



## Mass Intentions June 12-18, 2017

Monday	8:00 AM	Souls of the Faithful Departed
Tuesday	8:00 AM	Lowell Haire by Nancy
Wednesday	8:00 AM	Mary Cronin by Larry Metz
Thursday	8:00 AM	Anthony Carcione by Charity DiLiberti
Friday	8:00 AM	Dennis De Boer by Hollenstein Family
Saturday	4:00 PM	Lyle Mousel by Family
Sunday	7:15 AM	All Living and Deceased Fathers of St. Laurence Family
Sunday	9:00 AM	George & Tom Grudnowski by Family
Sunday	11:00 AM	Raymond Bohne by Family

## Readings for the Week

Monday	2 Cor 1:1-7; Ps 34:2-9; Mt 5:1-12
Tuesday	2 Cor 1:18-22; Ps 119:129-133, 135; Mt 5:13-16
Wednesday	2 Cor 3:4-11; Ps 99:5-9; Mt 5:17-19
Thursday	2 Cor 3:15 -- 4:1, 3-6; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14; Mt 5:20-26
Friday	2 Cor 4:7-15; Ps 116:10-11, 15-18; Mt 5:27-32
Saturday	2 Cor 5:14-21; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12; Mt 5:33-37
Sunday	Dt 8:2-3, 14b-16a; 1 Cor 10:16-17; Jn 6:51-58

## Hospital Minister

June 16, 2017 - Lisa Bucaro

## Stewardship Collection

For June 3/4, 2017

Total giving this week	\$9,848.66
Year-to-Date Actual	\$384,705.53
Year-to-Date Budget	\$401,800.
Year-to-date Deficit	\$17,094.47
Fiscal 2016-17 Full Year Budget	\$412,000

Thank You!

## Altar Flowers

Altar flowers this week are offered in Memory of:  
Gary Stine by the Stine Family

## Please Pray for:

We pray for the repose of the souls of:

Donald & Marjorie Egger

We ask God to keep their family in His care!



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

Rev. Robert Balog, Timm Berg, Robert Borofsky, Kathleen Camarena, Angelo DiLiberti, Donald & Marcie Gilles, Kelly Girgis, John Giuliano, Michael Graffis, Kay Hogan, Karena Jager, Tom Kelly, Cliff Kramer, Pat Laird, Gordon Lee, Mitch Mann, Jerry Martinez, Lois Mousel, Betty Pekofske, Bonnie Penera, Lisa Rednour, Donna Sardina, Mike Shannon, Philomena Smith, Greg Soohov, Sr., 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, Airman Patrick Schubert, ARMY: 1st. Sgt. Eric Case, Sgt.. Jennifer (Clough) Korfmacher, Sgt. Charles Korfmacher, Pfc. Johnathan Lindquist, 1st. Lt. Thomas Martin, Sgt. Jacob McDonald, COAST GUARD: Cadet 2nd Class Allison Rychtanek, MARINES: Cpl. Patrick Metz, Pvt. Ryan Metz, NAVY: Seaman Apprentice Terrance M. Alexander, Seaman Recruit Timothy M. Alexander, CDR Bettina Sauter, Corpsman Nick Toufexis

## Altar Ministry for June 17/18

4:00 PM	Lector - Tom Guetschow Eucharistic Minister - Kay Gotter, Vickie Muno, Jose Sanoval, Debbie Wever Altar Servers - Delaney Groscoast, Christopher Valenti
7:15 AM	Lector - Joan Ziethen Eucharistic Ministers - Vicky Giuliano, Joanie Gronnert, Marlene Gurley, Chris Stine Altar - Will Metz, Karen Perez
9:00 AM	Lector - Joe & Belinda Bermea Eucharistic Ministers - Loli Gudino, Natalea Gudino-Leon, William Hejnosz, Max Marcordes Altar—Isabella Montez, Elizabeth Salzmann
11:00 AM	Lector - Brian Torri Eucharistic Ministers - Gail Essary, James Kararo, Joann Smith, Larry Smith Altar - Nathalia Aguirre, Stephanie Popovich



[www.rockforddiocese.org/donate](http://www.rockforddiocese.org/donate)

128 families have pledged for the Diocesan Stewardship Collection. If you are one of the 935 families who have not already pledged, please prayerfully consider supporting our parish with your donation/pledge. Fill out your envelope and return it at mass or to the church office, OR donate on-line: [www.rockforddiocese.org/donate](http://www.rockforddiocese.org/donate) It's easy to do!

The Respect Life Committee will be selling "flowers for father" after all masses the weekend of June 17th – June 18th (Father's Day weekend). The flowers will cost \$2.00 each and all proceeds will go to Corbella Clinic of South Elgin. Also, if anyone wishes to purchase a flower in memory of someone special, it can be purchased and placed in the vase in front of St. Joseph.



