

Fifth Sunday of Easter

April 24, 2016

MASSES OF THE WEEK

SUNDAY, APRIL 24, 2016

- 9:00 am Charlie Shappelle (d)
11:00 am Michael Moorman (d)
7:00 pm For the Parishioners

MONDAY, APRIL 25, 2016

SAINT MARK, EVANGELIST

- 8:30 am Jerry & Jackie Schwager (d)

TUESDAY, APRIL 26, 2016

- 8:30 am Robert Bishop (d)

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 27, 2016

- 8:30 am Pilgrims

THURSDAY, APRIL 28, 2016

- 8:30 am Shirley Baldwin (d)

3pm-5pm EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

FRIDAY, APRIL 29, 2016

Saint Catherine of Siena,
Virgin, Doctor of the Church

- 8:30 am Natividad C. Lerma (d)

SATURDAY, APRIL 30, 2016

- 8:30 am Rita Brinker (d)

3pm-4pm CONFESSIONS

- 4:30 pm Jim Voelker (d)

SUNDAY, MAY 1, 2016

- 9:00 am Rosary Altar Society
11:00 am Jeanne Leesman (d)
7:00 pm For the Parishioners

St. Lawrence is Thinking of You

WESTERN HILLS RETIREMENT VILLAGE:

Donald Jostworth

WEST PARK: Ernestine Huber

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RECTORY** when a family member is
hospitalized or homebound and would like to
receive Holy Communion and/or the
Sacrament of Penance.

SERVERS

April 30/May 1

- 4:30 pm B Hornback
9:00 am B Kessling
11:00 am A Mendez, E Pitman
7:00 pm U Dao

LECTORS

April 30/May 1

- 4:30 pm G Rogers
9:00 am J Gonnella
11:00 am G Geisel
7:00 pm S Aufermann

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

April 30/May 1

- 4:30 pm C Hoffman, C Hornback,
L Kreimer, C Sunderman
9:00 am M Jones, S Jones,
J Remke, S Remke
11:00 am J Grimm, Janet Hay,
P Phan, R Weinheimer
7:00 pm M Thompson

OFFERING

APRIL 17, 2016

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Thank You for your Generosity!

Thought for the Day: God appeals to us in his mercy to avoid having to punish us in his severity. Listen to the Lord's appeal: 'In me, I want you to see your own body, your members, your heart, your bones, your blood. You may fear what is divine, but why not love what is human? You may run away from me as the Lord, but why not run to me as your father? Perhaps you are filled with shame for causing my bitter passion. Do not be afraid. This cross inflicts a mortal injury, not on me, but on death. These nails no longer pain me, but only deepen your love for me. I do not cry out because of these wounds, but through them I draw you into my heart. My body was stretched on the cross as a symbol, not of how much I suffered, but of my all-embracing love. I count it no loss to shed my blood: it is the price I have paid for your ransom. Come, then, return to me and learn to know me as your father, who repays good for evil, love for injury, and boundless charity for piercing wounds.'

St. Peter Chrysologus, bishop

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Bingo

Sunday workers: please report at 11:30am

Tuesday workers: please report at 5:30pm

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

SUNDAY, APRIL 24: B Dugan, S Eichhorn, K Figgs

TUESDAY, APRIL 26: C Groppenbecker, I Hand, S Haverbusch

SUNDAY, MAY 1: D Hicks, R Kersey, C McWilliams

TUESDAY, MAY 3: T Nguyen, Y Niangane, A Nolasco

St. Lawrence Education Commission is currently accepting names of parishioners interested in running in the May 2016 elections. Those interested in becoming more involved in our parish/school community are asked to send their names and contact information by way of email shore@stlawrenceparish.org, or a phone call to the rectory at 921-0328. Catholic persons 25 years of age or older who are active parishioners are eligible. The term of office is 2 years, with 4 scheduled meeting per year to attend.

