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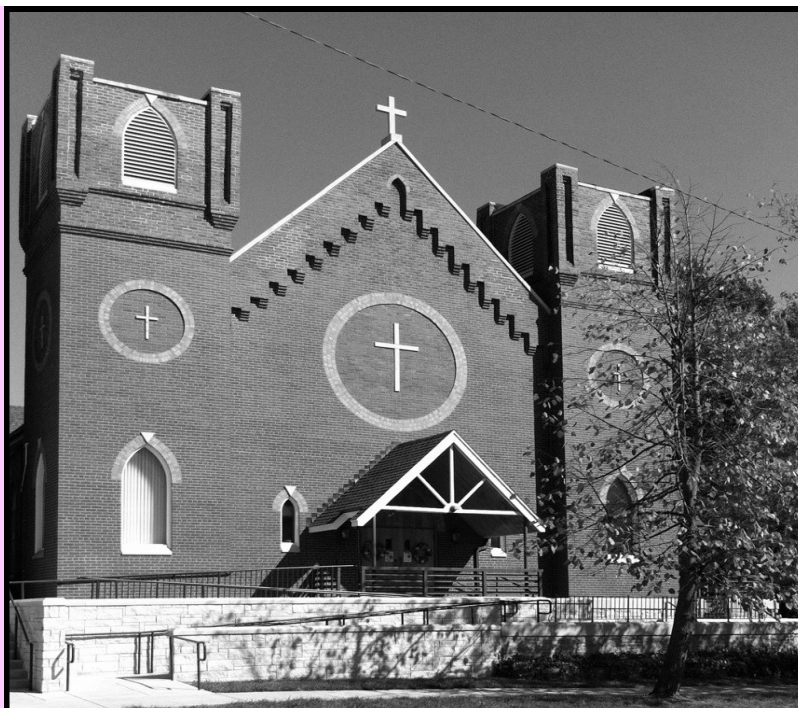
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**MASS SCHEDULE
HORARIO DE MISAS****Saturday/Sábado**

5:30 pm English

Sunday/Domingo

10:00 am English
12:30 pm Español

Tuesday-Thursday / Martes-Jueves

8:15 am English

First Friday/Primer Viernes

10:00 am English

CONFESSION/CONFESIÓN:**Saturday/Sábado**

4:30-5:15 pm or by appointment. *O con cita*

**SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY/
SACRAMENTO DEL MATRIMONIO**

Please call the Parish Office for appointment (6 months of marriage preparation required).
Favor de hablar a la oficina para una cita (6 meses de preparacion requerida).

BAPTISM/BAUTISMOS

Please call the parish office. *Favor de hablar a la oficina.*

MASS INTENTIONS/INTENCIONES PARA LAS MISAS

Please visit the parish office. *Favor de hablar a la oficina.*

CONFIRMATION/CONFIRMACIÓN

The Bishop visits our parish for Confirmation every two years. *El Obispo visita nuestra parroquia cada 2 años.*

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION/EDUCACIÓN RELIGIOSA

Grades K-6/Grados K-6:
Sundays/Domingo 11:00 am -12:15 pm
Grades 7-12/Grados 7-12:
Wednesdays/Miércoles 7:00 pm

FIRST RECONCILIATION & FIRST COMMUNION/PRIMERA RECONCILIACIÓN Y PRIMERA COMUNIÓN

Children in first grade must be enrolled in the Parish School/Parish School of Religion (PSR) to receive the sacrament in second grade. *Los niños en primer grado deben estar inscritos en la Escuela Parroquial/Escuela Parroquial de Religión (PSR) para recibir el sacramento en segundo grado.*

EMAUS: Invites you to pray the Holy Rosary every Saturday at 7:50 am. *Se les invita a rezar el Santo Rosario cada sábado a las 7:50 am.*

Welcome to the Catholic Community of

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1892*

St. Lawrence Catholic Church

*Diocese of
Springfield-Cape
Girardeau*

Parish Office 417-235-3286 Parish School 417-235-3721 405 7th Street, Monett, MO 65708

Digital bulletins available at www.stlawrencemonett.com

Office Hours/Horas de Oficina: Monday-Friday/Lunes-Viernes 9:00 am-4:00 pm

Parish Mission Statement/ Misión Parroquial

"We children of God and the Catholic community of St. Lawrence parish are committed to the worship of God and the spreading of the Gospel of Jesus Christ through education and our living example of love and concern for all the people of our area."

"Los hijos de Dios y la comunidad Católica de la parroquia de San Lorenzo estamos comprometidos con la adoración a Dios y la difusión del Evangelio de Jesucristo a través de la educación y nuestro ejemplo vivo de amor y preocupación por todas las personas de nuestra área".

