



**CHRISTMAS MASSES**

**CHRISTMAS EVE**  
5:00 pm  
St. Lawrence Church

**7:00 pm**  
St. Joseph of the Valley Church

**CHRISTMAS MORNING**  
9:00 am  
St. Lawrence Church

**NEW YEARS MASSES**

New Years Eve  
5:00 pm St Joseph of the Valley

New Years Day  
9:00 am St. Lawrence Church

**ADVENT WREATH PRAYER:**

Here is a prayer you may use when lighting the third Advent Wreath Candle this week:

**Loving Father, Christmas comes soon, and we rejoice that Jesus, who is coming to save us, is draws ever more near. Help us to live in a generous and merciful way, just as He taught us. May we keep the flame of faith shining in our hearts, and never allow despair to intrude. Fill us with hope and joy. Bless those who mourn the loss of loved ones during these days, and comfort those in pain. Help us to be alert for the many ways Christ joins His life to ours. Through Christ our Lord.**

*-Father Bill*

**MASSES THIS WEEK:**

*Sat, Dec. 14, 5:00 pm, SJV  
Stephen Payeur ☩*

*Sun, Dec. 15, 9:00 am, STL  
For the People of the Parish*

*Tues, Dec. 17, 6:00 pm, STL  
Eugene (Bud) Wagner ☩*

*Thurs, Dec. 19, 9:00 am, SJV  
Helen Karczewski ☩*

*Sat, Dec. 21, 5:00 pm, SJV  
Don & Sam Ernzen ☩*

*Sun, Dec. 22, 9:00 am, STL  
For the People of the Parish*

**A GOSPEL THOUGHT:** John the Baptist today calls us to repentance as we prepare the way for Christ. John urges us to bear good fruit through generosity, honesty, and integrity. His words challenge us to examine our lives: Are we sharing with those in need? Are we living truthfully and justly? If not, then, bring it to confession. Advent invites us to the Sacrament of Reconciliation, where God’s mercy cleanses us. Being forgiven, we make room for the joy of Christmas, welcoming Jesus with renewed hearts and restored grace.

*-Fr. Bill*

**CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE**

**at the RECTORY:** Bentley and I would like to invite anyone who’d like to come to the Rectory for a nice visit with tasty treats and drinks to celebrate the season. Our Open House is Monday, December 30th, from 6:00 - 8:00 pm. We’d enjoy having you over to relax a bit and enjoy the holidays together. No RSVP. Come as you are.

*-Father Bill*

**2025 CATHOLIC WALL CALENDARS**, courtesy of Leintz Funeral Home, are available in the vestibule.

LITURGICAL ROLES:	Reader:	Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion:
12/14/24	Aaron Welch	Aaron Welch
12/15/24	Rita Oatney	Sharon Wagner
12/21/24	Jason Adelaine	Diane Pohl
12/22/24	John Donovan	Sue Griffie

**COLLECTION:** Thank you for your gifts to our parish. Last week’s collection was \$8891. This included \$3741 general collection & \$5150 for Capital Campaign. \$383 was received for the Retirement Fund for the Religious. Online donations were \$661.14. Thank you for your generosity!

**CONGRATULATIONS** to **Alaine Sloan and Will Krenzer** who were Married last Saturday at St. Joseph’s Church in Leavenworth.

**HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP** meets Sunday evenings from 6-7:30 pm in St. Lawrence Parish Center.

**PLEASE JOIN US!** The Fidelium Chorus Catholicus (Latin for “Catholic Choir of the Faithful”) is proud to present its Christmas carol sing-along and concert *This Have I Done for My True Love* on Saturday, **December 28** at 6:30 PM at St. James Catholic Church (309 S Stewart Rd, Liberty, MO 64068). While many anticipate the advent of Our Savior in musical celebrations ahead of Christ’s Nativity, Fidelium’s Christmas offering commemorates this joyous celebration during its namesake liturgical season. Featuring a variety of sing-along Christmas carols alongside select choral anthems by Holst, Rutter, and more, *This Have I Done for My True Love* (a free-will offering event) is most certainly a festive way for the whole family to celebrate Christ’s first coming into the world. More information at [www.fideliumkc.org](http://www.fideliumkc.org).

