GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY May 11, 2025

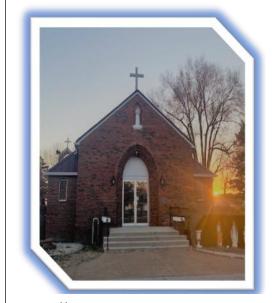
Welcome to the Parish Communities of:

St. Anthony of Padua 132 Main Street Iberia, MO 65486

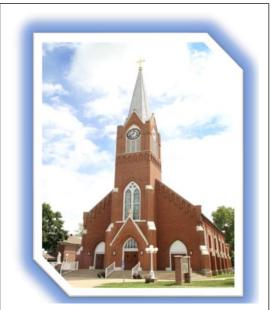
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Bishop McKnight's May prayer intention for our Local Church

For all vocations, and especially for those who will be ordained this year. That they may be strengthened by the grace of the Holy Spirit and remain faithful to the call of Christ. We pray to the Lord.

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*** EASTER SEASON ***

Easter Season begins with the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday, April 19 and goes through June 29, 2025. During the entire Easter Season, both the Precious Blood & Body will be offered; therefore, the addition of Extraordinary Ministers. Also, the Easter Season is celebrated with incense at weekend Masses and four (4) servers will be scheduled at each Mass. *Due to limited number of St. Lawrence Saturday servers, Sunday servers may be scheduled on Saturdays throughout the Easter Season.* Thank you everyone for your assistance!



ST. LAWRENCE				ST. ANTHONY		
Tuesday	May 13	6:00 PM	Eucharistic Adoration & Confessions			
		7:00 PM	† Henry & Marie Fennewald			
Wednesday	May 14	7:15 AM	† Special Intention			
Thursday	May 15	7:15 AM	† Albert & Marie Frey	5:30 PM Confessions		
				6:00 PM	† Carl & Theresa Rush	
Friday	May 16	7:15 AM	† Leonard Schanzmeyer			
Saturday	May 17	4:00 PM	Confessions			
		5:00 PM	† Vernita Block			
Sunday	May 18	9:30 AM	Confessions	7:30 AM	Confessions	
		10:00 AM	† Leonard & Marie Schanzmeyer	8:00 AM	Parishioners of St. Anthony & St. Lawrence	

Sunday, May 11, 2025 – Daily Reflection: Have you ever heard of a lamb that was also a shepherd? Today's second reading tells us Jesus, the Lamb of God, will shepherd the saints who stand before the heavenly throne. Although this Lamb still bears the wounds of his sacrifice, he will protect the saints, lead them to life-giving water, and wipe away their tears. Odd... actually, not. Jesus, the Lamb of God, is a perfect shepherd for us and here's why: This Lamb is a shepherd who 1) Perfectly walked in the path of righteousness and was obedient to the will of his Father for his entire life so of course he knows how to lead; 2) Defeated the powers of darkness through his humble self-offering and freely handed himself over to death on The Cross so he's uniquely able to protect us in the face of whatever trouble comes our way; 3) Poured out his own blood on The Cross to cleanse us from all impurity. The water that flowed from his pierced side is the living water of Baptism and new life. It is this life-giving water that leads us; and 4) Suffered in every way we have and embraced our weakness and frailty. His experience of sorrow makes him all the more attentive to our own, and he tenderly wipes away our tears. As you celebrate Good Shepherd Sunday, spend some time considering Jesus, the Lamb who is your shepherd!

"Jesus, Good Shepherd of my soul, thank you for your love and protection!"