Welcome

Welcome to the Church of St. Lawrence Catholic Church. Our Church has helped to bring Jesus Christ to the city of Monett since 1892. We seek to foster the spiritual growth of our parishioners through the celebration of the Sacraments, catechists, community life, and personal prayer.

Weekly Collection

February 19, 2023

Envelopes/Loose Checks	\$2,652.00
Loose Bills/Change	\$1,205.75
Mass Offering	\$20.00
The Mirror	\$57.00
Ash Wednesday	\$15.00
Quinceanera	\$200.00
Votive Candles	\$66.16
Total	\$4,490.91

Fr. Rahab would like to thank everyone for your generous contributions to our Parish.

Second Collections

February 26, 2023– Disaster Relief for Turkey
March 5, 2023– Church in Central and Eastern Europe
March 19, 2023– Catholic Relief Services

The Office of the Bishop

DISASTER RELIEF FOR TURKEY/SYRIA

I invite each parish/mission to take up a Second Collection on a weekend of your choice, but no later than the end of February 2023, for disaster relief from the devastating earthquake last weekend in Turkey/Syria. As is the usual custom, all proceeds from this special collection should be sent to the diocesan Finance Office as soon as possible so that the total may be forwarded to Catholic Relief Services, the agency already hard at work in providing assistance in Turkey. Let us pray for all those affected by this tragic event, both living and deceased.

Prayer Chain

If you have a prayer request please call Joan McNerney (417-235-3836), or Marlene Hayes (417-235-5524) to make the request. If you wish to place a name in the parish bulletin please call the parish office (417-235-3286). Thank you and God Bless!

BULLETIN DEADLINE

If you would like to have something in the bulletin, please send it via email to the parish office no later than 12:00 noon on Monday. Please email: stlawrence1892@gmail.com Thank you!

Weekly Calendar Los Santos Y Otras Celebraciones

SAT. FEBRUARY 25TH

4:30 pm Confessions
5:30 pm Mass Monett for + Wilmer Younker

SUN. FEBRUARY 26TH: 1ST SUNDAY OF LENT

Domingo: Primer Domingo de Cuaresma

8:00 am Mass Verona
10:00am Mass Monett +Gene Roetto
11am PSR
12:30pm Misa de Domingo Monett-Spanish Mass
5:00pm Misa de Domingo Verona-Spanish Mass

MON. FEBRUARY 27TH: ST. GREGORY OF NAREK

LUNES: SAN GREGORIO DE NAREK

6PM PRAYER GROUP

TUE. FEBRUARY 28TH

8:15 Mass—Monett + Steve Schmidt

WED. MARCH 1ST

8:00am Mass— Verona
6pm 1st Session—The Sorrowful Mystery of the Rosary
7pm PSR (Confirmation Student's Application Due)

THUR. MARCH 2ND

8:15am Mass— Monett + Jim Ceselski

FRI. MARCH 3RD: ST. KATHERINE DREXEL;

ABSTINENCE; FIRST FRIDAY

VIERNES: SANTA KATHARINE DREXEL; ABSTINENCIA; PRIMER VIERNES

8:00AM MASS— VERONA
10AM FIRST FRIDAY MASS— MONETT +PABLO, BENITO AND GREGORY APOSTOL
5PM K OF C FISH FRY
5:30PM STATIONS OF THE CROSS —MONETT ENGLISH
7:00PM STATIONS OF THE CROSS— MONETT SPANISH

SAT. MARCH 4TH: ST. CASIMIR; FIRST SATURDAY

SÁBADO: SAN CASIMIRO; PRIMER SÁBADO

4:30 CONFESSIONS
5:30 pm Mass Monett for + Wilmer Younker

SUN. MARCH 5TH: 2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

8:00 am Mass Verona
10:00 am Mass Monett + Jerry Monto
11am PSR
12:30 pm Misa de Domingo Monett—Spanish Mass
5:00 pm Misa de Domingo Verona —Spanish Mass

READINGS FOR THE WEEK**February 26, 2023 First Sunday of Lent****WHO WE ARE AND WHOSE WE ARE**

The Lenten season is a fresh invitation to explore again who God is, who we are, and what it means to be human. We begin by hearing the tragic story of the first humans in the book of Genesis. As Paul describes in Romans, our struggles started when our ancestors broke the bond of unity with God, sought self-sufficiency, and grew apart from their true purpose and identity. In Matthew's Gospel, we see how Jesus resists the lure of living outside of unity with God. Jesus rejects false promises of possessions, power, and status. Instead, he puts his life in his Father's hands. As our model for living as a fully human person, Jesus demonstrates that we are created to live in relationship with and trust in God, and in harmony with and for all of creation.

