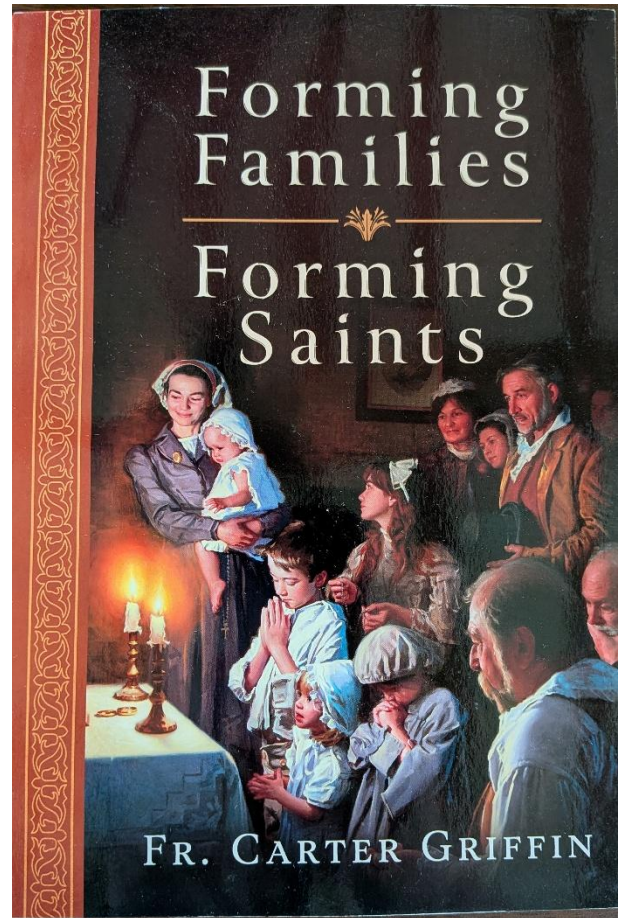
St Lawrence Family Formation

If I were to ask you, **"Who is in charge of raising kids?"** most people wouldn't hesitate to say, "the parents!" Because of course it's the parents, who else would it be?

And then if I were to ask you, **"Who is in charge of raising kids in the Catholic faith?"** still most people would quickly answer, "the parents...but maybe with some help from the Church..." And that also makes good sense; after all, it takes a village to raise a child.

But then if I were to ask you, **"HOW does someone raise their kids in the Catholic faith?"** Suddenly things become a lot less clear.

For a long time, the Church has played an important role in supporting parents in their efforts to raise their kids well. Through programs like CCD and sacramental prep and even youth ministry, we've got lots of programs where you can take your kids and have another adult help to pass on the faith to your kids. But the Church doesn't always have a lot in the way of helping the parents themselves to be better, more faithful Catholics parents who are raising faithful Catholic kids.



But we're going to try to change that. **Starting August 23rd** we're creating a **parents group** that meets during the CCD hour. For this first year of the group, we'll be reading and discussing the book Forming Families, Forming Saints by Fr. Carter Griffin (who Fr. Steve went to seminary with). In this book, Fr. Griffin takes the best of our tradition's wisdom in forming holy men and women, and begins to ask the question of what that might look like in a family setting.

This is not some academic class, no one is going to be lecturing on parental theory, instead it's a group of parishioners coming together to discuss what it actually looks like to be Catholic parents raising kids in a Catholic home. We will meet in the Family Life Center each week that CCD is in session. Books will cost \$10 and be on sale after mass in the Family Life Center. Feel free to contact Michael Armstrong (marmstrong@cdlex.org) if you have any questions.

St. Lawrence Prays

For Those in Need

Parishioners: Tina Akers, Jim Bach, Tommy Brown, Gail Budreau, Dr. Glyn Caldwell, Terry & Charlene Cherry, Mike Detherage, Bob Crane, Lupita Molina Del Porte, Terry Elder, Shirley Eldridge, Joe Feribach, David Foye, Iran Garcia, Ann Goin, Kendall Harper, Betty Hettinger, Donna House, Patti Hyman, Traudi Killinen, Laura & Martin Mattingly, Thomas Joseph McNaughton, Mary Medlar, Walter Metcalf, Rose Miller, Tammy Miller, Kathy Mirilovich, Serena Newbauer, Shirley Norris, Sandra & Neil Nucci, Laura Obertal, Aimee & BJ Perry, Anita Ricks, Mark Salazar, Henry Sepulveda, Maria Sepulveda, Ellen Silvernail, Bob Simon, Ron Stohr, Nadine Thompson

