

Saint Lawrence Catholic Church

120 N. Gatewood Street, Lawrenceburg, KY 40342

April 12-April 13
Palm Sunday

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 6pm (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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For all regular inquiries including registering for CCD, prayer requests, appointments with Fr. Steve call
502-839-6381 ext. 5

For Sacramental Emergencies ext. 1

St Lawrence This Week

April 13–April 19, 2025

<p>Sunday, April 13 8:45am Reconciliation 9:30am Mass 10:30am Social 11:00am Book Study 11:00am OCIA, CCD 6:00pm Spanish Mass</p>	<p>Monday, April 14 2:00pm Catholic Way Bible Study-FLC</p>
<p>Tuesday, April 15 6:00pm Mass 6:30pm Choir Practice</p>	<p>Wednesday, April 16 8:30am Mass 9am– 8:pm Adoration 10:00am 3 C's Crafters 4-8pm Rosary Makers-Blandford Hall 8:00pm Benediction 6:30pm-8:00pm OCIA Spanish-Adult</p>
<p>Thursday, April 17 6:00pm Mass</p>	<p>Friday, April 18 6:00pm Mass</p>
<p>Saturday, April 19 10:00am Practice 11:00am Prayer Group 8:30pm Easter Vigil Mass</p>	<p>Live stream Sundays on YouTube, Facebook., FM 76 More events at: www.saintlawrencecatholicchurch.org/news</p>

Information for the bulletin must be received by 2:00pm on Tuesday. Send information to stlawrencenews@cdlex.org. Information will need to be approved and may be edited.
This Week's Mass Readings Scan here:



Dates to Remember:

Rice Bowl Collection continues through April 20

Palms Sunday: April 13th

Holy Week

Holy Thursday: April 17 th	Mass 6pm
Good Friday: April 18 th	Service 6pm
Easter Vigil: April 19 th	Mass 8:30pm
Easter Sunday: April 20 th	Mass 9:30am

Divine Mercy

Second Sunday of Easter- Sunday April 27th

First Communion	Mass 9:30am
Social and Celebration	10:30am
Adoration of the Blessed Sr. Faustina	2pm
Knights Spaghetti Dinner	5pm

LENT BEGINS

WHAT IS LENT?
The 40-day period from Ash Wednesday and before Easter Sunday. It is marked by praying, fasting, abstinence, and other acts of penance.

WHAT IS FASTING?
One meal a day, and two smaller meals which if added together would not exceed one full meal.

WHAT IS ABSTINENCE?
Abstinence is refraining from eating meat. Meat is considered to be the flesh and organs of mammals and fowl.

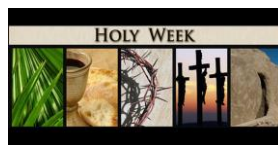
DAYS OF FAST?
Ash Wednesday, Good Friday

DAYS OF ABSTINENCE?
Ash Wednesday, All Fridays of Lent, Good Friday

WHO ARE REQUIRED?
Catholics from age < 18 to 59 >. The sick are excused from fasting.

WHO ARE REQUIRED?
Mandatory for everyone older than 14 years old.

Source: Code of Canon Law
ABS-CBN NEWS, ABS-CBN NEWS, ABS-CBN.COM



Wishing you a Happy and Holy Week

St. Lawrence Prayer Groups

Small Group Lenten prayer meetings have begun. If you have not yet been contacted by your group leader, or would like to attend a group session, please contact Fr. Steve at sroberts@cdelex.org. Scripture text will be provided.

St. Lawrence Worships

For those who are allergic to incense or may have difficulties with breathing, incense will be used during our Holy Week Liturgies on Holy Thursday Mass and on the Easter Vigil 8:30pm Mass. We will not use incense on Palm Sunday weekend or on Easter Sunday Mass.

