

St. Laurence Parish

Jewett at Standish Streets
Elgin, IL 60123

Parish Office: Rectory:
565 Standish St. 226 Orchard St.
8:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Monday - Friday
P - 847-468-6900 F - 847-468-6904
After Hours - 224-535 - 8815

EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATION

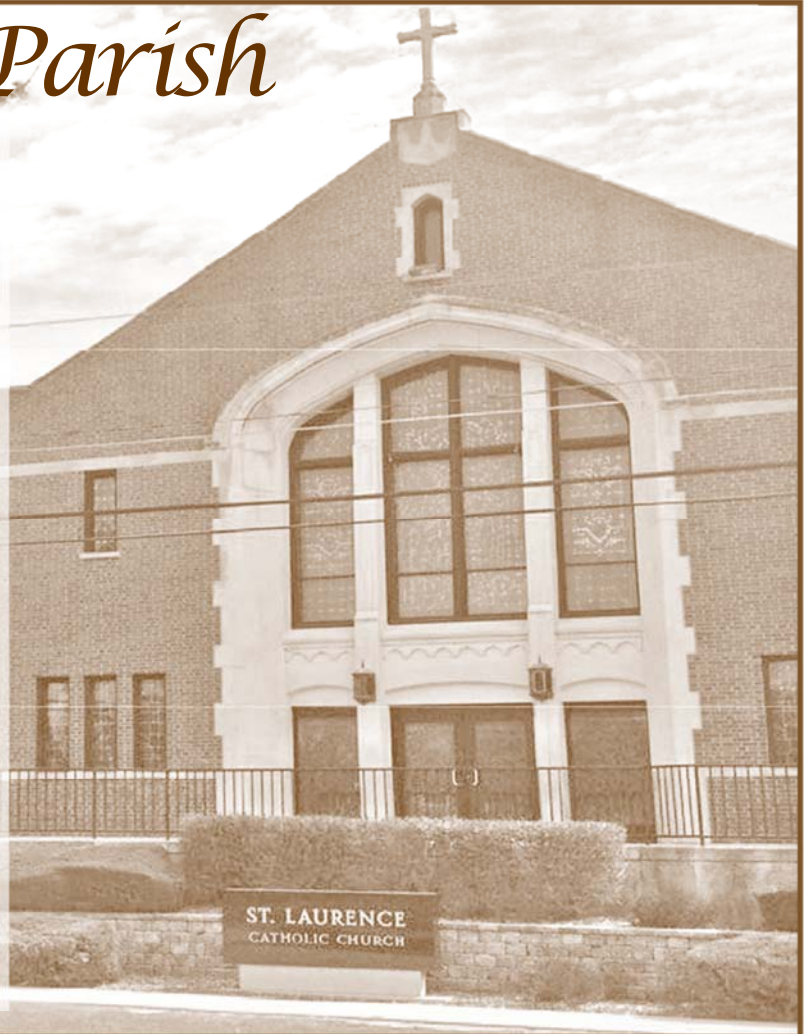
Saturday - 4:00 PM
Sundays - 7:15, 9:00 - Bilingual, 11:00 AM
Daily Mass - 8:00 AM Monday - Friday

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 3:00 - 3:45 PM
Special times upon request.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE & BAPTISM

Check our website for more information.
[Stlaurencechurchelgin.com/parish-information](http://stlaurencechurchelgin.com/parish-information)



PASTORAL STAFF

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Education Commission - Ron Szopa, President

