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.
www.stlaurenceelgin.org/parish-information

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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https://stlaurenceelgin.org
Readings for the Week

Monday: Jgs 2:11-19; Ps 106:34-37, 39-40, 43ab, 44; Mt 9:16-22
Tuesday: Jgs 6:11-24a; Ps 85:9, 11-14; Mt 19:23-30
Wednesday: Jgs 9:6-15; Ps 21:2-7; Mt 20:1-16
Thursday: Jgs 11:29-39a; Ps 40:5, 7-10; Mt 22:1-14
Friday: Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22; Ps 146:5-10; Mt 22:34-40
Saturday: Rv 21:9b-14; Ps 145:10-13, 17-18; Jn 1:45-51

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.

This month’s special Adoration is Friday, August 23, 2019.

Adoración y Confesiones. Se ofrece todos los miércoles de 5 a 7 pm. Una Adoración adicional se lleva a cabo el cuarto viernes de cada mes de 8 a 10 pm. Ven y descansa en el Señor.

“My sheep hear my voice, says the Lord; I know them, and they follow me.” Learn how God is calling you to more in your marriage on the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend on September 6-8 in Geneva, IL; October 18-20 in Brookfield, WI or November 8-10 in Geneva, IL. Visit our website at: alifetimeoflove.org or call (888) 574-5653.

Mission Doctors Association will offer the 2019 Midwest Retreat/Seminar, Sept 13 -15, 2019 for Catholic Physicians, Dentists, Nurse Practitioners and Physician Assistants, and their spouses, considering Short-term mission service in Africa or Latin America. This will be held at Loyola Stritch Medical School, Chicago. Information and Accreditation Statement (for the 11 AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s)) are available on the web site: www.MissionDoctors.org or by calling the office for more information (213) 368-1872.

Youth Ministry Opportunity

Do you enjoy working with young people; planning activities to engage, encourage, and even inspire? St Laurence Youth Ministry is looking for someone who is at least 18 years old to assist with managing monthly meetings. Our Youth Ministry currently meets once per month for less than two hours. Please open your hearts and prayerfully consider helping the youth at our parish grow and learn about community. Contact Erika Gomez @ 224-629-2760 for information and to volunteer.

Hospital Minister

August 23 - Dee Reinhardt

The value of life does not depend upon the place we occupy. It depends upon how we occupy that place.—St. Thérèse of Lisieux

Stewardship Collection

Aug 10/11
Total Giving This Week $ 7,321.20
Weekly Budget Amount Needed $ 7,900.00

Altar Ministry Aug 24/25

4:00 Lector - Belinda Bermea
PM Eucharistic Ministers - Deacon Joe Bermea, Daniela Sandova, TBD1, TBD2
Altar Servers - Samuel Castillo, Emma Eisen

6:00 Lector - Cecilia Espinosa
PM Eucharistic Ministers - Deacon Joe Bermea, Benjamin Blanca, Laura Blanca, Carmen Perez
Altar Servers - Karen Perez, Natalia Ramos

7:15 Lector - Loretta Revesz
AM Eucharistic Ministers - Joanie Gronnert, Bob McDonough, Chris Stine, TBD1
Altar Servers - Morgan Sajtar

9:00 Lector - Yesenia Aydt
AM Eucharistic Ministers - MaryAnn Bruneman, William Hejnosz, Bob Jones, Kathy Jones
Altar Servers - Rocco Boss

11:00 Lector - Caitlyn Dix
AM Eucharistic Ministers - Gail Essary, Natalie Koessl, Jim Kararo, Kimberley Mailloux
Altar Servers - TBD1, TBD2

Altar Flowers

Birthday Blessings for Ralph Seyllers by Judy Nelson

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

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

Mass Intentions - August 19-25

- **Monday** 8:00 AM Birthday Blessings for Katherine Graffagna offered by Patricia Laird
- **Tuesday** 8:00 AM Birthday Blessings for Melanie Marcordes offered by Cursillo Sisters
- **Wednesday** 8:00 AM Raymond & Lenore Connery offered by Connery Family
- **Thursday** 8:00 AM In memory of Stanley Bucholc offered by Family & Friends
- **Friday** 8:00 AM Strength and healing for Patti Anderson offered by Family
- **Saturday** 4:00 PM St Laurence Parish Community
- **Sunday** 7:15 AM In memory of Stanley Bucholc offered by Family & Friends
- **Sunday** 9:00 AM In memory of Donald Seyller offered by Barbara Seyller
- **Saturday** 6:00 PM Rosio, Nancy & Alejandro Andrade offered by Margarita Pantoja
- **Saturday** 11:00 AM Bradley VandeDrink offered by Mom & Dad

Lord, Hear our Prayer.

Please notify the Parish office if a parishioner is seriously ill or becomes unable to attend Mass for an extended period of time.

