



*Celebrating 70 Years*

ST. LAWRENCE  
CATHOLIC  
CHURCH

STEWARDSHIP

2023-2024

Dear Parishioners,

I am very happy to write to each of our registered parishioners about our **STEWARDSHIP MINISTRY** this year. Due to the Pandemic, we suspended this renewal because so many people were not able to share their talents with the community as they had before. But now we can.

It is so important that each person here at St. Lawrence believes they are an essential part of what makes our parish a loving family in faith. Among the many things that are so wonderful about Catholicism is the sense of a Parish Community: Worship, Service and Celebration.

Stewardship is our Biblical understanding that each of us have a way to contribute to the entire parish. As dear St. Paul says: "For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ."

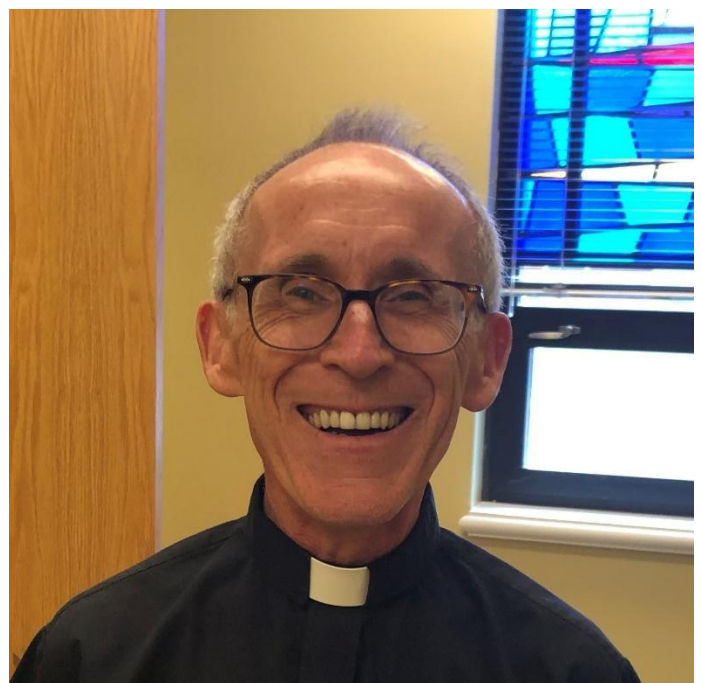
Through **Time, Talent & Treasure** we are able to envision a strong parish into our future. Our worship life, our budget, social activities, support for Notre Dame Academy and sporting programs all rely upon good stewardship from the entire community.

Please take some prayerful time to consider how best you and your family can be a vital part of our St. Lawrence Parish family.

In Christ,



Fr. Bill Burks, Pastor



# Stewardship 2023

St. Lawrence Catholic Church has various ministries and opportunities where we, as Christian Disciples, can give of our **Time, Talent, and Treasure**.

“As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God’s varied grace.” 1 Peter 4:10

## What is Stewardship?

Stewardship is not just about sharing our financial **treasure**, but sharing our gifts of **time**, and **talents**, as well.

Stewardship is rooted in scripture, recognizing we, as individuals, are not owners of our lives but rather are stewards or managers. Stewardship, quite simply, is recognizing that everything we have and everything we are is a gift from God and being grateful and generous with those gifts

## TIME

Time is the most limited resource we have. Once it has passed, we can’t get it back and we can’t make more. People often say that they “*don’t have enough time*”- but God gives us all the time that we need. It’s how you use that time. How am I choosing to use my time? What is one thing I can do today for myself and my neighbor so that I will be more generous with the time that God has blessed me?

## TALENT

Every skill, talent, and ability is a gift from God. He doesn’t give them to us to keep for ourselves, but to bless others and build His kingdom. Our call to practice Stewardship of Talent is an invitation to discern *where* and *how* the Spirit is calling us to serve. As our talents develop and circumstances change, we listen to how God is calling us to use our gifts.

## TREASURE

Treasure might be the word most often associated with stewardship. Money has a way of taking hold of us, but Jesus warns us that we cannot serve both God and wealth (Matthew 6:24). God blesses us with the talents we use to earn money. Out of *gratitude* for what we have been given, we give back to God. When we make a sacrifice, we are offering something of value to God, which makes it *holy*. Every penny is accounted for, from our ministries to keeping the lights on. It’s all spent to make our time and talent on full display.

Our 2023-2024 Stewardship form will be available online ([www.stl-lawrence.org](http://www.stl-lawrence.org)) in the Fall of 2023, or complete this hard copy and turn in at the Parish office, or put in the collection.

