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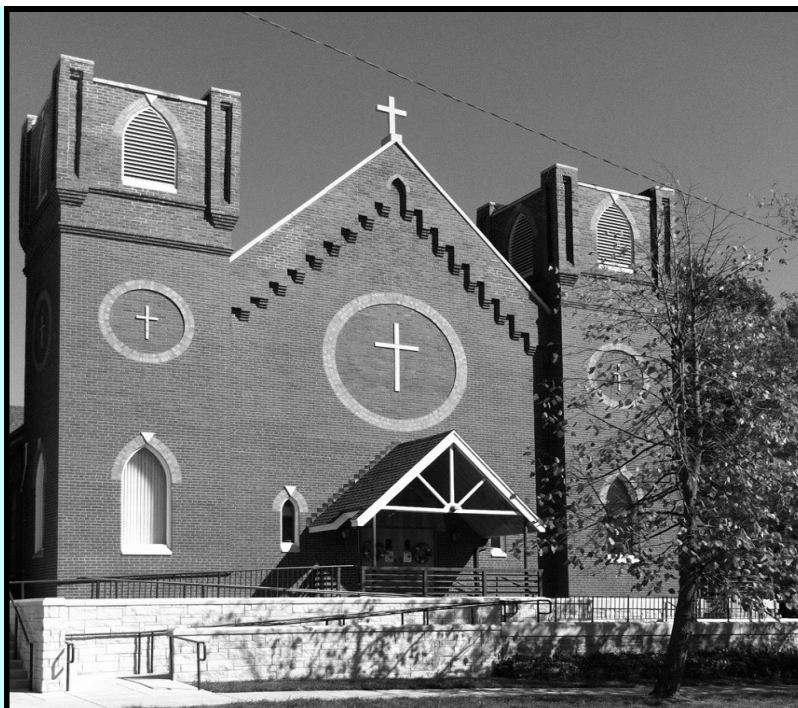
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**MASS SCHEDULE  
HORARIO DE MISAS****Saturday/Sábado**

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*

*Founded  
1892*

**St. Lawrence Catholic Church**



*Diocese of  
Springfield-Cape  
Girardeau*

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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".*

**Weekly Collection**

**January 1, 2023**

Envelopes /Loose Checks	\$4,909.00
Loose Bills/ Change	\$913.00
Mass offering	\$450.00
Building Fund	\$35.00
Votive Candles	\$14.00
Seminary	\$95.00
School Support	\$102.00
Outreach	\$62.00
2nd Collection– Solemnity of Mary	\$428.00
Immaculate Conception	\$20.00
Dr Apostol– St Lawrence School Donation	\$50.00
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$7,078.00</b>

**January 8, 2023**

Envelopes/Loose Checks	\$5,708.00
Loose Bills/Change	\$945.75
Mass Offering	\$60.00
Building Fund	\$25.00
School Support	\$240.00
Outreach	\$60.00
Apostol School Donation– Memorial	\$170.00
Younker Church Donation-Memorial	\$70.00
Younker School Donation– Memorial	\$375.00
Catholic Charities Lifehouse	\$36.90
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$7,690.25</b>

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

**Second Collection**

January 22, 2023- Church in Latin America

**The church office will be closed January 16th for Martin Luther King Day**

**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. JANUARY 14TH: BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**  
**SÁBADO: SANTA MARÍA VIRGEN**

4:30 pm Confessions  
 5:30 pm Mass Monett for + Jim Ceselski  
 6:30pm Knights of Columbus Degree Ceremony

**SUN. JANUARY 15TH: 2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME; MARTIN LUTHER KING JR'S BIRTHDAY**  
**Domingo: Segundo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario**

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

**MON. JANUARY 16TH: MARTIN LUTHER KING JR'S BIRTHDAY (OBSERVED)**

**LUNES: DÍA DE MARTIN LUTHER KING JR**  
 PARISH OFFICE CLOSED  
 6PM PRAYER GROUP

**TUE. JANUARY 17TH: ST. ANTHONY**

**MARTES: SAN ANTONIO**  
 No Mass –Monett

**WED. JANUARY 18TH**

No Mass –Verona  
 7pm PSR

**THUR. JANUARY 19TH**

No Mass-Monett

**FRI. JANUARY 20TH: ST. FABIAN; ST. SEBASTIAN**

**VIERNES: SAN FABIÁN; SAN SEBASTIÁN**  
 NO MASS –VERONA

**SAT. JANUARY 21ST: ST. AGNES**

**SÁBADO: SANTA INÉS**

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

**SUN. JANUARY 22ND: 3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME; SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD**

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

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**January 15, 2023 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**OUR STRATEGIC GOAL**

