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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

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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The workers are the saviors of society, the redeemers of the race. —Eugene V. Debs

Readings for the Week

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Happenings

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. RCIA classes have started….But NOT TO WORRY! Did time just get away from you? Classes have only just begun so you still have time! Sessions are on Sundays from 10:30 a.m. to 12 noon in the school library. For more information please contact Deacon Joe Bermea: 847-857-1307 or the Parish Office: 847-468-6800.

Stewardship Collection

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Altar Ministry Oct 5/6

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<td>4:00 PM</td>
<td>John Muchmore</td>
<td>Deacon Joe Bermea, Kay Gotter, Daniela Sandoval, Debbie Wever</td>
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<td>6:00 PM</td>
<td>Cecilia Espinosa</td>
<td>Deacon Joe Bermea, Norberto Feliciano, David Rodriguez, Lala Rodriguez</td>
<td>Moises Castillo, Natalia Ramos</td>
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<td>7:15 AM</td>
<td>Joan Ziethen</td>
<td>Nicole DeFrenza, Joanie Gronnert, Bob McDonough, Chris Stine</td>
<td>Alejandra Arambula, Will Metz</td>
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<td>9:00 AM</td>
<td>Angelica Rodriguez</td>
<td>MaryAnn Bruneman, Lisa Hogan, Bob Jones, Kathy Jones</td>
<td>Jonathan Godinez, Mariana Hernandez</td>
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<td>11:00 AM</td>
<td>Frank Stepnowski</td>
<td>Gail Essary, Toni Kmieck, Kimberley Maliloux, Bernard Pettinger</td>
<td>Malakai Mortensen, Adrian Rodriguez</td>
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Hospital Minister

October 4 - Dee Reinhardt

Altar Flowers

We have open dates for Altar flowers. You can honor or remember a loved one and beautify our Masses.
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) Korfmaecher, COAST GUARD: Ensign Allison Rychtanek

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

Remembering Sgt. Marcos L. Gudino

There will be a ceremony to name the Route 31 bridge over U.S. 20 the “Sgt. Marcos L. Gudino Bridge”. The ceremony is scheduled to take place on Sunday, Oct 6th, 2019 at 11:00 am at the Secretary of State Office located at 595 S. State St., Elgin.

The Gudino family would like to extend their invitation to all who would like to be present to remember Marcos in this special way, both at the dedication of the bridge and at a reception in his honor following the ceremony. The reception will be in the cafeteria at St. Laurence Parish and will begin at 12:30 pm. All are welcome.

Mass Intentions - Sep 30-Oct 6

Monday 8:00 AM In memory of Sarah Martinez offered by Loli Gudino
Tuesday 8:00 AM Raymond & Lenore Connery offered by Connery Family
Wednesday 8:00 AM Elton & Ann Berg offered by Mary Berg
Thursday 8:00 AM Anniversary Blessings for Linda & Phil Goulding on their 45th anniversary offered by Jessica & Justin
Friday 8:00 AM Marlene Reinert offered by Nieces & Nephews
Saturday 4:00 PM St. Laurence Parish Community
Saturday 6:00 PM Alta Gracia Quionez & Nina Contreras & Loreto Sandoval offered by Veronica Mancera
Sunday 7:15 AM Michael & Jean Olejarski offered by Family
9:00 AM Roberto Gomez offered by Angela Bermea
11:00 AM Bradley VandeDrink offered by Mom & Dad

October is Respect Life Month - Join Catholics nationwide in celebrating throughout October. Learn more about upholding the sanctity of every human life at respectlife.org/respect-life-month.
“Hold fast to the hope that lies before us. This we have as an anchor of the soul, sure and firm.”

HEBREWS 6:18-19

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RESPECT LIFE REFLECTION
Christ Our Hope: In Every Season of Life


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CRISTO NUESTRA ESPERANZA
EN CADA ETAPA DE LA Vida

"Tenemos un consuelo poderoso los que buscamos un refugio en la esperanza de lo prometido. Esta esperanza nos mantiene firmes y seguros, porque está anclada en el interior del santuario".

HEBREOS 6:18-19

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REFLEXIÓN RESPETEMOS LA VIDA
Cristo es nuestra esperanza en cada etapa de la vida

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Los trabajadores son los salvadores de la sociedad, los redentores de la raza.—Eugene V. Debs
Multi-national Pro-Life Novena for Unborn Babies
Begins September 29th and concludes October 7th
Masses and Rosary intentions are for:
The protection of unborn human persons.

The Saint Michael the Archangel Organization encourages your participation by Praying one Rosey each day of the Novena for the protection of unborn human persons.

Sign your name on the sheet in the Narthex for the number of rosaries you will say.

Questions? Call Kay Gotter 847-695-4129

Dinner
October 11, 2019
6:00 PM

All are welcome to attend this wonderful opportunity to thank our clergy members for all that they do!

