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Wednesday, 12 Noon. Please send your items to  
[stlawrencemuncieparish@dol-in.org](mailto:stlawrencemuncieparish@dol-in.org)

**ARE YOU NEW AT ST. LAWRENCE? Want to register with our parish family?** You can register online at [www.stlawrencemuncie.com/register/](http://www.stlawrencemuncie.com/register/); fill out a registration form that are on the tables in the back of church; or stop by the Parish Office.

Dear Parishioners and Friends of St. Lawrence,

The story of the Transfiguration leads us beyond the transfiguration of Jesus to the hope of our own transfiguration – the day of which St. Paul speaks when he writes, “God chose us, before the world began, to be holy and blameless in His sight.” To imagine that one day, we will be without sin, error or even a taunt of sin disfiguring God’s holiness within us. Then God will complete His will for us from the beginning of our existence.

But in the meantime, we have to deal with the reality of death and sin. Whatever our struggles might be, whatever the crosses we encounter, God’s love is always alive and acting within us leading us to that destiny. This is why we never lose hope or give into discouragement – there is no resurrection without a cross. Not for Jesus, nor for us. We must always look beyond the cross to the resurrection or today’s story of the Transfiguration.

I would like to encourage you to attend at least one of the sessions on prayer that Sr. Noel will be teaching during our Parish Mission the week of March 5. She remarked to me that there are many ways or forms of praying and one may be more helpful forces at different times on our life journey. So, if you would like to learn various forms of prayer, I would like to invite you to come. If prayer has become dry or just routine, you might find a new way of praying that is more helpful at this stage of life for you. Please come at least one morning if your work schedule allows. No excuse for those retired. (See bulletin for time and place.)

We are sending Elizabeth Ludwick, Kaybree Ward and Regina Guinn as candidates, and Garrett Cooper, Kalena Cooper, Kaybrahm Cooper, Keelijah Cooper, Kegan Cooper, Kristen Cooper and Michael Hale as “elect” to be recognized by the Bishop for their full reception into the church and for those to be baptized on Holy Saturday which will make them one with us in the Body of Christ. Pray not only for yourself but also for those who are preparing to make this important and life-giving step.

*God Bless,  
Fr. Dave*

**PARISH CALENDAR & MASS INTENTIONS**

**SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT**

<b>Sun. 25</b>	<b>Second Sunday of Lent</b>	
8:00 a.m.	Mass (✠Patricia Bauer)	CH
10:00 a.m.	Mass (✠Leroy Rhea) Rite of Sending	CH
12:15 p.m.	Spanish Mass(✠Leo & Mary Margaret Scheetz)	CH
1:30 p.m.	Baptism – Elizavyeta Sofia Dick	
<b>Mon. 26</b>		
7:40 a.m.	Morning Prayer	CH
8:00 a.m.	Mass (✠Charles VanCamp)	CH
1:00 p.m.	Staff Meeting	RD
5:15 p.m.	Legion of Mary	RD
6:30 p.m.	RCIA	AH
<b>Tues. 27</b>		
7:40 a.m.	Morning Prayer	CH
8:00 a.m.	Mass (✠Dcn. Jim MacDougall)	CH
3:30-5p or 6:30-8p	Hearts of Hope	AH
6:30 p.m.	Finance Council	AH
<b>Wed. 28</b>		
7:40 a.m.	Morning Prayer	CH
8:00 a.m.	Mass (✠Thelma Greiwe) School Children Attend Mass	CH
6:30 p.m.	School Advisory Council	AH
7-8:30 p.m.	AFF – The Joy of the Gospel	AH
<b>Thurs. 1</b>	<b>No Mass</b>	
6:30 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal	CH
<b>Fri. 2</b>	<b>First Friday/World Day of Prayer</b>	
7:40 a.m.	Morning Prayer	CH
8:00 a.m.	Mass (✠Fr. Kent Hajduk)	CH
9:00 a.m.	Church Cleaning	
11:30 a.m.	Oblates	AH
6:35 p.m.	Rosary	CH
7:00 p.m.	Stations of the Cross	CH
<b>Sat. 3</b>	<b>St. Katharine Drexel, Virgin</b>	
8:00 a.m.	Mass (✠Fr. Robert Traub)	CH
9:00 a.m.	Laudato Si' discussion	AH
10:00 a.m.	First Penance	CH
3:00 p.m.	Confessions	CH
4:30 p.m.	Mass (St. Lawrence) 1 <sup>st</sup> Scrutiny	CH
<b>Sun. 4</b>	<b>Third Sunday of Lent</b>	
8:00 a.m.	Mass (✠Agnes McPherson)	CH
10:00 a.m.	Mass (✠Roy Huff)	CH
11-12:15pm	CCD Classes	AH
12:15 p.m.	Spanish Mass (✠Mary Ann Nivens)	CH
5-6:30 p.m.	Middle Sch Youth	AH
5-7:00 p.m.	High Sch Youth	AH
5:15-7:30pm	Confirmation Class	AH