As a Church, we now move into Ordinary Time. "Ordinary" comes from the Latin root for "order," which is why we line the Sundays up on the calendar and count them—with "ordinal" numbers—one by one. The orderly way we proceed through the liturgical year reminds us that our faith offers a strategic goal for our lives: eternal happiness with God, who is love. Today's readings share stories of believers who order their daily activities toward the goal of sharing God's love. Isaiah embraces his role as God's servant and works to bring glory not only to Israel, but to the entire world. In a similar way, Saint Paul identifies himself as Christ's witness in the world and reminds the Corinthians of their life goal: "to be holy." The Gospel shows us John the Baptist, servant and witness, attentive to God's loving orders, the divine plan for salvation. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

**First Reading** — The glory of the Lord shows through Israel, a light to all nations, that salvation may reach to the ends of the earth (Isaiah 49:3, 5-6).

**Psalm** — I am here to do as you ask, O Lord (Psalm 40).

**Second Reading** — All those who call upon the name of the Lord are called to be holy (1 Corinthians 1:1-3).

**Gospel** — John the Baptist testifies: The one who comes after me, on whom the Spirit comes down and remains, is the Son of God (John 1:29-34).

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**School News**

Dear St. Lawrence Family,

It's been good to be back at school and see the children. We sure do miss them when we're apart! We're getting back into the routine of learning and working hard and doing pretty well so far. One of the first things we did when we got back to school was to pray a Rosary and do an Epiphany blessing for our building.

Catholic Schools Week will be coming up at the end of the month and it is always a fun time to recognize everyone who helps keep our Catholic School working. Please watch for details to come. A special thank you to these people who have made contributions through monthly envelopes: Koo Reh, Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Barchack, Loretta Hurlburt, Bu Reh, Mr. & Mrs. George Rausch, Patricia Monto, Patricia McCaffrey, Marilyn Roetto, Anna Marie Green, Mr. & Mrs. Maurice Rosebaugh, Pat Randall, and Julie Fritz. Your gifts help us with our school ministry and are greatly appreciated! Have a blessed week!

God be with you,  
Tracey

**Parish Hall Rental**

The price for renting the Parish Hall has changed. The new rates are in effective starting immediately. For any questions please contact the parish office.

**January Stewardship Prayer**

Lord of new life,  
Thank you for the gift of a new year,  
You have entrusted us  
with the coming days,  
weeks and months as stewards  
of your divine plan;  
To live in gratitude, joy,  
and an ever growing  
confidence in your Kingdom to come.

We ask for the humility  
to reform our lives;  
The courage to commit ourselves  
to you no matter the cost;  
And the wisdom  
to shine the light of faith  
on others.

Open our hearts,  
give us your Spirit  
and show us how to  
share your love  
so that we may bring hope  
to a world in need of your  
justice and peace.

We pray to be a sign of your  
grace in this new year  
through your son, Jesus Christ,  
who lives and reigns with you  
and the Holy Spirit, one God,  
Forever and ever. Amen  
-ISCS

**January Lectors**

**Saturdays 5:30pm**

- January 14th..... Thomas Kump
- January 21st .....Dayannara Ibarra
- January 28th .....Nikki Pierce
- Alternates: Patricia Randall

**Sundays 10:00am**

- January 15th .....Sonie Probstfield
- January 22nd ..... Daniel Navarro
- January 29th .....Isaias Salas
- Alternates: Angie Madison, Lynda Velten and Sandy Jastal

## Diocesan News

### Save the Dates

#### Word of Life

“When we encounter Christ, experience his love, and deepen our relationship with him, we become more aware of our own worth and that of others. His love for each person is cause for great joy, and growing understanding of this priceless treasure motivates us to share his love with others. Our lives are often changed by the witness of others; so too, others’ lives may be changed by our witness and authentic friendship with them.”

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities  
“How to Build a Culture of Life”

#### Sacramental Marriage Preparation Seminar

Couples who are civilly married, or where either has been married before, who are seeking the Sacrament of Marriage within the church, are invited to the upcoming daylong marriage seminar on Sat. Jan. 21, 9am-4:30pm, at the St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church in Cape Girardeau, MO. If interested call or email Kim Brayman at (417) 866-0841 or kbrayman@dioscg.org

#### Solemn Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament for January

##### **Deanery II**

St. Joseph, Billings—  
Tues., January 24, 2023

SS. Peter & Paul, Pulaskifield,  
Sat., January 14, 2023

**January 18-23, 2023 March for Life**  
Washington D.C.

**February 5 Wedding Anniversaries Celebration -**  
Cape Girardeau

**February 19 Wedding Anniversaries**  
**Celebration - Springfield**

**February 25 Catholic Men's Conference**  
Springfield

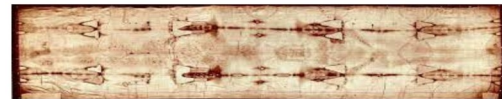
**February 26 Rite of Election - Springfield**

**March 5 Rite of Election - Cape Girardeau**

**March 24-25 Diocesan Youth Conference** Cape  
Girardeau

**March 31-April 1 Diocesan Youth**  
Conference Carthage

Come see an  
exact replica of the



## Shroud of Turin

and hear about the religious aspects  
and explore the scientific findings  
with **Dr. Mark Zia**  
of Benedictine College.