Retrouvaille: Is your marriage hurting in any way? Has your marriage grown cold, distant, unloving or uncaring? Then, please consider Retrouvaille – a program to help heal and renew marriages. Retrouvaille is for marriages that have lost some of their spark, for marriages having difficulties in communication and even those marriages on the edge of separation or divorce. Retrouvaille consists of one weekend, plus six follow-up sessions over approximately three months. The next weekend in 2016 is September 9-11. For more information call 922-6045 or on the internet at www.cincyretrouvaille.org. Please call for details.

from the *Pastors Desk*

May Crowning: St. Lawrence students will be having May Crowning on Wednesday, May 4, 2016 at 7pm. May Crowning is a wonderful way to honor our Blessed Mother. She is our model of humility and faithfulness. I invite you to join the children in honoring our Blessed Mother.

Major Award Raffle Tickets: The first Early Bird drawing will be Sunday, Mother's Day, May 8. So, please turn in your sold tickets.

Eucharistic Adoration is on Thursday afternoon from 3pm -5pm.

The Festival Committee has been working diligently, but there is much to be done. Please consider volunteering to work at a booth. You may want to chair a booth. A chairperson will keep track of his/her workers and the moneybox. If you can donate your time to work at a booth or chair a booth, visit www.stlawrenceparish.org click on Festival then Volunteer.

Summer Festival News: Please mark your calendar for the St. Lawrence Parish Festival. Our dates this year are Saturday and Sunday, July 9 & 10. Like last year, we will have live entertainment each night. Here's the lineup: Saturday night Gen X and Sunday night Saffire Express. Chicken dinners will be served on Saturday and Sunday from 5pm -7pm. We will have lots of other delicious food and good beer.

I hope you'll plan now to come. Parishioners should have received your festival chances in the mail. Please do your best to sell your \$50 and help us to make this the best festival ever! If you have any questions about the festival, or need more tickets please call the rectory at 921-0328 between 9:00am and 3:30pm or e-mail at festival@stlawrenceparish.org. If you would like to help at the festival, please call Theresa Murphy at 921-0266 or e-mail at festival@stlawrenceparish.org.

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Mark your calendar for the 13th annual George Knittle Memorial Bayley Golf Classic at Western Hills Country Club on Monday, May 23, 2016. Scramble format, shotgun start at 11am. For more information call 347-4040 or kathy.baker@bayleylelife.org. Proceeds benefit Bayley residents and Bayley Adult Day Program members in need.

Elder Panther Kids Club is an exclusive club just for our younger Panther fans! (8th grade and younger). Membership includes an Elder Panthers Cinch Bag, Panthers shirt, Panther face tattoo, Panthers car sticker, free ticket vouchers to select Elder High School events, official kids club membership card, one time 15% off coupon to the Elder Spirit Store and invitations to exclusive member-only events and contests. The Elder Panther Kids club has tons of exclusive Elder gear that every future Panther will be sure to love, plus a chance to participate in exclusive Elder experiences! The kid's club membership is available in the Elder Spirit Store for only \$20. For more information call Maura Gettler, Director of Admissions and Marketing, at 921-3427 or her email gettlermm@elderhs.net.

Science Guys and Gals needed: The Catholic Inner-city Schools Education Fund (CISE) is looking for retired scientists, engineers or anyone with an interest in science to run hands-on science lab programs at urban Catholic elementary schools in Cincinnati. Volunteers will assist students in completing in-class projects demonstrating the scientific concept being taught. Demo equipment and devices along with directions for use will be provided. Instructions and start-up instructions will be available. Completion of a Virtus Protecting God's Children Awareness Session is required. For more information, please contact Paul Naberhaus at 859-359-0222 or at epaulnaber@yahoo.com.

Sacred Heart Radio will be celebrating their 15th anniversary on Wednesday, May 11, 2016 at the Sharonville Convention Center. Cardinal Raymond Burke will be the featured speaker. For more information, go to www.sacredheartradio.com.

