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**MASS SCHEDULE  
HORARIO DE MISAS**

**Saturday/Sábado**  
5:00 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**  
4:00-4:45 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**  
Confirmation is every year with a 2 year preparation. *La confirmacion se realiza cada ano con una preparacion de 2 anos.*

**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**

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

**Digital bulletins available at [www.stlawrencemonett.com](http://www.stlawrencemonett.com)**

Office Hours/Horas de Oficina: Monday-Friday/Lunes-Viernes 9:00am-3:00pm

**Please remember St. Lawrence Church and School in your will.**

**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”.

### THEOLOGY ON TAP

Join us for the next *Theology on Tap* at Briar House on Thursday, March 12 at 6pm. See more about the event on our Facebook page!

### Parish Council of Catholic Women

PCCW is planning the annual salad luncheon. It will be held on April 22, 11am-1pm. Proceeds from the event will benefit the Monett Historical Museum and St. Lawrence School. Circle leaders will be calling for help with food items and for volunteers to help at the event. Our next meeting will be April 6 at 6:30. Circle 3 will be covering the next funeral dinner. If you would like to help with the dinner for the priests before the Penance Service on March 19, contact Nikki Pierce.

### FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

Due to weather concerns, we will not have first Friday adoration during the month of April 2026. There will still be a mass, but no adoration following.

### WEEKLY COLLECTION

#### March 1, 2026

Envelopes/Loose Checks	\$8,212.00
Loose Bills/Change	\$1,441.00
Children’s Collection	\$63.31
Votive Candles	\$27.00
Mass Offerings	\$345.00
School Support	\$470.00
Religious Goods	\$40.00
Parish Hall Rental	\$100.00
Sacred Heart Reimbursement	\$2,521.17
The Mirror	\$28.00
Easter Flowers	\$215.00
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Total	\$13,462.48

### PRAYER REQUESTS

If you have a prayer request, please call Joan McNerney (417) 235-3836 or Marlene Hayes (417) 235-5524

### PARISH DIRECTORY

We are working to prepare the other content needed for the directory, including current parishioners. A printed list will be at the back of church for you to check your contact information. If you aren't listed, or your data is incorrect, please fill out a registration form and drop it in the collection. You can also call or come by the office.

### SCHOOL NEWS

This week I had the blessing of joining administrators from across the diocese for a retreat! We received talks and training from Michael Loyet, Bishop Rice and Deacon Rob Huff, our diocesan superintendent. It was great to meet our administrators, understand the greater picture of Catholic education in our diocese and work on plans for the future of our school at St. Lawrence.

During March we are learning about the cardinal virtue of temperance! Several important virtues branch off from temperance that we know will serve our students in good stead during this time of the year: honesty, moderation, humility and self-control. Temperance and the virtues that spring from it are very timely during lent and as we look toward the 4th quarter.

Our enrollment surveys have gone out so we can make plans for our next school year. If you know anyone interested in St. Lawrence point them in our direction! Getting our enrollment up is a big priority! We want to serve as many as we can with our mission of educating the whole child and bringing them to the knowledge of our faith in Jesus Christ! Thank you for all you do to promote our school and get the word out.

St. Lawrence School Principal,  
Martha Yates

### PSR ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### PSR fees need to be paid as soon as possible!

Please join us in prayer for those preparing for their upcoming sacraments:

- **First Holy Communion:** Saturday, April 11th. This special day also falls on the Memorial of St. Stanislaus, a powerful example of courage and devotion to the Eucharistic.
- **Sacrament of Confirmation:** Wednesday, May 13th. This celebration occurs on the Feast of Our Lady of Fatima, reminding our confirmandi of the call to prayer and the intercession of our Blessed Mother.

Thank you for your continued support and for being a “home-place” for these families as they raise the next generation of saints.

Yours in Christ,  
Jim Haston, Director of Religious Education  
Deacon Candidate

**DIOCESAN NEWS**

**Chrism Mass**

**Tuesday, March 31 in St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish, Springfield** \*updated location due to the construction at St. Agnes Cathedral\*

**Let's Celebrate: Bishop Leibrecht's 70th Priesthood Anniversary**

Bishop Emeritus John Leibrecht will celebrate his 70th Anniversary of his priesthood ordination on March 17, 2026! Two celebrations are planned to honor Bishop Leibrecht on this joyous occasion: St. Mary of the Annunciation Cathedral, Cape Girardeau at 7pm, on Tues., March 17, 2026, reception following, and in the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church, Springfield, 7pm on Wed., March 25, 2026, reception following. Please encourage parishioners to attend the Mass of Thanksgiving in your area as we honor Bishop Leibrecht in his 70 years as a priest.

