St. Laurence Parish

225 Jewett St.
Elgin, IL 60123

Parish Office: Rectory:
565 Standish St. 226 Orchard St.

8:30 AM - 4:30 PM  8:30 AM - NOON
Monday - Thursday  Friday
P - 847-468-6900  F - 847-468-6904
After Hours - 847-531-6203

EUCHARISTIC CELEBRATION
Saturday - 4:00 PM, Spanish - 6:00PM
Sundays - 7:15, Bi-lingual 9:00, 11:00 AM
Daily Mass - 8:00 AM Monday - Friday

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
Wednesday 5:00 - 7:00 PM
Saturday 3:00 - 3:45 PM
Special times upon request.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE & BAPTISM
Check our website for more information.
Stlaurenceelgin.org/parish-information

Pastoral Staff
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Finance Council - Joe Malas, Chairman

School
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Principal - Manuel Cantu
mcantu@stlaurenceschool.com
Secretary - Vanessa Castro
office@stlaurenceschool.com

https://stlaurenceelgin.org

My House Shall Be Called A House of Prayer
Please help us keep a prayerful and reverent atmosphere in the Church before and after Mass.

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Our soul waits for the Lord, who is our help and our shield.
— Psalm 33:20
**Readings for the Week**

**Monday**  
Dt 10:12-22; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Mt 17:22-27

**Tuesday**  
Dt 31:1-8; Dt 32:3-4ab, 7-9, 12; Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

**Wednesday**  
Dt 34:1-2; Ps 66:1-3a, 5, 8, 16-17; Mt 18:15-20

**Thursday**  
Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Ps 45:10-12, 16; 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56

**Friday**  
Jos 24:1-13; Ps 136:1-3, 16-18, 21-22, 24; Mt 19:3-12

**Saturday**  
Jos 24:14-29; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-8, 11; Mt 19:13-15

**Sunday**  
Jer 38:4-6, 8-10; Ps 40:2-4, 18; Heb 12:1-4; Lk 12:49-53

**Happenings**

Adoration & Confession is offered every Wednesday from 5-7 pm. An additional Adoration will be held monthly on the fourth Friday from 8-10 pm.

“"You also must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come." Take care of your marriage now. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are September 6-8 in Geneva, IL; October 18-20 in Brookfield, WI or November 8-10 in Geneva, IL. For more info go to: alifetimeoflove.org or call (888) 574-5653. Para un fin de semana en español por favor llamen a Candelario y Emilia al 815-375-4250. Las fechas son las siguientes: 1-3 de noviembre.

**Special Altar Ministry Aug 14/15 FEAST OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**

8/14  
Lector - Elizabeth Cortes  
Eucharistic Ministers - Deacon Joe Bermea, Benjamin Blanca, Laura Blanca, William Hejnosz, Carmen Perez

8/15  
Lector - Larry Metz  
Eucharistic Ministers - Belinda Bermea, Gail Essary, Marlene Gurley, Kimberly Mailloux

8/15  
Lector - Joan Ziethen  
Eucharistic Ministers - Mary Ann Bruneman, Bob Jones, Kathy Jones, Toni Kmiecik

**Altar Ministry Aug 17/18**

4:00  
Lector - John Muchmore  
Eucharistic Ministers - Kay Goller, Barb Miller, Greg Soohov, Debbie Wever  
Altar Servers - Kimberly Aguirre, Cameron Carpio

6:00  
Lector - Elizabeth Cortes  
Eucharistic Ministers - Benjamin Blanca, Laura Blanca, Norberto Feliciano, Carmen Perez  
Altar Servers - Alyssa Baugus, Moises Castillo

7:15  
Lector - Joan Ziethen  
Eucharistic Ministers - Nicole DeFrenza, Marlene Gurley, Bob McDonough, Chris Stine  
Altar Servers - Will Metz

9:00  
Lector - Belinda Bermea, Sabina Ruiz  
Eucharistic Ministers - Deacon Joe Bermea, MaryAnn Bruneman, Lisa Hogan, William Misek  
Altar Servers - Malakai Mortensen, Adrian Rodriguez

11:00  
Lector - Jim Kararo  
Eucharistic Ministers - Deacon Joe Bermea, Gail Essary, Toni Kmiecik, Bernard Pettinger  
Altar Servers - Allie Lock, Liz Salzmann

**Stewardship Collection**

**Aug 3/4**  
Total Giving This Week $ 7,000.00  
Weekly Budget Amount Needed $ 7,900.00

**Hospital Minister**

August 16 - Jeanine Austin

**Altar Flowers**

In memory of Margarita Ruiz and for  
St Laurence Parish  
By Larry Ruiz

**Faith makes all things possible—it does not make them easy** — Anonymous
Please Pray for:

For the strengthening in faith of all who are afflicted in body, mind or spirit please pray for:


May God protect our members who serve in the armed forces and return them safely to their families:
ARMY: Staff Sgt. Jennifer (Clough) Korfmacher, COAST GUARD: Ensign Allison Rychtanek

Prayerfully consider volunteering as a hospital Eucharistic Minister. Call Dee @ 708-822-2152.