Liturgical Ministers

Date	Time	Sacristan	EMOHC	Lectors	Greeters	Altar Server	Musician
April 12	5:30pm	Rochelle	John & Nadine	Mary Jo & Annette	Gail B & Christine B	Yazmin, Ximena	
April 13	9:30am	Donna H	Harry & Tina	Ann & Wayne M	Denis & Kathy	Micah, Oren, Quartus	Libby
13 de abril	6:00pm		Joaquina	Karina & Leoncio		Alex, Axel	Oscar
April 17	6:00pm	Robin	Lisa & Harry	Mary C & Dave N	Kathy M & Volunteers		Jane
April 18	6:00pm	Lisa	Sue L	Marcia & Anne G	Lisa & Andrea		Jane
April 19	8:30pm	Sally	Joy & Andrea	Joann, Bill G, Annette, Dave N, Victor, Lorena	Volunteers	Volunteers	Jane
April 20	9:30am	Christine B	Anita & Joann	Mary Jo & Tina W	Kathy M & Mary C	Jordan, Zeke	Avelyn
20 de abril	6:00pm			Victor, Lorena		Yazmin, Ximena	

Mass Intentions

Saturday	April	12	The People of St. Lawrence
Sunday	April	13	†Janet Johnson
Sunday	April	13	†Bud Clark
Tuesday	April	15	†Jean Hughey
Wednesday	April	16	†Charlie Elder
Thursday	April	17	†Gary Olson
Friday	April	18	Living & Deceased Members of Fred & Carrie Thom Family

Spiritual Directions

Palm Sunday Commemoration

The opening of the Palm Sunday Mass is a vivid expression of public worship. Catholic Churches offer a procession to begin the liturgy, and the faithful are invited to take an active part.

This opening is called “The Commemoration of the Lord’s Entrance into Jerusalem.” The word commemoration implies more than a historical lesson. People are to do more than remember. They are to partake in the entry of the Lord.

The commemoration takes one of three different forms. The first is the procession, which begins outside the place where the Mass will be celebrated and moves toward the church. The second form takes place inside the church when an outdoor procession is not possible. Both these forms include the blessing of palm branches and the proclamation of the Gospel of Jesus’ triumphant entry into Jerusalem. One of these two forms must be used at every parish church. If the first form is used at one Mass, it should not be repeated at other Masses. The second form, however, may be done as often as the parish wishes.

The third form is a simplified beginning that does not include the blessing of branches nor the proclamation of the Gospel of Palm Sunday. Mass begins in the usual way, and the entrance antiphon for the day is the only mention of the triumphal entry into Jerusalem. It is designed for Masses where insufficient number of ministers or a lack of time demands a simpler, shorter service. As long as one Mass includes the first or second form of the commemoration, others may observe the third. However, most Catholics take a strong interest in participating in a procession, which creates a bond among themselves and with their Lord and Christ, who enters as king of their hearts.
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Palms

The Catholic faithful use palm branches at Mass on Palm Sunday and bring them home for devotional purposes. Palm Sunday is the popular name for the Sunday before Easter, though its full title is Palm Sunday of the Lord’s Passion. Two Gospel passages are proclaimed at Mass that day: One tells of people waving branches or spreading cloaks to welcome Jesus in triumph to Jerusalem, and the other tells of his passion and death.

Any branches may be used in the liturgy, but parishes usually provide palm branches, as mentioned in John’s Gospel (12:13). The faithful hold them at the beginning of the Mass for the blessing and procession.

After Mass, people may bring the branches home as a sacramental. Various customs have developed. Some place branches behind a wall-mounted crucifix or other religious image. Others cleverly fold them into crosses. Still others incorporate blessed branches into improvised prayers for protection during harmful weather.

Used palm branches are burned the following year, and the ashes are placed on the heads of the faithful on Ash Wednesday. Some parishes burn their own ashes. People who wish to dispose of old

palm branches may offer them back for burning or dispose of them at home in some reverent manner.

Palm branches appear in religious art as a symbol of martyrdom. In the Book of Revelation (7:9), a great multitude praises God with palm branches in hand. In the apocryphal gospel of pseudo-Matthew (20–21), a palm tree miraculously bends over to nourish the Holy Family on the flight into Egypt, and an angel plants one of its branches in paradise, making the palm a sign of victory in any contest.

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St. Lawrence Prays

For Those in Need

Parishioners: Tina Akers, Jim Bach, Tommy Brown, Dr. Glyn Caldwell, John Casper, Terry Cherry, Rosalie Covello, Lupita Molina Del Porte, Tabitha Edington, Terry Elder, Shirley Eldridge, David Foye, John Friel, Frank Goin, Kendall Harper, Betty Hettinger, John Litkenhus, Darrell Mach, Jo Johnson, Jim Martin, Walter Metcalf, Kathy Mirilovich, Bob Moses, Shirley Norris, Laura Obertal, Mark Salazar, Ellen Silvernail, Bob Simon, Ron Stohr, Ron Williams