## **ADMINISTRATION/LEADERSHIP (Appointed Position)**

### **1. Parish Council**

**Matt Rasche, Chairman 640-0137**

**Fr. Bill Burks, Pastor 448-2122**

The Parish Council is responsible for the vision of the Parish Community and acts as an advisory committee to the Pastor. Meetings are normally the 4th Tuesday of the month from 6:00 pm- 7:30 pm. in the Community Room. Terms are for 3 years. (1 year for Alternates).

### **2. Finance Council**

**Emily Rickert, Chairperson 472-7579**

**Fr. Bill Burks, Pastor 448-2122**

This Council works closely with the pastor. The parish Financial Council is a consultative body that assists the pastor in making financial decisions for the Parish. An active, well-formed Parish Finance Council is a key element for promoting the financial health of a parish, ensuring accountability, and assisting the pastor with his responsibilities.

### **3. Stewardship Committee**

**Deacon David Maxwell 448-2122**

Coordinates, creates, and maintains the process that enables Parishioners in Stewardship of time, talent, and treasures. Volunteers needed to assist with year-long planning, updating stewardship brochure and presentation plan **and follow-up** of time/talent volunteers.

### **4. Collection Counter**

**Susan Goebel 448-2122**

Volunteers are needed to help count and record the Sunday collection. This task is performed on Mon. mornings in the Parish Office. Length of commitment is up to volunteers.

### **5. Security**

Volunteers are needed to help with security at any and all Parish events.

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## **FORMATION**

### **6. Formation Committee**

**Mike Raymer 448-2122**

Lifelong, Formation, and Education Committee is responsible for providing Catholic religious education and formation opportunities for our Parish family. Persons are needed to represent different ages and groups in the Parish.

### **7. Children's Church**

**Mike Raymer 448-2122**

Children's Church (Children's Liturgy of the Word) **is held during the 10:30** am Sunday Mass. Children ages 4 through grade 3 are invited to explore the gospel each Sunday. Catechists are needed to discuss the gospel with the children. Materials are provided.

## **8. RCIA (OCIA)**

**Deacon David Maxwell 448-2122**

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is the process that we welcome baptized and unbaptized into the Catholic Church. You will experience several stages of learning our faith and celebrations. As an individual progresses in faith toward full initiation through the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist. He or she is supported by a sponsor, guided by catechists (both lay and ordained) and embraced by our Community.

## **9. Religious Education: Catechists & Aides**

**Mike Raymer 448-2122**

This program assists parents in religious education and formation for their children who attend public schools. Catechists (teachers of religion) are needed for grades K-8th. These persons are to be practicing Catholics and qualified by the Archdiocese of Louisville.

## **10. Youth Ministry**

**Mike Raymer 448-2122**

Come join an ever growing ministry for our youths of Junior high and High School. Volunteering at youth ministry can consist of helping with the after school junior high program, providing chaperones on trips and/or transportation for trips, small group leaders, speakers, and servers at retreats. Safe Environment Training and background checks are required.

## **11. Bible Study/Small Group**

**Mike Raymer 448-2122**

Do you love the Bible? Then consider becoming a small group leader or a speaker for one of our Bible/ Book studies. We are also looking for volunteer leaders to host a small group in their home. Or just sign up to attend a regular Bible Study.

## **12. Vacation Bible School**

**Mike Raymer 448-2122**

If you are interested in helping as a leader or a volunteer. VBS normally happens in June. Opportunities exist for game leaders, small group leaders, actors, and food prep. Safe Environment Training and background checks are required.

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## **WORSHIP**

## **13. Worship Committee**

**Karen Kuenzig 448-2122**

The worship Committee consists of the chairpersons of all of our liturgical ministries and provides direction and planning for the liturgies throughout the year. Meetings are scheduled as needed.

## **14. Altar Servers**

**Deacon David Maxwell 448-2122**

**Dee Dee Nauert 376-7419**

Altar servers assist Fr Bill during weekend Masses and special liturgies (funerals, school Mass). Servers can begin the program in the 4th grade and continue up to high school. Training is provided and a choice of weekend Masses served.

### **15. Art & Environment**

**Andrea Mulhall 931-1185**

The Art & Environment committee is responsible to keep our Church decorated according to the liturgical season. Volunteers are needed for all the liturgical events such as Christmas and Easter. One of their side jobs is watering all plants throughout the Church.

### **16. Bereavement**

**Karen Kuenzig 448-2122**

This committee is divided into 4 groups. Each has a captain and rotates assisting each other as needed. This committee prepares food for our grieving families after the Mass and burial, or could be asked to deliver food to the Funeral Home. This committee also sets up and provides food/drink for special occasions generally in our Gathering space.

