

Third Sunday of Lent

March 23, 2014

MASSES OF THE WEEK

SUNDAY, MARCH 23, 2014

- 9:00 am St. Lawrence Choir
11:00 am Rita Brinker-93rd Birthday
7:00 pm For the Parishioners

MONDAY, MARCH 24, 2014

- 8:30 am Robert Weingartner (d)

TUESDAY, MARCH 25, 2014

THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD

- 8:30 am Josephine Ulmer (d)

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 26, 2014

- 8:30 am Georgeanne O'Gara (d)

THURSDAY, MARCH 27, 2014

- 8:30 am Richard Prost (d)
3pm-5pm EUCHARISTIC ADORATION/
CONFESSIONS

FRIDAY, MARCH 28, 2014

- 8:30 am Helen Louis (d)
5:00 pm Stations of the Cross/Mass
Special Intention-M. L.

SATURDAY, MARCH 29, 2014

- 8:30 am Jane Godbey (d)
3pm - 4pm CONFESSIONS
4:30 pm Anthony 'A J' Kramer (d)

SUNDAY, MARCH 30, 2014

- 9:00 am Dylan Boyles (L)
11:00 am Virgil Meyer (d)
7:00 pm For the Parishioners

St. Lawrence is Thinking of You

ARCHBISHOP LEIBOLD HOME: Irma Hornback

MERCY FRANCISCAN AT WEST PARK:

Eileen Meyers

TRIPLE CREEK RETIREMENT

COMMUNITY:

Mary Catherine Dittrich

WESTERN HILLS RETIREMENT VILLAGE:

Donald Jostworth, Mildred Weber

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SERVERS

March 29/30

- 4:30 pm M Damico, B Hornback
9:00 am J Brannon
11:00 am M Young, A Barkley
7:00 pm A-Lorenzo-Hernandez, M Clayton

LECTORS

March 29/30

- 4:30 pm C Manegold
9:00 am N Heitzman
11:00 am G Geisel
7:00 pm A Backs

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

March 29/30

- 4:30 pm C Hoffman, N Hornback,
L Kreimer, M Rogers
9:00 am B Kessler, L Kessler,
C Schneider, M Schneider
11:00 am T Buttlerwerth, J Hay,
S Sunderman, R Weinheimer
7:00 pm M Thompson

**Please be sure to stop in the sacristy before
Mass to let Father know you are present.**

OFFERING

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Vocation View: Jesus gives Living Water to those who come to Him in their need. Bring your weakness to Him, that His strength may help with your continued conversion of life. (John 4:14)

Thought for the Day: These days no one thinks of the fears that the future holds. No one takes to heart the day of judgement, and the wrath of God and the punishments to come to unbelievers, and the eternal torments decreed for the faithless. If only they believed, they would heed, and if they took heed, they would escape.

St. Cyprian of Carthage

Rest in Peace: Please pray for the repose of the souls of Linda Bast, Jim Krumpelbeck and Maureen Stephenson who died recently.

The Laurentian

Sunday workers: please report at 11:30

Tuesday workers: please report at 5:30

Parents of the students listed below are asked to work the following Bingo:

SUNDAY, MARCH 23: J Valesquez, J Watkins, J Beamon, V Blake

TUESDAY, MARCH 25: E Clark, A Collins, J Duncan, R Esterkamp

SUNDAY, MARCH 30: A Gutierrez-Gonzalez, H Hillman, K Long, D Pickens

TUESDAY, APRIL 1: A Pickerell, C Rachel, T Sellmeyer, K Shazier

LENTEN REGULATIONS

Ash Wednesday (March 5) and Good Friday (April 18) are days of fast and abstinence. All other Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence only. Abstinence means no eating of meat (beast or fowl) and is to be observed by all Catholics 14 years of age and older on Ash Wednesday and on all the Fridays of Lent.

Fasting means limiting oneself to one full meal on a given fast day. Catholics who are 18 years of age but not yet 59 are obliged to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. On fast days, two additional smaller meals are permitted if necessary to maintain strength. However, the two smaller meals together may not equal one full meal. Moreover, eating solid foods between meals on fast days is not permitted.

West Side FREE Tax Preparation Site is at Elder High School's Schaeper Center, 4005 Glenway Ave., opposite LaRosa's, Cincinnati, Ohio 45205. Elder Schaeper Center is handicap accessible. Don't pay to get your own money back. We will prepare your taxes for free. If you qualify for the Earned Income Tax Credit, you may receive additional cash back (up to \$6,044). Your return can be e-filed and you can expect your money back in 10-15 days. Taxes prepared only for those earning less than \$52,000 a year. To make an appointment, call Price Hill Financial Opportunity Center at 587-6920 ext. 306 or e-mail to freetaxprep@santamaria-cincy.org

from the
Pastor's desk 

MASS and WAY of the CROSS, EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION, CONFESSIONS

On the Friday afternoons of Lent we will have the Way of the Cross beginning at 5:00pm followed immediately by Holy Mass.