**Tax Credits Fund MOScholars Scholarships**

Any business or individual can re-direct up to half of their MO State income tax liability to the Bright Futures Fund with MOScholars tax credits. Put the tax dollars you are required to pay anyway towards education and a brighter future for a student. Please do all you can to encourage the use of the tax credits in your school community. Until April these can still be used for next year. Many companies make quarterly payments, so this is a great time to approach possible participants. At this time, we have 386 possible enrollment renewals and about 170 newly-qualified scholarship applications.

**Bishop's Mass for Catholic Charities of Southern Missouri**

Bishop Edward M. Rice will lead the annual Bishop's Mass for CCSOMO, **Sat., March 28, 9am at Holy Trinity Parish, Springfield.** As we reach across the Diocese of Springfield-Cape Girardeau to bring hope to our most vulnerable neighbors, we invite you to stand with us in both prayer and generosity.

**67th Annual Catholic Women's Spring Assembly**

The 67th Annual Catholic Women's Spring Assembly, sponsored by Diocesan Council of Catholic Women (DCCW) will be held **April 10-11, 2026** at the Drury Plaza Hotel and Convention Center, located at 3351 Percy Drive, Cape Girardeau.

**PRAY FOR THE SICK**

Barbara Alvarez; Sarah Sylvain Isidor(Father's Mom); Maria Padilla; Juan Cecenas; Maria Rueda; Parker Laning; Rosemary Schmidt; Kenneth Wroblewski; Bob DeGraff; Irene Cavazos; Loretta Hurlbut; Debbie Erwin; Corey Sandwisch; Regina Peterson; Erin Hunt; Patty Burke; Joan McNerney. To put a name in the bulletin or arrange a visit for sick or homebound parishioners, please call the parish office.



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS & LADIES AUXILLARY**



- ◆ Meetings held every 1st Sunday of the month at 6:00pm in the church basement. **\*Next meeting is 3/29\* It is potluck bring sides and drinks\***
- ◆ Join us in praying the rosary, every Saturday before Mass at 4:30pm and before Mass on the 5th Sunday at 9:30am.
- ◆ **Fish Fry's**—Fish Fry's are here. The next one is March 13th. We need volunteers. PSR students can get service hours for volunteers for confirmation. For more information please contact Ed Velten at 417-235-9638 or John Velten at 417-489-4266
- ◆ **Christmas in July Bazaar**—July 18th if you are interested in having a booth or a food truck please talk to Lynda or Suzie

**FINANCIAL CORNER**

Financial Corner	Jan 2025	Jan 2024
<b>Regular Operations</b>		
Sunday Contributions	\$ 17,522.12	\$ 19,562.22
Other Income*	\$ 2,880.26	\$ 2,263.70
Endowment/Cemetery/School Support	\$ 1,599.00	\$ 32,190.39
Collections for Diocese projects	\$ 150.00	\$ 3,144.15
2nd Collections/Non-revenue/Other	\$ 2,381.77	\$ 2,270.67
<b>Total Operational Income</b>	<b>\$ 24,533.15</b>	<b>\$ 59,431.13</b>
<b>Expenses</b>		
Operational Expenses	\$ 7,354.81	\$ 9,692.26
School/Parish Education Expenses	\$ 27,155.26	\$ 28,066.20
Payouts to Diocese/2nd Collections	\$ 637.95	\$ 3,828.48
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>\$ 35,148.02</b>	<b>\$ 41,586.94</b>
<b>Net Income (Net Loss)</b>	<b>\$ (10,614.87)</b>	<b>\$ 17,844.19</b>

\*Masses/Stole fees, Votive candles, Religious goods, Advertising

**ENGLISH LECTORS**

**Saturday 5:00pm**

- **March 7th.....**Patricia Randall
- **March 14th.....**Jim Haston
- **March 21st.....**Al Dohmen

**Sunday 10:00am**

- **March 8th.....**Youth
- **March 15th.....**Jim Haston
- **March 22nd.....**Angie Madison

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

**Saturday 5:00pm**

- **March 7th—**Al Dohmen, Geri Carey, Nikki Pierce, Katelyn Conley, Agnes Bruner
- **March 14th—**Jim Haston, Marilyn Ceselski, Jason Ceselski, Ashley Ceselski, Geri Carey
- **March 21st—**Jim Haston, Teresa Verhoff, Aaron Holmes, Al Dohmen, Kirk Verhoff

**Sunday 10:00am**

- **March 8th—**Youth
- **March 15th—**Bridget Outhouse, Emma Outhouse, Jerry Hudson, Judy Hudson, Ann Saunders
- **March 22nd—**Ed Velten, Lynda Velten, Cathy Velten, John Velten, Suzie Curry

