

St. Lawrence Parish
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PASTORAL STAFF

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LITURGY AT ST. LAWRENCE

Saturday, August 3—Vigil: Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30 p.m. Florence Farrell—Daughter, Pat

Sunday, August 4—Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Noon Fassel & Janisch Families

Saturday, August 10—Vigil: Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30 p.m. All Souls of St. Lawrence

LORD HEAR OUR PRAYER



Please pray for Bruce Austin, Roseann Barthelemy, Larry Bartos, Twila Berst, Eleonore Clark, Steve Clark, Andy Dryja, Mike Ellis, Maria Feliciano, Paul Gentile, Joe Giancarlo, Linda Hammer, Mike Hartman, Jason Kent, Carol La-

Belle, Nick Parini, Christina Reyes, Aida Rivera, Maggie Stevenson, Tiana Valentin, Nancy Vogt, and all of our parishioners and their families. Please contact the rectory, 892-2471, to have a person placed on the List.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 3, 2024

Sunday: Ex 16:2-4, 12-15/Eph 4:17, 20-24/Jn 6:24-35

Monday: Jer 28:1-17/Mt 14:13-21

Tuesday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/2 Pt 1:16-19/Mk 9:2-10

Wednesday: Jer 31:1-7/Mt 15:21-28

Thursday: Jer 31:31-34/Mt 16:13-23

Friday: Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7/Mt 16:24-28

Saturday: 2 Cor 9:6-10/Jn 12:24-26



MASS SCHEDULE

MASSES ARE ALSO ONLINE

Watch on our YouTube channel StLawrenceBuffalo

Saturday: 4:30

Sunday: Noon

Wednesday at 3:30 p.m.

PHONES

Rectory.....716-892-2471

Faith Formation.....716-892-2471

Parish Hall.....716-896-9796

Franciscan Guest House (FGH).....716-893-8853

Food Pantry.....716-896-0047

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Wednesday & Thursday 9:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.

MASS ATTENDANCE

Saturday 7/27 4:30 p.m.—33

Sunday 7/28 Noon —61

JULY WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP

ALL COLLECTION MONEY WAS PUT IN THE REGULAR COLLECTION

Regular Sunday Collection.....\$1,232.50
Peter's Pence.....\$74.00
Total month to date.....\$4,630.00

We are grateful for the prayers and financial support of our parishioners and friends of St. Lawrence Church.

CLOSING MASS

The St. Lawrence Closing Mass will be on Saturday, August 10, at 4:30 PM with a reception to follow. Because our parking lot is small, additional parking is available at the BOCES Building (former Old Pine Hill School) just two tenths of a mile on East Delavan Avenue east of the Church. There will be a shuttle available from the BOCES building to St. Lawrence from 3:30 PM on. The shuttle will be a big beige van with "St. Lawrence Shuttle" signs taped to the windows. The shuttle will also return people to their cars. There will be sidewalk cones for the shuttle drop off and pick up zone.

DECREE OF MERGER

With the preference of the St. Lawrence Transition Team on behalf of this parish, a decree merging St. Lawrence Parish and its territory into Blessed Trinity Parish was promulgated. Bishop Fisher, in a letter addressing the decree, stated, "On 17 June 2024 I executed the decree merging St. Lawrence Parish into Blessed Trinity Parish, effective 12 August 2024". Copies of the terms and details of the decree are available for your review from the parish trustees, Betty Reidy and Peter Zimmer.