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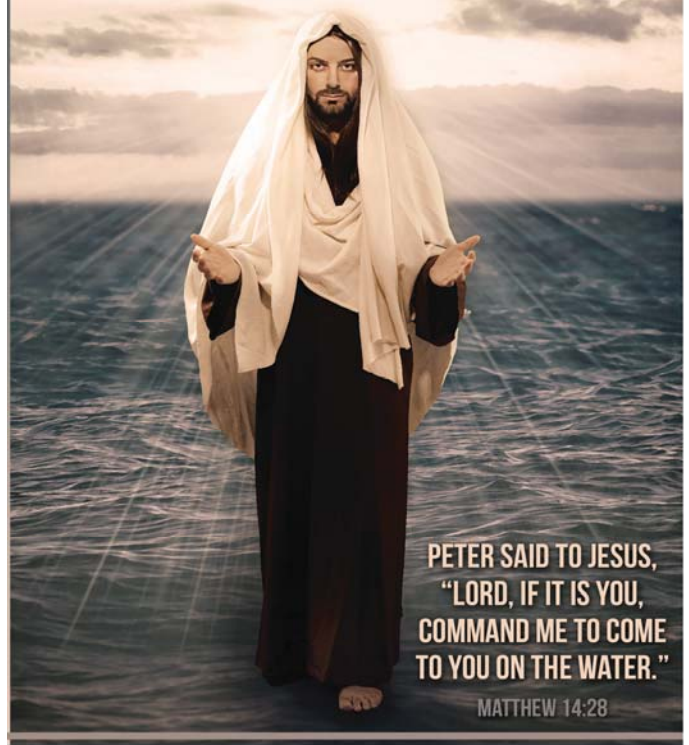
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NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

AUGUST 13, 2017



PETER SAID TO JESUS,
"LORD, IF IT IS YOU,
COMMAND ME TO COME
TO YOU ON THE WATER."

MATTHEW 14:28

Mass Intentions Aug 14- 20, 2017

Monday	8:00 AM	Thanksgiving for Edmund Galilea & the Souls of Generoso & Glilea Families by Vivian Galilea
Tuesday	8:00 AM	Ian Kenney Birthday Blessings by Caitlyn Dix
	6:00 PM	Eleanor & Robert Bell by Janet Real-Miller
Wednesday	8:00 AM	Leroy Rogman by Maian Marty
Thursday	8:00 AM	Mary Sullivan by Dan Sullivan
Friday	8:00 AM	Colin Kramer by Joy Volkening & Family
Saturday	4:00 PM	Robert Bell by Family
Sunday	7:15 AM	Bradley VandeDrink by Mom & Dad
Sunday	9:00 AM	Robert & Ann Volpe by John & Cathy Volpe and St Laurence Parish Family
Sunday	11:00 AM	Jack Lococo by Lucille Lococo

Readings for the Week

Monday	Dt 10:12-22; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Mt 17:22-27
Tuesday	Vigil: 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2; Ps 132:6-7, 9-10, 13-14; 1 Cor 15:54b-57; Lk 11:27-28 Day: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Ps 45:10-12, 16; 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56
Wednesday	Dt 34:1-2; Ps 66:1-3a, 5, 8, 16-17; Mt 18:15-20
Thursday	Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17; Ps 114:1-6; Mt 18:21 -- 19:1
Friday	Jos 24:1-13; Ps 136:1-3, 16-18, 21-22, 24; Mt 19:3-12
Saturday	Jos 24:14-29; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-8, 11; Mt 19:13-15
Sunday	Is 56:1, 6-7; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Rom 11:13-15, 29-32; Mt 15:21-28

Hospital Minister

August 18 - Dee Reinhardt

Stewardship Collection

August 5/6, 2017

Total giving this week	\$7,363.58
Budget amount needed each week	\$7,900.00



Altar Flowers

In Honor of St. Laurence Family
by Larry Ruiz

Please Pray for:

Remember O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thy intercession was left unaided. Inspired by this confidence I fly unto thee, O Virgin of virgins, my Mother. To thee do I come, before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me. Amen.



For the strengthening in faith of all who are afflicted in body, mind or spirit please pray for:

Rev. Robert Balog, Robert Borofsky, Kathleen Camarena, Nadine Gartner, John Giuliano, Michael Graffis, Kay Hogan, Karena Jager, Tom Kelly, Michael Kmiecik II, Cliff Kramer, Gordon Lee, Mitch Mann, Nicole Mattoon, Jerry Martinez, Lois Mousel, Betty Pekofske, Bonnie Penea, Wayne Plazyk, Lisa Rednour, Donna Sardina, Henry Schultheis, Mike Shannon, and Sue Wagener.