The "Women of E" are planning a new church directory for the St. Laurence Parish family.

Our last directory was in 2010. Faces

and families have definitely changed in seven years! If you would like to be a part of our new church directory, just register for a time to come and have a photograph done. Scheduling will be done after Masses in the Narthax, calling 224.639.0910 or through the link on our website: <http://stlaurencechurchelgin.com/events/new-church-directory/> Portrait sittings are FREE and can be scheduled through June 21, 2017. Every family who has their picture taken will receive a FREE 8x10 photo and a copy of the directory.

*Don't wait - schedule your family portrait today!*

Highlighting the importance of defending religious freedom, the Fortnight for Freedom takes place June 21—the vigil of the Feasts of St. John Fisher and St. Thomas More—to July 4, Independence Day.



"God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life." Let God amplify and elucidate the love in your marriage by exploring a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend on July 14-16 in Madison, WI; 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](http://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 Nov. 10-12.



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.



*Traveling this summer?*  
VISIT [www.catholicmasstime.org](http://www.catholicmasstime.org)

St. Edward Central Catholic High School will be offering Academic and Athletic Summer Camps—Art, Band, Science, Basketball, Soccer and more. For more information see the school website at [www.stedhs.org](http://www.stedhs.org) or call the school 847.741.7535



St. Laurence received a thank you letter from Jeanna Desideri, director of Corbella Clinic thanking us for the \$281 donation from the Mother's Day Flowers.

So far in 2017, they have helped 102 women with a free pregnancy test. Many of those women were considering abortion. Corbella provides an ultrasound, fetal development education, information, counseling and follow-up with all of the women so they are better informed now or in the future.



You can continue your support of Corbella Clinic with prayers for all of their clients, especially those at risk for abortion. Corbella Clinic is located at 101 E. State St., South Elgin, IL 60177 Phone number is 847-697-0200

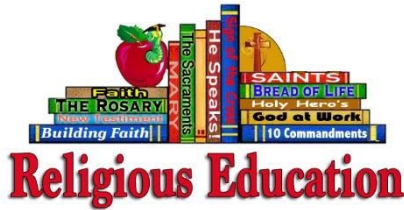
The Raffle is coming!! The Raffle is coming!!  
Grand Prize \$10,000. Only 500 tickets!  
Buy a ticket for \$100 Watch for details soon!

## Religious Education

2017/2018 PREP

Registration is OPEN!

Registration Materials are available on the Religious Education webpage.



Questions – Briana Collins (847-468-6900)

Calling all 1<sup>st</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> Graders! Summer Plans?!  
Consider Totus Tuus !

What is Totus Tuus? Latin for “Totally Yours”, Totus Tuus is a week-long summer camp held at Catholic parishes. Youth are invited to come and experience that they can be faithful Catholics and still have lots of fun. Through morning “pump up”, silly skits and songs, snacks, recess, water fights, the Eucharist, and so much more, Totus Tuus infuses the element of fun into this program while the youth learn about God’s love for them and the beauty of our Catholic faith!!

Location: St. Mary Parish, Elgin (397 Fulton St, Elgin, IL 60120)

Session Dates:

1<sup>st</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup>: Monday, June 26<sup>th</sup> – Friday, June 30<sup>th</sup> (9 am – 2:30 pm)

7<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup>: Sunday, June 25<sup>th</sup> – Thursday, June 29<sup>th</sup> (7 pm – 9:15 pm)

Registration is open! For a Registration Form, contact Briana Collins (847-468-6900). For specific Totus Tuus questions, contact the St. Mary’s Religious Education Office at (847) 888-2718).

## Kid's Corner



*Just as your brain and your heart are part of you but have different functions, the Holy Trinity is made up of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Each its own identity, but part of the whole.*

Directions: Match the correct word to the definition.

**The Spirit**      **The Father**  
**The Son**        **Holy Trinity**

1. Allows us to understand God - \_\_\_\_\_
2. Sent to earth to save us from our sins - \_\_\_\_\_
3. God is made up of this - \_\_\_\_\_
4. The Almighty, creator of heaven & earth - \_\_\_\_\_

## School News

*“Don’t cry because it’s over, smile because it happened.”*  
~Dr. Seuss



The end of a school year always brings with it some sadness, but, in reflecting on this school year, a smile comes to my face as I reflect on all that we have, and will continue to have, to be grateful for at St. Laurence.

Our strategic plan includes 17 goals that have already begun to be implemented. Some of those goals include technology upgrades, incorporation of Spanish language classes, gifted enrichment, STEM focus, Guided Math, Positive Behavior Intervention and Supports system, and an Every Minute Counts attendance campaign, just to name a few. As I mentioned earlier this year, we are excited to build upon a strong tradition of academic excellence at St. Laurence especially during a time when the news is filled with unease in regards to the future of our country’s educational systems.

