

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

January 11, 2026

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 Schwartz

Michele Renkemeyer, Parish Secretary

Loren Otto / Michele Renkemeyer, St. Anthony Hall Rental

Lauren Kliethermes & Kara Scheulen, Faith Formation Coordinators



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ST. ANTHONY PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Sandy Wieberg, President

Julie Dye, Secretary Billy Buechter

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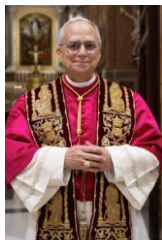
ST. ANTHONY FINANCE COUNCIL

Eva Voss, President Chris Dye

Kevin Otto Jackie Perkins

Mary Schulte

POPE LEO'S JANUARY PRAYER INTENTION



Let us pray that praying with the Word of God be nourishment for our lives and a source of hope in our Communities, helping us to build a more fraternal and missionary Church.

ST. LAWRENCE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Tom Oligschlaeger, President

Abby Kemna, Secretary

Chris Beck

Kelli Green

Craig Oligschlaeger

Eric O'Neil

ST. LAWRENCE FINANCE COUNCIL

Ben Scheulen, President Janet Beck

Kaye Finn

Leroy Heckemeyer

Jim Plassmeyer

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Parish Office: St. Lawrence Church Basement / Hours: Mon – Fri, 7:30 AM – 4:00 PM / SUMMER HOURS (Jun – Aug): Tues-Fri, Closed Mondays

Loren Otto / Michele Renkemeyer, St. Anthony Parish Hall Rental @ 573-793-6550

WEEKLY HOLY MASS SCHEDULE: January 13 - 18, 2026

ST. LAWRENCE				ST. ANTHONY	
Tuesday	Jan 13	6:00 PM 7:00 PM	Eucharistic Adoration / Confessions † Mary Jane Kemna		
Wednesday	Jan 14	6:30 PM	CCD Mass † Fred & Mary Ann Struempf Ministries & Confessions: Grade 4	6:30 PM	CCD Eucharistic Adoration/Rosary Grades 10-12
Thursday	Jan 15	7:15 AM	† Fred Evers	5:30 PM 6:00 PM	Confessions † Joseph Struempf
Friday	Jan 16	7:15 AM	† Aspyn Marie Heckman		
Saturday	Jan 17	4:00 PM 5:00 PM	Confessions † Frank & Eleanor Wilde		
Sunday	Jan 18	9:30 AM 10:00 AM	Confessions † Donna Hoeller	7:30 AM 8:00 AM 6:00 PM	Confessions Parishioners of St. Anthony & St. Lawrence Sunday Rosary (Church)

Sunday, January 11, 2026. The Baptism of the Lord

Why did Jesus submit to John's Baptism? This cleansing in the waters of the Jordan River was a baptism of repentance. But Jesus was the Son of God, he didn't need to repent! That's why John said to Jesus, "I need to be baptized by you, and yet you are coming to me?" John did not live long enough to witness Jesus' Death and Resurrection, but if he had heard Jesus pray, "Father, forgive them," from The Cross, John would have witnessed firsthand the full significance of Jesus' Baptism. Jesus was baptized, not for his own sins, but for ours and those of the whole world. On The Cross, Jesus, the sinless one, would take on the sin of all humanity. As Pope Benedict XVI wrote, when Jesus was baptized, he "loaded the burden of all mankind's guilt upon his shoulder; he bore it down into the depths of the Jordan. He inaugurated his public activity by stepping into the place of sinners...the Baptism is an acceptance of death for the sins of humanity". It is through Jesus' Death and Resurrection, we sinners would be made righteous. Jesus stood with sinners like us along the banks of the Jordan and descended into the waters, just as they had. Then, on The Cross, he took on every one of our sins, and put them to death, once and for all. Today, thank the Lord for your own Baptism. In this great Sacrament, you are joined to Jesus in His Death and Resurrection and freed from the burden of guilt and cleansed of sin and made righteous. JESUS... May he forever be praised!

Lord, thank you for the new life I received at my Baptism.