### **17. Camera Operator**

**Mike Raymer 448-2122**

This ministry involves being trained to operate camera and computer equipment to live-stream our Sunday Mass. Also may be asked to record funerals, weddings, baptisms and other special Parish events.

### **18. Church Cleaning**

**Susan Goebel 448-2122**

We have 4 teams that rotate weekly to dust, sweep, and vacuum the Church, chapel, sacristy, and music office. Special cleanings are needed for Easter & Christmas.

### **19. Extraordinary Ministers of Communion/Sacristans**

**Charlotte McClamroch 592-1795**

Ministers assist Fr. Bill by presenting the Body and Blood of Christ during Holy Communion at Mass. Sacristans are responsible for cleaning up after each liturgical service. Ministers must attend training and refresher sessions.

### **20. Gift Bearers**

**Helen Kendall 366-0190**

This ministry presents the bread, wine, food, and tithing during the Offertory at the Mass of your choice. A wonderful family ministry. Weekend/special liturgies.

### **21. Greeters/Hospitality**

**Barbara Brewer 338-5698**

This ministry provides information and service to those attending Mass or other services in church. Ministers are stationed at the front door and side doors to welcome those attending, distribute bulletins, and provide information.

### **22. Lectors**

**Mary Jansen 558-9805**

A Minister of the Word enhances the liturgical experience by presenting the Word of God in a clear and concise manner. This ministry is available for adults and youth grade 6-12. Training will be provided.

### **23. Ushers**

**Tim Rasche 640-3603**

This ministry collects the offerings at each weekend Mass and/or liturgies. Assist with helping with seating, if needed. This ministry is open to adults, and youth grades 6-12.

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## **MUSIC**

**Karen Kuenzig, Director 448-2122**

### **24. Cantor**

Cantors lead the congregation in singing at the weekend Masses and special liturgies. New Cantors will be auditioned by the Music Director. Cantors must be members of the Choir.

### **25. Children's Choir**

This Choir presents the opportunity for mature children of all ages to present music for Mass. Contact the Music Director for interest in this wonderful ministry.

### **26. Adult Choir**

The Adult Choir sings throughout the year. This Choir rehearses every Tuesday in the Church from 6:00 pm- 7:30 pm.

### **27. Instrumentalists**

Musicians are welcome to play various instruments at weekends and special liturgies.

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## **OUTREACH**

### **28. Nursing Home/ Homebound Ministry**

**Deacon Dave Maxwell 448-2122**

Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist take Holy Communion to the Catholic residents of Signature- Rockford Manor Nursing Home every Sunday. Mass/Communion Service is provided every Tuesday at 10:15 am. Volunteers provide assistance to the attendees.

Holy communion is provided also to the elderly and homebound members within the Parish. Volunteer Eucharistic Ministers provide Communion upon requests on scheduled days.

### **29. St. Vincent De Paul Conference**

**Barbara Brewer 338-5698**

In a spirit of justice and charity, they help those in need by person-to-person involvement. Volunteers take calls from clients who need various forms of help from food to bills. Meetings are held the first Wednesday of every month. Commitment is up to the volunteer.

### **30. Respect for Life Committee**

**Deacon Dave Maxwell 448-2122**

Volunteers will be dedicated to prayer, education, discussion to help our Parish grow in the awareness of the sanctity of all life.

### **31. American Red Cross**

**Tammy Ritchie 741-7151**

Volunteers will assist the Red Cross in helping set up and providing support at St. Lawrence Blood Drives

### **32. CLOUT**

Citizens of Louisville Organized and United Together. An organization of religious congregations which work together to solve critical community problems. CLOUT is of the belief that, united, we can become a powerful force for improving the quality of life and business climate for all of Louisville Metro.

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## **PARISH LIFE**

### **33. Scouts**

**Joe Underwood, Scoutmaster 593-1245**

**Boy Scouts** are for boys age 10 and over with a meeting every Monday at 6:30 pm in the Upper Room.. Interested adults are needed to work directly with the boys or by serving on the committee which will assess all troop needs. Many volunteer positions are available.

**Cub Scouts** are for boys ages 5-9. Meetings every Monday at 6:30 pm in the Cafeteria.

**Melissa Sinkhorn 489-1941**

### **34. Picnic**

**Randy England 762-3703**

Volunteers are always needed to serve before, during, and after the picnic. Booth Captains, Food Servers, Cooks, Booth Volunteers are welcome to ensure a successful yearly social event and fundraiser.

### **35. Fish Fry**

**Tim DeWeese 797-7482**

Volunteers are needed to set-up and help run the Fish Frys on Fridays during the season of Lent. Cooking, serving, and clean-up as scheduled.