Please remember also, that Eucharistic Adoration is every Thursday afternoon from 3-5pm. Throughout the weeks of Lent, during Eucharistic Adoration, I will hear confessions from 3:10pm-3:40pm and from 4:00pm-4:30pm. Confessions are regularly scheduled on Saturday afternoons from 3:00pm to 4:00pm.

Confirmation: Please pray for our St. Lawrence students who will receive the sacrament of Confirmation on Monday, March 31. There are prayer cards in the back of church with a student's first name on the back, which you can take and pray for them specifically. Please keep them in your prayers.

Fish Fry: Our Lenten Fish Fry is held on all the Fridays of Lent, including Good Friday, from 4 pm – 7pm in Heritage Hall. You can dine in, drive-thru or carry out. Our Fish Fry is one of the best on the Westside! So, don't miss it!



2014 Catholic Ministry Appeal (CMA): Archbishop Schnurr sends his thanks to everyone from St. Lawrence who has supported the 2014 Catholic Ministries Appeal. If you have not yet made your pledge, please consider doing so this week. There are pledge envelopes in the back of Church. Please be as generous as you can. Thank you!

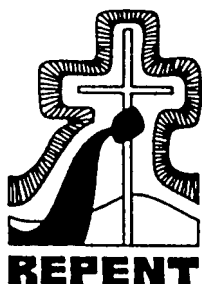
Parking Problem: China Island Restaurant telephoned me and requested that people coming to St. Lawrence for Mass not park in their lot. It seems their lot has been filling up during Mass times leaving little or no room for their customers. They do not want it to become necessary for them to have any cars towed.

IMPORTANT! Please mark your calendar for this year's Rosary Rally. On Sunday, May 18, at 1:30pm plan to celebrate the 9th annual Rosary Rally held at Elder High School's football stadium (the Pit). The celebration starts with a procession and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament as the center of our devotion. The recitation of the Holy Rosary, together with worship songs and prayers, make this gathering a memorable event. Local priests in our Archdiocese will lead us in prayer. In case of bad weather, we will move indoors to the basketball gymnasium.

Lent: Rev. Msgr. Frank Lane, from the Athenaeum of Ohio, will speak on "Lenten Sacrifice as a Way toward Freedom" at Our Lady of Lourdes Church in Westwood on Wednesday evening, March 26 at 7pm in the church. For more information call 922-0715.



Marriage Encounter: Shake off winter's cold (or rain). Do it for your relationship as well! Enrich your relationship with your spouse on a Marriage Encounter Weekend! Renew the excitement in your marriage! Schedule a weekend away – just for the two of you! The mission of Worldwide Marriage Encounter is to proclaim the value of marriage and Holy Orders in the Church and in the world. The next Marriage Encounter weekends in this area for 2014 are April 25-27 at the Crown Plaza in Dayton, Ohio and July 18-20 at the Holiday Inn Eastgate. Weekends fill up quickly, so a prompt response is encouraged to avoid the waiting list. Look for other upcoming weekends in 2014 at www.wvme.org or www.esharing.org. For more details or reservations call Dave & Jan Stockelman at 1-800-547-1251 Code 00 or on the web at www.esharing.org.



40 Days for Life: Join us this season of Lent as we gather in peaceful prayer for the Global Prayer Campaign "40 Days for Life". The global campaign will take place daily from now until April 13, 2014 between the hours of 7am-7pm. Please prayerfully consider gathering with us throughout the 40 days as people from all walks of life come together to bring the love of Christ to our brothers and sisters in need. "40 Days for Life" is a peaceful, prayerful, *and proven effective* pro-life campaign that has already been embraced by more than 600,000 people worldwide, saved 8,245 lives from abortion, led to the conversion of 88 abortion workers, and seen 44 abortion facilities close down for good.

The campaign features three components:
Prayer & Fasting: Join together with other believers to 40 days of fervent prayer and fasting for an end to abortion.

Peaceful Vigil: Stand for life during a 40-day peaceful public witness outside the local Planned Parenthood abortion facility, 2314 Auburn Ave. in Cincinnati.

Community Outreach: Bring a positive pro-life message to every corner of our city through media efforts, advocacy and public visibility.