Stewardship Schedule The Baptism of The Lord	SATURDAY, Jan 10, 2026 5:00 PM St. Lawrence † Adolph & Ruby Kesel	SUNDAY, Jan 11, 2026, 8:00 AM St. Anthony Parishioners' Mass	SUNDAY, Jan 11, 2026, 10:00 AM St. Lawrence † Keith Pigg
LECTORS	Janet Weckenborg	Emma Musick	Leroy Heckemeyer
SERVERS	Lucy & Benton Heckemeyer Heath & Matthew Heckemeyer	Keaton Jones, Sarah Kliethermes Mason Otto, Alyssa Perkins	Sofia & Gemma Holtmeyer Rowan Juergensmeyer, Hudson Kemna
GIFT BEARERS	Matthew & Kim Oligschlaeger Family	Ethan & Haley Musick Family	Tim & Jennifer Oligschlaeger Family
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	<u>PRECIOUS BODY & BLOOD</u> Deacon Schwartz Paul Beck & Dale & Karla Buechter	<u>PRECIOUS BODY & BLOOD</u> Deacon Schwartz Mary Schulte, Liz Voss	<u>PRECIOUS BODY & BLOOD</u> Deacon Schwartz Bert & Jane Doerhoff, Macy Beck
SACRISTAN	Diane Juergensmeyer	Catherine Kliethermes	Stan Struempf
PRAYER HOSPITALITY SERVICE	Rosary: Alice Oligschlaeger Greeters: Tom & Rachel Oligschlaeger	Rosary: Paul & Catherine Kliethermes Greeters: Loren & Kaylie Otto Ushers: George, Gerard, Hayden & John Otto	Rosary: Bert & Jane Doerhoff Greeters: Nick & Kelli Green

Stewardship Schedule Ordinary Time	SATURDAY, Jan 17, 2026 5:00 PM St. Lawrence † Frank & Eleanor Wilde	SUNDAY, Jan 18, 2026, 8:00 AM St. Anthony Parishioners' Mass	SUNDAY, Jan 18, 2026, 10:00 AM St. Lawrence † Donna Hoeller
LECTORS	Janet Beck	Lisa Otto	Abby Kemna
SERVERS	Cooper Lueckenotto Harrison & Preston Plassmeyer	Bryan Chipman Leo & Rita Wieberg	Ben, Harper, & Kane Kemna
GIFT BEARERS	Eric & Alysha O'Neil Family	Quentin & Casey Neuman Family	Tom & Rachel Oligschlaeger Family
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	Deacon Schwartz Kathleen Schwartz	Deacon Schwartz	Deacon Schwartz Theresa Struempf
SACRISTAN	Mike Verhoff	Mary Schulte	Jennifer Oligschlaeger
PRAYER HOSPITALITY SERVICE	Rosary: Cathy Reinkemeyer Greeters: Jim & Teresa Plassmeyer	Rosary: Betty Voss Greeters: Clint & Jackie Perkins Ushers: Keith, Kevin, Loren, & Mark Otto	Rosary: Brett & Lindsey Holtmeyer Greeters: Leroy & Sheila Heckemeyer

FISCAL YEAR: July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026 ST. LAWRENCE PARISH STATISTICS Number of Registered Households: 292 / Individual Catholics: 742		
ST. LAWRENCE OFFERINGS	Fiscal Year to Date (FYD) Totals 07/01/2025 – 01/06/2026	
Adult Envelopes	\$ 123,477.98	Total Offertory Contributions \$ 177,006.79
Online Offerings	21,915.00	
Youth Envelopes / Loose	1,875.00 / 4,514.66	
Missions	12,785.00	
Christmas Special	12,439.15	
Easter Special	0.00	
Other Income	32,677.51	
Total YTD Parish Income	209,684.30	
Total YTD Parish Expenses	\$ 220,676.29	
FY Budget 25 - 26: \$ 320,200.00 / Weekly Avg Offertory Goal: \$ 6,159.62		
MONTH	Weekly Average Offertory Contributions	Monthly Tithe (BASED on tithable Income)
September	6,548.11	2,576.00
October	7,289.90	1,613.01
November (5 Weeks)	5,330.55	2,349.00
December	8,058.32	3,061.99

