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CHURCH WEBSITE



St. Lawrence Catholic Church

Founded 1859-Greenville Illinois

Diocese of Springfield Illinois

Thomas John Paproki-Bishop



Our Organizations



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Contact our Parish Office for more information at: 618-664-9149 or bookkeeper@stlawgreenville.org

Mass Times

Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday at Church 8am

Friday 8am HSHS Chapel

Saturday 5:30pm & Sunday 8 & 10am

Sacrament of Reconciliation: 4:45-5:15pm Saturday
or by appointment

Holy Rosary: Weekends prior to Mass

Weekdays after Mass

Adoration: Tuesdays at 7pm as announced

September 20, 2026

Dear Parishioners,
In the first reading the verse from Isaiah is: "Seek the Lord while he may be found, call him while he is near." (Is 55:6) When we hear this proclaimed do we consider what we seek or on whom do we call? Seeking God is something that we must accomplish while we live. Whether early or late the time is now to seek God and to meet God with reverence and humility. In the Gospel Jesus tells the parable of the landowner hiring laborers for the vineyard. He hires them all throughout the day, and they all agree to the usual daily wage. However, as he pays them the late arrivals get a full wage as do the early ones. At this, the early workers grumble. The landowner charges them that they are envious of the late workers. The question for us is how do we view the blessings in our lives? Do we respond with gratitude, or do we compare our gifts to what others receive and complain because they receive more. Someone always has more, and the secret to happiness is to be thankful for whatever we receive and living in gratitude will allow it to be sufficient. The ultimate gift from God is salvation. Are we thankful? Do we just expect it as if we earned it by believing and participating in the Life of the Church? May God help our hearts to be grateful. Salvation is a gift and we cannot earn it. We respond in love to God's commands so as to grow in our relationship to God as children. This life in the Spirit is the seeking. Our prayer is the calling upon God while he is near. May God grace us with a life in him both now and in eternity!

Peace,
Fr. Jeff

The Special Collection this week is for the Church in Africa St. Lawrence Adult Choir

Michelle would like to extend a huge shoutout to all who attended 10am Mass last Sunday, you really outdid yourselves musically. I appreciate you stepping up to make a joyful noise, it made my heart full. Please join us for choir practice on Wednesdays at 630pm!

PLEASE REMEMBER OUR BROTHERS & SISTERS IN YOUR PRAYERS		
Mark Marchello	Taylor Marti	Virginia Pollman
Carmen Koonce	Sarah Wells	Cyndi Weiss
Mary Siebert	Leo Rakers	Paul Tully
Fran Heimann	Bill Hart	Dean Coleman
Joanne Carter	Ginny Hay	Kaleb Durbin
Mike Willeford	Lily Wells	Isabel McLaughlin
Evelyn Thies	Richard Morgan	Cory Elam
Melissa Marti	Harold Thull	John Jackson
Doreen Whalen	Mary Margaret Roberts	Sherri Beckham

Bulletin items please send the information to bookkeeper@stlawgreenville.org or call the church office. **Please note: All items must be received by 10am on Wednesday to be included in the bulletin that same week.** To view online go to flock-note.com/stlgreenville.com

Budget Goals as of September 14, 2026	
Total Regular*	\$2,304
Regular Support Goal weekly plus fundraising	\$3,923
Surplus/ Deficit	\$-1,619
Annual Support Needed (Budget) 7/26-6/27	\$204,000
Cumulative Support Actual 7/26-6/27	\$43,762

Parish Support September 12 & 13, 2026	
*Envelopes/ Online Giving	\$2087.00
*Loose Cash	\$207.00
*Vigil Candles	\$10.00
Improvement Fund	\$25.00
Religious Ed Fund	\$40.00
TOTAL \$2,369.00	

Sister Parish Report

The sister parish received \$1,775 USD from January through June 2026, equivalent to Q13,494.50 Guatemalan quetzales. Funds were used for:

- Diocesan support
- Vehicle repairs and fuel
- Training and formation of lay ministers
- Chapel repairs
- A new building project
- Retreats
- Church supplies, including an electric generator
- Food for pastoral formation activities
- Youth education
- Utilities (electricity and water)
- Garage repairs for boat storage

Readings for the week of September 21

- **Monday-St. Matthew the Apostle**

First Reading: Ephesians 4: 1-7, 11-13
Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 19: 2-3, 4-5
Gospel: Matthew 9: 9-13

- **Tuesday**

First Reading: Proverbs 21: 1-6, 10-13
Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 119: 1, 27, 30, 34, 35, 44
Gospel: Luke 8: 19-21