For tickets or to make a donation call:
Mike Kmiecik - (630) 698-3005 or
Larry Ruiz – 847-695-2437 or

Must be purchased by October 5, 2019 no tickets at the door.
Things have been hopping at St. Laurence Catholic School. Our students just finished the Iowa Test of Basic Skills. We spent all of last week taking this exam. Make-ups are being done this week. This is a test to evaluate our student skills at their future level in Reading, Math, Science, Social Studies, and other Cognitive Skills. This exam is always based on what they should know by the end of their present grade level. The results should be available to share with the parents at the Parent-Teacher Conference Day in November.

On Tuesday night, St Laurence Catholic School, had its annual Open House. It was a full house with several new parents in attendance. It was heart-warming to see the new parents to our school. They were welcomed by a round of applause. I talked to the parents about dress code, attendance, and uniforms in a general assembly. The parents were later given the opportunity to meet with their children’s teachers to discuss their expectations for the year.

I would to congratulate Michelle Carey, St. Laurence Parent, for being selected as PTC President for the 2019-2020. Michelle has 3 children at our school, Anthony, Christian, and Joseph. Michelle bring new ideas and team-oriented goals for the organization. Full of excitement and energy, she invites all parents and parishioners to become active in this student-focused council.

Congratulations also goes out to the new Education Commission President, Rich Calderon. He is the proud parent of Kindergarten student, Thalia Calderon. He is a wonderful guy, business owner, and very active volunteer. He brings new ideas to the Council on student enrollment and recruitment.

On another topic, not a day goes by without someone mentioning some part of St. Laurence Catholic School history. Yesterday, Ms. Alexis Ward came into the school office and introduced herself. She shared some past school history. It seems that her mother was the first teacher ever hired at St. Laurence. She was one of two teachers, as the other were nuns. She taught 2 grade levels and had about 50 students in her class. Her mother was a tough but well-loved teacher by her students, according to Alexis.

We have and had families that built a strong legacy at St. Laurence, that have made this school into a reputable institution in Elgin. Our school tradition continues with our families such as Kathleen and Bob Jones who sent their children through our school and now are successful young adults with children. Kathleen continues to educate our youth at St. Laurence. Former St. Laurence basketball star, Wes Pierce, will now become the Boys Head Basketball and Athletic Director at our school as a volunteer. Wes now has a son, Wesley Jr. who is enrolled in Ms. Johnson’s Pre-Kindergarten Program. Another former graduate, Ron Pena, now has a child, Rosalia, enrolled in Kindergarten. Ron has been asked by St. Ed’s High School to be in their Hall of Fame. St. Laurence Catholic School continues to make an impact on the world.

We are told by all spiritual writers that one important point to bear in mind, as we seek to attain humility, is not to be surprised by our own faults and failures.—François Fénelon
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Upcoming Events - Sep 29-Oct 5

Sunday 9:30 AM  R/E Confirmation Classes - School
10:30 AM  RCIA Class - Library

Monday Noon Women’s Cursillo Spanish - Sacristy
6:00 PM  Spanish Bible Study - Sacristy

Tuesday 6:30 PM  Scouts:Den Pack 17 Meeting - Cafeteria

Wednesday 5:00 PM  Adoration & Reconciliation
6:00 PM  K-6th R/E Classes - School
7:15 PM  Cursillo Women’s Group - Sacristy

Thursday

Friday

Saturday 10:00 AM  Blessing of Pets - Parking Lot
5:00 PM  Bingo - Cafeteria

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

Submission deadline for bulletin entries is Monday at Noon. Send all entries to: office@stlaurenceelgin.org for approval. You can also call 847-468-6900.

Pursue righteousness, devotion, faith, love, patience, and gentleness in your life and marriage. Attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend on October 18-20 in Brookfield, WI; November 8-10 in Geneva, IL, or December 6-8 in Madison, WI. Visit our website at: alifeoflove.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.

Blessing of the Animals - Saturday, October 5 at 10:00 am
Please join us and bring your pets for a special blessing in honor of the Feast Day (October 4) of St. Francis of Assisi, Patron Saint of animals.

Open Door Clinic Collection This organization ministers to people and families with HIV. They have a great need for toothbrushes, toothpaste, soap, shampoo, toilet paper, laundry soap, socks, hats & gloves, breakfast cereals and non-perishable food items. There is a box in the back of church. This month the dates are September 28/29, 2019.

Divine Mercy
Episode 6: Fatima
Grasp the Historical Importance of Fatima
Against the backdrop of a world engulfed in war, the prophetic drama of Our Lady’s appearance in Portugal captures the hearts of believers and unbelievers.

“The story of Fatima here is quite powerful!”
—Mariann G., Trenton, NJ

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