Stewardship Schedule May 17 - 18	St. Lawrence May 17, 5:00 † Vernita Block	St. Anthony May 18, 8:00 AM Parishioners' Mass	St. Lawrence May 18, 10:00 AM † Leonard & Marie Schanzmeyer		
LECTORS	Janet Beck	Lisa Otto	Kristi Green		
FOUR SERVERS	Preston Plassmeyer, Noah Wieberg, Daisy & Paisley Bax	Bryan Chipman, Augie Dearduff, Ben & Sidney Engelmeyer	Brennan & Layla Doerhoff Kiptyn Green, Lucy Heckemeyer		
GIFT BEARERS	Carl & Teresa Heckemeyer Family	Jason & Michelle Buechter Family	Cody & Jessica Heckemeyer Family		
EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS	Deacon Steve, Kathleen Schwartze, Karla Buechter, Kim Plassmeyer	Deacon Schwartze, Catherine Kliethermes, Lynette Otto	Deacon Schwartze, Chad Green, Ben Scheulen, Karla Holtmeyer		
SACRISTAN	Diane Juergensmeyer	Linda Volmert	Jennifer Oligschlaeger		
PRAYER HOSPITALITY SERVICE	Rosary: Kenny & Alice Oligschlaeger Greeters: Jim & Teresa Plassmeyer	Rosary: Dorothy Buechter Greeters: Frankie & Mary Schulte Ushers: Eddie Green, Herman Gudeman, Dustin Hagenhoff, Jerry Herx	Rosary: Bert & Jane Doerhoff Greeters: Kaye Finn & Dianne Heckemeyer		

Stewardship Schedule May 24 - 25	St. Lawrence May 24, 5:00 † Wanda Clark	St. Anthony May 25, 8:00 AM Parishioners' Mass	St. Lawrence May 25, 10:00 AM † Lawrence & Cyrilla Heckemeyer	
LECTORS	Cathy Reinkemeyer	Emma Musick	Leroy Heckemeyer	
FOUR SERVERS	Cameron & Jakob Kesel Cooper Lueckenotto, Harrison Plassmeyer	Aiden & Cohen Faulkner Grant & Riley Holtmeyer	Benton & Lucy Heckemeyer Heath & Matthew Heckemeyer	
GIFT BEARERS	Dale & Michelle Heckemeyer	Jeremy & Lori Buechter Family	Curt & Rhonda Heckemeyer	
EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS	Janet Weckenborg, Mike Verhoff, Dale & Karla Buechter	Margie Chipman, Mary Schulte Liz Voss	Bert & Jane Doerhoff Macy Beck, Theresa Struemph	
SACRISTAN	Mike Verhoff	Catherine Kliethermes	Lindsey Holtmeyer	
PRAYER HOSPITALITY SERVICE	Rosary: Cathy Reinkemeyer Greeters: Joe & Kim Plassmeyer	Rosary: Delphine Dickneite Greeters: Stanley & Sandy Wieberg Ushers: Larry Herx and Daniel, David and Harold Holtmeyer	Rosary: Jennifer Oligschlaeger Greeters: Nick & Kelli Green	

