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Mass Schedule:
Sat. – 4:00pm
Sun. – 10:00am
Tues. 6:30pm
Wed. & Thurs. – 7:30am

Reconciliation:
Saturday 3:30pm – 4:00pm.

SACRAMENT of BAPTISM – Baptisms are celebrated during the 10:00 am Mass. Please call the Rectory to make arrangements.

MARRIAGES -Diocesan policy require at least a six month preparation process. Couples who are planning to marry should speak directly with the pastor before setting a date. No weddings are scheduled on Sundays.

HOSPITALIZED PARISHIONERS – Due to a change in the privacy law, Father cannot go to the hospital and ask for a list of parishioners for him to visit. As a patient, you must ask the hospital to notify the Rectory that you are requesting a visit. For our homebound parishioners, if you would like Father to visit, please call the Rectory and Father will be more than happy to come and visit you. Thank you!

Funeral Dinner Co-Chairs for March
Sue Suddick 584-2174
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MASS INTENTIONS:
2/29/20 Sat. 4:00pm Parishioners
3/01/20 Sun. 10:00am +Lee Gunderson (Bob, Sue & Family)
3/02/20 Mon. No Mass
3/03/20 Tues. 6:15pm Rosary
3/03/20 Tues. 6:30pm +Kate Doglio (Family)
+Denice Muzzarelli (Duane & Donna Lewis)
+Jan & Jerry Joyce (Francis Smith)
3/04/20 Wed. 7:30am +Alice Jirmasek(M/M Jim Dinelli)
+Bill Hollmeyer (Bruce & Deb Tjelle)
3/04/20 **Wed. 7:00pm Stations of the Cross**
3/05/20 Thurs. 7:30am +John Austin (Michael & Elaine Joyce)
3/06/20 Fri. No Mass
3/06/20 **Fri. 7:00pm Shadow Stations of the Cross**
3/07/20 Sat. 4:00pm +Peter J. Schultz (Cindy, Kailyn & Chelsea)
3/08/20 Sun. 10:00am +Mildred Dinelli (David & Cathie Huston)

REMEMBER in PRAYER our deceased relatives and friends, the ill of our parish and community, nursing home residents, the homeless, hungry and unemployed, those living alone and our own special intentions we hold deep in our hearts. Keep in prayer all men and women serving our country, the injured and those being held prisoners. Let us not forget all men and women who gave up their lives so we may live in freedom and in peace!

Liturgical Schedule	Lector	E. Minister	Servers
2/29 Sat. 4pm	T. Peterson	R. Chase	K. Shute/C. Hampson
3/01 Sun. 10am	C. Male	P. Holohan	K. & L. Scheuber
3/07 Sat. 4pm	A. Wargo	R. Chase	K. Shute/N. Himes
3/08 Sun. 10am	A. Simms	P. Holohan	M. Simms/M. Cacello

Holy Father's Intention for the month of March:
General Intention: Catholics in China. That the Church in China may persevere in its faithfulness to the Gospel and grow in unity.

Weekly Income:

Budget (Needed)	**$ 3200.00**
Sunday Collection	**$ 1925.25**
Children Envelopes	**$ 1.00**
Improvement Collection	**$ 185.00**

Thank you for supporting our parish!

FROM AROUND THE PARISH

Stations of the Cross are every Wednesday during Lent followed by Benediction. The Way of the Cross is not only a great testimony to an inner depth and maturity, but it is in fact a school for interiority and consolation. It is also a school for the examination of conscience, for conversation, for inner transformation and compassion – not as sentimentality, as a mere feeling, but as a disturbing experience that knocks on the door of my heart, that obliges me to know myself and to become a better person. (Pope Benedict XVI) The pious exercise of the Way of the Cross represents the sorrowful journey that Jesus made with the Cross on His shoulders, to die on Calvary for the love of us. Won't you join us on the Wednesdays during Lent for 45 minutes of your time at 7 PM? Stations of the Cross in Kinsman will be at 5pm on Wednesdays. **Friday, March 6th** the Confirmation Class will perform **Shadow Stations of the Cross** at 7pm. Please join them.

Easter Flowers-If you would like to make a donation towards our Easter Flowers, there is a Easter Flower envelope in your envelope box. Please complete and put into the collection basket. If you don't have envelopes, please use a plain white envelope marked "Easter Flowers" and include a list of whom the flowers are in memory or Honor of. Make checks payable to St. Lawrence Church. Thank you!

Thank you to all volunteers who gave their time to help out at the Catholic Charities Mobile Food Truck last Monday. We assisted **70** families with food. The Mobile Food Truck was sponsored by Catholic Charities. The next Food Truck date is March 16, 2020.

Suggestions for Lent – Personal prayers, meditation on the profound mysteries of God, visits to the Most Blessed Sacrament, devotional confessions, scripture reading, recitation of the Rosary, making the Way of the Cross…all contribute something precious in personal depth and spiritual enrichment, so necessary to a sound and mature life of faith in the Lord.

News & Upcoming Events

Mark your calendars & join us: You are invited to join us for **World Day of Prayer on Friday, March 6th** at 1:00 p.m. at Fr. Matthew Hall. St. Lawrence is the host for this year's service which includes participants from Church of Hope, United Lutheran, and Braceville Methodist. The service was written by the women of Zimbabwe, Africa "who challenge" everyone to Rise! Take Your Mat and Walk, which for them is a call to love, peace, and reconciliation with God by all people around the world. A donation basket will be passed with contributions allocated to help the World Day of Prayer USA Committee address critical social and economic issues through grants to organizations in the United States and around the world. Following this brief service, we will have refreshments and fellowship time with our friends and neighbors from the area.

"Come 11th" Annual Nite at the Races on March 14th. Bring your family and friends to our "Viva Las Vegas" themed event being held at the Legion Hall in Gardner. The fun begins at 5:00pm when the doors open. The first race begins at 6:30pm. Once again "Smokey" will be challenging "The Bandit" in Race 7. Some lucky winner will be drawn for the Smartwatch at the end of the night. The horse carriage is filled with prizes to be drawn between each race. Our business community and parishioners have contributed a number of raffle baskets. The auction items includes the Wheel Barrow of Booze, 3-Night Stay at Lake of the Ozarks, and the list is growing – don't miss it.

Dwight Knights of Columbus Fish Fries-All Fridays during Lent (except Good Friday) 5-7 pm at the Saint Patrick Parish Hall in Dwight Fried Pollock, Baked Cod & Shrimp, sides & dessert Adults & High School Students $10.00 Grade School Students $5.00 Pre-School – Free Take Outs Available.

"Life takes you to unexpected places,
love brings you home."

Lenten Regulations 2020 1. Everyone 14 years of age or over is bound to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent. 2. All from the age of 18 years up to the beginning of their 60th year are bound to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. 3. On these two days of fast and abstinence, only one full meatless meal is allowed. Two other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted on these two days, but liquids, including milk and fruit juices are allowed. When health or ability to work would be seriously affected, the law does not oblige. 4. To disregard completely the law of fast and abstinence is sinful. 5. Lent is the principal season of penance in the Church year. Therefore, all of the faithful are strongly urged to develop and follow a program of voluntary self-denial. All Catholics are encouraged to support generously the charitable works of the whole Church, pray and perform works of charity and mercy. 6. Those who are sick, pregnant, or nursing, or whose health would adversely be affected by fasting or abstinence, should not consider themselves bound by these norms.