### **36. Booster Club**

**Tim Deweese 797-7482**

The Booster Club promotes, sponsors, and maintains sports activity for Notre Dame Academy and St. Lawrence parishioners. This club hosts events/leagues raising money to maintain the st. Lawrence athletic facilities and fund the Notre Dame Sports program.



### **37. Coaching**

**Joe Burke, Athletic Director 609-7925**

Coaches and assistants are needed for all sports teams. Coaches must submit a resume to the Booster Club for consideration. Background checks and attending of the Archdiocesan Safe Environment Training class is required. Length of commitment is up to the individual.

### **38. Parish Celebrations**

Volunteers would assist in helping to set up and be a part of a serving committee for Special Events centered around the Church year.

### **39. Seniors Club**

Seniors of the Parish come together every 2nd Monday of the month for a dinner in the Community Room. Also every Wednesday cards and activities are held as well.

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## **GROUNDS and MAINTENANCE**

### **40. Planning & Maintenance Committee**

**Chairperson Needed**

Provides the information and recommendations for the upkeep and maintenance of our Parish grounds and buildings. Volunteers with plumbing, electrical, carpentry, masonry, HVAC, and painting skills are needed. Length of commitment is up to the individual.

### **41. Grass Cutting/ Landscaping**

**Matt Rasche 640-0137**

Volunteers are needed to help with the beautification of Parish grounds during grass cutting season. Six teams are rotated each week. Mowers are provided.

## **WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE AN ACTIVE MEMBER?**

An **Active Member** is defined as one who:

1. Is formally registered at one of the founding parishes, **AND...**
2. Is a weekend worshiper who celebrates Mass with their children **EVERY WEEKEND**. (Exceptions are allowed for illness, employment, travel, and blended family situations, however the pastor must be made aware of these circumstances prior to consideration of status for the next school year.)  
**AND...**
3. Is a participant in parish stewardship of **Time, Talent, and Treasure**. (One must sign up to serve the parish through time, talent, and treasure on the parish intention card and honor the commitment.)

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# SAINT LAWRENCE

## Catholic Church

MINISTERS- PLEASE TRY TO FIND A REPLACEMENT FOR YOURSELF IF YOU CANNOT ATTEND MASS AT ANY TIME THAT YOU ARE SCHEDULED at. IF YOU WERE PREVIOUSLY ON ANY SCHEDULED MINISTRY, AND YOUR STATUS HAS CHANGED IN ANY WAY (PREFERRED MASS TIME), CALL YOUR MINISTRY COORDINATOR LISTED IN THIS BOOKLET.

## ONLINE GIVING

In an attempt to keep up with all the daily changes in our society, we offer an "Online Giving" option.

This program is a safe and secure process that can help in establishing your family budget, guaranteeing your consistent tithe to the Parish in those times when you cannot attend Mass. This program also helps St. Lawrence to further plan the upcoming year's budget. For information or to sign-up for this program go to the Parish website at [www.stl-lawrence.org](http://www.stl-lawrence.org) and click on the "Online Giving" logo and follow the simple instructions.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Susan Goebel at 502-448-2122 in the Parish Office.

**Please fill out your Stewardship and Family Census form either online ([www.stl-lawrence.org](http://www.stl-lawrence.org)) or use the paper form to be mailed in, or in the Collection Basket or brought to the Parish Office.**

**2023-2024 STEWARDSHIP INTENTION CARD**

**FAMILY CENSUS INFORMATION**

Family Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone #'s Home \_\_\_\_\_ Cell #1 \_\_\_\_\_ Cell #2 \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail address \_\_\_\_\_

- NDA School Family
- St Lawrence Pre-School Family
- Family Mass Attendance:
  - 5:00 pm
  - 8:00 am
  - 10:30 pm

<b>Name</b>	<b>Date of Birth</b>	<b>Ministries</b>
Adult #1 _____	_____	_____
Adult #2 _____	_____	_____
Child #1 _____	_____	_____
Child #2 _____	_____	_____
Child #3 _____	_____	_____
Child #4 _____	_____	_____

OTHER HOBBIES, SKILLS, ETC. that I (We) would be willing to share with the Parish that are not included in this brochure \_\_\_\_\_

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**TREASURE COMMITMENT**

After prayerful reflection and in recognition that everything we have comes from God, and as a sign of gratitude, I/We have decided that \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is a fair portion to return.

\_\_\_\_\_ weekly      \_\_\_\_\_ monthly by Online Giving

\_\_\_\_\_ weekly      \_\_\_\_\_ monthly in the Sunday offertory beginning \_\_\_\_\_

