

The Pastor's Corner

“I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.”

If you've been to any Catholic baptism, or even a baptism in many other Christian denominations, you should have heard these words proclaimed as water was poured over a person's head, or as they were immersed in water. To those on the outside, it may appear that we have just said words and used water in a symbolic way, with no real depth or meaning to it. However, there is so much going on beneath the surface, so to speak. Yet, these words are so vital that the Church teaches that if they are left out or changed for any reason, the sacrament is invalid! It must be said completely and without changes during the action of the baptism itself.



The reality of the entire sacrament of baptism can be looked at through the lens of this simple phrase that is indispensable to the rite. When we are baptized, we no longer belong to the world, to sin, or even to death. We are claimed in the name of the Holy Trinity, which we celebrate today. In this we find our identity, our refuge, the one who is our end destination, and is our Lord! Sure, this moment may look like many others in the sacraments, and perhaps the world wouldn't think it all that important, but this is the origin! This is where it all begins, and where, ultimately, it all ends again: all in the Holy Trinity. We are claimed and given grace, as we have the names of the Holy Trinity, the Father, Son, and Spirit, said over us as we receive the grace of baptism- something never repeated, and that nothing can truly take away (even though unrepented sin masks it when it occurs).

May we truly see the glory given to us in the names of the Father, Son, and Spirit, as we celebrate the Trinity when we are baptized, and at every moment of our lives!

-Fr. Belken

PLEASE NOTE

Parish Email Addresses are changing!

Office: office@stlnh.org

Billy Ray: billyray@stlnh.org

Fr. Belken: frbelken@stlnh.org

The Phone System now includes options to reach Fr. Belken's office, and also an option for the case of sacramental emergencies or to notify him of a deceased parishioner. Phone number is the same.

MEMORIAL DAY MASS

May 27, 2024 at 9:00am
at St. Lawrence Parish

Weather-permitting, Mass will be **outside in the grotto area**. Please bring a lawn chair along!



In case of inclement weather, Mass will move into the Church!

THE SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY · MAY 26, 2024



Saint Lawrence

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



Readings for Next Sunday

The Most Holy Body
and Blood of Christ

June 2, 2024

Ex 24:3-8

Heb 9:11-15

Mk 14:12-16, 22-26

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The Soleminity of the Most Holy Trinity
May 26-June 1, 2024
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Mass Schedule						
Sat.	May	25	4PM	Don Gosche	Thu.	May 30 7AM Marvin & Lillian Westrich
Sun.	May	26	8:30AM	Parish Family	Fri.	May 31 7AM Arnold & Christina Dirnberger
Mon.	May	27	9AM	Alex Jr. & Vera Burger	Sat.	Jun 1 4PM Alex Jr. & Vera Burger
Tue.	May	28	6PM	Lorena Beussink	Sun.	Jun 2 8:30AM Parish Family
Wed.	May	29	7AM	Barney & Sylvia Steimle		

SUNDAY: OUR LADY OF FATIMA VISITATION. MAY 26-Coonie Essner, JUN 2-Mary B. Glastetter, JUN 9-Terri Stuckey, JUN 9-Norma Seyer, JUN 16-Jackie Griffith, JUN 23-Pat Moore, JUN 30-Mary F. Glastetter.

SUNDAY COLLECTION:

May 19, 2024: Loose \$79, Envelopes \$2977, Total: \$3056.

MONDAY, MAY 27th MEMORIAL DAY MASS. Weather-permitting, Mass will be outside in the grotto area. Starting at 9AM. Please bring a lawn chair! In case of inclement weather, Mass will move into the church.

FRIDAY, MAY 31st, ADORATION. St. Lawrence Church, 7:30-10:30AM.

FRIDAY, MAY 31st, CHURCH CLEANING. Chairman: Greg & Tiffany Morgan
Amy Niederkorn, Pat & Sally O'Brien, Tony & Reatha Paul, Mike & Edith Pennington.