FISCAL YEAR: July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025 ST. LAWRENCE PARISH STATISTICS Number of Registered Households: 289 / Individual Catholics: 730				FISCAL YEAR: July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025 ST. ANTHONY PARISH STATISTICS Number of Registered Households: 143 / Individual Catholics: 320			
ST. LAWRENCE OFFERINGS	Fiscal Year to Date (FYD) Totals 07/01/2024 – 05/05/2025			ST. ANTHONY OFFERINGS		Date (FYD) Totals - 05/05/2025	
Adult Envelopes	\$ 213,652.57			Adult Envelopes	\$ 75,959.46		
Online Offerings	26,900.00	Total Offertory Contributions \$ 284,705.14		Online Offering	9,925.00	Total Offertany Contributions	
Youth Envelopes / Loose	695.00 / 7,290.57			Loose	6,389.00	Total Offertory Contributions \$ 95,269.46	
Missions/Christmas Special	10,855.00 / 13,728.00			Missions/Christmas Special	705.00 / 1,310.00		
Easter Special	11,584.00			Easter Special	981.00		
	Other Income			Other Income/ 2024 Fall Supper Income 7,758.28 / 23,321.25			
	68,489.94		2025 Spring Supper Donations – Goal: \$7,500		4,192.00		
	353,195.08		Total YTD Parish Income 130		130,540.99		
	\$ 293,321.59		Expenses / 2024 Fall Supper Expenses \$ 92,594.2		\$ 92,594.21 / 14,254.56		
FY Budget 24-25: \$ 32	FY Budget 24-25: \$ 324,079.35 / Weekly Avg Offertory Goal: \$ 6,232.00				FY Budget 24-25: \$ 126,780.00 / Weekly Avg Offertory Goal: \$ 2,438.00		
монтн	Weekly Average Offertory Contributions	Monthly Tithe (BASED on tithable Income)		MONTH	Weekly Average Offertory Contributions	Monthly Tithe (BASED on tithable Income)	
January 2025	\$ 6,750.94	\$ 1,917.00		January 2025	\$ 2,260.24	\$ 745.00	
February 2025	\$ 7,482.76	\$ 2,265.00		February 2025	\$ 2,179.10	\$ 798.00	
March 2025	\$ 6,725.86	\$ 2,053.00		March 2025	\$ 2,134.79	\$ 792.00	
April 2025	\$ 8,477.07	\$ 1,972.00		April 2025	\$ 2,945.83	\$ 971.00	

CONFIRMATION – Sunday, June 8, 2025

For both St. Anthony & St. Lawrence Parishes, Confirmation ceremonies will be held at the Cathedral of St. Joseph, Jefferson City, MO on Sunday, June 8, 1:00 PM. All are asked to arrive at the Cathedral by Noon on June 8. Immediately following the Confirmation ceremony, we will gather in Cana Hall (formerly known as St. Joseph Undercroft) for a light reception. CONFIRMATION PRACTICE is on Wednesday, June 4 @ 6:00 PM.

TOTUS TUUS 2025: Mark Your Calendars; it's the Week of July 13 – 18, 2025.

ST. ANTHONY PARISH & COMMUNITY NEWS

Sunday, May 11, After 8 AM Mass: Mother's Day BBQ at BJ, St. Anthony. \$12 per person (Carry Out/Eat In). BBQ chicken, hobo taters, baked beans.

Senior Citizens: Wed, May 14, 9:30 AM: Cards and Bingo. Club will provide HAM; please bring a side dish.

ST. LAWRENCE PARISH & ST. ELIZABETH COMMUNITY NEWS

Thursday, May 15, 7:00 PM: Parish and Finance Council Meeting in Church Basement.

Sunday, May 18, 1 – 4 PM: The family of Florence Plassmeyer is hosting an open house with a cake and

punch reception to celebrate her 90th Birthday! All are welcome. It will be held in the St. Elizabeth Community Center.

Monday, May 19, 7 PM: St. Elizabeth Memorial American Legion Post 545 meets in the Community Center. Agenda includes election of officers and Memorial Day Ceremony preparations. All members are asked to attend.

Saturday, May 24, 6:00 PM: St. Elizabeth Alumni Banquet will be held at the Community Center. The cost is \$20 a person. A fried chicken meal will be served, along with a short meeting. Anniversary years will be recognized and Scholarships will be presented. Please send in your reservations to PO Box 1, St. Elizabeth, MO 65075 by May 16. Any questions, please call Diane Juergensmeyer 573-680-9990.

Sunday, May 25, after 10 AM Mass: The St. Elizabeth Memorial Post 545 invites all parishioners to the Memorial Day Service at the St. Lawrence Cemetery. Contact Tom Oligschlaeger with any questions.

2025 Community Picnic Quilt Groups: Lists are in the back of church. PLEASE be sure to pick one up! Contact your Group Leader with any questions. Mark your calendars now: St. Elizabeth Community Picnic is Sunday, July 27, 2025.

Other News

Monday, May 19, Food Pantry Day: Hours are 4 - 8 PM. Store Hours are 1 - 7 PM. All *Helping Hands* on deck are needed to fill orders and very much appreciated!

