

**PEOPLE HAVE ASKED ME** why I have chosen to lead the congregation in reciting the Apostles' Creed instead of the Nicene Creed at Sunday Mass during Lent. The reason is closely tied to our preparation for renewing our baptismal promises at Easter.

The promises we make at baptism are based on the Apostles' Creed, one of the earliest and most fundamental summaries of our faith. The Nicene Creed was developed to clarify theological truths, but the more ancient Apostles' Creed is simple, direct, and deeply personal. By using it during Lent, we are reminded of the core beliefs that first brought us into the Church through baptism.

This practice also connects us with those preparing to receive the Sacrament of Baptism at Easter. As they journey toward their new life in Christ, we, too, are invited to reflect on our own baptismal identity. Reciting the Apostles' Creed helps us to remember that, in baptism we die and rise with Christ. The Apostles' Creed reminds us of this truth and prepares our hearts to celebrate the great joy of Easter.

-Father Bill

**FRIDAYS of LENT**

**6:45am MASS**  
St. Lawrence Church

**7:00pm STATIONS OF THE CROSS**  
St. Joseph of the Valley

Catholics 14 and over abstain from meat on Lenten Fridays as an act of penance, remembering Christ's passion on Good Friday and uniting with His sacrifice for our salvation.

**COLLECTION:** Thank you for your gifts to our parish. Collections for last weekend were \$2590.00, which included \$1989-General Collection, \$20-utilities, \$520-Capital Fund Drive, \$25-Memorial, \$16-Leaven and \$20-Special Collection. We also received \$199 for the Black & Indian Mission Collection. Online donations were unavailable. Thank you for your generosity!

**WELCOME TO Cody & Barbara Heim,** and their son **Ezekeil**, the newest members of our parish. We're glad you are part of the St. Joseph-St. Lawrence family.

#### MASSSES THIS WEEK:

**Sat, Mar. 15, 5:00 pm, SJV**  
*John Bromell ☩*

**Sun, Mar. 16, 9:00 am, STL**  
*For the People of the Parish*

**Tues, Mar. 18, 6:00 pm, STL**  
*For the Intention of the Celebrant*

**Thurs, Mar. 20, 6:00 pm, SJV**  
*For the Intention of the Celebrant*

**Fri, Mar. 21, 6:45 am, STL, MASS**  
*For the Intention of the Celebrant*

**Fri, Mar. 21, 7:00 pm, SJV,**  
**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

**Sat, Mar. 22, 5:00 pm, SJV**  
*For the People of the Parish*

**Sun, Mar. 23, 9:00 am, STL**  
*Dr. and Mrs. Charles Biew and family ☩*

#### ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH:

Joe and Larry's Jesus Club would like to invite you to join us in going to RCYC— an incredible retreat for high school students. This year it is **March 22-23**. RCYC is a great opportunity to listen to talks about faith, attend adoration, meet people from all over the archdiocese, and it is a lot of fun. Please consider this opportunity to grow in your faith in a fun retreat setting. Contact Thomas Rihanna [jrziha@benedictine.edu](mailto:jrziha@benedictine.edu) or Hannah Garstecki [hannahortega921@gmail.com](mailto:hannahortega921@gmail.com) for information.

**FUND RAISING EVENT** Join us for a fun fundraiser and silent auction to support Sherry Kreutzer of Easton Cafe, who recently suffered a heart attack. Her restaurant is at the heart of our community, and she's cooked for us all—now it's our turn to give back! Gather with your neighbors for a great cause and show your love and support. Great food and sweets for everyone. All proceeds will go directly toward her recovery, so let's come together to help! Saturday, **March 29th**, 4pm-8pm, St. Lawrence Parish Hall, Easton.


**THANK YOU!** Our Parishioner's generosity helped to serve 1186 individuals through our donation of 52 lbs. of food to the Leavenworth Catholic Charities during the month of January. Thank you for your continued kindness and support.

**ST. JOSEPH'S FISH & SHRIMP DINNER:** Come dine with us Fridays during Lent (in Nortonville), **now through April 11<sup>th</sup>**, 5 to 7 pm. Fried/Baked Fish, Fried Shrimp, Vegetables/Salads, Choice of Dessert.

LITURGICAL ROLES:	Reader:	Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion:
3/15/25	Jason Adelaine	Tracy Heim
3/16/25	John Johnston	Sue Griffiee
3/22/25	Vince Eimer	Vince Eimer
3/23/25	Confirmation Class	Sue Griffiee

\$15 Adults, \$5 Ages 4-10, Free Ages 0-3. Please join us!