El otro día leí un artículo escrito por un pastor bautista sobre la necesidad de tener un altar en casa para educar a nuestros hijos en la fe y la oración. Lo leí con interés ya que el uso del altarcito tiene una larga historia en la Iglesia católica. En casa de mis abuelos paternos, en México, había un bello altarcito en forma de pirámide que contenía flores, velas y figuras de Jesús, María y algunos santos. Además de esto estaban también algunos instrumentos de oración como el rosario, la Biblia y algún otro libro de oración. También en casa de mi abuela materna, en Texas, había un rincón sagrado. Muchos latinos tenemos altarcitos familiares. Algunos son verdaderos altares como el de mi abuela, mamá Lilia. Otros son rincones especiales como el de mamá María, con alguna imagen y libro de oración y fotografías de nuestros parientes. A fin de cuentas no importa ni su tamaño ni su forma. Importa su existencia y sobre todo su uso para recordarnos de la presencia e importancia de Dios en nuestros hogares y familias.—Fray Gilberto Cavazos-Glz, OFM, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

In recent weeks, we have reviewed how the Churches of East and West have enriched one another, and this past Thursday’s solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary was born in the Eastern Church. It is a gift from the ancient Church of Jerusalem, a commemoration of the death of Mary, and a feast charged with a deep sense of the Resurrection. Mary, the first disciple, is the first to share fully in Christ’s victory over death. In the tradition of the East, August 15 is the “Dormition of the Theotokos,” or the “Falling Asleep of the God-bearer.” There is no shadow of death or gloom in the theology, since this is seen as a transformation of Mary’s life into a heavenly and immortal existence. There is a sense in the tradition that she who made earth heavenly and exalted the human race by her faithfulness is glorified today.

A persistent legend among Orthodox Christians tells how all the disciples, except Thomas, who was preaching in India, were present at Mary’s death and burial, and sat by the tomb for three days. On the third day, Thomas saw Mary’s body rising to heaven. She greeted him as “my friend,” and he was escorted by angels to proclaim her assumption to the others, who then realized her tomb was empty. Thus Thomas, the one who expressed doubt at the resurrection of Christ, received a gift from Mary: the chance to proclaim resurrection faith to the disciples.—James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

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Jesús aceptó la cruz, sin temer su ignominia, y por eso está sentado a la derecha del trono de Dios.
— Hebrews 12:2

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**EVENTS**

**St. Laurence Parish Fest**

**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.

**Save the Date**

**Buy your dinner tickets early!!!!!**

$25.00 in advance
$30.00 at the door

Questions? Call - 847-468-6900
To Volunteer – Call Shar 847-847-9835
Basket donations are appreciated before August 22, 2019. Please email
Connie darv1926@gmail.com
and/or
Barb bmiller050@aol.com
Thanks in advance for your generous donations!

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

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

Jobs could include:
- Raffle & food ticket sales before & after 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

Whatever your lot in life, build something on it...—Anonymous
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.

Ministry Formation is a 2-year program for any adult Catholics who desire a deeper relationship with God and His community, to explore Catholic teaching, and to develop compassionate leadership skills in diverse areas of ministry.

Classes are in Aurora, McHenry, Rockford, and we are excited to announce our new location in Stockton! We are also pleased to announce our new family friendly class schedule! You will meet about twice a month: weekday meetings 7pm-9pm and Saturday meetings 9am-12:30pm.

Orientation Day is August 24th!
Apply at: www.ceorockford.org under Adult Faith Formation
For more information or questions please call Kristina at 815-399-4300 or e-mail kriedelsperger@rockforddiocese.org

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land (Israel) & Medjugorje (Croatia)

September 23 – October 4, 2020
English Language
Spiritual Directors:
Father Andrew & Father Adalberto

Cost per passenger:
$3,650 USD
$300 deposit due October 2019

For more information, contact: Jaime Pantoja – 847-219-8895 or Erika Gomez – 224-629-2760

For the full itinerary visit stlaurenceelgin.org/events/pilgrimage-to-the-holy-land/
The Bible and the Virgin Mary
Episode 7: The Promised Mother

Why Is Mary Queen Mother?
Learn the biblical roots of this often-contested Catholic doctrine. See how Mary’s queenship is alluded to in the New Testament and foreshadowed in the Old.

Watch on formed.org

Monstrance - A vessel of precious metal, used for exposition of the Blessed Sacrament (consecrated host) for adoration.

Religious Education
It is time to Register for the Coming Year!
(Kindergarten – Grade 8 and Confirmation)

Full Details at:
https://stlaurenceelgin.org/religious-education/

In person registration in the Church Narthex:
• Saturday, August 24, 4 - 7 PM
• Sunday, August 25, 8 AM – 12:15 PM

Upcoming Events - August 18-24

Sunday
4:30 PM Women’s Cursillo Spanish - Sacristy
7:00 PM Women of “E” - Cafeteria

Monday
4:00 PM Event Planning - Cafeteria

Tuesday
6:00 PM Event Planning - Cafeteria

Wednesday
5:00 PM Adoration & Reconciliation

Thursday
6:00 PM Event Planning - Cafeteria
5:30 PM Spanish Bible Study - Library
5:30 PM Cursillo Women’s Group - Sacristy
8:00 PM Adoration

Friday
5:30 PM Spanish Bible Study - Library
5:30 PM Cursillo Women’s Group - Sacristy
8:00 PM Adoration

Saturday
4:00 PM RE Registration—Narthex

Attention: All additions, cancelations, or changes to meetings/events MUST be coordinated through the church office 847-468-6900 office@stlaurenceelgin.org

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