CH-church; RD-Rectory Dining; AH-St.Agnes Hall

**PRAYER REQUESTS**

**Please remember the following parishioners in your prayers this week:** Beth Kaiser, Sonja Bickey, Larry Tricker, Dick Hahn, Isaiah Greiner, Gloria Varner, Anne Rita Moloney, Dan Wade, Joe Morgan, Dale Goth, David Traub, Quenten Fabiano, JoAnn Brown, Dixie Lindsey, J.R. Cunningham, Miriam Walker, Charles Hiatt, Danny McDonald, Jr., Christina Benford, Adam Pence, Alex Pence, Anthony Pence, Paula Hughes, Joseph Jenkinson, Clara Persinger, Harry Metzger, Martha Jean McIntosh, Stacey Vencel, Noah Cross, Dorothy Duncan, Karl Read, George Crow, Marie Rhorer, Linda Goth, Pete Whitcomb, Betty Matchett, Richard Biehl, Bill Dominick, Jimmy Hossom, Betty Wright, Beverly Dalton, Don Phillips, Shirley Jordan, Kameron Kadinger, Joe Duncan, Melinda Haack, Travis Wenning, Shirley Phillips, John Persinger, Mary Kerrigan and Mary Bering.

**PRAYER CHAIN**

Please call Joan McKinley 716-7073 for the St. Lawrence Church Prayer Chain request.



**Holy Father's Prayer Intention for February**

**Say "No" to Corruption** – That those who have material, political, or spiritual power may resist any lure of corruption.

**Please pray for those serving our country in the military – especially:** Davis Brown, William Cox, Samuel Douthitt, Zachery Douthitt, Matthew Evans, Malachi Greiner, Jared Hargis, Kyle Jones, Kyle & Leandra Long, Jon Powell, Stephen Smith, Kyle Stewart, Sam Tankersley, Thomas Tricker, Christopher Tolmachoff, and Tom Wright.

**Pray for our Priests and Seminarians**

Sun.	Fr. George Askar	Jason Diebolt
Mon.	Fr. Patrick Baikauskas, OP	Brian Farrell
Tues.	Fr. James Bates	Matthew Jakupco
Wed.	Fr. Joshua Bennett	Thomas Kappes
Thurs.	(Info not available.)	
Fri.	Pray for all priests and seminarians.	
Sat.		

**LITURGICAL ASSIGNMENTS: MARCH 3 AND 4**

	Readers	Altar Servers	E.M.H.C.	Greeters	Ushers
4:30 P.M.	Jim Jones Carolann Mikesell	Nicholas Dosch Jonathan Shaw	Nancy Mills Kathy Taylor Marianne Vorhees		Mike Brand Jim Carnes Jeff Crabtree Skip Vorhees
8:00 A.M.	Carolyn MacDougall Carol Thornburg	Evelyn Kress	Steve Baule Nancy Taverna JoEllen Ward		Jerry Bricker Sheila Caudill Kevin Persinger Tom Ward
10:00 A.M.	Dolphus Stephens Kathy Brinson	Ellie Arrington Alex Cox	Stephanie Arrington Marianne Echelbarger Myron Echelbarger George Gaither Karin Gaither		Myron Echelbarger Omar Galan Mateo Romero Mike Wallace

**TODAY'S READINGS**

**First Reading** — The sacrifice of Abraham, our father in faith (Genesis 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18).

