

The last couple of weekends, we've experienced "interruptions" in our usual pattern of worship as we go through Ordinary Time. We are used to celebrating these Sundays in green colors, and yet last week was black, and this weekend will be white. What is the meaning of changing everything up on us constantly? Is it meant to "keep us on our toes"?

No, not at all. In all reality, this is simply us being given different feasts and commemorations that are given priority in the liturgical calendar as we track through the conclusion of the liturgical calendar for this year (which concludes the week of Christ the King Sunday- November 23). Last week was an odd celebration because it was a Sunday of mourning even as Sunday tends to be a day of Resurrection. It is a powerful reminder for us that even in the promise of the Resurrection, we have to be mindful of those who still await that beautiful day of being united with God in heaven. We should stop and pray for them- even if it is on a Sunday! In fact, it gave us a moment to prioritize the Resurrection- for those who are getting closer in purgatory.

Today we take another "interruption" as we celebrate the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica- the Cathedral of the Bishop of Rome- and thus the mother church of the whole world, as the Bishop of Rome is the Pope. It gives us a moment to reflect on the importance of our unity as a Church- and the importance of the Holy Father who helps to guide us along the way to the Kingdom of Heaven.

Even as we go through these "interruptions" may we be reminded of the importance of so many beautiful parts of our faith, and how they form us and encourage us on to heaven.

Fr. Belken



St. Denis & St. Lawrence

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SAINT DENIS PARISH

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Tues.	11	Adoration 7-9pm
Wed.	12- 8am	Liv & Decd Lawrence & Dorothy Seyer Family
Thurs.	13- 8am	Samantha Wilkerson
Fri.	14- 8am	Bill Schlosser
Sun.	16-7am	Gil Robert
Sun.	16-10am	St. Denis Parish Family

LITURGICAL ROLES

Sunday November 16, 7:00am

Lector: Diane Urhahn
EM: Diane Urhahn
Servers: River Collom, Brenly Thorne
Servers: Volunteer
Greet \ Gifts: Paul & Marilyn Burford

Sunday November 16, 10:00am

Lector: Leonard Weber
EM: Leonard Weber
Servers: Jaxon & Ava Welter
Servers: Chloe Welter
Greet \ Gifts: Jim & Linda Wade

Parish Stewardship

The Week of November 2, 2025

Envelopes:	\$5,756.00
Loose:	\$432.00
Total Collection:	\$6,188.00
Weekly Est .Budget	\$5,009.00
Difference:	+\$1,179.00

SAINT LAWRENCE PARISH

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Tues.	11-6pm	Jeanne Essner
Wed.	12-7am	Felix Enderle
Thurs.	13-7am	Henrietta Dirnberger
Fri.	14-7am	Paul W & Geneva Essner
Sat.	15-4pm	Kelsi Essner
Sun.	16-8:30am	Parish Family

LITURGICAL ROLES

Saturday November 15, 4:00pm

Lector \ EM: Jill Pinkston
Musician: Linda Essner
Cantor: Kari Bickings
Gifts: Mr. & Mrs. Harold Eftink
Servers: Saylor & Tucker Dirnberger, Collin Felter
Ushers: Ronald Glasetter, Frank Glueck, Allan Green, Randal Grojean

Sunday November 16, 8:30am

Lector / EM: Diane Ashcraft
Musician: Linda Essner
Cantor: Mary B Glastetter
Gifts: Mr. & Mrs. James & Lisa Eftink
Servers: Mila Burger, Leigha Estes, Berkley Dirnberger, Willow Bickings
Ushers: Travis Estes, Derek Felter, Michael Glastetter, Michael Glastetter II

Parish Stewardship

The Week of November 2, 2025

Envelopes:	\$3,247.00
Loose:	\$323.00
Online:	\$750.00
Total Collection:	\$4,320.00

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
November 16th, 2025
Malachi 3:19-20a
2 Thessalonians 3:7-12
Luke 21:5-19

ST. DENIS ANNOUNCEMENTS

Starting . November 19TH Our Ladies Sodality will meet on Wednesdays instead of Tuesdays at 6pm in the basement cafeteria.

St. Denis Home & School will host the 26th annual "Winter Wonderland of Treasures" sale on Saturday, December 6th, 8am-2pm in the Parish Center.

Admission is by Donation!

There will be more than 50 booths with vendors ... some returning & LOTS of new ones! For a list of vendors check the St. Denis School Facebook page or St. Denis Church Facebook page. There will also be a list of vendors on the church bulletin board. Concessions will be breakfast items, cinnamon rolls, chicken noodle soup, chili & more. There will also be a sweet treats table, a 50/50 drawing & raffles.

Please look for sign up sheets for concession donations and sweet treats in the back of church beginning on November 15.

Save the Date: Breakfast with Santa December 7th after 10am Mass.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER

OUR YOUNG PEOPLE THAT WILL RECEIVE THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION ON NOVEMBER 12TH
MIKE THOMPSON AND THE FAMILY OF TYSON EVANS

If you would like to help our food pantry (Jesus In Disguise) to provide a Thanksgiving meal to our clients, please place a \$25 check in an envelope marked Jesus in Disguise. You may drop your donation in the collection basket or by the Parish Office.

Remembrance Mass for St. Lawrence & St. Denis Sunday, November 9th at St. Lawrence.
 This is a special Mass for all families who have lost a loved one over the last year (November '24 - '25). Mass will begin at 5pm with a Potluck Dinner immediately following in the St. Lawrence Parish Center.

Liturgic Training Schedule for Both Parishes will be held at St. Denis Church

Eucharistic Minister: Thursday, Nov. 13th - 6pm

Servers: Wednesday, Nov. 19th - 6pm.

CONFIRMATION MESSAGE: THE Next Confirmation Class on November 19th is cancelled!

Gretchen Dirnberger Fund Raiser: Saturday, November 22, Casino Game Night- KC Hall Kelso. Dinner at 5:30pm, Games at 6. Free Admission, Raffles, Games, Auction Items & more.

ST. LAWRENCE ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUNDAY: OUR LADY OF FATIMA VISITATION
 November 9th-Carol Klipfel
 November 16th-Dorothy Deason

"Thank you to everyone who helped in any way at the Fall Dinner. It is such an important event for St. Lawrence, not only for the monies earned, but for the Fellowship. We served 568. God Bless you all!" Carol and Pat

Thanksgiving Youth Mass: During the Youth Mass on Thanksgiving Day at 8am the youth are doing a "Noisy collection" to benefit the Jesus in Disguise Food Pantry.

St Lawrence High School students invite their grandparents and Senior Citizens for fellowship and Bingo Sunday November 23 in Shibley Hall 9:30am to 10:30am. Please join us!



COMMITTEES AND MISCELLANEOUS ASSIGNMENTS

ST. DENIS PARISH

Church Cleaning for Saturday, November 15:
 Lyndsey Ham, Stacy Marshall, Rhonda Robert,
 Jolene Felter

Church Decorating Committee for the month of
 November: Shirley Essner

ST. LAWRENCE PARISH

Friday, November 14, Church Cleaning:
 Chairman: Shannon & Tammy Cureton

Kevin & Debbie Curry, Terry & Dorothy Deason,
 Brandon & Cara Dirnberger