

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

November 23, 2025

Welcome to the Parish Communities of:

St. Anthony of Padua

132 Main Street
Iberia, MO 65486

St. Lawrence

246 Main Street, PO Box 128
St. Elizabeth, MO 65075

Father Christopher Aubuchon, Pastor

Deacon Steve Schwartze

Michele Renkemeyer, Parish Secretary

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Kevin Otto Jackie Perkins

Mary Schulte

POPE LEO'S NOVEMBER PRAYER INTENTION



FOR SUICIDE PREVENTION

Let us pray that those who are struggling with suicidal thoughts might find the support, care, and love they need in their community, and be open to the beauty of life.

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Tom Oligschlaeger, President

Abby Kemna, Secretary

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WEEKLY HOLY MASS SCHEDULE: November 25 – December 8, 2025

ST. LAWRENCE				ST. ANTHONY	
Tuesday	Nov 25	6:00 PM 7:00 PM	Eucharistic Adoration / Confessions † Special Intention		
Wednesday	Nov 26	7:15 AM	† Connie Brandt NO CCD CLASSES THIS WEEK		
Thanksgiving Thursday	Nov 27	7:30 AM 8:00 AM	Confessions † Alfred & Mary Ann Doerhoff		
Friday	Nov 28	No Mass	No Mass		
Saturday	Nov 29	4:00 PM 5:00 PM	Confessions † Urban Wieberg		
First Sunday Of Advent	Nov 30	9:30 AM 10:00 PM	Confessions Parishioners of St. Lawrence & St. Anthony	7:30 AM 8:00 AM	Confessions † Keith Pigg
Tuesday	Dec 2	6:00 PM 7:00 PM	Eucharistic Adoration *Communion Service Only (NO MASS)		
Wednesday	Dec 3	6:30 PM	CCD Mass/Ministries & Confessions: Grade 6 † Anton & Marcella Luetkemeyer	6:30 PM	CCD Eucharistic Adoration/Rosary Ministries: Grade 3 & 4
Thursday	Dec 4	7:15 AM	† Cletus Schwartz		* NO MASS
First Friday	Dec 5	7:15 AM 8 – 9 AM 8 AM–Noon	† Henry Struempf Confessions Eucharistic Adoration	6:00 PM 6:30-7:30 PM	† John & Mathilda Rehagen Eucharistic Adoration & Confessions
First Saturday	Dec 6	4:00 PM 5:00 PM	Confessions † Florentine Schwartz		
Second Sunday Of Advent	Dec 7	9:30 AM 10:00 AM AFTER MASS	Confessions † Dennis Struempf 2 ND Grade FIRST RECONCILIATIONS	7:30 AM 8:00 AM	Confessions Parishioners of St. Anthony & St. Lawrence
Monday Holy Day of Obligation Immaculate Conception	Dec 8	6:00 AM	Parishioners of St. Anthony & St. Lawrence	7:00 PM	† Veronica Holtmeyer

*Father Aubuchon is assisting with evening Penance Services in neighboring parishes.

Stewardship Schedule Thanksgiving Nov 29 - 30	THANKSGIVING DAY St. Lawrence Thursday, Nov 27, 8:00 AM † Alfred & Mary Ann Doerhoff	St. Lawrence Saturday, Nov 29, 5:00 PM † Urban Wieberg	FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT St. Anthony (5 th Sunday) Sunday, Nov 30, 8:00 AM † Keith Pigg	FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT St. Lawrence Sunday, Nov 30, 10:00 AM † Parishioners' Mass
LECTORS	Leroy Heckemeyer	Paul Beck	Knights of Columbus	Abby Kemna
SERVERS	Kiptyn Green Benton & Lucy Heckemeyer	Daisy & Paisley Bax Cooper Lueckenotto	Christina & Rachel Bax Bryan Chipman	Evelyn Buechter Brennan & Layla Doerhoff
GIFT BEARERS	Steve & Kim Luetkemeyer	Mary Luetkemeyer Family	Knights of Columbus	John & Lora Luetkemeyer
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	Deacon Steve Dale Holtmeyer	Deacon Steve Jim Plassmeyer	Deacon Steve	Deacon Steve Ashley Buechter
SACRISTAN	Sharon Kemna / Lindsey Holtmeyer	Mike Verhoff	Linda Volmert	Jennifer Oligschlaeger
PRAYER HOSPITALITY SERVICE	Rosary: Syl & Mary Kesel Greeters: Leroy & Sheila Heckemeyer	Rosary: Kenny & Alice Oligschlaeger Greeters: Jim & Teresa Plassmeyer	Rosary, Greeters, Ushers: Knights of Columbus	Rosary: Albert & Dolores Frey Greeter: Jim & Elaine Kesel