**SERVERS 10AM MASS**

- **March 8th—**Youth
- **March 15th—**Alex Apostol, Francisco Salas, Fernando Salas, Uriel Marcos
- **March 22nd—**Joseph Velten, Brooklynn Outhouse, Sydney Garcia, Jordan Garcia

**March 8, 2026**

**1st Read:** Exodus 17:3-7; **Psalm:** Psalm 95:1-2,6-9; **2nd Read:** Romans 5:1-2,5-8; **Gospel:** John 4:5-42

**March 9, 2026**

**1st Read:** 2 Kings 5:1-15; **Psalm:** Psalm 42:2-3; **Gospel:** Luke 4:24-30

**March 10, 2026**

**1st Read:** Daniel 3:25,34-43; **Psalm:** Psalm 25:4-9; **Gospel:** Matthew 18:21-35

**March 11, 2026**

**1st Read:** Deuteronomy 4:1,5-9; **Psalm:** Psalm 147:12-13,15-16,19-20; **Gospel:** Matthew 5:17-19

**March 12, 2026**

**1st Read:** Jeremiah 7:23-28; **Psalm:** Psalm 95:1-2,6-9; **Gospel:** Luke 11:14-23

**March 13, 2026**

**1st Read:** Hosea 14:2-10; **Psalm:** Psalm 81:6-11,14,17; **Gospel:** Mark 12:28-34

**March 14, 2026**

**1st Read:** Hosea 6:1-6; **Psalm:** Psalm 51:3-4,18-21; **Gospel:** Luke 18:9-14

**WEEKLY CALENDAR/  
CALENDARIO SEMANAL**

**SATURDAY, MARCH 7TH: SS PERPETUA & FELICITY**

4:00 pm Confessions  
5:00 pm Mass - Monett +Michael Schmidt and Sonny Bertalotto  
6:30 pm Misa - Verona - Spanish Mass

**SUNDAY, MARCH 8TH: 3RD SUNDAY OF LENT;  
DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS**

8:00 am Mass - Verona  
10:00 am Mass - Monett +AJ & Rosalia Velten & Anthony and Stella Gripka  
11:15 am PSR  
12:30 pm Misa - Monett - Spanish Mass +Maria Guadalupe Sanchez, Ramon Lara, Raman Hernandez, Juana Cenicerros, Fabian Salas, Tomasa Salas y Cumpleanos Jesus Jimenez

**MONDAY, MARCH 9TH: ST. FRANCES OF ROME**

6:00 pm Prayer Group

**TUESDAY, MARCH 10TH**

8:15 am Mass - Monett +Rodney Wroblecki, Deputy Gabriel Ramirez, and Deputy Michael Hislope; Healing for Austin McCall and Josh Wahl  
6:00 pm Rosary (Spanish)  
7:00 pm OCIA

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11TH**

8:00 am Mass - Verona  
6:30 pm Youth Group  
7:00 pm PSR

**THURSDAY, MARCH 12TH**

8:15 am Mass - Monett +Jeanette Maxwell  
10:00 am Mass - Oak Pointe +Al Fiffe

**FRIDAY, MARCH 13TH: ABSTINENCE**

8:00 am Mass - Verona  
1:00 pm Dominoes/Puzzles - Church Basement  
5:00 pm Knights of Columbus Fish Fry  
5:30 pm Stations of the Cross

**SATURDAY, MARCH 14TH**

4:00 pm Confessions  
5:00 pm Mass - Monett +Helen Brown and Jeanette Maxwell  
6:30 pm Misa - Verona - Spanish Mass

**SUNDAY, MARCH 15TH: 4TH SUNDAY OF LENT**

8:00 am Mass - Verona  
10:00 am Mass - Monett +Ralph Schmidt and Emilia Fowler  
11:15 am PSR  
12:30 pm Misa - Monett - Spanish Mass

## NOTICIAS ESCOLARES

Esta semana tuve la suerte de unirme a administradores de toda la diocesis en un retiro. Recibimos charlas y capacitacion de Michael Loyet, Obispo Rice, y del Diacono Rob Huff, nuestro superintendente diocesano. Fue un placer conocer a nuestros administradores, comprender el panorama general de la educacion catolica en nuestra diocesis y trabajar en planes para el future de nuestra escuela en San Lorenzo.

Durante marzo, aprenderemos sobre la virtud cardinal de la templanza. De ella se derivan varias virtudes importantes que sabemos que seran muy utiles para nuestros estudiantes en esta epoca del ano: honestidad, moderacion, humildad y autocontrol. La templanza y las virtudes que de ella se derivan son muy oportunas durante la Cuaresma y de cara al cuarto trimestre.