We are also starting a couple of new committees that I welcome your involvement with. They are a Catholic Identity Committee and a FUNdraising Committee. Please let me know at [wkelly@stlaurenceschool.com](mailto:wkelly@stlaurenceschool.com) if you are interested.

On our final day, our students enjoyed Field Day which was organized and implemented by our 7<sup>th</sup> grade class and PTC. Thank you to everyone who made the day a memorable one for our students!



I’d like to also introduce you to a new member of our St. Laurence family. He joined us recently and our students voted on his name, Tigey. He will be traveling throughout the summer and posting updates on his own Facebook page, Tigey the Tiger. The students received their own “Flat Tigey” and are encouraged to post pictures of their travels over the summer. We welcome participation of our parishioner’s children as well.



Contact me at the office and I’ll get a “Flat Tigey” to you as well.

I will be available throughout the summer for tours! I’d love to share with you the gift of St. Laurence Catholic School! © (847)468-6100



**Registration Now Open**  
3 year old Preschool through 8th Grade  
Call 847-468-6100

## Congratulations to:

Congratulations and Blessings to:  
**Karen Ramos & Matthew Kiep**

Married on May 31, 2017



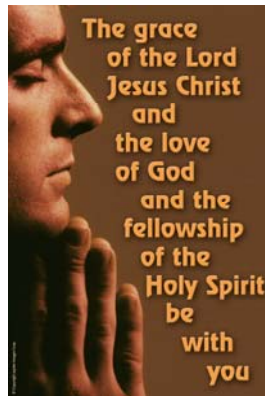
Congratulations and Welcome to:

Fr. Robert Comacho who retired on June 1, 2017 and will be supporting St. Laurence Parish as a priest in residence. Fr. Bob will be presiding over Monday morning mass and helping out as needed.



### THE INEXPRESSIBLE MYSTERY

The God of the universe is mysterious. Science has not been able to solve the mystery of how the universe came into being or explain exactly what continues to give it creative energy and masterful design. No religion asserts that it has found words to name fully the ineffable mystery of God, for no matter what name we use, God always transcends our limited ability to understand. God is a mystery to be believed, not known. And yet, we Christians believe that our name for God best expresses that inexpressible mystery: God is the Most Holy Trinity of three persons united in a communion of love, pouring forth that creative, saving, sanctifying love into the world. Today's scriptures celebrate the mystery of the Trinity and give us clues for living that mystery in our lives.



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## Ministry Meetings—June 11-17

- Sunday 3 PM Bible Study, Sacristy  
Monday  
Tuesday 7 PM St. Vincent DePaul Society, Cafeteria  
Wednesday  
Thursday 6 PM Finance Council, Sacristy  
7 PM Cursillo Men's, Sacristy  
7 PM Cursillo Women's, Cafeteria  
Friday 7:30 AM Men's Cursillo  
5:30 PM Cursillo Women's, Sacristy

*It is never a question with any of us of faith or no faith; the question always is, "In what or in whom do I put my faith?"*  
--Anonymous

### Need Community Service Hours?

We are looking for an intern to help with social media posts for St. Laurence Church. Contact Dee Reinhardt - 708-822-2152.

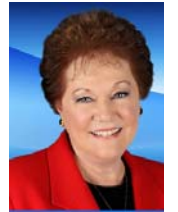


## Support our Local Businesses

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

**Remax - Judy LoBianco**

Call: (847) 741.JUDY  
www.741judy.com



## Vocations - Fr. Keith Romke, Director of Vocations

### The Trinity as an Analogy

I think that a lot of priests around the world feel a little like I do on Trinity Sunday: I'm excited to talk about the greatest thing ever, yet at the same time I know that I can never do the topic justice because my limited human mind cannot even begin to fathom the immensity of God's greatness nor the depth of the relationship that exists between the Father and the Son as well as the Love between them which is the Holy Spirit. So there is always a mix of joy tempered with a feeling like I can never quite nail down all that I want to say that I find in my heart.

In a way I think that this is exactly how one feels when they begin to discover their big picture vocation. You see, when I really started discerning the priesthood I was excited, yet at the same time I felt like I didn't know for sure, and I felt like I couldn't fully grasp everything about this vocations that I felt called to. The reason why I couldn't perfectly nail down everything that was going on in my heart and my soul is because God's plan is so amazing that it's simply too big to grasp in a single moment! The same thing is frequently true when one is on the verge of getting engaged – the love between the two is palpable, yet it is impossible to articulate everything going on within one's heart. So if you feel a tug towards priesthood, religious life, or marriage, but can't quite figure it all out, don't be afraid, rather, know that this is completely normal. Buckle up and enjoy the ride – and if you've already been enjoying the ride for some time, make sure to give thanks to God for all that He has given you!