Kroger Community Rewards: Help the St. Lawrence PTO. You can register your Kroger Plus Card. Registration must be updated every year between April 1 and April 30 for the St. Lawrence PTO to continue receiving benefits. Link your Kroger Plus Card to the St. Lawrence PTO and each time your card is swiped Kroger will donate a percentage of your total sales to us with no loss of your reward points. Simply go to www.kroger.com/communityrewards and enroll. Our ID # is 82070. Enrollment does have to be handled online. Thank you!

Elder High School Summer Camps: Elder athletic summer camp sign-ups are now available! Offered camps and leagues include baseball, basketball, bowling, football, hockey, lacrosse, soccer, tennis, volleyball and wrestling; led by head coaches, current Elder athletes and alumni playing at the collegiate and professional levels. Sign up is online at www.elderhs.org/SummerCamps. For more information or any questions contact Mrs. Doerflein at 921-3461.

Natural Family Planning (NFP). Learn NFP at home and at your own pace with the "Home Study Course" from NFP International. Includes Ecological Breastfeeding (it really can space babies), a double check system of fertility awareness, and Catholic teachings that's easy to understand. Work with a live instructor by email. Completion certificate awarded. Cost is \$70. Also, classroom courses are available in the Cincinnati area. For more information call Paul and Beth at 313-8886.

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Rosary Rally: On Sunday, May 15, 2016 at 1:30pm we will celebrate the 11th annual Rosary Rally 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. We hope to have many fellow priests join in revering the Blessed Sacrament and the recitation of the Holy Rosary. **To the parents and grandparents of all children receiving their First Holy Communion this year, you're invited to come and bring your First Communicant Child to the Rosary Rally. Your child should be dressed in First Communion attire on this date.** Annually, roughly two thousand attendees come to this meaningful event. In case of bad weather, we will move indoors to the basketball gymnasium. If you have any questions please call Roger Glandorf at 251-7729 or Mike Rolfes at 763-0613.

Holy Hour for Vocations: Come to a Holy Hour for Vocations to the Priesthood at Mount St. Mary's Seminary on Sunday, May 1 at 5pm. The Holy Hour will take place in the St. Gregory the Great Chapel, located on the Athenaeum campus, 6616 Beechmont Ave., Cincinnati, Ohio 45230.

Covedale Performance: There will be a special performance of "Brigadoon" at the Covedale Theater, 4990 Glenway Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio 45238 on Wednesday, April 27, 2016 from 7:30pm-10:30pm. Tickets are on sale through the Pregnancy Center West and are \$20 per ticket. Reserve your tickets by calling the Pregnancy Center West at 244-5700 or email pcwest@fuse.net. All proceeds benefit the Pregnancy Center West.



Congratulations to the following students from St. Lawrence who made the **HONOR ROLL** at Elder High School.

First Honors: S Blake, B Hornback, N Hornback, M Weast.

Second Honors: A Weingartner.

Seton/Elder Performing Arts Series invites you to their Freshman Spring Concert in the Seton Performance Hall on Tuesday, May 10, 2016 at 7pm. For tickets call Seton at 471-2600 or Elder at 921-3744.

Also, they will have their Steel Drum Band Festival on Saturday, May 7, 2016 at 7:00pm.

Elder Alumni Golf Outing: will take place on Friday, June 3, 2016 at Aston Oaks. The cost is \$125/golfer and includes golf, lunch, dinner and more! For more information please contact Elder's Alumni Director, Brian Bill at billbd@elderhs.net or 921-3411.



Summer Camps The summer will be here before you know it! Registrations for summer camps at Mother of Mercy High School are now open! There is something for everyone, ages 2-15! Sports camps include basketball, bowling, golf, lacrosse, soccer, tennis and volleyball. Enrichment camps include art, technology and a Mercy Fun Camp. New this year, cooking and a puppet camp run by world famous Madcap Puppets! Registration is online at www.motherofmercy.org/summercamps.

Cincinnati Catholic Alumni Club will be having a wine tasting event on Sunday, April 24, 2016 from 2pm-5pm at the Werk Crossing Condominium Complex, 3550 Werk Road. Singles are invited. For more information call Don at 574-8573.