Family & Friends: Shirley Durr; Michael Caldwell (G. Caldwell); Barbara Cann, (L. Cann); Ann Cheak (J Cheak), David & Tyler Gadberry, Steve Pfeiffer, Ada and Dave Riddell, Madeline Ronkainen, Dennie & Lu Simpson, Clare Tyler, and Mary Walicke (J. Cloud):), Martin Elder (J. Connelly) Kenny Blair (P. Crane); Deacon Richard Abbey (A. Courtney); David Cleveland (M Daigle); Dana Dahlen (B Dahlen), Kathleen & Carl Riester, Susan & John Nelson, Nick Doyle, Erica, John & James Nelson, Ryan Bickell (A. Dull); Suzanne Speight, Sharon Hirschman, Jeff Ryan, Cammie Marshall, Paula Henderson, Pam Allen (A Goin); Shelby Newton (Libby H); Sean House (D. House); Nora Babb, Naomi Collins (Denis K); Alli Johnson (Jo J); Bonnie Clements; Dale Lowe, (S. Litkenhus); Lucia Mach (D. Mach); Joseph Caudill, Francis Wheatly (L Mattingly); Joel Hardin, Holli West (Y Maddux); Benny Young, Marguerite Wordell, Gayle & John Roth, Beth Paul (P. Marraccini); Cathy Campbell (M. Medlar), Mark Metcalf (W. Metcalf); Houghland Family, (K. Mirilovich); Jim Norris (C Palmer); Ann Simpson (A. Pike); Michael Putnam (S. Ricci) 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 (B. Sloan); Joy Bozorgzad, Lavolia Snell (S Sloan); Don Hart, Wayne Ray (MJ Timmerman); Mike Rakestraw, Carolyn Rakestraw, Mary Margret Mattingly, (J. Thompson); Martha Clark, Lou Ann Clark, Joe Thompson (N Thompson); Vidalina Mojica, Angelina, Wendy & Jonathan Bermudez, Jose Bermudez (G. Twohig); Douglas Wade Jr. (J. Wade); Doyle Dukes (J Wedding); Dick & Carol Pohlman (A Wickman); Karen Scott (A Wireman), Carolyn & Ralph Booth (M. Yeager)

We pray for those who serve our country: Shane Carey, Alex Crane, Mark Duryea, Mica Gettelfinger, Konner Larson, Colt Litkenhus, Mike LoSchiavo Jr., Bryce Martin, Travis Nicolette, Kristin Kaiser, Clayton Riddle, Colin Roark, Todd Rucker

St. Lawrence Parish Works of Mercy Challenge

In honor of St. Lawrence, patron of the poor and deacon of charity, our parish is taking on a bold mission: Complete 250 Corporal and/or Spiritual Works of Mercy by Thanksgiving Day! Please take a commitment card located in the narthex and select one or more of the works of Mercy listed on the back. Indicate the number of times you completed that Work of Mercy and place it in the Mercy Box in the narthex. Help us reach 250 by Thanksgiving!



St Lawrence Reading Scripture

The Gospel of Luke

Suggested Reading Schedule for August

Date	Book and Chapter
Saturday, August 15	Luke 15
Sunday, August 16	Luke 16
Monday, August 17	Luke 17
Tuesday, August 18	Luke 18
Wednesday, August 19	Luke 19
Thursday, August 20	Luke 20
Friday, August 21	Luke 21
Saturday, August 22	Luke 22
Sunday, August 23	Luke 23
Monday, August 24	Luke 24
Tuesday, August 25	Titus 1
Wednesday, August 26	Titus 2
Thursday, August 27	Titus 3
Friday, August 28	Colossians 1
Saturday, August 29	Colossians 2
Sunday, August 30	Colossians 3
Monday, August 31	Colossians 4

St. Lawrence Serves

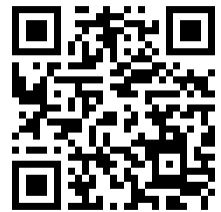
Open Hands Community Food Pantry (1111 Industry Rd, Lawrenceburg, KY 40342) serves dinner every Tuesday and Thursday from 6-7 PM. All are welcome. Thank you to our dedicated volunteers who help to prepare and serve. And thank you to everyone for whom, without your donations we would not be able to participate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

Martha's Ministry was started at St. Lawrence Catholic Church around 2010. This is a church ministry to help our parishioners who are sick, bedridden, or have come home from the hospital and could use a home cooked meal and a visit from fellow parishioners from church. We want them to know that our church is there to support them and are interested in their recovery. We would welcome more members to help make the meals or help with delivery. If you are interested in helping with this ministry, we could use more people to help. If you are interested in becoming a part of this ministry, please contact Sue Litkenhus at 502-418-9551.

The St. Lawrence Prayer Committee is a group of dedicated and prayerful parishioners who pray for the people on the parish prayer list. Each parishioner on the prayer list is paired up with a prayer committee member, your prayer partner, who prays especially for you. If anyone has a special prayer request, you are invited to add it to our prayer request book in the Narthex. This book is placed in front of the altar during Mass on Sundays as a reminder to all of us to pray for the needs of our community. If you are interested in helping, please contact Betty Butler at butiu20@aol.com.

The Transportation Committee Help wanted: The Transportation Committee is looking for additional drivers to take parishioners to doctor's appointments or church. Please call Jeff Wedding (502-598-9507) or Andrea Dull (256-337-6658) to volunteer or get further information.