May God protect our members who serve in the armed forces and return them safely to their families.

AIR FORCE: Staff Sgt. Eric Charckon, Major Victoria Cramer, ARMY: 1st. Sgt. Eric Case, Sgt.. Jennifer (Clough) Korfmacher, Sgt. Charles Korfmacher, Pfc. Johnathan Lindquist, 1st. Lt. Thomas Martin, Sgt. Jacob McDonald, Pvt Michael Metz, COAST GUARD: Cadet 2nd Class Allison Rychtanek, MARINES: Sgt Patrick Metz, Pvt. Ryan Metz, NAVY: Seaman Apprentice Terrance M. Alexander, Seaman Recruit Timothy M. Alexander, CDR Bettina Sauter, Corpsman Nick Toufexis, NATIONAL GUARD: Pvt. Jarod Metz

Holy Day of Obligation

Tuesday - August 15, 2017 Mass Times - 8 AM & 6 PM
Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Altar Ministry for Aug 19/20

4:00 PM Lector - Tom Guetschow
Eucharistic Ministers - Mitch Esterino, Kay Gotter, Daniela Sandoval, Debbie Wever
Altar Servers - Delaney Groscoat, Christopher Valenti

7:15 AM Lector - Kathy Newcomb
Eucharistic Ministers - Vicky Giuliano, Marlene Gurley, Loretta Revesz, Chris Stine
Altar Servers - Korbin Arnold, Tommy Bruneman

9:00 AM Lector - Ron Szopa, Gil Valencia
Eucharistic Ministers - Mary Berg, Mary Ann Bruneman, Bob Jones, Kathy Jones
Altar Servers - Rocco Boss, Isabella Murillo

11:00 AM Lector - Brian Torri
Eucharistic Ministers - Veronica Betz, Gail Essary, Joann Smith, Larry Smith
Altar Servers - Gabe del Rosario, Malakai Mortensen

ST. LAURENCE CHURCH FUNDRAISER CASH RAFFLE \$10,000* GRANDPRIZE

2ND PRIZE: \$2,000

3RD PRIZE: \$1,000

5 Early Bird Drawings for \$200

\$100 EACH

ONLY 500 TICKETS WILL BE SOLD

Grand Prize Drawing: October 11, 2017

Help Support Our Parish

Buy your ticket today

for more chances to win in early drawings:

July 5 & 19, August 9 & 23, September 6

Tickets available after all weekend masses or the parish office.

www.stlaurencechurchelgin.com

565 Standish Street | Elgin, IL 60123

Phone: (847) 468-6900

*Prize dollar amounts based on number of tickets sold. Must be older than 18 to enter. Winners need not be present to win. Visit our website for complete rules.



Money returned to St. Laurence

\$58,296 - Goal

\$56,388 - to date

96.7% goal pledged

www.rockforddiocese.org/donate

Thank You! We are almost to our Target of \$58,296. We only need \$1,908 to be pledged. We truly appreciate your family's pledge to The Diocesan Stewardship Appeal. We have received pledges/payments from 173 of our 1036 families. All monies received by the Diocese above our goal will be returned to our Parish. WITH YOUR HELP, WE CAN REACH OUR GOAL AND "BEYOND". Fill out your envelope and return it at mass or to the church office, OR donate on-line: www.rockforddiocese.org/donate It's easy to do!

Fr. Andrew has purchased a GIFT for St. Laurence! It is called "FORMED". FORMED is an online resource center filled with amazing Catholic content. With a subscription to FORMED, parishioners can log in to have full access to hundreds of books, movies, audio, bible studies, etc.! The great thing is it can be accessed from a computer or phone (there is an app). Need more info? Check with Briana Collins 847-468-6900.

