



# St. Lawrence Parish

## Greenville, IL

### Founded 1859

Diocese of Springfield In Illinois  
Most Reverend  
Thomas John Paprocki, Bishop



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#### Mass Times

Tues, Wed, Thurs, at Church 8:00am Fri 8am HSHS Chapel  
Saturday 5:30pm \* Sunday 8 & 10am

Eve of Holy Days 7:00pm \* Holy Days 8 or 9am

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

Holy Rosary—Weekends prior to Mass \* Weekdays after Mass

#### Budget Goals as Dec 15, 2025

Total Regular *	\$ 2,596
Regular Support Goal weekly plus fundraising	\$ 3,730
Surplus/Deficit	\$ -1,134
Fundraising Account 11/25/2025	\$ 50,943
Annual Support Needed (Budget) 7/25-6/26	\$ 194,000
Cumulative Support Actual 7/25-6/26	\$ 86,864
Season of Stewardship Paid out of GF-FYTD	\$
Season of Stewardship Paid out of FR-FYD	\$
Season of Stewardship collected here FYTD	\$ 2,967

#### Parish Support Dec 13 and 14, 2025

*Envelopes/Online Giving	\$ 2387.00
*Loose Cash	\$ 191.00
*Vigil Candles	\$ 18.00
Season of Stewardship	\$ 40.00
Cemetery Fund	\$ 1005.00
Sister Parish	\$ 25.00
Christmas Collection	\$ 50.00
Retirement Fund For Religious	\$ 325.00
Catholic Children's Home	\$ 5.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 4046.00</b>

If you would like to have something included in the bulletin, please send the information to: [bookkeeper@stlawgreenville.org](mailto:bookkeeper@stlawgreenville.org) or call the church office. Please note: All items must be received by 10:00 am on Thursday to be included in the bulletin that same week. To view online go to [flocknote.com/stlgreenville.com](http://flocknote.com/stlgreenville.com)

Dear Parishioners,

Merry Christmas! This will be our last Sunday bulletin before Christmas. I pray that all of you will have a joyful and peaceful season. Christmas is not just a day but a season where we celebrate Christ and his presence with us with family and with faith. May God increase our faith and hope in Christ in this season and always.

In the Gospel of Matthew, the Gospel writer makes clear that Joseph was called to be the father of Jesus and the husband of Mary. Through Joseph, Jesus was the descendant of David and fulfilled the plan of God for him. Through Joseph the Just man, Jesus would learn a trade and witness the life and the work of his father on earth. Next week we will celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family. May God bless all our parish families with peace, hope, faith and love this season and always.

Peace,  
Fr. Jeff



#### Prayers for the Johnson Family

Christopher Johnson, age 54 of Highland, Illinois, passed away at home Saturday, December 13, 2025.

Christopher is survived by his parents, William and Maria (Bellegante) Johnson. Christopher married Regina Nelson on January 9, 1993, at St. Lawrence Catholic Church. They were blessed with a daughter, Kayla Waggoner who lives in Lawrenceville, Illinois with her son Konner.

Christopher was the oldest of 4, surviving are his siblings: Chad Johnson (Tasha) of Mulberry Grove, Angie Willman (Jason) of Mulberry Grove, and Alisha Tischhauser (Ryan) of Greenville. May he rest in peace.

#### PLEASE REMEMBER OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN YOUR PRAYERS

ALVINA SPARLIN	MARK MARCHELLO	TAYLOR MARTI
CARMEN KOONCE	SARAH WELLS	BRODY HASTON
GUS MARCHELLO	MARY SIEBERT	LEO RAKERS
FRAN HEIMANN	BILL HART	DEAN COLEMAN
JOANNE CARTER	KATHY HENDERSON	GINNY HAY
MIKE WILLEFORD	PHYLLIS JOHNSON	LILY WELLS
ALICE KREHER	RICHARD MORGAN	CORY ELAM
PAUL&PHYLLIS TULLY	HAROLD THULL	JOHN JACKSON
MELISSA MARTI	JOHN McAteer	VIRGINIA POLLMAN
MARY MARGARET ROBERTS	ISABEL MC LAUGHLIN	