Mass Intentions - August 12-18

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<td>40th Anniversary Blessings and Best Wishes for John &amp; Cathy Volpe offered by Your Children</td>
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Lord, Hear our Prayer.

Hace casi 2000 años, Jesús declaró que “los zorros tienen guardias, y las aves del cielo sus nidos; pero el Hijo del hombre no tiene donde reclinar la cabeza”. Lamentablemente en las calles y callejones del mundo este dicho se realiza diariamente en tantos abandonados por la sociedad que viven sin techo ni hogar. En los años 40 el santo jesuita, Alberto Hurtado de Chile quiso darle al Hijo del hombre un lugar donde reclinar su cabeza recogiendo a los niños y a los adultos indigentes. Su ejemplo llamó la atención de otros cristianos que se unieron a sus esfuerzos y así en 1944 fundaron la asociación benéfica “Hogar de Cristo”. Este hogar se dedica a los niños y a sus almas dándoles una formación total de cuerpo, alma y espíritu.

En fin, el Hogar de Cristo se dedica a difundir la realidad de los pobres por medio de nuestro llamado bautismal a la responsabilidad que tenemos en darle al Hijo de hombre un lugar para reclinar su cabeza.

—Fray Gilberto Cavazos-Glz, OFM, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.
La guerra es un castigo tanto para el castigado como para el castigador. — Thomas Jefferson

COLEGIO CATOLICA DE SAN LORENZO
GRADO PRE-K – GRADO 8
UNA FAMILIA UNA META

Oportunidades Para Becas

Buscamos Estudiantes Con El Ánimo Para Seguir Adelante.
Buscamos familias que valoran profundamente la educación Católica y quieren transmitir coherente a sus hijos.

Estamos listos para abrir las puertas a familias nuevas, aprovechen esta oportunidad. Aceptaremos alumnos nuevos, gratis el primer semestre. El Segundo semestre la cuenta es 2000 dólares. Siempre estamos listos con becas para ayudar a las familias que muestran la necesidad.

Si le interesa y tiene preguntas llame o visitales:

Escuela Catolica De San Lorenzo
565 Standish, Elgin, IL 60123 | 847-468-6100
Manuel Cantu, Director
Vanessa Castro, Secretaria De La Escuela

Parroquia De San Lorenzo
572 Standish, Elgin, IL 60123 | 847-468-6900
Sacerdote Andrew Mulcahey
Belinda Bermea, Secretaria De La Parroquia

Es Posible Que Sus Hijos Reciban El Primer Semestre GRATIS
Solamente Se Escribe Con La Escuela
Todos Están Invitados A La Gran Fiesta Parroquia De San Lorenzo

ST. LAURENCE CATHOLIC SCHOOL
PRE-K - 8TH GRADE
ONE FAMILY ONE GOAL

Scholarship Opportunity

We are looking for students with the courage to move forward.
We are looking for families that will commit to Catholic education and want to convey that to their children.

We are opening our doors to new families in our parish! Take this opportunity to enroll your children in our school. New families to our parish who enroll their new students in our school will be granted free tuition for the first semester! The cost of the second semester will be $2,000.

If you are interested or have questions, please call or visit:

St Laurence Catholic School
847-468-6100 | 572 Jewett Street, Elgin IL 60123
Manuel Cantu, Principal
Vanessa Castro, School Secretary

St Laurence Parish
847-468-6900 | 565 Standish Street, Elgin IL 60123
Father Andrew Mulcahey, Pastor
Belinda Bermea, Parish Secretary

Contact us. Your child COULD receive the first their first semester of tuition FREE!

NEW FAMILIES are also encouraged to come to the Parish picnic where we will celebrate the Feast of St. Laurence and have a drawing for a scholarship equal to a free year tuition at St Laurence Catholic School.

August 10, 2019
6:00 pm – 8:00 pm

We are always ready with scholarships to help ANY of our families who demonstrate need.