**February 24, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Sacred Heart**  
**Church, Webb City**

**February 25, 9:00 - 11:00 a.m.**  
**St. Ann's Church, Carthage**

Donations accepted

### Important Information

During the time Father Rahab is gone on vacation, we will have a visitor priest. There will not be any weekday masses during this time. Father is leaving January 4th and will be back January 20th. Let us pray that father has a wonderful time visiting his family.

There will be no baptisms in January until February 4, 2023. We will have the next baptismal class January 28, 2023.

## Parish School of Religion (PSR)

Dear Parents, Guardians and Catechists,

“Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world.”

The message of today’s Gospel, is “Encountering Christ. John the Baptist recognized Jesus, He who takes away the sin of the world. This is God’s chosen One upon whom the Spirit descended and came to rest.” Do we believe and seek to encounter Jesus in daily life. How is Jesus calling us today in our times?

I would like to focus on the sacrament of Confirmation and family. We’ve started a new year of PSR and hope parents are connecting with your child/ren concerning their Faith and their formation of the sacraments. I would also like to hear from parents of our children receiving the sacraments this year and hopefully they are attending our weekly meetings.

In the past and recently, we have invited our Confirmation students to attend our Sunday Masses weekly in preparation for receiving the sacrament of Confirmation. We also welcomed our youth and young adults of our parish to prayer, generous Charitable Service, Zeal, with the Holy Spirit in a relationship with Jesus in faith in word and action.

**Confirmation Parent Meeting – Wed., Jan. 25, 2023 at 7pm. Hope to see you there.**

**Catechist’s Meeting – Sat., Jan. 21, 2023 at 9:00am.** This will be a general meeting for all Catechists and volunteers. Just a reminder to all Catechists and volunteers, a Background Check Form and Code of Conduct forms are required and due by the Diocese of Springfield. Please call Sister Ophelia for any questions. Hope to see you at our meeting.

**Let us keep each other in prayer.**

**Blessings,  
Sister Ophelia**

# Activities



## 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.
- ◆ **Degree Ceremony:** 1st, 2nd and 3rd following the 5:30pm mass on Saturday, January 14, 2023
- ◆ January 29, 2023 is the 5th Sunday there will be donuts following 10am mass

## PCCW

The next meeting is February 6, 2023 at 6:30pm in the Parish Hall. We look forward to seeing you there.



## Holy Family Parish Council of Catholic Women

They invite the Ladies of the Church to their annual Valentine’s Day Tea, Tues. Feb. 14, 2023 at the Holy Family Church in Shell Knob.

Registration begins at 11am  
lunch is at 11:30am.

Please RSVP by January 25, 2023 to  
Lois Fairchild (573) 230-3637 or  
fairchildld8@gmail.com.

They ask each guest to bring a monetary donation for the Alliance of Churches’ Food Pantry

**Noticias de Educación Religiosa**



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**Consejo Parroquial de Mujeres  
Católicas de la  
Sagrada Familia Parroquia, Shell  
Knob.**

Les da la invitación a las mujeres de la Iglesia para la fiesta anual de San Valentín con fiesta de Té. Se llevara a cabo el martes, 14 de febrero de 2023 en la Iglesia de la Sagrada Familia en Shell Knob.

Iniciamos con inscripciones a las 11:00 a.m. y el almuerzo a las 11:30 a.m. Por favor, confirme su asistencia antes del 25 de enero de 2023, a Lois Fairchild 573-230-3637 o fairchildld8@gmail.com.

Se le piden a cada invitado que traiga una donación monetaria para la Despensa de Alimentos de la Alianza de las Iglesias.

**Estimados padres, guardianas, y catequistas:**

“Al día siguiente Juan vio a Jesús que venía a su encuentro, y exclamo: “Ahí viene el Cordero de Dios, el que quita el pecado del mundo.”

El mensaje del Evangelio de hoy es “Un encuentro con Jesús.” Juan el Bautista reconoció a Jesús, el que quita el pecado del mundo. Este es el elegido de Dios sobre quien el Espíritu descendió y se posó”. Creemos y buscamos un encuentro con Jesús en la vida diaria? Como nos está llamando Jesús hoy en nuestros tiempos? Me gustaría llamar la atención en el sacramento de la Confirmación y la familia.