Tuesday Dec. 23-8am  
Posch Family

Wednesday Dec. 24 5:30pm Shirley Potthast  
From Outreach Committee  
10pm People of STL

Thursday Dec. 25 9am Everett, Mary, Art,  
Larry, Jim, Ben, Steilyn &  
Mary Helen Martin

Friday Dec. 26-8am @HSHS Chapel  
Tom Whalen Jr.  
From Tony & Carmen  
Koonce

Saturday Dec. 27 John & Lela Reed  
William & Edith Maher  
From Don & Kathy Reed  
From Alderman Family

Date	Mass	Lector	Servers	Eucharist	Gift Bearers
12/24/2024	5:30PM	Sharon Elam	Dustin Rehkemper Griffin Rehkemper	Mike Wilhite Maura Campbell	Rehkemper Family
12/25/2025	10:00PM	Mike Timmermann	Rose Timmermann Volunteer	Alicia Gamino Maria Bemis	Gamino Family
12/25/2025	9:00AM	Dale Hastings	Dominic Sanchez Joey Sanchez	Theresa Coleman Volunteer	Sanchez Family
12/27/2025	5:30PM	Jeff Rehkemper	Dustin Rehkemper Griffin Rehkemper	Sharon Elam Nita Durbin	Tony & Carmen Koonce
12/28/2025	8:00AM	Sherri Beckham	Ava Schaefer Colt Schaefer	Pat Potthast Denny Potthast	Kathy & Rich Harley
12/28/2025	10:00AM	Mike Timmermann	Dean Harley Genevieve Harley	Bonnie Wamser Doniva Klein	Joel & Maria Bemis

#### Christmas Mass Schedule

December 24, 2025 Christmas Eve 5:30pm and 10:00pm  
December 25, 2025 Christmas 9:00am

#### New Year's Solemnity Mother of God Mass Schedule

December 31, 2025 5:30pm  
January 1, 2026 9:00am

#### PSR News/Updates

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No PSR December 24 and December 31. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

#### A Christmas Gift for Our Parish Families

Christmas book gifts for parishioners will be available in the vestibule at the Christmas masses. There are books available for both adults and children—The Seven Pillars of Catholic Spirituality by Matthew Kelly and My First Interactive Mass Book (Ascension Press). Merry Christmas! We also have 2026 Calendars available in the back of church.

#### Feast of St. Sebastian

Men's faith, Beer, and Bourbon Night - Men are invited to an evening of fraternity at the Villa Maria Conference Center on Lake Springfield as we celebrate the feast of St. Sebastian. Join Father Herman Joseph O.Praem. as the night begins with Mass at 6 p.m., followed by drinks and a discussion on the joys and challenges faced by men striving to follow Christ within the Catholic Church.

Tuesday, January 20: 5:30 p.m. - 9 p.m. Cost: \$10  
Registration Deadline: January 16  
Contact: [events@dio.org](mailto:events@dio.org). Register at: [dio.org/events](http://dio.org/events)

#### 4th Sunday of Advent

"When Joseph awoke, he did as the angel of the Lord had commanded him and took his wife into his home." MATTHEW 1:24

Putting our complete trust in the Lord without expecting anything in return. Striving to put God first in all things and follow Him wherever He may lead us. Joseph was a model of these pillars of our faith. As we prepare for the birth of our Lord, pray for the strength and courage to be a model of discipleship, just as Joseph was.

#### CHWC is selling -St. Lawrence Catholic Church t-shirts - Please find the shirts and a collection envelope in the back of church-makes a great Christmas gift!

St. Vincent de Paul Society Know of someone in need?  
Get help @ [SVdPGreenvilleIL@gmail.com](mailto:SVdPGreenvilleIL@gmail.com) or 618-704-3760