Learn how you can "speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves" right here in the Greater Cincinnati area by contacting Mary Clark at 791-4039, by visiting the web page www.40daysforlife.com/cincinnati or by e-mail at cincy40days@fuse.net. You can also contact us or sign-up at www.vigilcalendar.com/cincinnati or just stop by and bring a friend. You never know whose life may be positively affected by your presence!

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Attention St. Martin of Tours Alumni! On Sunday, March 30, 2014, at 11:30am St. Martin of Tours invites you and your guests to attend our Alumni Mass. A reception will follow in Father Mick Hall (church basement). Our Pastor, Father Terry Hamilton (Class of 1961), will be our Celebrant.

Please invite former classmates, relatives, and friends who attended St. Martin of Tours grade school for this opportunity to reminisce.

The Laurentian

St. Lawrence Festival: Plans are underway for the 2014 St. Lawrence Parish Festival. The festival will run July 11-13. Highlights of this year's entertainment are The Rusty Griswold's, Saffire Express and the Elder Glee Club. Mark your calendars for the big event! We are having a meeting of all who are interested in becoming a booth chair or festival worker on Monday, April 7, 2014 at 7pm in the St. Lawrence Cafeteria. If you would like to help, but can't make the meeting please email festival@stlawrenceparish.org or call Theresa Murphy at 921-0266.

Congratulations to the St. Lawrence High School Boys Basketball Teams!! Both the Freshman & Sophomore team and the Junior & Senior team won the CYO city tournament. Both teams were #1 in the city for their age divisions. They both continued on to Cleveland, Ohio to represent Cincinnati at the state level. The Freshmen & Sophomore team competed in the Junior & Senior bracket at the state level. Both teams did very well! The Freshmen & Sophomore team, coached by Dave Martini, John Schlachter and Les Codling won their first game but lost their second game. The Junior & Senior team, coached by Les Codling, John Schlachter and Mark Fricke won their first and second game, advancing them in to the semi-finals. They ended up with the third place trophy for the State of Ohio. Way to go Eagles for representing St. Lawrence and the City of Cincinnati so well! The Freshman & Sophomore Team: B Aufermann, S Britton, K Burton, S Codling, N Hornback, J Rinear, C Schlachter, and A Weingartner. The Junior & Senior Team: J Antoni, J Dunajick, R Fricke, D Harbin, T J Nicholson, J Schlachter and A Walling.

Pregnancy Center West will be having their Open House on Sunday, March 30, 2014 from 11am-2pm. Meet the staff and volunteers, tour the facilities, have some refreshments, and get a firsthand look at the ministry your support makes possible!

You may park in the CVS parking lot across the street and come to the red door of our building!" If you have any questions, please contact Rachel Renner (Executive Director) or Karen Mueller (Office Manager) at the Pregnancy Center West at 244-5700.

Mark your calendar for the 11th annual George Knittle Memorial Bayley Golf Classic at Western Hills Country Club on Monday, May 19, 2014. Scramble format, shotgun start. For more information call Bayley at 347-4040, or email at kathy.baker@bayleylife.org or on the website at www.bayleylife.org.



The Arts Center at Dunham: There are FREE upcoming performances at The Arts Center at Dunham on Saturday, April 5, 2014 at 2pm – Madcap Puppets Performance “The Enchanted World” which is for all ages. Also, on Saturday, April 19, 2014 at 2pm – “The Short Tree and the Bird that could not sing” is for children ages 5 and up.

Welcome Weekend at Mount St. Mary's Seminary of the West. On Friday, March 28 at 7pm through Saturday March 29 at 7pm, Mount St. Mary's Seminary of the West is opening its doors to young men, college age and older, who are considering their call to the priesthood. During this Welcome Weekend, men will have the opportunity to eat and socialize with the seminarians, spend the night in the seminary, pray with the seminarians and hear great talks on discernment and life in the seminary by talented priests and seminarians. Those interested are asked to contact Fr. Kyle Schnippel at 421-3131 ext 2890 or visit vocations@catholiccincinnati.org.

Facing Crossroads along the Journey of Faith: A Lenten Series, with Father Tim Schehr, will be held Tuesdays: March 25 and April 1, 2014 from 6:30pm-8:00pm at the Sisters of Charity Motherhouse, 5900 Delhi Road, Cincinnati, OH. This Lent we will walk with some of the great figures of the Old Testament. Each was chosen by God to help others on the spiritual journey. As we read about them we may discover insights into the faith journey each of us is making. FEE: \$15/for all 4 sessions or \$5 each. Registration fee of \$5 [applied to total fee.] For more information call 347-5449 or e-mail spiritualitycenter@srcharitycinti.org.