FISCAL YEAR: July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026 ST. ANTHONY PARISH STATISTICS Number of Registered Households : 147 / Individual Catholics: 322		
ST. ANTHONY OFFERINGS	Fiscal Year to Date (FYD) Totals 07/01/2025 – 01/06/2026	
Adult Envelopes	\$ 51,206.57	Total Offertory Contributions \$ 62,677.57
Online Offering	4,865.00	
Loose	4,366.00	
Missions	897.00	
Christmas Special	1,343.00	
Easter Special	0.00	
Other Income	5,505.01	
2025 Fall Supper Income	26,622.00	
Total YTD Parish Income	94,804.58	
Parish Ordinary Expenses	76,949.19	
2025 Fall Supper Expenses	15,514.09	
Total YTD Parish Expenses	\$ 92,463.28	
FY Budget 25-26: \$ 123,400.00 / Weekly Avg Offertory Goal: \$ 2,373.08		
MONTH	Weekly Average Offertory Contributions	Monthly Tithe (BASED on tithable Income)
September	2,946.34	1,043.00
October	2,092.75	688.00
November (5 Weeks)	2,276.43	1,064.00
December	3,518.42	1,260.37

CCD CLASS for Wednesday, January 14, 2026

St. Anthony begins at 6:30 PM with Eucharistic Adoration & The Rosary / Ministries: Grades 10-12

St. Lawrence begins at 6:30 PM with Mass & Confessions / Ministries: Grade 4

Virtus Training – Empowering God’s Children Annual Announcement. Every year, the Diocese requires our CCD students to take Virtus Training. In February and/or March, all CCD students will be presented with the program, Teaching Boundaries and Safety. Lesson Leaders will present information about safety and healthy boundaries to students, in a grade appropriate manner, which will include a video. The Teaching Boundaries and Safety Guide can be found on both church websites (Youth Activities) or email Kara Scheulen or Lauren Kliethermes (faithinformationcoordinators@gmail.com) for a copy of the guide. The Guide will help parents to learn more about the material to be presented and provides information on how to talk to your children about boundaries and teaching touching safety. If you wish for your child **NOT** to have this training, a parent **MUST** complete the Opt-Out form (also on both church websites/Youth Activities) by **Friday, January 30, 2026 AND provide to either Lauren or Kara.** Contact Kara or Lauren with any questions.

2026 ST. ANTHONY PARISH & COMMUNITY NEWS

Wednesday, Jan 14, 9:30 AM: Senior Citizens meet for cards and bingo in the Parish Hall. The club will provide soup. Please bring a dish to share.

Sunday, Jan 18, 6:00 PM: Join us for the Rosary in St. Anthony Church. All are welcome!

Saturday, Jan 31, 6:00 PM: St. Anthony Knights of Columbus Pitch Tournament, St. Anthony Parish Hall! Registration at 6:30 PM; Tournament at 7 PM. KofC Ladies Auxiliary to hold a dessert silent auction! Public event. Come join the FUN! Flyer on back page.

Thursday, Feb 5: St. Anthony Parish/Finance Council Meeting in Lorenz Hall.

Sunday, Feb 22, 7:30 AM – 11:30 PM: St. Anthony Knights of Columbus All-You-Can-Eat Breakfast! Flyer on back page.

Friday, March 27: St. Anthony Knights of Columbus Fish Fry. More details to come.

2026 ST. LAWRENCE PARISH & COMMUNITY NEWS

Thursday, Jan 15, 7:00 PM: St. Lawrence Parish/Finance Council Meeting in the Church Basement.

Friday, Feb 20: St. Elizabeth Knights of Columbus Fish Fry. St. Ann’s will again be doing the Bag-A-Prize! More details to come.

Saturday, Feb 21, 6:00 PM: American Legion Post 545 Annual Pitch Tournament and Chili Supper, St. Elizabeth Community Center. Registration begins & Chili is served at 6:00 PM; Tournament starts at 7:00 PM. Public event. Come join the FUN!

January 13, 12:30 PM – 5 PM: FBLA BLOOD DRIVE: FBLA January Blood Drive at the St. Elizabeth Community Center. Use this link or contact Kristen Holtmeyer to sign up: <https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/drive-results?zipSponsor=StElizabethRIV>

LOOKING AHEAD IN 2026

- First Communion Ceremonies for our Second Graders will be on Divine Mercy Sunday, April 12, 2026.
- Confirmation Ceremonies (for both parishes) will be held in St. Anthony of Padua Church on Wednesday, April 15, 2026. His Excellency, Bishop Ralph O'Donnell will officiate the ceremonies!
- Totus TUUS is scheduled for June 14 – 19, 2026.
- Steubenville is scheduled for July 10 – 12, 2026. Please see attached form and contact the following with any questions:
Margie Chipman (573) 291-6749 or Cathy Engelmeyer (573) 690-4573 (St. Anthony Parish)
Jennifer Oligschlaeger (573) 694-7877 or Kat Schwartze (573) 690-2610 (St. Lawrence Parish)



THANK YOU from DEACON STEVE SCHWARTZE

Throughout the years and as your Deacon, I feel very fortunate to serve our parishes and share with you and your families, the many blessings from our Lord. It is during December, I am especially grateful and touched. Thank you for all the Christmas cards & gifts and the many birthday wishes and gifts. Humbly, it is truly a great privilege to be loved and appreciated.