**ENCOUNTER REGIONAL CONFERENCE** will be held **January 16-18** in Kansas City. Register today at [EncounterMinistries.us/KC/!](http://EncounterMinistries.us/KC/)

## ENCOUNTER CITY-WIDE

**HEALING SERVICES:** The next healing services with worship, gospel presentation, corporate prayer, and individual prayer for healing will be held **December 15, 3 pm** - Queen of the Holy Rosary Parish in Overland Park. This is an open event - no cost or registration.

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and connect them to resources if necessary.

## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES at SJV-STL:

**Clean St. Lawrence Church once a month:** Contact: Debbie Erzen (913) 683-2530 or Tracy Wagner (913) 775-2064

**Music/Cantors:** Contact Karen Logan at 913-683-2406 or [kjunebugl@yahoo.com](mailto:kjunebugl@yahoo.com).

**Mass Server Coordinator Volunteer Opportunity:** Contact: Kevin Heim @ 913-271-1900.

**Lectors And Eucharistic Ministers:** Contact Sharon Wagner at [w5cattle@aol.com](mailto:w5cattle@aol.com) or 913-683-4495.

**BULLETIN ITEMS:** Contact Kim Sachse, 913-775-0690 Or Email [Sjslparish@gmail.com](mailto:Sjslparish@gmail.com). Mass intentions may be scheduled with Kim as well. **MUST SUBMIT BY 9 pm TUES FOR INCLUSION.**

**PRAYER LIST:** *If you would like to have a name added or removed from our prayer list, please contact Kim Sachse. Our Parish Prayer Ministers invite you to join them in praying for the following:* Phil Bell, Vicki Bradford, Gretchen Brewster, Steve Bromell, Joe Brose, Judy Brose, Dave Brown, Delcie & Charles Brunk, Jennifer Brushwood, Carl Davidson, Courtney Davis, George Dean, Carolyn DeMaranville, Gail DeMaranville-Zule, Vince Eimer, Cameron Erzen, Tina Farr, Tom Flack, Anna Foster, Helen Frazier, Glen Goodland, Karen Gray, Alan Halstead, Henry Hancock, Patti Harris, Robert Hecke, Marly Heim, Jim

Heintzelman, Melanie Herken, Jon Highfill, Trista Highfill, Elaine Hund, Mark Hund, Alison Ito, Michael Jones, Tyonna Jones, Phillip Leon, Kelly Long, Joyce Lowe, Shauna Marshall, Juanita McDermont, Mary Meinert, Jeni Mettelstedt, Karl Morrison, Charles Mullins, Don Navinsky, Leslie Navinsky, Lonnie Dean Phillips Jr., Mary Piche, Betty Pierron, Danny Roemer, Mary M. Ruhlman, Jesse Salinas, Mary Beth Schrader, Charlie Schletzbaum, Mary Shelley, Tanner Siebenmorgen, Julie Simonis, Chrissy Stewart, Matt Stewart, David Uhrlich, Rebecca VanVerth, Vickie Welch, and Pat Wilson.

**PRAYER LIST FOR OUR SOLDIERS: ARMY:** PFC Tristen Baker, CPT Daniel Broaddus, Pvt. David Crook, PVT Braeton Davidson, SGT Colby Seifert, William Stradley. **AIRFORCE:** E-4 Robert W. Herken, TSGT AScott Loecher, E-3 Connor Schuler, A1C Noah Tattershall. **NAVY:** Dennis Budasz Jr., Sterling Curry, **YNSC (SS)** Kevin Lansing. **MARINE CORPS:** Drake Budasz

## Our Sunday Funny:



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**SATURDAY MASS 5:00pm St. Joseph of the Valley Church**  
**SUNDAY MASS 9:00am St. Lawrence Church**  
Confessions are heard 30 minutes before the weekend Masses or by appointment

**WEEKDAY MASSES:** Tuesday evening 6:00pm at St. Lawrence Church  
Thursday evening 6:00pm at St. Joseph of the Valley Church