**Psalms** — I walk before the Lord, in the land of the living (Psalm 116).

**Second Reading** — God did not spare his own Son (Romans 8:31b-34).

**Gospel** — This is my beloved Son (Mark 9:2-10).

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**Second Sunday of Lent****February 25, 2018**

If God is for us, who can be against us?

— *Romans 8:31b***READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: Dn 9:4b-10; Ps 79:8, 9, 11, 13; Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mt 23:1-12

Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20; Ps 31:5-6, 14-16; Mt 20:17-28

Thursday: Jer 17:5-10; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 16:19-31

Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a; 17b-28a; Ps 105:16-21; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Sunday: Ex 20:1-17 [1-3, 7-8, 12-17]; Ps 19:8-11; 1 Cor 1:22-25; Jn 2:13-25

Alternate readings (Year A): Ex 17:3-7;

Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8;

Jn 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42]

**“ANNOUNCEMENTS”*****Parish Mission******March 5-9 -- 9:00 a.m.-10:30 a.m.******Place: St. Agnes Hall******Presenter: Sr. Noel Toomey******Theme: Different Forms of Prayer******Place: St. Agnes Hall***

Sr. Noel, a Dominican Sister of Peace has had a life in service with prison ministry, and catechesis in the Arizona State Correctional School for Boys, and catechist in the bayous and rice country of Louisiana and in the deserts and mountains of Arizona. She has served in the leadership of her congregation and was the founding director of the Archdiocesan Spirituality Center, New Orleans. She now provides individual spiritual direction, days of prayer, retreats and workshops in spirituality.

***Adult Formation-Faith Alive Series***

There will a session every month through June

**Location: St. Agnes Hall****Time: 3:00-4:30 p.m.**Upcoming talks/presentations are as follows:

Mar. 24 Hearts of Hope (Bereavement Ministry)

April 28 Stephen Ministry-“Spiritual Companions”

May 26 Habitat For Humanity

June 23 Haiti Library Ministry

# PARISH MINISTRIES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS



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*Our mission is to provide a Catholic Christ-centered education through an atmosphere of love and compassion for all students.*

**Wednesday, February 28** – 8:00 a.m. Mass at Church – arrive by 7:50 a.m.

Mr. Robbins' class will take an interactive tour of the Owsley Museum of Art on the Ball State University campus on Monday, February 26, 1:30-3:00 p.m. Students may be picked up from the museum (2021 W. Riverside Ave.) after school.

**Catholic Youth Organization (CYO)  
Camp Rancho Framasa  
2018 Summer Camp  
Nashville, Indiana**

Summer camping opportunities for ages 7-19. Established in 1946, and accredited by the American Camp Association, CYO Camp is an inclusive, residential camp offering 3 and 6-day sessions. For more information and registration, go to [www.campranchoframasa.org](http://www.campranchoframasa.org) or contact Sheila Henry for an application at 765-729-1229.



**CCD CLASSES**

Sunday, February 25 – 11am-12:15pm-St. Agnes Hall

**Confirmation Class**

Sunday, March 4 -5:15pm-7:30pm-St. Agnes Hall.

**High School and Middle School Youth**

High School: March 4 – 5-7pm – St. Agnes Hall

Middle School: March 4 – 5-6:30pm – St. Agnes Hall



**Rite of Christian Initiation  
for Adults**

Our next RCIA class will be **Monday, February 26**, beginning at 6:30 p.m. and concluding by 8:00 p.m. Location: St. Agnes Hall—building directly behind the church. If you have any questions, please call the Parish Office at 288-9223.