The St. Elizabeth R-IV School District is accepting applications for a part-time evening custodial person. Duties include cleaning elementary classrooms and bathrooms after school during the regular school year. This position is roughly two hours per evening. Salary is commensurate with experience. According to Policy 2230, applicants who live outside the school district boundaries also qualify to have their children attend our district tuition-free. For more information, please contact Doug Kempker, Superintendent, 573-493-2246.

St. Anthony 2025 **Spring Supper Donations** Goal: \$7,500

Sunday Rosaries, 6:00 PM

May 25, Honor the Fallen @ St. Anthony Cemetery

May 18 @ St. Anthony Church

As of 05/05, RECEIVED: \$4,192.00

We are over half way there! THANK YOU!!







Larry Buckley Judy Doyle Clinton Luebbering **Dylan Nichols Terry Yates** Trevin White **Dakota Clarkston** Lorraine Hoecker Bryan Hoecker Bryleigh Wulff Sherry Johnson **Curt Schatz** Sister Vicki Ewers Nolan Kesel Cathy Thompson **Grant Lamb** Deidra Buechter Greyson Juergensmeyer Deidra Buechter
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Joel Gares
Ollie Victoria Eidson
Jerry Herx
Mike Kesel
Louis Toebben
Vicki Cox Bullock
Ramona Bax
Bruce Berendzen
Christopher Thompson
Nic Gilardi
Patrick Holtmeyer

Treyton Kemna

Joseph Volmert

Gene Wilde

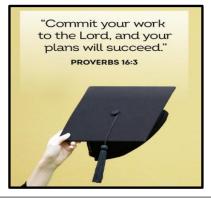


We have a pope!

"With great thanksgiving, we welcome our Holy Father, Pope Leo XIV! Let the Church find hope in this moment and let us pray together as one people of God, entrusting our new Holy Father to the guidance of the Holy Spirit. I pledge my loyalty and love to Pope Leo XIV as he takes up the mantle of Saint Peter during this challenging time. May God bless him as he serves the Church and our entire world."

— Bishop Shawn McKnight

CONGRATULATIONS CLASS OF 2025!





To the Blessed Mother, Happy Mother's Day!

WORLD DAY PRAYER VOCATIONS

World Day of Prayer for Vocations

On May 11, 2025, the world observes the 62nd Annual World Day of Prayer for Vocations. Pope Francis released a message for the day, encouraging young people to listen to God's call in their hearts and be "pilgrims of hope," offering the world a sign of

God's love. The Church encourages individuals and families to pray for vocations to the priesthood, religious life, and diaconate. Find more information at https://worlddayofprayerforvocations.com/.

Mass of Thanksgiving for Bishop McKnight May 20, 2025

A Mass of Thanksgiving will be held on Tuesday, May 20, 2025, 5:30 PM at the Cathedral of St. Joseph, Jefferson City, Missouri. Attendees are asked to RSVP; see below. This is a farewell Mass for Bishop McKnight as he departs and prepares for the Mass of Installation, on May 27, 2025, as the 5th Archbishop of Kansas City.

A MOTHER'S DAY PRAYER

Today, on the occasion of Mother's Day, we offer these prayers for all our Mothers,

Lord God,

We give you thanks for the many gifts you have given us — the gift of life and the gift of those who love us.

We thank you especially today for the gift of our mothers, grandmothers, and mother-figures, and for their unique and devoted way in revealing for us your love.

We ask that you bless them and keep them in your care until the time comes for us to join them in your Kingdom.

For our mothers, grandmothers, and motherfigures, who have gone before us and rest now with Christ, may they know how much

WE LOVE, WE MISS, AND WE REMEMBER THEM!

Heavenly Father, we ask your blessing this day upon all mothers and grandmothers; give them the strength to live the faithful and loving lives you call them to live. Protect them, guide them and keep them in your care.

We ask all of this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.