JOB OPENING. Saint Denis School in Benton, MO is seeking friendly faces to be a part of the "Saint Denis Difference" for these following positions: a principal and part-time teacher, a full-time elementary teacher, and a part time administrative assistant. These positions are all a part of the school family atmosphere, making a difference in young disciple's spiritual and intellectual journey! For applications, qualifications, or for further inquiries, please contact Fr. Belken at the Saint Denis Parish Office at 573-545-3864 or please email office@stdenisbenton.org.

TOTUS TUUS. Totus Tuus is coming to St. Lawrence June 9-13 for grades 7-12, 7-9PM. June 10-14 for grades 1-6, 8:30AM-2PM. For more information, please contact the Parish Office or Pat Moore for more details.

DIOCESAN DEVELOPMENT FUND (DDF). As of the 3rd week of DDF, 54 families have graciously donated. Thank you so much. We are over 60% of the way toward reaching the goal. To date, our parish has given \$14,710.00 toward our \$23,472.00 goal. If you have not yet had the opportunity to make your pledge, there are cards in the pews or in back of church. For more information regarding DDF, you can contact Billy or Stacey Johnson at the Parish Office. Let's close this out early this year and finish by 30 June.

PASTORAL NOTE: ONE-HANDED RECEPTION OF HOLY COMMUNION- Over the coming weeks, Father is asking that those who must receive the Eucharist with only hand transition to either receiving on the tongue, or in the case that this is not possible, on one hand which is flat and outstretched to receive our

Lector & Communion Distributor:	Sat. Jun 1 4PM	Cindy Glueck
Organist/Cantor:	Sat. Jun 1 4PM	Krista Kluesner
Gift Bearers:	Sat. Jun 1 4PM	Mr./Mrs. Travis Estes
Servers:	Sat. Jun 1 4PM	Caleb Vetter/Noah Vetter/Tyler Jackson/Clara Drake
Ushers:	Sat. Jun 1 4PM	Thomas Carroll/Christopher Crook/Shannon Cureton/Jim Dennis

Lector & Communion Distributor:	Sun. Jun 2 8:30AM	Gary Reischman
Organist/Cantor:	Sun. Jun 2 8:30AM	Krista Kluesner
Gift Bearers:	Sun. Jun 2 8:30AM	Mr./Mrs. Derek Felter
Servers:	Sun. Jun 2 8:30AM	Hailey Heuring/Heidi Heuring/Paxton Beck/Oliver Beck
Ushers:	Sun. Jun 2 8:30AM	Kyle Curry/Kevin Curry/Kendal Deason/Terry Deason

Lord, and then is immediately moved to one's mouth to receive. Please do not "pinch" the host to receive it from the minister's hand to receive. Though this may be unfamiliar, it is simply a movement into greater conformity with the instruction of the Church on how to properly receive Holy Communion. Thank you for your attention to this matter, as we continue to renew ourselves in our love for the Holy Eucharist!

CAMP RE-NEW-ALL. Camp Re-NEW-All Fredericktown is in need of help with the following positions: 1F (June 9-14), 2 girl counselors, 1 boy counselor and a Lifeguard; 2F (June 23-28), a medical professional (nurse, EMT, etc.); 3F (July 7-12), 5 boy counselors. If you have any questions, please reach out to Kim Sellers, kimsellers66@gmail.com or call Linda Glendenning at the diocese office, 573-866-0841. Thank you so very much for your consideration, God Bless.

STEUBENVILLE, CATHOLIC YOUTH CONFERENCE SUMMER 2024. Join us in Springfield, MA on July 26-28! Secure your spot for the weekend that changes everything. Register now and give your teens an opportunity for spiritual growth and lasting transformation. Whether your teens are disengaged, doubtful believers, dedicated 'youth group kids,' or devout Catholics, these conferences present the gospel in a fresh and compelling way. This event promises to be a life-changing experience for your teens, offering them the opportunity to deepen their faith, connect with like-minded peers, and encounter the incredible power of God's love. Please contact the Parish Office for more details.

THANK YOU. All who have supported me and my mission trip journey! Thank you to those who came to our pasta dinner, supported and put on the raffle, and all the other gracious donations everyone has given myself and my cause. Thank you most of all for your continued prayers and support. God continues to bless me in many ways! Thank you so much! -Kendyl Stuckey