St. Barnabas was known as 'the Encourager.' The St. Barnabas Committee's purpose is to encourage young people associated with our parish who are living away from their family for school or religious life, or for our military members on active duty.. St Barnabas Committee meets at 4:30pm the 2nd Tuesday of the month in Blandford Hall. We prepare greeting cards & occasionally send gift bags from St Lawrence Catholic Church for our college & vocational students and military who are away from home. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Carolyn Bond at 859-771-3237 (call or text) or at carolynTbond@hotmail.com.. All are welcome. Scan the QR Code for more information.



St. Lawrence Gives

Date	Attendance	Tithe	Amount
Saturday	110	Offertory	\$3,153.40
Sunday	146	Building	\$70
Misa en Espanol	26	Poor	\$300

A **Second Collection for Seminarian Higher Education** will be observed on August 15-16, 2026. Funds from this collection will support the continuing studies of our seminarians. We are very blessed in our Diocese to have 7 seminarians who are preparing to serve our parishes and missions as true and faithful servant leaders. Thank you for your support and prayers for their efforts.

General Offertory Funds are used to support the day-to-day operational expenses such as office supplies, printing, church supplies, payroll, and utilities. **Building Fund collections** go towards facility upkeep and maintenance. **Poor Fund collections** go to help some of our parishioners with financial difficulties as well as the LIGHT Center, LUMC Diaper Bank, and Anderson United. The diocese will have **second collections** for specific needs of the Catholic Church and its mission work. **Social Funds** help to support our Sunday Social and Movie Night.

Kroger Rewards Program is a Community Rewards fundraising program which benefits St. Lawrence every time an “enrolled” Kroger Plus Card is scanned to buy groceries. Enroll online today. Enrollment is free. This quarter we received \$199 as a donation from Kroger!

St. Lawrence Community

Birthdays: Aug 16 – Brenda Pritchett, Aug 17 – Joaquina Carbajal, Aug 19 – Elijah Smith, Allison Johnson, Aug 20 – Rhonda Cheak, Aug 21 – Livia Nichols

St Lawrence Apparel-Deacon Brandon O’Sullivan has rosaries, stickers, pictures and T-shirts and various other St Lawrence items. We have a few items on display in the office, you can also visit his online website for more available items at www.diromarosaries.com You can find the St Lawrence Collection under the Parish and Schools tab. St Lawrence receives 30% of the profit from the sales! What a great way to support St Lawrence.



Movie Night Please contact Bill Pflazer for more information or join the movie night group in Flocknote for communications.

Rosary Makers meets on the 3rd Wednesday of the month in the Family Life Center from 5-7pm. Drop in and stay as long as you like. *Please note the location change.*

Lawn Mowing Team is a fun way to help serve your parish. Teams rotate on a 7–10-day basis (depending on how long the grass needs mowed) The more teams we have, the longer the rotation period (meaning your group may mow once every 2 months) Teams consist of 3-5 people which do variety of work. We have 2 riding mowers, a weed eater and a blower. You are welcome to bring your own equipment. Please contact Bob Figelstahler for more information.

Grief Share is a safe support group that welcomes and helps people understand the difficult emotions of grief. This 13-week group will help you discover what to expect in the days ahead and what's "normal" in grief. The group will meet weekly on Weds from August 19th to November 11th from 6-8pm in Blandford Hall. Please contact Sue Rue at 502-839-0732 or Pat Miller at 502-682-4503 for more information. Additionally, there will be a Grief Share Support Group at Sand Springs Baptist beginning on Monday, August 17th at 6:00pm, and continuing through November 9th.

Knights of Columbus will be having a Pancake Breakfast on Sunday August 16th after Mass. Please join us in the Family Life Center.

Ministry Committee Chairs

Pastoral Council	Mike Armstrong		Finance Council	Jim Martin
Liturgy	Dcn Frank Villalobos		Religious Education	Robin Basham
Sacristans	Robin Basham		Altar Servers	Deacon Frank Villalobos
EMOHC	Dcn Frank Villalobos		Lectors	Sue Litkenhus
Greeters	Denis King		St Barnabas	Carolyn Bond
Homebound Ministry	John Casper		Funerals	Pat Miller
Bible Study	Marcia Roark		Mowing Team	Bob Figelstahler
Open Hands Pantry	Andrea Dull		Hispanic	Maria Gonzalez
Altar Society	Cathy Figelstahler, Robin Basham		Women's Ministry	Vanna Armstong, Diana Nichols
Rosary Makers	Donna Nicolette		Laudato Si	Andrea Dull (interim)
Youth Group	Mike Armstrong		Outreach	Andrea Dull
Martha's Ministry	Sue Litkenhus		Welcome	Christine Buntain
Knights of Columbus	Johnny Benningfield		Transportation	Jeff Wedding
Young Adult	Chad Gettelfinger		Bereavement	Sue Litkenhus
Prayer Committee	Betty Butler		Grief Share	Sue Rue, Pat Miller