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First Reading — The man and the woman ate the fruit of the one tree that God had told them to avoid, and their shame overtook them (Genesis 2:7-9; 3:1-7).

Psalms — Have mercy on us sinners, O Lord (Psalm 51).

Second Reading — Death reigned from Adam to Moses, but now grace and life abound in Christ Jesus (Romans 5:12-19 [12, 17-19]).

Gospel — Jesus was led into the desert by the Spirit and there he fasted for forty days and forty nights (Matthew 4:1-11).

The English translation of the Psalm Responses from the Lectionary for Mass
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School News

Dear St. Lawrence Family,

I pray you have had a good start on your Lenten journey! We went to Ash Wednesday Mass and have talked about fasting and almsgiving and what that means for us. Our children will be participating in the Bishops Lenten Project for children during Lent.

Our Daddy/Daughter Dance was a huge success! Thank you to all of you who helped or attended! Our next event will be a Trivia Night on Sat. March 18. \$10 per person with teams of 8 being \$80. Grab some friends and come see how much trivial information you have stored in your brain. Our theme is St. Patrick's Day and there will be a prize for best use of theme and a prize for the winning team. This even is bring your own food and drinks!!

Have a blessed week and peace be with you!
Tracey

March Lectors**Saturdays 5:30pm**

- March 4th.....Nikki Pierce
- March 11th.....Patricia Randall
- March 18th.....Al Dohmen
- March 25th.....Thomas Kump
- Alternate: Dayannara Ibarra

Sundays 10:00am

- March 5th.....Jayden Apostol
- March 12th.....Angie Madison
- March 19th.....Lynda Velten
- March 26th.....Knight of Columbus
- Alternates: Sandy Jastal, Sara Schad, Sonie

Parish School of Religion (PSR)**Dear Parents:**

May your first week of Lent be blessed!

As Catholics Christians, we are given an opportunity to come closer to God and our church during Lent. I have experienced that in making time and change in daily life, it will give me peace and happiness until the end of a busy day. Always remember that a family that prays together stays together. God is calling each one in a special way during Lent through prayer, fasting and almsgiving. We are asked to make a change to see a difference in our lives. Just a note of reminder: Confirmation Application Forms will be due by March 1st. Parents may stop by to see me on Wednesday evenings during PSR.

The next Safe Environment lesson of the year for PSR will be taught on Sun., Feb. 26 and Wed., Mar. 1.

Please remember that **no children, no matter their age, should be alone in any part of church or the parish hall.** Please refrain from dropping off children for PSR before 11am and 6:45pm due to no adult supervision and that they are picked up promptly after PSR classes. PSR is over at 12:15pm on Sundays and 8pm on Wednesdays.

Let us keep each other in prayer.

**Blessings,
Sister Ophelia**

Diocesan News

Save the Dates

Solemn Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

The following is a schedule for the observance of the Solemn Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the parishes, missions, and institutions of the Dioceses for the month of February.

Deanery II

Sacred Heart Parish, Verona– Tues., Feb. 28, 2023
10am

2023 Diocesan Youth Conference (DYC)

All 7th-12th grade youth are invited to gather for a time of faith, fellowship and fun at the 30th annual Diocesan Youth Conference!

Fri., March 31– Sat., April 1 in Carthage

For the past 2 years, we have held one day–conference in various areas of our diocese. This year we are adding activities on Friday night as well as all day Saturday to allow more time for social interaction and prayer together. More information will be coming soon. So stay tuned.

The Gathering— March 3-4, 2023

ALL Faith Formation and Youth Ministry Leaders that minister with teens, are invited to “The Gathering” at The Landing Hotel and Conference Center, Van Buren, MO.

This retreat/conference provides an opportunity for ministry leaders to delve deeper into the Theology of the Body with Bill Donaghy, a nationally-known speaker, and discuss specific steps on how to move our PSR and youth ministry programs from maintenance-to-missionary mode. The conference begins with dinner on Friday evening at 6:30pm and ends with dinner on Saturday evening, at 6pm. There is an option to stay Saturday night for a social evening of conversation and sharing ideas. The registration fees are:

- \$50 per person (if commuting & NO hotel room)
- \$85 for double occupancy (\$135 if a single room is desired) The second night is free.