**Spanish Mass  
St. Lawrence Church  
Every Sunday  
Time: 12:15 p.m.**



**Eucharistic Adorers Ministry**

**The next opportunity for Adoration** will be on Sunday, March 18 after the 10:00 a.m. Mass until Evening Devotions at 7:00 p.m. If you are interested in joining our ministry, please contact Marilyn Sherrill at 765-396-3583 or 765-744-4086.



**Weekend of February 18, 2018**

St. Lawrence Parish.....	\$9,152.91
School Support.....	\$ 625.00
Children's Envelopes.....	\$ 5.00
Food Pantry.....	\$ 50.00
Fuel Fund.....	\$ 202.00
The Catholic Moment.....	\$1,068.00

**Fridays during Lent:** 6:35 p.m. - Our Lady of Sorrows Rosary; 7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross in church.



# The Catholic Moment

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## FEBRUARY IS CATHOLIC PRESS MONTH

The Catholic Moment is published weekly (47 times a year). All registered families of the parish receive this weekly communication. The cost is \$22 per year. Please consider helping support the cost of this publication. It would be a great help to the parish to have each one pay for the subscription to the Catholic Moment. If you can, please do so. Otherwise, we will have to pay your portion. Donation envelopes are in the pews and on the tables in the back of the church.. You can place your contribution in the collection basket.

### HEARTS OF HOPE MINISTRY

This Ministry meets on a regular basis—once a month in St. Agnes Hall. **Time: 3:30-5:00 p.m. or 6:30-8:00 p.m.** Our next meeting will be this coming Tuesday, February 27. All are welcome who have lost a loved one or anticipate the loss of a loved one. Join us! If you have any questions, contact Deb Saxon at 765-760-4800.

### FOOTPRINTS SEWING GROUP

Footprints continues to work on the Lenten Baby Shower through April. The Baby Shower benefits Project Gabriel and First Choice for Women. We are in need of 1½ yard pieces of baby flannel. **Our meetings in March will be held on the 15<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> in St. Agnes Hall at 9:30 a.m.** All denominations are welcome. For more information contact Carmen Simmons at 765/808-1917 or Jayne Waechter at 765/288- 8920.



The **Secular Franciscans** will meet **Wednesday, February 28, at 7:00 pm in St. Mary's, St. Elizabeth House.** We are beginning a new two-part discussion of the book, *The Gospels according to St. Francis*, by Hilarion Kistner, O.F.M. Anyone

interested in learning about St. Francis of Assisi and his spiritual tradition is welcome to attend our meetings. For more information, contact Bill Fink at 284-0918 or [bfink@bsu.edu](mailto:bfink@bsu.edu).



### Our Sympathy and Consolation

is extended to parishioner, Mary Ann Boros, and her family, on the recent death of her husband, Gene. Gene passed away on February 17. His funeral was held on Wednesday, February 21 here at St. Lawrence.

*Welcome*

to St. Lawrence  
Mary Ball

**St. Mary Catholic Church  
Frankfort, IN (600 Saint Mary's Ave.)**

### Women's Lenten Retreat

**Saturday, March 17 – 8:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.**

Speaker: Judy Hehr – She will give her own personal testimony and a powerful presentation on love, mercy and forgiveness. Cost: \$25  
Call 765-654-5796 to register!



For Mothers, wives, young adult and high school students – March 10 – Indiana Convention Center. Hosted by The Marian Center of Indianapolis and the Archdiocese of Indianapolis. Check out the website at [www.indianacatholicwomen.com](http://www.indianacatholicwomen.com) To register or find out more about the great line-up of national speakers and all the events the day offers.

### Friendship Circle

**Tuesday, March 13**

**12 Noon**

### Lenten Program Luncheon

**Location: St. Francis of Assisi Parish Hall**

This is a non-denominational social group for the “Over 55ers” of the three Muncie parishes and the community. Come join us!