Family & Friends: Shannon O'Connor (R. Silvernail) Shirley Durr (J. Bozorgzad); Michael Caldwell (G. Caldwell); Barbara Cann (L. Cann); Kenny Blair (P. Crane); Nina Larson, Fr. Jeff Estacio (A. Courtney); Kathleen & Carl Riester, Susan & John Nelson, Nick Doyle, Erica, John & James Nelson, Ryan Bickell (A. Dull); Jeff Ryan, Cammie Marshall (A Goin); Loretta and Shelby Newton (Libby H); Alli Johnson (Jo J); Benny Young, Marguerite Wordell (Patti Marraccini); Houghland Family, (K. Mirilovich); Ann Simpson (A. Pike); Rev. Rodney Stewart-Wilcox & Rev. Ronda Stewart-Wilcox, (R. Redden); Valerie Potter (S Ricci); Cynthia & Alan McMillen, Susie & Bob Schutz, Richard, Jeff & Iva Warren (M. Roark); Tim Tucker, Donna Amody, Bobby Hunter, Janet Hill (S. Rue); Ralph Roberts, Jim Reid (Fr. Steve); Jacen Hoyt (J. Stohr); Pam Hall, Gary Briscoe (B. Sloan); Lavolia Snell, (S Sloan); Shawna Timmerman, Mary Ann Hansen, Machell Adams, Caroline Elder (MJ Timmerman); Terry Thompson, Danny McCann, Mike Rakestraw (J. Thompson); Martha Clark, Lou Ann Clark (N Thompson); Vidalina Mojica, Angelina Bermudez, Jose Bermudez (G. Twohig); Douglas Wade Jr. (J. Wade); Max Wilburn, Julie Van Hook (M White); Carolyn & Ralph Booth (M. Yeager) Jamie Popp (N. Thompson)

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

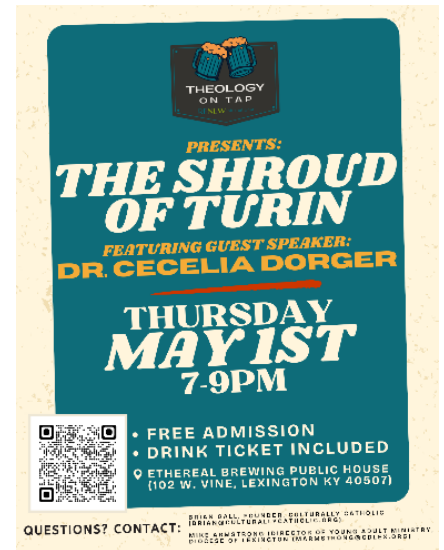
For the intentions in our hearts and for all those who are suffering.

St. Lawrence Formation



Theology on Tap is a place where young adults can come together, share a drink, and talk about things that actually matter. This event will be monthly over the summer. Admission is free and comes with one drink ticket (*age 21+*).

Our first event will be May 1 and feature Art Historian Dr. Cecelia Dorger, who will talk about the latest research around the most studied artifact in human history: **Shroud of Turin**. She'll break down the newest scientific findings about the fibers of the material, the blood on the shroud, and AI images of the man in the shroud. Registration not required, but appreciated. Visit our website to register & see info on future events: <https://cdlex.org/young-adult-ministry/>.



Other Events

Adult Formation Book Study meets this Sunday. Please join us in Blandford Hall after Mass as we continue with the series, “Parousia, The Bible and the Mass.” Coffee and refreshments will be available in Blandford Hall.

Choir practice meets on Tuesdays in the Church at 6:30 PM. We will be preparing for Holy Week and Easter. If you have any questions, just give Jane Wade a call at 859-576-6288.

Catholic Way Bible Study meets Mondays at 2:00pm in the Family Life Center.

Religious Education (CCD), grades K-8 classes meet Sundays from 11:00am-12:00noon in the CCD classrooms at Gabriel Hall.

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) classes meets Sunday, from 11:00am-12:00noon in the classroom.

Spanish OCIA and Faith Formation will meet Wednesdays from 6:30-8:00pm in Gabriel Hall.

Young Adult Ministry “Dinner with the Gospel” will meet on Saturday after 5:30pm Mass at the parish rectory.

Youth Group Come join us for fun, formation, friendship and activities Fridays from 6-8 in the Family Life Center.

Prayer Garden Preparation Parishioner help needed with: clean up beds, weed, divide and repot perennials and shrubs. We are gathering at 9:00am Saturday, April 12th. This is a great service project for our Confirmation students. We are excited about plans being finalized and work commencing. Please call Mary Whitely at 404-405-2155 if you can help.

