



St. Lawrence
Catholic Church
Newman
Center

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Mission Statement

*Sharing the abundant love of
Christ as a university
Catholic parish.*

Mass Times

Sunday 8 AM, 10 AM, 7 PM
Monday-Friday 12:15 PM
Saturday 9 AM

Reconciliation

Monday through Saturday
after Daily Mass

New Members

We welcome you, our parishioners and visitors, to our church community of St. Lawrence-Newman. We invite you to share with us the gifts of the Holy Spirit. Your presence with us is always a blessing. If you would like to become a registered member, forms are available in the Gathering Space.

**Twentieth Sunday
in Ordinary Time**

August 19, 2018

Cardinal McCarrick

Recently Cardinal McCarrick has been in the news for failure, both personally and in leadership. This is very public. Personal failure is difficult to see in that it opens up old and new wounds. I know that many have been discouraged by this news. There is a failure in leadership on his part, as well as the part of others who knew about his behavior. In the midst of this difficult news, I do not find myself hopeless, even though it is difficult for a couple of reasons.

First, I am glad that it is out in the open because this provides the opportunity to let the Lord purify and transform some of the leadership in the Church. Since I was ordained in 2001 there has been a focus on the accountability of priests, but not enough focus on the bishops. This is an opportunity where the Lord can transform and strengthen this area. My hope with this is not for a rebellious division, but a transformative gift that can strengthen and purify all who serve the Church at every level, including the bishops.

Secondly, I am grateful for our local bishops, Archbishop Hebda and Bishop Cozzens, along with those who work with them. They have served with integrity and accountability in very difficult circumstances that they have entered. I have confidence in them and am grateful for the way they do serve the Lord and the Church.

Finally, my biggest hope is that, often in times of difficulty in the history of the Church, the Lord will raise many saints. Although we do need clear policies and systems in these areas, the greatest need we have is holiness of life in bishops, priests, deacons and laity alike.

Let us pray that the Lord bears fruit in these difficult times by purifying us, and that He raises many men and women of holiness—saints—to help us grow more deeply in love of God and neighbor.

~ Fr. Jon

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Mass Intentions (August 19 — August 26)

Sunday (8/19) 8 am †Michael Riley
10 am †Veronica Sharrett
7 pm Lucas Kramer

Monday, August 20 Fr. Jon Vander Ploeg
Tuesday, August 21 †George Huss
Wednesday, August 22 †Gregory Seifert
Thursday, August 23 Tamara Nickoloff
Friday, August 24 †Arnie Klukas
Saturday, August 25 †Andrew Dickinson

Sunday (8/26) 8 am †Susan Mary Clark
10 am For Our Parish
7 pm Tom and Donna Pliska



Please Pray

 for those who are ill, and for their caregivers:

Kathleen Baron, Derek Brakob, John Carrier, Owen Chiu, Evelyn Czaia
Sheila Daly, Connie Domino, Sonia Ellison, Evelyn Gockowski
Bill Hafner, Denise Hafner, Lou Hammer, Richard Hanson, Lisa Harm
Nick Heille, Lucie Johnson, Theresa Johnson, Jeanne Mandoza,
Amy Miller, Anna Mirocha, Regan Orlando, Christine Pribula
Christina Robinson, Gordy Skinner

Scripture Readings for the Week

Monday, August 20	Ezekiel 24:15-24	Matthew 19:16-22
Tuesday, August 21	Ezekiel 28:1-10	Matthew 19:23-30
Wednesday, August 22	Ezekiel 34:1-11	Matthew 20:1-16
Thursday, August 23	Ezekiel 36:23-28	Matthew 22:1-14
Friday, August 24	Revelation 21:9b-14	John 1:45-51
Saturday, August 25	Ezekiel 43:1-7ab	Matthew 23:1-12

Sunday, August 26

Joshua 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b
Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-29, 20-21
Ephesians 5:21-32
Gospel: John 6:60-69

Birthdays This Week

August 19 Dave Engel, Jenna Jahnke
August 20 Katelyn Rose
August 22 Tom Hagen
August 24 Kelly Kazmerski, Maria Swenson



On the Parish Calendar This Week

Monday Volleyball, 8 pm, Gym

Children's Faith Formation

Beginning this year, we will no longer have Children's Faith Formation at St. Lawrence. One good option for parents to consider is the program at Holy Cross (1621 University Ave. NE). Their classes meet Wednesdays, 6:30-8:00 pm, beginning October 3. To register, call 612-930-0860, or register online at OurHolyCross.org/faith-formation/

Loaves & Fishes at St. Stephen's School

(2111 Clinton Ave. S. - across 22nd Avenue from the church, in the lower level)

We next prepare and serve a meal on
Tuesday, August 28th.

Mark your calendars and come volunteer! The meal is served from 5:30-6:30 PM and we usually serve 200+ people, including men, women and children. After the meal, those who are able stay to help clean up, typically finishing around 7 PM.

Marriage Encounter Weekend

A Marriage Encounter Weekend is a private weekend away from life's distractions that allows a husband and wife to focus on each other. The next available weekends are October 5-7 in Buffalo, and November 16-18 in Prior Lake. For more information, visit twincitieswwwme.org or call 612-756-8720.

Women's Book Club

Monday, August 27, 7 PM, Gathering Space
The book for August is Delicious, by Ruth Reichl.
The book club will not meet in July.

All women of the parish are invited to join the group.

Interstate 35W Weekend Closures

Resurfacing of Interstate 35W between 4th St. SE in Minneapolis and Ramsey County Rd. C in Roseville begins in July and continues through August.

Dear Father Vander Ploeg,

On behalf of the entire Missionary Fraternity of Mary, I want to thank you for the kindness and generosity shown to Rev. Alex Rodriguez during his recent visit to your parish for the mission appeal.

Please convey my appreciation to all of your parishioners and be assured that you and they are remembered in the daily prayers of our entire seminary community. We continue to experience many vocations in our Society and this is a blessing. In many ways you are part of our mission through your prayers and financial support. The generosity of your parish provides the necessary funding to allow us to carry out our work. Thank you for being a faithful supporter of the Missionary Fraternity of Mary, and for all that you do to further the mission spirit within the Church.

Fraternally yours,
Rev. Eder Escobar
Moderator General

Interested in Giving Online?

Visit www.umncatholic.com/donate! You may sign up for regular giving to St. Lawrence Parish and/or for the Living Faith Society, the monthly giving program for the campus ministry.

St. John Paul II Champions for Life Awards

Do you know of someone who devotes his/her time helping the poor, elderly, disabled, pregnant, or is committed to praying for Respect Life issues? The Archdiocese is looking to honor those people. Submit a nomination at archspm.org/C4L. For more information, visit MFL@archspm.org.

In Support of St. Vincent de Paul

St. Lawrence parishioner Bronwen Hudleston is continuing to gather clothing to donate to St. Vincent de Paul. As the weather is warm, lighter jackets and clothing are needed. Clothing is needed for adults and children. If you have items to donate, please bring them to the office.