Office of Development and Properties 2023 DDF Campaign Deanery Meeting Dates

Sun, Mar. 12 Deanery 5

Sacred Heart Willow Spring 3:30pm

Thu., Mar. 16 Deanery 3 & 4

St. Agnes-Pallotti Center Springfield 6:30pm

Sun., Mar. 19 Deanery 7

Sacred Heart Popular Bluff 3:00pm

Tues., Mar. 21 Deanery 2

St. Lawrence Monett 6:30pm

Thu., Mar. 23 Deanery 1

St. Peter Joplin 6:30pm

News & Events



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS & LADIES AUXILIARY NEWS

- ♦ Meetings held every 1st Thursday of the month at 7:00p.m in the church basement.
- ♦ Join us in praying the rosary, every Saturday before Mass at 5:00pm and before Mass on the 5th Sunday at 9:30am.

Raffle Time

The Ladies Auxiliary will be having a raffle to raise money for the Coats for Kids. Flyers will be coming soon. If you are interested in buying tickets, Lynda Velten will have some 417-354-4228 and Suzie Velten will have some in the office. They will also be available at all fish fry's. The drawing will be held at the last fish fry, March 31st.

FISH FRY DATES 2023

March 3, 2023

March 10, 2023

March 17, 2023

March 24, 2023

March 31, 2023

PCCW

The next meeting is Monday, March 6, 2023 at 6:30pm in the Parish Hall. Hope to see you all there. PCCW has teamed up with the Coalition of Charities in Monett to collect birthday bags for foster families in the area. Everyone is encouraged to bring items for 100 birthday bags and PSR youth will put together. Please look at the flyer for more information or call the parish office



Join Us! The Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary St. Lawrence Conference Room

6pm

This lent let's dive into the sorrowful mysteries of the rosary. Discover more about why we pray the rosary and how to fully appreciate the mysteries. Over 5 sessions you will learn about each of the sorrowful mysteries, gaining background and knowledge to deepen your experience of praying the rosary. Dates include: 3/1, 3/8, 3/15, 3/22, and 3/29

26 de febrero de 2023

“En aquel tiempo, Jesús fue conducido por el Espíritu al desierto, para ser tentado por el demonio.”

Mateo 4:1

Primer Domingo de Cuaresma

LECTURAS DE HOY— 26 de febrero de 2023 Primer Domingo de Cuaresma

QUIÉNES SOMOS Y DE QUIÉNES SOMOS

El tiempo de Cuaresma es una nueva invitación a explorar de nuevo quién es Dios, quiénes somos nosotros y qué significa ser humano. Comenzamos escuchando la trágica historia de los primeros seres humanos en el libro del Génesis. Como describe Pablo en Romanos, nuestras luchas comenzaron cuando nuestros antepasados rompieron el vínculo de unidad con Dios, buscaron la autosuficiencia y se apartaron de su verdadero propósito e identidad. En el Evangelio de Mateo, vemos cómo Jesús se resiste a la tentación de vivir fuera de la unidad con Dios. Jesús rechaza las falsas promesas de posesiones, poder y estatus. En cambio, pone su vida en manos de su Padre. Como modelo para vivir como una persona plenamente humana, Jesús demuestra que hemos sido creados para vivir en relación con Dios y confiar en él, y en armonía con y para toda la creación.

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Primera Lectura — Entonces se les abrieron los ojos y ambos se dieron cuenta de que estaban desnudos. Cosieron, pues, unas hojas de higuera, y se hicieron unos taparrabos. (Génesis 2:7-9; 3:1-7).

Salmo — Ten piedad de nosotros los pecadores, oh Señor (Salmo 51 [50]).

Segunda Lectura — Una sola trasgresión acarreó sentencia de muerte para todos, pero la rehabilitación merecida por uno solo, obtuvo perdón y vida para todos (Romanos 5:12-19 [12, 17-19]).

Evangelio — Adorarás al Señor, tu Dios, y a él solo servirás (Mateo 4:1-11).

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La Comunidad de Oración Católica
Fuente de Agua Viva

Les hace la cordial invitación

En los Lunes Hora: 6:00pm

Lugar: Iglesia Católica San Lorenzo
405 7th Street Monett Mo 65708

**Se les invita a las Via Cruces en
Español a las 7pm viernes,
durante la Cuaresma**



Noticias de Educación Religiosa

Queridos Padres:

Durante este tiempo de Cuaresma, Dios nos da la oportunidad para acercarnos a su amor por medio de la oración, ayuno y dar al mas necesitado. Como estamos experimentando día tras día los momentos cerca a Dios?

Siempre en las noches, tengo libros espirituales que leo antes de dormir. Es un hábito que me llena mi corazón. Dios quiere que nosotros seamos Feliz y cambia modos de ser Feliz. Les invito durante este tiempo de Cuaresma hacer un cambio personal.

**Bendiciones,
Hermana Ophelia**

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