Ya hemos enviado nuestras, encuestas de inscripcion para que podamos planificar el proximo ano escolar. Si conoce a alguien interesado en St. Lawrence, ¡indiquenoslo! ¡Aumentar la matricula es nuestra prioridad! Queremos servir al mayor numero posible de alumnos con nuestra misionde educar a todos los ninos y acercarlos a nuestra fe en Jesucristo. Gracias por todo lo que hacen para promover nuestra escuela y difundirla.

Directora de la Escuela St. Lawrence ,  
Martha Yates

## ADORACION DEL PRIMER VIERNES

Debido a las condiciones climaticas, no tendremos la adoracion del primer viernes durante los meses de abril de 2026. Habra misa, pero no habra adoracion posterior.

### 8 de Marzo de 2026

**Primera:** Exodus 17:3-7; **Salmo:** Salmo 94:1-2,6-9;  
**Segunda:** Romans 5:1-2,5-8; **Evangelio:** Juan 4:5-42

### 9 de Marzo de 2026

**Primera:** 2 Reyes 5:1-15; **Salmo:** Salmo 41:2-3;  
**Evangelio:** Lucas 4:24-30

### 10 de Marzo de 2026

**Primera:** Daniel 3:25,34-43; **Salmo:** Salmo 24:4-9;  
**Evangelio:** Mateo 18:21-35

### 11 de Marzo de 2026

## ANUNCIOS DE PSR

¡Las cuotas del programa de educacion religiosa (PSR) deben pagarse lo antes posible! Estimados feligreses: ¡Paz y bendiciones para todos! Mientras continuamos este ano liturgico, quiero compartirles algunas noticias maravillosas sobre nuestro Programa de Educacion Religiosa Parroquial (PSR). Nuestra comunidad cuenta actualmente con aproximadamente 120 estudiantes que profundizan su relacion con Cristo y aprenden la belleza de nuestra fe catolica. Estoy increíblemente orgulloso de estos estudiantes por su dedicacion y curiosidad. Tambien quiero expresar mi mas profundo agradecimiento a nuestros catequistas voluntarios. Su compromiso desinteresado de compartir el Evangelio es el Corazon de nuestro programa, y somos verdaderamente afortunados de contar con mentores tan fieles para nuestros jovenes. Les invitamos a unirse a nosotros en oracion por quienes se preparan para recibir sus proximos sacramentos: **Primera comun-ion:** Sabado 11 de abril. Esta dia especial coincide con la conmemoracion de San Estanislao, un poderoso ejemplo de Valentia y devocion a la Eucaristia. **Sacramento de la Confirmacion:** miercoles 13 de mayo. Esta celebracion tiene lugar en la Fiesta de Nuestra Senora de Fatima, recordando a nuestros confirmados el llamado a la oracion y la intercession de nuestra Santisima Madre. Gracias por su continuo apoyo y por ser un hogar para estas familias mientras educan a la proxima generacion de santos.

## DIRECTORIO PARROQUIAL

Estamos trabajando para preparar el resto del contenido necesario para el directorio, incluyendo la informacion de los feligreses actuales. En la parte trasera de la iglesia encontraran una lista impresa para que verifiquen sus datos de contacto. Si no aparecen en la lista o su informacion es incorrecta, por favor, completen un formulario de registro y depositenlo en la colecta. Tambien pueden llamar o visitar la oficina parroquial.

**Primera:** Deuteronomio 4:1,5-9; **Salmo:** Salmo 147:12-13,15-16,19-20; **Evangelio:** Mateo 5:17-19

### 12 de Marzo de 2026

**Primera:** Jeremias 7:23-28; **Salmo:** Salmo 94:1-2,6-9; **Evangelio:** Lucas 11:14-23

### 13 de Marzo de 2026

**Primera:** Oseas 14:2-10; **Salmo:** Salmo 80:6-11,14,17; **Evangelio:** Marcos 12:28-34

### 14 de Marzo de 2026

**Primera:** Oseas 6:1-6; **Salmo:** Salmo 50:3-4,18-21; **Evangelio:** Lucas 18:9-14

# Water...



In today's first reading, the Israelites in the desert are thirsty and ask Moses for water. So God tells him to strike a big rock with his staff and water comes out. In the Gospel reading, Jesus tells the Samaritan woman that He can give her living water so that she will never be thirsty.

Water is a symbol of life. In the first story the people in the desert would have died if they didn't get water. Now Jesus gives us His life, which is grace. We receive it especially in Holy Communion. This is the living water that He is talking about. Our souls need His grace to stay alive.