Stewardship Schedule Dec 6 – 7	FIRST SATURDAY St. Lawrence Dec 6, 5:00 PM † Florentine Schwartz	SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT St. Anthony Sunday, Dec 7, 8:00 AM Parishioners' Mass	SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT St. Lawrence Sunday, Dec 7, 10:00 AM † Dennis Struempf
LECTORS	6 th Grade CCD	5 th & 6 th Grade CCD	7 th Grade CCD
SERVERS	6 th Grade CCD	5 th & 6 th Grade CCD	7 th Grade CCD
GIFT BEARERS	6 th Grade CCD	5 th & 6 th Grade CCD	7 th Grade CCD
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	Deacon Schwartz Dianne Jurgensmeyer	Deacon Steve	Deacon Steve Dale Holtmeyer
SACRISTAN	Kathleen Schwartz	Catherine Kliethermes	Jane Doerhoff
PRAYER HOSPITALITY & SERVICE	Rosary/Greeters: 6 th Grade CCD ** St. Cecilia Youth Choir **	Rosary/Greeters/Ushers: 5 th & 6 th Grade CCD	Rosary/Greeters: 7 th Grade CCD

CCD PARENTS/CAREGIVERS: Our CCD students are an important part of celebrating Mass. Their participation during Mass inspires devotion and courage, along with building the next generation of faithful followers of Christ. Students are assigned various ministry roles based on their own requests or by their CCD Teacher. We humbly ask you attend Mass with your students and support their faith-filled journey.

Sun, Nov 23, 2025; Jesus Christ, King of the Universe Daily Reflection: Today marks one hundred years since Pope Pius XI established the feast of Jesus Christ, King of the Universe! Today, instead of considering an earthly king, we turn our attention to the “King of kings and Lord of lords”, whose “kingdom will have no end”. Jesus, our King, came to give us greater gifts than any gift an earthly king could ever give. In today’s Gospel, in fact, we see him giving the gift of eternal life to the “good thief” who is crucified next to him. Then, dying on the cross, he gave us the greatest gift; his own life for our salvation. AND from that point on, he has been continuously offering us his love, mercy, and forgiveness. When the thief on the cross asked Jesus to remember him, Jesus promised, “Today you will be with me in Paradise”. Let’s follow this man’s example and honor our King by surrendering our life to him. Let’s open our hands and receive his overflowing gifts of mercy, love, and forgiveness. Most of all, let’s praise our King for giving us the greatest gift of all, Eternal Life!

Lord Jesus Christ, You are my King. I surrender my life to You!

FISCAL YEAR: July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026			FISCAL YEAR: July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026		
ST. LAWRENCE PARISH STATISTICS			ST. ANTHONY PARISH STATISTICS		
Number of Registered Households: 292 / Individual Catholics: 737			Number of Registered Households : 143 / Individual Catholics: 322		
ST. LAWRENCE OFFERINGS	Fiscal Year to Date (FYD) Totals 07/01/2025 – 11/20/2025		ST. ANTHONY OFFERINGS	Fiscal Year to Date (FYD) Totals 07/01/2025 – 11/20/2025	
Adult Envelopes	\$ 83,665.12	Total Offertory Contributions \$ 1116,357.78	Adult Envelopes	\$ 34,157.57	Total Offertory Contributions \$ 41,345.57
Online Offerings	16,365.00		Online Offering	3,525.00	
Youth Envelopes / Loose	675.00 / 2,867.66		Loose	2,766.00	
Missions/Christmas Special Easter Special	12,785.00		Missions/Christmas Special Easter Special	897.00	
Other Income		27,156.57	Other Income		4,123.40
Total YTD Parish Income		143,514.35	2025 Fall Supper Income		26,622.00
Total YTD Parish Expenses		\$ 181,238.69	Total YTD Parish Income		72,090.97
FY Budget 25 - 26: \$ 320,200.00 / Weekly Avg Offertory Goal: \$ 6,159.62			Parish Ordinary Expenses		62,285.04
MONTH	Weekly Average Offertory Contributions	Monthly Tithe (BASED on tithable Income)	MONTH	Weekly Average Offertory Contributions	Monthly Tithe (BASED on tithable Income)
July	\$ 7,687.85	\$ 1,697.00	July	\$ 2,383.02	\$ 798.00
August (5 Weeks)	4,380.60	1,805.00	August (5 Weeks)	1,513.06	708.00
September	6,548.11	2,576.00	September	2,946.34	1,043.00
October	7,289.90	1,613.01	October	2,092.75	688.00
FY Budget 25-26: \$ 123,400.00 / Weekly Avg Offertory Goal: \$ 2,373.08			Total YTD Parish Expenses		\$ 77,799.13

NO CCD CLASSES the week of THANKSGIVING

NEXT CCD CLASS IS: Wednesday, December 3, 2025, 6:30 PM

St. Anthony begins with Eucharistic Adoration/Rosary - Ministries: Grades 3 & 4
St. Lawrence begins with Mass & Confessions - Ministries: Grade 6

St. Anthony Sunday Rosaries

Dec 7 @ 5:30 PM
Dec 21 @ 6:00 PM

ST. ANTHONY PARISH & COMMUNITY NEWS

FIFTH Sunday, Nov 30: Immediately following Mass, the Knights will be serving coffee and donuts in the Parish Hall.

Sunday, Dec 7, 6:00 PM: *It’s the St. Anthony Parishioners’ Christmas Party* featuring the CYO Christmas Play, treats and goodies, and a visit from Santa Claus! More details to come.

