



St. Lawrence Parish

Greenville, IL

Founded 1859

Diocese of Springfield In Illinois

Most Reverend

Thomas John Paprocki, Bishop

Tuesday Dec. 2-8am	Weds Dec. 3-8am	Thurs Dec. 4-8am	Friday Dec. 5-8am @HSHS Chapel	Saturday Dec.6	Sunday Dec. 7
Bill Steiner on his 52nd Birthday From Dan Steiner 7pm Adoration	Kathy Sullivan Family 6:30 Bible Study	Jason Albert From Aunt Pat & Uncle Keith Smith	John Baumgartner From Alderman Family	5:30pm People of St. Lawrence	8am Leo & Marcella Varel From Denny & Pat Potthast 10am The Posch Family 5:30pm The People of STL

Bible Study Wednesday 12/3 @ 6:30pm in the Posch Center. Please read Matthew Chapters 17-20	Date	Mass	Lector	Servers	Eucharist	Gift Bearers
	12/6/2025	5:30PM	Diane Bingham	Volunteer Volunteer	Mary Dickerson Mike Wilhite	Outreach Committee
	12/7/2025	8:00AM	Sharon O' Boyle	Kaleb Johnson Katelyn Johnson	Denny Potthast Pat Potthast	Reeves Family
	12/7/2025	10:00AM	Dale Hastings	Dominic Sanchez Jayden Sanchez	Boneva Wamser Doneva Klein	Barb Yount

Immaculate Conception

The Immaculate Conception will be Monday, December 8th. This is a Holy Day of Obligation. We will have Mass at 5:30pm on Sunday and 8 am on Monday.

Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesday, 12/2 at 7pm, come prepare your heart for Christmas. Father Jeff will also be offering the sacrament of Reconciliation during this time.

Our new church website

Check it out at www.stlawgreenville.org
Check out the link for online giving. New members can also find a link to register on this site. View the Bulletin too!!

Faith Instruction

Anyone interested in the Catholic Faith. Please contact Fr. Jeff, or the office. Perhaps you would like to be instructed on the faith and the means to become an active member of the Catholic Church. OCIA, formerly known as RCIA, is available.

Book Club—December Book: The 13th Gift by Joanne Smith
January Book: The Sunflower House by Adriana Allegri
Next meeting will be January 26th @ 1pm in the Posch.

Toys For Joy 2025

Christmas Gifts, and items will be collected thru Dec 9 for Toys for Joy. Your items can be left at the back of the church, or at the church Office.

Christmas Baskets

The ministerial alliance is providing Food Baskets for those in need at Christmas time. This year, our parish contribution will be cans of green beans and/or cranberry sauce. Monetary donations are also accepted. Please mark your check or cash envelope—Christmas Basket—if donating.

Knights of Columbus Coat Drive

The Knights of Columbus will be collecting coats for their annual Coat Drive. Preferably new coats from infant to adult sizes. They will also be collecting items from infant to size 14 sleepers, shirts, jeans, underwear & socks. Please drop off in the tall box at the back of church through December 12th.

PSR News/Updates

DRE/CRE Mary Beth Kuentler
Email: St.lawrenceReligiousEd@gmail.com
Phone: 664-9149

December Calendar:
December 3--PSR Class
December 7--Christmas Program 11:30
December 10--No Class--BCCU2 Early Out
December 17--PSR Class
December 24 & December 31--No Classes--Christmas Break

PSR Christmas Program will be December 7 @11:30 AM (after 10:00 Mass). Light refreshments will follow in the church hall

Wednesday Evening Meal

Please join us Wednesday evening for food and fellowship from 5:30-6:30pm ALL ARE WELCOME!
This weeks meal will be breakfast for dinner.

CHWC is selling -St. Lawrence Catholic Church t-shirts - Please find the shirts and a collection envelope in the back of church

St. Lawrence Choir Join Monday evenings for practice. 7-8 pm. Come lift your voice with us!

Advent Day of Recollection

Preparing Our Hearts for the Coming of Christ - Gift yourself an afternoon of spiritual reflection and prayer during this Advent season. Join Norbertine Father Herman Joseph Johanneck, O. Praem, at the Villa Maria Retreat Center in Springfield for an opportunity to personally encounter hope, peace, joy and love. Sunday, Dec. 7 from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m. Cost: \$25 (retreat materials and dinner). Registration Deadline: November 30. Register at dio.org/events.

1st Sunday of Advent

"Therefore, stay awake! For you do not know on which day your Lord will come." Matthew 24:42

People who have had health issues or near-death experiences generally have a greater appreciation for each day being a gift from God. The rest of us usually take for granted that we will be around tomorrow. But when you start to look at each day as a gift, you realize all the little miracles that happen daily and you begin to see God's active presence in your life. You grow in gratitude, each day, for all that we have been given.

Dear Parishioners,

This Sunday we begin the Season of Advent. With Advent we open the New Church Year. So in the Church 2026 is already here. The Church Seasons are Advent, Christmas, Ordinary Time until Ash Wednesday which begins the Season of Lent. After lent is Easter. Easter Season continues until Pentecost. Then Ordinary Time resumes until the next Advent of 2027. The Church Year passes quickly and before we know it we begin a new year.

That is the reason that God calls us to conversion now! The time to surrender to God and to allow Christ to rule our lives is today. As the Psalm says: "If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts." Or as St. Paul wrote to the Romans: "You know the time; it is the hour for you to awake from your sleep. For our salvation is now nearer than when we first believed (Rom 13:11)." May this Advent Season be for us a time of grace and renewal as we prepare for Christmas and another year.

Peace,
Fr. Jeff

The Season of Advent

- Advent is a four week time period that ends with the celebration of Christmas
- The word Advent comes from the Latin word *adventus* which means 'coming.'
- During Advent we prepare for the coming of Christ

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 MCLAUGHLIN	
JIM HICKMAN		

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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 Nov 25, 2025	
Total Regular *	\$ 2,432
Regular Support Goal weekly plus fundraising	\$ 3,730
Surplus/Deficit	\$-1,298
Fundraising Account 11/25/2025	\$ 50,943
Annual Support Needed (Budget)7/25-6/26	\$ 194,000
Cumulative Support Actual 7/25-6/26	\$ 76,590
Season of Stewardship Paid out of GF-FYTD	\$
Season of Stewardship Paid out of FR-FYD	\$
Season of Stewardship collected here FYTD	\$ 2,782

Parish Support Nov 22 and 23,2025	
*Envelopes	\$ 2200.00
*Loose Cash	\$ 214.00
*Vigil Candles	\$ 18.00
Christmas Basket Collection	\$ 395.00
Campaign for Justice and Hope	\$ 248.00
TOTAL	\$ 3075.00

St.Vincent de Paul Society Know of someone in need? Get help @SVdPGreenvilleIL@gmail.com or 618-704-3760

If you would like to have something included in the bulletin, please send the information to: 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