Deacon Steve

Fred Grellaur
Barb Brison
John Schaefer
Helen Davis
Travis Tomson
Larry Buckley
Clinton Luebbing
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

Hawaiian Dinner - Silent Auction - Live Auction - 50/50 Raffle

23rd ANNUAL - REIMAGINED!

Taste of Aloha

Saturday | 17 | Serving Dinner 5-7:30 p.m.
January
St. George Activity Center - Linn, MO

SILENT & LIVE AUCTION FUNDRAISER

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

- Table 1 close - 6:30 p.m.
- Live auction - 7 p.m.
- Table 2 close - 8 p.m.
- 50/50 winner - 8 p.m.
- Table 3 close - 8:30 p.m.

MEAL TICKET PRICES:

- \$18 in advance
- \$20 at the door
- Carry out dinners available.
- No charge for admission.

DINNER

Meal catered by Argyle Catering:

- Pineapple glazed chicken, Kalua pork, Hawaiian fried rice, Hawaiian roasted veggies, garden salad, roll & cheesecake

DRINKS

- Beer from Fachtel Beverage
- Gin Rickey
- Signature drink: Blue Lagoon

Advanced ticket sales end on Friday, Jan. 9 at 4 p.m.
For tickets contact: St. George School or Parish Office
Also available at Thriftway & Legends Main Bank, Linn

ST. THOMAS KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Pancake, Sausage & Egg Breakfast
also serving Biscuits & Gravy

SUNDAY, JANUARY 18TH, 2026
8:00AM - 11:30AM
ST. THOMAS KC HALL

PRICES:

- Adults: **\$10**
- Kids 6-12: **\$5**
- Under 6: **FREE**

Proceeds benefit the
St. Thomas the Apostle School &
St. Thomas Knights of Columbus
Council #2149

Proceeds to Benefit
Westphalia K.C. and
St. Joseph School

Famous Fried Fish

Have you tried our
Hush Puppies?

Good food, quick
service, good cause!

Hope to see you
there!

WESTPHALIA K.C. #1171
FISH FRY—

JANUARY 30 DRIVE THROUGH ONLY
FEBRUARY 13 DRIVE THROUGH ONLY
MARCH 20 DINE IN
~50/50 DRAWING (NEED NOT BE PRESENT TO WIN)

Join us for our annual Westphalia KofC Fish Fries on January 30,
February 13, and March 20, 2026, from 4:00 – 7:00 pm at the
Westphalia KofC Hall on HWY 63. The menu includes: Fried Fish,
Apple Sauce, Baked Beans, Hush Puppies, Cole Slaw, and
Buttered Potatoes. **\$15 per serving.**

WESTPHALIA KofC
#1171
www.westphaliakc.com/

17th Annual Pitch Tournament

Hosted by St. Anthony Knights of Columbus Council #12242

Saturday, January 31, 2026
at the St. Anthony Parish Hall, St. Anthony, Missouri

Registration at 6:30 p.m. - Tournament starts at 7:00 p.m.
\$5.00 per person to play

Prizes will be awarded! Proceeds given to local organizations.
Hamburgers, Cheeseburgers, Chips and Soda available for purchase.

Everyone is welcome!!
Come play cards, enjoy some good burgers, or just visit!

The Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary will hold a dessert silent auction.

BREAKFAST

ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT
Ham, Whole Hog Sausage, Biscuits and Gravy,
Scrambled Eggs and Applesauce

Hosted by St. Anthony Knights of Columbus

When: February 22, 2026

**Where: St. Anthony Parish Hall
St. Anthony, Missouri**

Serving Time: 7:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

Cost: Adults – \$12.00
Children Ages 6 to 12 – \$6.00
Children Ages 5 and under – Free

Dine-In and Carry Outs Available

Raffle will be held - \$10.00 per ticket
Prizes are:
Winchester SXP Universal Hunter 12 Gauge 3" 28" MO DNA Shotgun
\$100.00 Cash
\$50.00 Cash
\$25.00 Cash