## The CHOSEN



**WEDNESDAY, March 12th**  
**7:00-8:30pm**  
**St. Lawrence Parish Hall**  
**Everyone is Welcome!**

Join Marie Baranko and Vince Eimer to view and discuss episodes of *The Chosen*, the highly acclaimed TV series that portrays the life of Christ through the eyes of those He touched.

Other sessions will be held March 12th, March 19th, March 26th, April 2nd and April 9th.

**FISH FRY:** Xavier Catholic School, 541 Muncie Rd. Leavenworth, will host a fish fry sponsored by Knights of Columbus Council 900. Dates: **Mar 14, 28, Apr 4, 11** from 5:00-7:00 p.m. Dine-in or carry-outs will be available. There will be fried cod, baked tilapia, fried shrimp, baked potato and much more. Cost is: \$14 for adults, \$6 for children 6-12; free for ages 5 and younger.

**Daughters of Isabella, Little Flower Circle** next meeting will be **March 23**, at Sacred Heart Church at 10:30 am Mass. For further information, please contact Shirley Gustafson at 785-554-3028 or Chancellor, Gen Orozco at 785-230-2473.

**THE ENDERLE-BOGENRIFE SCHOLARSHIP:** Mary Rose Enderle and Richard Bogenrife have established a scholarship for Catholic students living in Leavenworth and Wyandotte Counties that plan on attending a trade or vocational school. Most trade and vocational programs are available through community and technical colleges. The scholarship award is for tuition up to \$5,000.00. To request a scholarship application please email Dave Hernandez at [landofoz1239@sunflower.com](mailto:landofoz1239@sunflower.com) or call

913-369-2718. Scholarship application deadline is **May 1, 2025**.

**HOLY WEEK SILENT RETREAT: WALK IN NEWNESS OF LIFE** will be held at Christ's Peace House of Prayer, Friday, **April 11th** at 5:30pm – Sunday, April 13th at 4:30pm. Prepare for Holy Week with a silent retreat centered on the Passion, Death, and Resurrection of Christ through the lens of the Catechism of the Catholic Church. To attend, fill out the Individual Retreat Form at [ChristsPeace.com](http://ChristsPeace.com) or call 913.773.8255.

**Saturday, March 22nd**  
**6:00 - 8:00 pm**  
**Bertels Hall**  
**St. Joseph of the Valley Church**  
**\$10 adults \$5 children**  
Max family price: \$30

Carryouts Available



**Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser**

**DESSERTS NEEDED** Knights of Columbus need desserts (cakes, pies, cookies, brownies) donated for the upcoming Spaghetti Dinner on **March 22**. Please drop off at St Joseph Hall by 3 pm on that Saturday. Thanks, Chairperson David

#### **XAVIER - NOW ENROLLING for Fall!**

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- **Partners in Learning** - Students are challenged in a structured academic environment. We meet each student where they are academically and work to prepare them for future success.
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[www.leavenworthcatholicschools.org](http://www.leavenworthcatholicschools.org)

**KEEP THIS NUMBER:** Someone in your life might need this Lifeline. 988 has been designated as the new three-digit dialing code that will route callers to the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline. When people call, text, or chat 988, they will be connected to trained counselors that are part of the existing Lifeline network. These trained counselors will listen, understand how their problems are affecting them, provide support, and connect them to resources if necessary.

**PRAYER REQUESTS.** From time-to-time special needs arise in one's life: personal or family crisis, illness, death of a loved one. One prays, of course, but our petitions are more powerful when we lift up our prayers together. The members of our parish prayer team take time to pray every day for people's prayer requests. If you are in need of prayer, please go to [SJS�parish.org](http://SJS�parish.org), and click on the "Prayer Requests" tab to submit your petition.

Your request is very soon forwarded to the prayer team who will begin that day to pray for your intentions.

**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, Tina Farr, Tom Flack, Helen Frazier, Glen Goodland, 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, Jesse Salinas, Mary Beth Schrader, Maggie Schwartz, Mary Shelley, Tanner Siebenmorgen, Julie Simonis, Chrissy Stewart, Matt Stewart, Koste Stonyte, David Uhrich, Vickie Welch, and Pat Wilson.

**PRAYER LIST FOR OUR SOLDIERS: ARMY:** PFC Tristen Baker, CPT Daniel Broadus, Pvt. David Crook, 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, Wyatt DeMaranville.



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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

#### **Our Sunday Funny:**

**St. Patrick driving the snakes out of Ireland**



Well, here's the ferry terminal, fellas. That'll be €20, please.

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