Hemos comenzado un nuevo año para empezar los clases de Catecismo y esperamos que los padres se conecten con sus hijos con respecto a su fe y se formación de los sacramentos. También me gustaría saber de los padres de los estudiantes que van a recibir los sacramentos asistan nuestras reuniones semanales. Es importante para los niños que los acompañen y asiste misa en los domingos.

Para el Sacramento de Confirmación – En el pasado y recientemente, hemos invitado a nuestros estudiantes de Confirmación a asistir a nuestras Misas dominicales semanalmente en preparación para recibir el sacramento de la Confirmación. También se les da la invitación a los jóvenes y jóvenes adultos de nuestra parroquia que no dejen la oración, su servicio a la parroquia y siempre pedir al Espíritu Santo para una relación con Jesús en fe en palabra y acción.

Reunión de Padres de Confirmación: El Miércoles, 25 de enero a las 7:00 p.m. Espero verlos allí.

Reunión de Catequistas – Sábado, 21 de enero a las 9:00 am. Esta será una reunión general para todos los catequistas y voluntarios. Solo un recordatorio, la Diócesis de Springfield requiere un formulario de verificación de antecedentes y formularios de código de conducta. Por favor llame a la Hermana Ophelia si tiene alguna pregunta. Nos vemos pronto.

**Bendiciones,  
Hermana Ophelia**

**15 de enero de 2023**

“Pues Bien, yo lo ví y doy testimonio de qué éste es el hijo de dios.”

-Juan 1:34

**Segundo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario****LECTURAS DE HOY**— 15 de enero de 2023 Segundo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario**NUESTRO OBJETIVO ESTRATÉGICO**

Como Iglesia, ahora entramos en el Tiempo Ordinario. “Ordinario” viene de la raíz latina de “orden”, por eso alineamos los dominicos en el calendario y los contamos -con números “ordinales”- uno a uno. La forma ordenada de proceder a lo largo del año litúrgico nos recuerda que nuestra fe ofrece un objetivo estratégico para nuestras vidas: la felicidad eterna con Dios, que es amor. Las lecturas de hoy comparten historias de creyentes que ordenan sus actividades diarias hacia el objetivo de compartir el amor de Dios. Isaías asume su papel de siervo de Dios y trabaja para dar gloria no sólo a Israel, sino al mundo entero. De forma similar, san Pablo se identifica como testigo de Cristo en el mundo y recuerda a los corintios el objetivo de su vida: “ser santos”. El Evangelio nos muestra a Juan el Bautista, siervo y testigo, atento a las órdenes amorosas de Dios, al plan divino de salvación.

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**Primera Lectura** — Tú eres mi servidor, Israel. Te voy a poner como una luz para el mundo (Isaías 49:3, 5-6).

**Salmo** — Estoy aquí para hacer lo que me pidas, oh Señor (Salmo 40 [39]).

**Segunda Lectura** — A los que Dios santificó en Cristo Jesús . . . tengan bendición y paz, de parte de Dios Padre y de Cristo Jesús, el Señor (1 Corintios 1:1-3).

**Evangelio** — Ahí viene el Cordero de Dios, el que quita el pecado del mundo. Él es el Hijo de Dios (Juan 1:29-34).

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**ORACIÓN**

Para Mantener la Presencia del Señor  
Señor, Dios Todopoderoso, que nos has  
hecho llegar al comienzo de este día;  
sálvanos hoy con tu poder, para que no  
caigamos en ningún pecado, sino que  
nuestras palabras, pensamientos y acciones  
sigan el camino de tus mandamientos.  
Por nuestro Señor Jesucristo, tu Hijo, que  
vive y reina contigo,  
en la unidad del Espíritu Santo, por los  
siglos de los siglos.  
Amén.

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**Información importante**

Durante el tiempo que el Padre Rahab  
estara de vacaciones, tendremos un  
sacerdote visitante. No habrá misas entre semana  
durante este tiempo. El padre se va el 4 de  
enero y volverá el 20 de enero. Oremos para que  
el padre pase un tiempo maravilloso visitando a  
su familia.

No habrá bautizos en enero hasta el 4 de  
febrero de 2023. Tendremos la próxima clase  
bautismal el 28 de enero de 2023.

La Comunidad de Oracion  
Catolica

**Fuente de Agua Viva**

Les hace la cordial invitación los lunes a las  
6:00pm—8:00pm  
Inciamos con el Santo Rosario y tendremos  
meditación sobre la palabra

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