Nombre de Alumno(s)
Name of Alumni

Nombre de Madre
Mother’s Name

Nombre de Padre
Father’s Name

Cellular

Email
St. Laurence Parish Fest

Save the Date

September 28, 2019
5 PM – 9 PM
Food served until 8 PM

Tickets on sale August 24/25th, September 7/8th, and September 21/22nd after all Masses.
Baskets Raffle Tickets sales after all Masses beginning 8/31/19.

EVENTS

Buy your dinner tickets early!!!!!
$25.00 in advance
$30.00 at the door
Questions? Want to donate?
Call the parish office- 847-468-6900
Volunteer – Shar 847-847-9835
Connie darv1926@gmail.com
Barb bmill050@aol.com

Raffle, Music, DJ, Beer & Wine and FOOD !!!

Volunteers Needed for St. Laurence Parish Fest 9-28-19

Jobs could include:
- Raffle and food ticket sales at masses
- Set-up on 9/27
- Serving on 9/28
- Clean-up on 9/28
- Other jobs as needed

Call
Shar Huske 847-847-9835 or
Church office 847-468-6900

All things are possible for one who believes, more to one who hopes, even more to one who loves. —St. Lawrence
Come and See.... The Christian Rite of Initiation for Adults is a process that we are blessed to celebrate in our Parish Community. We invite you to experience the richness and depth of this journey with us. Is Christ calling you to be a witness or a team member or a sponsor? Are you, or someone you know, interested in becoming Catholic? Would you like to learn more about your Catholic Faith? Have you been thinking about getting married through the Catholic Church and are not sure what to do? Are you planning to be a God Parent? Are you someone who has been searching for some direction in your faith life? Do you know someone who is? Come to the sessions and experience a safe place to ask your questions. Discover your Catholic faith. Everyone is welcome! Come and see! The Program begins September 8, 2019 and ends on Easter Sunday. Sessions will be on Sundays from 10:30 a.m. to 12 noon. Please contact: The Parish office or Deacon Joe Bermea for more information and to sign-up for these RCIA classes. Parish Office: 847-468-6900, Deacon Joe: 847-857-1307.

Mass for Life

SAT. AUGUST 31 | 9AM MASS | 10AM ROSARY PROCESSION & SPEAKER

Mass Celebrant
Most Reverend M. Daniel Cordell
Bishop of Joliet Diocese

Speaker
Nancy Kreuzer
Chicago Regional Coordinator
Silent No More Awareness

After Mass, join us in a Rosary Procession to Planned Parenthood (1.4 miles). Listen to Nancy Kreuzer share her personal story about the loss and grief of abortion, and how the love and mercy of God healed and transformed her life.

For more information: https://www.rockforddiocese.org/life/marriage-family/silver-gold-wedding-anniversary-mass/

Silver & Gold Wedding Anniversary Mass

August 18, 2019

www.rockforddiocese.org/anniversary

Questions?

Contact Katharine Woltering
60 Days for Life Aurora
Catholic Outreach Coordinator
40daysaurora@gmail.com
312-810-0603

Upcoming 40 Days for Life Aurora Events:

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Free shuttle bus between church and Planned Parenthood if needed.

Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Church
701 S. State Rd., Aurora, IL 60504

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He is pleased to give you the kingdom

"Do not be afraid any longer, little flock, for your Father is pleased to give you the Kingdom."

This passage from Sunday’s Gospel rocked my world back in 2012. I was on a three day silent retreat and the Bible in my room was open to this passage, so I figured I would just sit with it. Over those three days, the Lord started to take the scales from my eyes and reveal to me the incredible love God has for me. This passage pierced through all of my fears and anxieties. It got to the very root of my understanding of God’s goodness. Because there were often times in my life that I could speak about God’s goodness in a general way or as it applied to other people’s lives, but I rarely felt that God’s goodness was something that was directed towards me. This is where the passage quoted above started to shift my understanding. It is not that God simply loves me and is good. But rather He is pleased to give me the kingdom! He wants to give me the kingdom. He can’t wait to give me the kingdom. There is nothing I can do to earn the kingdom. Sometimes we complicate it. Sometimes we disbelieve it and think I have to work for it. Sometimes life comes crashing down on us or our circumstances always seem to point the other way, so we resign that “God is good” but not to me. This passage brings all those walls to the ground! He delights to give you the gift of the kingdom. And when we start to accept this, when we start to delight in Him delighting in us, then we no longer become afraid to give Him our yes. Then, we are no longer afraid to walk where He calls us because He is the GOOD SHEPHERD and we are indeed His little flock.