THIS WEEK IN OUR FAMILY OF PARISHES

Monday 8/5: 10AM—Noon Pantry STL
Zoom Rosary *Get the link from CB Face-*

book Page

Tuesday, 8/6: 6PM National Night Out SMdP (canceled if it rains)

Wednesday 8/7: 9:30 AM – 1:30 PM Food Pantry BT

Thursday 8/8: 10AM-Noon Food Pantry STL

8PM BINGO CB Doors open at 6:30PM

Friday 8/9: Eastside Community Partnership - Senior Resource Fair 10 AM to Noon at Gerard Place

Rosary Group follows 11AM Mass BT

Saturday 8/10: Closing Mass 4:30 PM August 10 STL

Our regular weekday Mass schedule:

BT Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday 11 AM

STL Wednesday 3:30 PM

Our weekend Mass schedule:

BT Saturdays 4:30PM & Sundays 10AM

CB Saturdays 4PM and Sundays 9AM (Spanish)

& 11AM Last Sunday of the month: Bi-Lingual 10AM

SMdP Sundays 8AM and 9:30AM

STL Saturdays 4:30PM and Sundays Noon

Confessions By appointment or prior to the Saturday Vigil Masses

BT—Blessed Trinity, CB—Columba Brigid, SMdP—St. Martin de Porres, STL—St. Lawrence SLVMI -St. Lawrence Vineyard Ministries Inc FP – Family Promise

Save the Dates:

Vigil of Assumption of Mary 7 PM August 14 BT (A Holy Day of Obligation)

Como Park noon August 18 Picnic sponsored by SMdP
Protecting God's Children workshop August 26, 6 PM BT Hall

Baptism Class Parents of children under 7 September 4, 6:30 PM BT Classroom

Women's Self-care mini retreat Sponsored by Ladies Sodality of Blessed Trinity September 8 11:30 AM in the BT Hall. Light refreshments.

Fall Confirmation classes Six sessions starting **Sunday, September 29**

FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION

Family 21 will celebrate Mass for the **Feast of the Assumption**: 7 PM on Wednesday, August 14 at Blessed Trinity. **This is the only Mass in the family for that day.**

**St. Lawrence Pray
for Us**



MEET THE NEIGHBORS

Meet the Neighbors returns August 3 from 5:30-8:00 PM at Blessed Trinity. This free event includes grilled hot dogs, popcorn, ice cream, and activities like face painting, a live DJ, and a salsa instructor! Fun activities include an art project for kids of all ages and a chance to explore a fire truck and police car. Docents are available for church tours. Contact Blessed Trinity parish with any questions.

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

National Night Out: Tuesday, August 6. Connect with our neighbors and join millions of others throughout the nation as they come together with their local police departments to promote police-community partnerships and neighborhood comradery. **St. Martin de Porres** 6 PM on the parish grounds - bring a chair. **Blessed Trinity Neighborhood** - Sponsored by The Leroy Avenue Block Club 4 PM to 8 PM. Bring a chair to the Flower Pot Lot at 217 Leroy, relax, and enjoy the company of our Leroy Avenue neighbors.

SENIOR RESOURCE FAIR

Our East Side Community Partnership will sponsor a resource fair for seniors on Friday, August 9th, 10AM – 12:00PM at Gerard Place (2515 Bailey Avenue @ Delavan Avenue, 14215

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN

There will be a **Protecting God's Children** workshop on August 26, 6 PM at Blessed Trinity Hall. If you plan to work with youth or vulnerable adults or bring Communion to the homebound you need to be "certified." If you have never taken this class, sign up now with instructors Pat Dyer and Joyce Davis in a familiar location.

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES

Leta Gebemare lives in the heart of Tigray, Ethiopia. At 50 years old, after losing her husband in the Tigray conflict, Leta's world turned upside down. With markets barren and prices soaring, her son sacrificed his education to get a job and support their family. Then a lifeline was offered. CRS's vulnerability-based targeting (VBT), which is part of the Joint Emergency Operation (JEOP) funded by USAID, identified Leta's family as needing food assistance. Now they receive monthly food parcels of wheat, pulses and vegetable oil. In Tigray, where scarcity is the norm, Leta embodies the community's heart, stating, "We share what we have, even if it's little, with those in need - especially the children." Visit www.crs.org for more information and to see how you can help!

Interested in becoming a member of our local group? Contact Dcn. Jerry or Dcn. Don.

CATHOLIC QUESTION BOX

Do you have a question for "*The Catholic Question Box?*" Send an email to: patriciadyernp@gmail.com or place your question in the collection, and someone from your parish will get it passed on.)