FORMED®

Looking for a way to include God in your Marriage? You'll discover how to do just that on a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. It is a weekend for married couples to get away from job, computers, children, chores and phones – and focus on each other and God's plan for your marriage. Sign up today to attend one of the upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend on Sept. 8-10 in Geneva, IL or Oct. 27-29 in Brookfield, WI. Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at: alifetimeoflove.org or call (888) 574-5653. Para un fin de semana en Espanol por favor llamen a Andres y Maria al 630-229-2600. Las fechas son Septiembre 15-17 y Noviembre 10-12.



Ministry Formation Office Now Taking Applications for Group 18!

Orientation is Saturday August 26, 2017 at St. James Parish, Rockford. Visit www.ceorockford.org for more information and to apply. Please call 815-399-4300 or email eaddotta@rockforddiocese.org with questions.

STL OPEN Market Festival OCTOBER 14, 2017 CALLING ALL BUSINESSES

Do you have a business, craft, or organization you would like to promote? We invite you to participate in the *St. Laurence Open Market Festival on Saturday, October 14th from 10am to 3pm*. It is an opportunity to showcase the face of our parish and invite the community in to shop, eat, and learn about what we have to offer mind, body and spirit. We are extending this invite within our parish first before reaching out to outside vendors. The first vendor of its kind will receive product exclusivity, so please submit your form to reserve your spot today. Booth Application form is available from the parish office or website. We will be promoting this event in local newspaper, radio and direct mailings. <http://stlaurencechurchelgin.com/events/st-laurence-market-festival/> Contact me with any questions: **Rosey Valencia (847) 710-4250**

TMIY
THAT MAN IS YOU!
BECOMING A MAN AFTER GOD'S OWN HEART

Saturday's beginning September 9, 2017 at St. Thomas More 7AM – 8:30AM
For more information contact **Mike Kmiecik @ 630.698.3005** or visit: <http://stlaurencechurchelgin.com/events/that-man-is-you-tmiy/>

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Religious Education

Have you ever considered volunteering to teach Religious Education?

There is so much joy in working with our youth and helping them learn our Catholic faith!

We are in need of a few volunteers to help make our program be all that it can be!

If you are interested, please contact Briana Collins at 847-468-6900 or at ReligiousEd@StLaurenceChurchElgin.com

A SVdP Success Story

From time to time, the St. Thomas More/St. Laurence conference of the Society of St. Vincent dePaul would like to share stories about the friends in need that we assist with your support.

SVdP recently had the privilege of assisting a widow who has an autistic son. Her home is in disrepair to the point that her insurance company dropped her coverage because her electrical service was out of code. Without insurance, she was in jeopardy of losing her mortgage. Through prayer and some legwork, we were able to partner with Habitat for Humanities to bring her electrical issues up to code which allowed her to remain in her house.

"Charity is the cement which binds Communities to God and persons to one another." -St. Vincent de Paul



Society of St. Vincent de Paul
National Council of the United States
Seeking Charity and Justice

School News



Registration Now Open

3 year old Preschool through 8th Grade

Come see how we strive to offer our students an affordable, high quality education in a faith filled, family environment.

We can't wait to meet you!

847-468-6100



St. Laurence
Catholic School

<http://StLaurenceSchool.com>

We still have openings for new student registration.

Please cut off the "Box Top" and "Labels for Education" coupons. You can drop them off in the box in the church Narthax. Each "Box Top" is worth 10 cents to the school. We can earn free educational merchandise, such as computers, software, sports equipment, library books, and more.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS! The first Sunday Confirmation class of the year is Sunday, September 10th, from 9:30-10:45 am. The first Wednesday night of Religious Education Class is Wednesday, September 13th, from 6-7:15 pm. **REGISTER TODAY!**



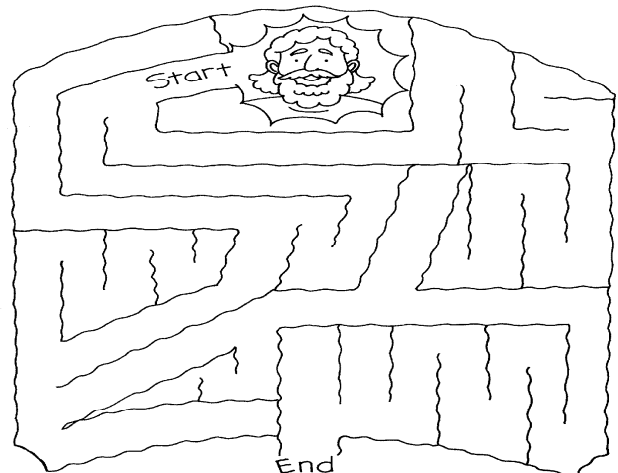
Kid's Corner



The disciples think Jesus is a ghost at first and are frightened. Jesus calms them and tells them not to be afraid.