***Rachel's Vineyard Retreat***  
**March 9-11**

Sponsored by the Office of Pro-Life and Family Life  
 Archdiocese of Indianapolis

If you are suffering after abortion, you may feel very alone. You may have experienced abortion many years ago and never told anyone. You may be struggling with a more recent abortion. You may have been denied the choice you wanted or the support you needed. Regardless of the circum-stances, healing is possible. Contact Project Rachel at 317-452-0054. All calls are confidential.

***A Religious Order of Women –  
 The Poor Handmaids of Jesus Christ (PHJC)***

have a volunteer Program which offers single, Catholic women unique opportunities in a faith-based context to live out their Baptismal call to share God's presence in the world. For more information contact: Sr. Connie Bach, PHJC or [cbach@poorhandmaids.org](mailto:cbach@poorhandmaids.org)

***Memorial Flowers***

Would you like to honor the memory of a loved one, special intentions, and anniversaries with a special flower arrangement that will help adorn the church? Normandy Flower Shop, Inc. has graciously agreed to offer Memorial Flowers for \$25.00. Call the Rectory at 288-9223, to make the arrangements.

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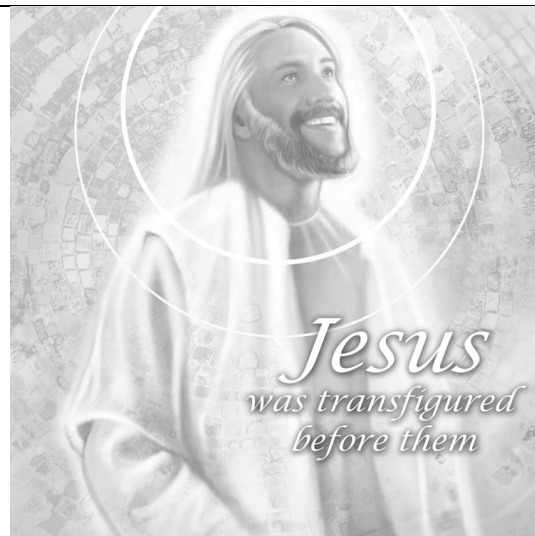


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 Jesus*



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If you are interested in doing online giving, go to our parish website: [www.osvonlinegiving.com/4289](http://www.osvonlinegiving.com/4289). For additional information/questions, contact Dick Shirey, Parish Business Manager at [dshirey@parish.dol-in.org](mailto:dshirey@parish.dol-in.org) or call 765-288-9223, Ext. 22.



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**TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION**

The second Sunday of Lent every year recalls the Transfiguration of the Lord. Since the fourth century, Mount Tabor has been the focus of devotion to this event. As mountains go, it is not particularly lofty, rising about fifteen hundred feet, within view of the Sea of Galilee and very close to Nazareth. Scripture doesn't identify the mountain, but in the year 348 Saint Cyril of Jerusalem said he preferred Mount Tabor to Mount Hermon as the site of the Transfiguration, and his opinion won. It has long been a strategic military site, and ancient fortresses are visible on the heights. Over the centuries, churches and fortified monasteries rose on the mountaintop, only to be destroyed by various invaders. Six hundred years ago, local Christians started to decorate the ruins with flags and banners on the Feast of the Transfiguration. In 1631, the Sultan granted permission to the Franciscans to live on Mount Tabor, and they have been there ever since, discovering the ruins of an old Crusader church and constructing the present church on the site in 1924.

The top of the mountain is divided into Greek Orthodox and Latin (that's us) zones. At one time, tourists arrived on the summit by bus, but this is no longer permitted. Some ride bicycles up a challenging and winding path, while others take the four thousand three hundred steps constructed for Christian pilgrims in the fourth century. It's hard to imagine the fishermen following Jesus up this craggy mountain without complaint. Visitors will sympathize with Peter's plan to construct booths and stay put with Jesus, Moses, and Elijah for a while, enjoying the view, and planning the trip back down.

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