When you have a drink of water, think about how your body needs water to stay alive, and how your soul needs God's grace. Saying a prayer is kind of like giving your soul a little drink!



Answer to puzzle on front: will never thirst  
 Answer to puzzle inside: because, hearts, Spirit, given, still, time,  
 difficulty, might, courage, God, "Christ died"

# The Kids' Bulletin

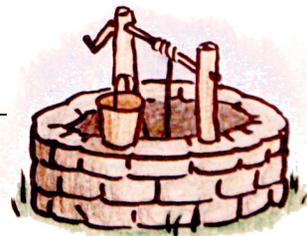
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March 8th, 2026

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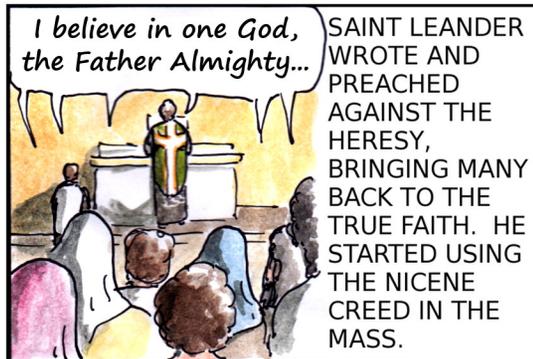
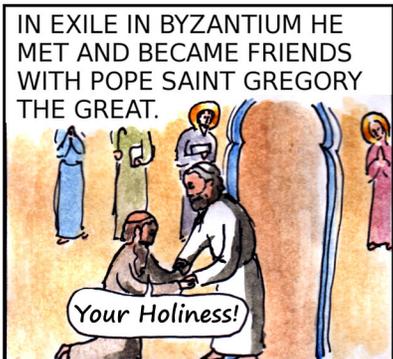
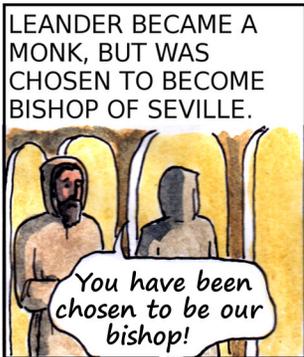
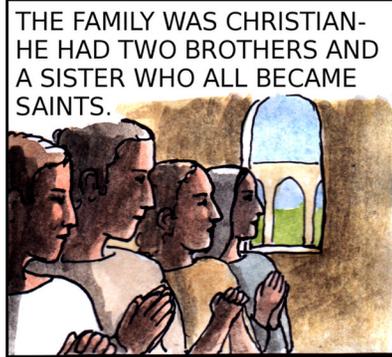
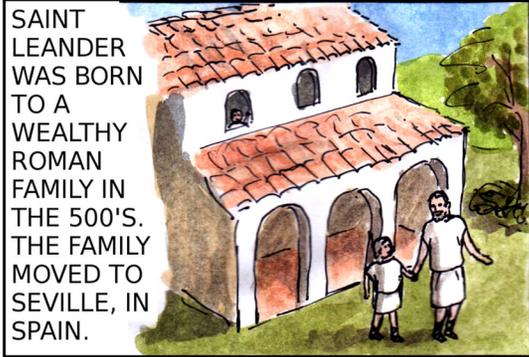
*Jesus says that if we drink  
 His living water, we*

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# Saint Leander of Seville

March 13



SAINT LEANDER DIED AROUND THE YEAR 600. WHEN HE DIED HIS BROTHER BECAME THE NEW BISHOP. BECAUSE THE LEADERS HATED THE TRUTH, BISHOP LEANDER HAD RISKED HIS LIFE TO TRY TO CONVERT PEOPLE. WE CAN LEARN FROM HIM THAT WE SHOULD ALWAYS TELL THE TRUTH ABOUT THE FAITH.

## Fill-in-the-Blanks

Fill in the blanks with the words in the box.  
Use the marked letters to fill in the blanks at the end.

And hope does not disappoint,  
1.  the love of God has  
been poured into our 2.   
through the Holy 3.  who  
has been 4.  to us. For  
Christ, while we were 5.   
helpless, died at the appointed  
6.  for the ungodly. Indeed,  
only with 7.   
does one die for a just person, though  
perhaps for a good person one  
8.  even find  
9.  to die. But  
10.  proves his love for us in that...  
...WHILE WE WERE STILL SINNERS  
FOR US.

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COURAGE	DIFFICULTY	HEARTS
GOD	TIME	GIVEN
SPIRIT	MIGHT	STILL
		BECAUSE