Wednesday

First Reading: Proverbs 30: 5-9
Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 119: 29, 72, 89, 101, 104, 163
Gospel: Luke 9: 1-6

- **Thursday**

First Reading: Ecclesiastes 1: 2-11
Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 90: 3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17bc
Gospel: Luke 9: 7-9

- **Friday**

First Reading: Ecclesiastes 3: 1-11
Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 144: 1b and 2abc, 3-4
Gospel: Luke 9: 18-22

- **Saturday**

First Reading: Ecclesiastes 11: 9 – 12: 8
Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 90: 3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17
Gospel: Luke 9: 43b-45

- **Sunday**

First Reading: Ezekiel 18: 25-28
Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 25: 4-5, 6-7, 8-9
Second Reading: Philippians Philippians 2: 1-11
Gospel: Matthew 21: 28-32

Tuesday Sept 22	Weds Sept 23	Thurs Sept 24	Friday Sept 25@ HSHS Chapel	Saturday Sept 26	Sunday September 27
No Mass	No Mass	No Mass	Posch Family	William & Edith Maher	8am David Steiner from Dan Steiner
			From St. Lawrence Church	From John & Lela Reed	10am Ken Disch from Vicki Disch

Father Jeff will be gone this week so there will be no daily masses until Friday at the HSHS Chapel

Date	Mass	Lector	Servers	Eucharist	Gift Bearers
9/26/2026	5:30PM	Sharon Elam	Kevin Budde	Mike Wilhite Nita Durbin	Tony & Carmen Koonce
9/27/2026	8:00AM	Geneveive Harley	Geneveive Harley	Sherri Beckham Elayne Cripe	Kathy & Rich Harley
9/27/2026	10:00AM	Mike Timmermann	Ethan Marcoot Oliver Smith	Boneva Wamser Amy Alderman	Sanchez Family

Raffle Winners

Thanks to all who donated to our 2026 raffle. This list of winners is posted at the back of church and our parish website. Prizes may be picked up in the church office.

Book Club

Our September book will be Theo of Golden by Allen Levi. Nest meeting will be September 30th at 1pm in the Posch. All are welcome to join to discuss the book.

St. Cecilia Chicken Dinner

Date: Sunday, September 27
Time: Noon to 5:00 p.m.
Menu includes fried chicken, dressing, mashed potatoes and gravy, corn, green beans, beverage, and dessert.
Additional activities include live entertainment, a 50/50 raffle, prize and basket raffles, outdoor games, and a dunk tank.
Pricing: Adults: \$14, Children 5-10: \$6, under 5: Free
Carry-outs: \$14

St. Teresa Marydale Drive-Thru Chicken Dinner

Date: Sunday, September 27, 2026
Time: 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Cost: \$15 per meal
Menu: ½ fried chicken, dressing, mashed potatoes & gravy, green beans, and slaw
Additional Feature: Handmade quilt raffle
Location: 6 miles north of Carlyle on Route 127

Beatification of Fulton Sheen

The beatification Mass for Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen is scheduled for 2:00 PM Central Time on September 24, 2026, at The Dome at America's Center in St. Louis, Missouri, presided over by Cardinal Luis Antonio Tagle, representing Pope Leo XIV. Tickets for the Mass range from \$15 to \$25. The official website, celebratesheen.com and the Archdiocese of St. Louis event page, provide updates, ticketing information, and guidance for attending the beatification Mass and related events.

PSR News/Updates

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September PSR classes, 23, 30

PSR Mass—October 7—Our Lady of the Rosary

Wednesday Eve Meal, Sept 23

Menu: Meatloaf

Let's join together for Food and Fellowship.

Have you been married 50+ years? Time to celebrate!

On October 4 at 2 p.m. at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Springfield, all couples married 50 years or more are invited to attend a special Mass honoring their marriage vocation! The Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Thomas John Paprocki. A reception will follow after Mass. Please register for the Mass by going to dio.org/events and clicking on the Oct 4 Mass. The reception will showcase all photos submitted in the last two years. Due to the number of couples attending, please only submit photos if you have not done so in past years. Questions? Call Ruth at 217-698-8500.

Celebrating this week September 20-26

Birthdays

Sherri Beckham
Kevin (Rim) Budde
Andy Carter
William Johnston
Angela Kapp
Thomas Klincar
Katie Price
Don Reed
Griffin Rehkemper
Lucy Sybert

Anniversaries

Kevin & Mary Pruemer

We wish you all the Best.