Directions: In the space below, draw a boat with you and Jesus.

Help Elijah find his way to the entrance of the cave.
The LORD will be passing by!



Clergy Appreciation

Dinner
October 13, 2017
6 - 7 PM

All are welcome to attend this wonderful opportunity to thank our clergy members for all that they do!

St. Mary's Parish Center
10307 Dundee Rd.
Huntley, IL 60142

For tickets call:
Mike Kmiecik - (630) 698-3005.

\$35 per person

Must be purchased by September 23, 2017 no tickets at the door.

Bellarmino Jesuit Retreat House is sponsoring a silent retreat for men: Matt Carpenter - "Who is the man I want to be?"
September 8-10, 2017 For more information call 847-381-1261 or visit www.jesuitretreat.org

St. Stanislaus Parish, Rockford, IL 36th Annual Polish Fest, August 20, 2017. Free Admission for more information call (815)965 3913

UPDATE - 90th Anniversary Picnic

When: August 20, 2017 - After 11 AM Mass

Fellow Parishioners, our picnic is almost here! Sign up sheets in the Narthex for volunteers; set up and take down, and sign up sheets for side dishes you'd like to share - no desserts please. Since we are celebrating our diverse cultures let us know what country you wish to have represented.

Deacon Bob is looking for new or used Bibles to take to the residents at the Elgin Mental Health Facility. If you have any to donate please leave them in the box marked "BIBLES" in the narthex. Thank you.



Ministry Meetings - Aug 13 - 19

Sunday 8:00 AM Men's Cursillo - Cafeteria
Monday
Tuesday
Wednesday
Thursday 6:00 PM 9:00 AM Choir Practice - Church
7:00 PM Men's Cursillo - Sacristy
Friday 7:30 AM Men's Cursillo
8:30 AM Cursillo Women's - Library
5:30 PM Cursillo Women's - Sacristy
7:00 PM Bible Study in Spanish - Sacristy

Submission deadline for bulletin entries are Monday at Noon.
Please send all entries to: office@stlaurencechurchelgin.com



Church Office
Monday - Thursday 8 AM - 4PM
Friday 8 AM - Noon

Traveling this summer?

VISIT www.catholicmasstime.org

Support our Local Businesses

We encourage our parishioners to support the businesses advertising in our bulletin. This week we highlight:

House of Fireplaces

847.741.6464 | 1255 Bowes Rd.
<http://www.majesticdistributing.com>



Vocations - Fr. Keith Romke, Director of Vocations



Vocation Corner: Bring What You Have

Earlier in the week, one of the daily gospel readings presented us with the story of the feeding of the 5000. I'm sure we all know the story of how Jesus took five loaves and two fish and used it to feed this huge number of people. Jesus was of course the one that made this happen, but he chose to accept the generosity, the gift, and the openness of a young man who brought those five loaves and two fish forward. It would have been so easy for the young man to have said that what he had to offer was inconsequential compared to what the task called for, but he didn't do that. Rather, he took what he had, made it available to the Lord, and the Lord performed a miracle and made something incredible happen. I think in our own minds it can be very easy to look at what we feel we have to offer and judge ourselves as being incapable of making a huge impact. But the fact of the matter is that God calls all of us to something great, and that just because something seems to be beyond us does not mean that is not what God is calling us to do in to succeed in! So whatever your five loaves and two fish are, give them to the Lord, be not afraid, and prepare yourself to see the wonders that God will do with your gift.