Wednesday, Dec 10, 9:30 AM: Senior Citizens Christmas Party. We will have BBQ ribs and pork steaks (Thank You Greg Hoecker!) and a white elephant gift exchange (\$10 - \$15) for anyone that wants to participate.

The St. Anthony Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary is sponsoring a Giving Tree again this year. The Giving tree is/will be set up in the back of church. Please select the tag(s) off the tree, gift wrap and attach the tag on the gift(s), and place in the back of church. Gifts need to be returned by Monday, December 15th. Your support in helping the Auxiliary sponsor families this holiday season is much appreciated!

ST. LAWRENCE PARISH & COMMUNITY NEWS

St. Cecilia Children’s Choir Advent and Christmas Season Practices:

Saturday, Nov 29, 3:30 PM, Church Basement
Monday, Dec 1, 3:30 PM, After School, Church Balcony

FIRST Saturday, Dec 6, 3:30 PM, Church Basement
Monday, Dec 8, 3:30 PM After School, Church Balcony

MUST ATTEND Choir Practices: Wed, Dec 17, 5:30 PM (Church Balcony) and Wednesday, Christmas Eve (time to be determined). Questions: Contact Michele Renkemeyer at 573-291-6638.

Tuesday, Nov 25, 7:45 PM (Following 7:00 PM Mass): St. Anne’s Meeting in the Church Basement. We will be discussing the upcoming Christmas Season, Church decorating, the Saint Anne’s Angels, and our holiday get-together.

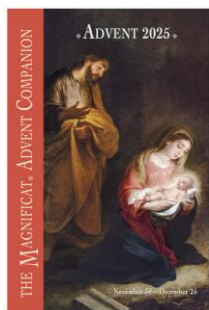
FIRST Monday, Dec 1, 7:00 PM: Patriotic Rosary in St. Lawrence Church.

Wednesday, Dec 3, 7:00 PM: **Knights of Columbus Meeting** in the Community Center Meeting Room.

FIRST Wednesday, Dec 3, 8 AM: **LIFE RUNNER'S CREED:** REMEMBER the Unborn Jersey & Creed. All students from St. Elizabeth R-4 School are invited to meet at the Holy Family across from school to pray the Creed. Community members are welcome to attend. If you are a student/member from another school, wear your jersey & send up a prayer with us. All in Christ for Pro-Life!

FIRST Friday, Dec 5: Join us for Holy Mass at 7:15 AM, followed by Adoration and Confessions. Donuts and coffee will be served in the Church Basement following Mass.

FIRST Sunday, Dec 7, 5 – 9 PM: St. Elizabeth Card Club meets for cards in the Community Center; please bring a snack to share. We welcome any new parishioners!



ADVENT PENANCE SERVICES

*St. Anthony Church
Thursday, Dec 11, 6:30 PM*

*St. Lawrence Church
Sunday, Dec 14, 5:30 PM*

ADVENT IS ALMOST HERE

Advent is the name of the season in which Christians prepare for the celebration that commemorates The Birth of Jesus Christ. The word Advent comes from the Latin phrase "Adventus Domini", meaning arrival of the Lord. The Advent Season is of variable length and the start date changes every year. This year, the First Sunday of Advent falls on Sunday, November 30 and the Last Sunday of Advent is on December 21, 2025. Common customs observed in churches and at home during Advent are the decoration of the house with an Advent wreath adorned with candles and the keeping of an Advent calendar. **The Magnificat Advent Companion booklets are located in the back of your Church.**

SUPPLIES ARE LIMITED!

FIRST RECONCILIATIONS **SECOND GRADES**



*St. Lawrence 2nd Grade
Sunday, Dec 7, 2025
Following 10:00 AM Mass*

*St. Anthony 2nd Grade
Wednesday, Dec 10 2025
Following CCD Mass*



Fred Grellaur
Donna Hoeller
Barb Brison
Fred Schaffer
John Schaefer
Helen Davis
Travis Tomson
Larry Buckley
Clinton Luebbering
Dylan Nichols
Terry Yates
Dakota Clarkston
Lorraine Hoecker
Bryan Hoecker
Bryleigh Wulff
Sherry Johnson
Sister Vicki Ewers
Nolan Kesel

Cathy Thompson
Grant Lamb
Deidra Buechter
Emberlee, Josie, &
Brody Boeckman
Joel Gares
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

MONDAY, DEC 8, 2025 - HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

*Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception
of the Blessed Virgin Mary
6:00 AM Mass – St. Lawrence / 7:00 PM Mass – St. Anthony
(The early 6 AM Mass is to accommodate our working world.)*

2025 CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

CHRISTMAS EVE		CHRISTMAS DAY	
4:00 pm	St. Lawrence	8:00 am	St. Anthony
6:30 pm	St. Anthony	10:00 am	St. Lawrence

NEW YEAR MASS SCHEDULE

NEW YEAR'S EVE December 31, 2025		NEW YEAR'S DAY January 1, 2026	
6:00 pm	St. Lawrence	9:00 am	St. Lawrence
		6:00 pm	St. Anthony