St. Lawrence Gives

About the Rice Bowls:

You can now begin bringing in your Rice Bowls. If you do not have one, you can make your own, place a donation in a baggie, food storage container, or just write a check to St Lawrence. Thank you!

St. Lawrence Serves

Open Hands Pantry

The next meal Open Hands dinner is scheduled for May 1, 2025. Thanks to your continued generosity and support, we have all that we need to prepare the May meal, Thank You. If you would like to continue to donate food items: **Always needed:** Cooking oil, Sugar, Peanut Butter, Salmon, Canned beef stew, Canned chicken, Canned vegetables.

Thank you! During the recent Lenten food drive, we have received over 2,000lbs of food donations for the Open Hands Food Pantry. Thank you for living the Gospel and being Jesus.

Other Events

St. Lawrence Welcome Committee. If you would like to help, please contact Rochelle Silvernail, evenings or on weekends, at rochelle.silvernail@gmail.com or phone

St. Lawrence Community

Possible Playground at St. Lawrence

One of the suggestions from our *Landato Si* Committee was to look into the possibility of adding a playground at St. Lawrence. In addition, as Pastor, this request is one that has been brought to my attention on several occasions by many different people in the parish.

A proposal was presented to a combined Parish / Financial Council Meeting on April 1. The proposal was for a playground that would cost \$33,500. We have been incredibly fortunate to have \$30,000 in anonymous donations already pledged for the project if approved. Therefore, only a small amount of money would come from parish finances for this project!

The response was very favorable from the council members, but they wanted your input!

Therefore, next Sunday, April 13, at 11:00 am, the Pastoral / Finance Council members will be in Blandford Hall to answer any questions you have about the project and to get your input. I will act on the recommendation of the Councils.

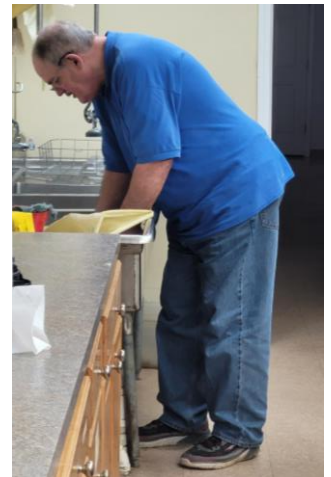
The following is from Annette Riddle, the head of our Parish Finance Committee:

We are so blessed at St. Lawrence with folks willing to generously share their personal time to educate our children in the Catholic faith. In Deuteronomy chapter 4, Moses reminded Israel of the Lords words on Mt. Horeb; to not forget the things they had seen, and “to make them known to your children and your children’s children”. Our children are the future. Education and recreation go hand in hand. In Christ, Fr. Steve

Ministry Committee Chairs

Pastoral Council	Robin Basham		Finance Council	Annette Riddle
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	Joy Bozorgzad		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	Vanna Armstrong, Diana Nichols
Rosary Makers	Donna Nicolette		Laudato Si	Andrea Dull (interim)
Youth Group	Henry Sepulveda		Outreach	Jim Martin, Andrea Dull
Young Adult	Hannah Meiers, Mike Armstrong		Welcome Committee	Rochelle Silvernail
Martha’s Ministry	Sue Litkenhus			

2025 Lenten Fish Fry Thank you to everyone who served on this incredible team for a successful Fish Fry season. Your dedication, organization, enthusiasm and hard work made a difference in our community.





Diocese of Lexington Events

2025 Annual Right To Life Benefit Banquet April. Pam Tebow, mother of Tim Tebow, Heisman Trophy Winner, and former quarterback for the Denver Bronco's and baseball outfielder for the New York Mets will be our keynote speaker and her story is one you don't want to miss. Pam is also an author of several books. *Ripple Effects: Discover the Miraculous Motivating Power of a Woman's Influence* will be available for purchase at the banquet. We anticipate that tickets will go fast, so register now using the button below. The official invitations will be in your mailbox within the next week, but you have the opportunity to get a head start today.

St. Lawrence Appreciates



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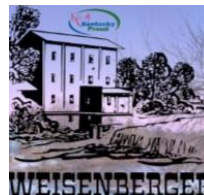


"Come join the family"
Monthly meeting every
4th Tuesday @ 6:00
pm

For benefit questions, VA help or basic inquiries, Please Call
Sally Higgins, Service Officer Post 34 @ 1-303-521-0590



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