

INTENTIONS OF THE WEEK**SUNDAY, September 11, 2022****9:00 am** Joan Hoffman (d)**11:00 am** Bob Kessler (d)**7:00 pm** For the Parishioners**MONDAY, September 12, 2022***The most Holy name of Mary***8:30 am** Melissa Hoffman (d)**TUESDAY, September 13, 2022**

St. John Chrysostom

8:30 am Lisa Limerick**WEDNESDAY, September 14, 2022**

THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

8:30 am Kim Freeman (d)**THURSDAY, September 15, 2022**

Our Lady of Sorrows

8:30 am Frank and Ruth Wenstrup (d)**3:00 pm–5:00 pm EUCHARISTIC ADORATION****FRIDAY, September 16, 2022**St. Cornelius, Pope and Cyprian,
Bishop, Martyrs**8:30 am** John Christy (d)**SATURDAY, September 17, 2022***St. Robert Bellarmine, Bishop, Doctor
of the Church; St. Hildegard of
Bingen, Virgin, Doctor of the Church
BVM***8:30 am** Ann Morwessel (d)**3:00–4:00 pm** Confession**4:30 pm** Helen Louis (d)**SUNDAY, September 18, 2022****9:00 am** Frank Kersting (d)**11:00 am** Tony Comarata (d)**7:00 pm** For the Parishioners**SERVERS****September 17/18**

No Servers Scheduled

LECTORS**September 17/18**

No Lectors Scheduled

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS**September 17/18**

To Be Determined

September 4, 2022

\$7,518.00

Thank You for your Generosity!

Vocation View: We are called to proclaim God's abundant love for all people. Become an instrument of that love. Our world needs you! (Luke 15:1-32) To talk about your discernment, please contact Fr. Dan Schmitmeyer, Director of Vocations at dschmitmeyer@catholiccincinnati.org.

Thought for the Day: "Put yourself in God's hands; He abandons no one."

by St. Andre Bessette

Family Caregiver Support: If you are concerned about an aging parent. If your spouse is depending on you more and more due to their chronic illness. Or earnestly are caring for an adult child or a grandchild unexpectedly? Caregiver groups provide helpful resource information, understanding and encouragement. Consider joining a caregiver group so you can get the support you need! Our caregiver group at Bayley Wellness Center in Delhi meets every 1st and 3rd Friday at 9:30 am. Call Angie Homoele at (513) 672-3834, email ahomoele@ccswoh.org or visit <https://www.ccswoh.org/get-help/senior-caregiver-support-services/> for more information or to RSVP. Sponsored by the Caregiver Assistance Network, a program of Catholic Charities Southwestern Ohio funded through the Council on Aging.

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PLEASE NOTIFY US AT THE RECTORY when a family member is hospitalized or homebound and would like to receive Holy Communion and/or the Sacrament of Penance.

Fr. Watkins' Desk

Thanks be to God! The steeples are finished and they are beautiful. And also, the outside church doors have been resealed. They are beautiful, too! Now if we could just get rid of the pigeons. So, ask the Lord to send some hungry hawks. ☺

Eucharistic Adoration: Eucharistic Adoration is every Thursday afternoon from 3 – 5 p.m. Part of the time, during the first hour, I hear Confessions. Remember, you can gain a plenary indulgence by spending at least one half hour in adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. The requirements for gaining a plenary or partial indulgence are the performance of the indulgenced work and the fulfillment of three conditions: sacramental confession, Eucharistic communion, prayer for the pope's intentions. A further requirement for a plenary is the exclusion of all attachment to sin, even venial sin.

SAINT MICHAEL HARDBOUND HYMNALS FOR THE PEWS ARE NOW ON ORDER!

This is the hymnal St. Lawrence has been using for 3 years now, online.

Saint Lawrence is proud to hail this comprehensive book of traditional Catholic hymns & liturgy. Its content bares the ancient chants that embodies the treasury of sacred music from the ages as well as building on that tradition with new music and solid hymnology of the same respect. The book itself is of a fine hard-leather-bound construction that enables its use for many decades to come. Please see the displays in the vestibules as you enter and leave church. The opportunity for purchasing hymnals for memorials for friends and loved-ones is explained on the displays. Order Yours Now!

Saint Lawrence CHOIR TO START BACK 11th SEPTEMBER at 11am Masses

Saint Lawrence RCC is one of the few Catholic churches in the city to have a choir that actually sings on a regular basis and actually sings CHOIR music. The choir works very hard to support the liturgy and enrich the worship experience through solid hymnody, liturgy and the great choral repertoire of the ages-through now. It focuses on the legitimate liturgical portions of the Mass as well as Anthems and Motets. We usually have about 16-18 on the average Sunday, but are very much short of MALE singers. This is certainly a disappointment that MEN in particular have nearly completely disappeared on the music scene over the past 50 years at St. Lawrence. In our sister churches in Germany, it is the MEN who carry the sound in nearly every instance of singing. The German churches STILL ROAR---with the sound of male singers as was the case with Saint Lawrence many years ago. What happened to the men at Saint Lawrence? We need very much to correct that! A choir cannot thrive if it is top-heavy. The bottom end needs to step up to the plate and help to insure the endurance of Roman Catholic Sacred music at Saint Lawrence.

Rehearsals are every Thursday evening at 7pm, September (8th) through 4th July wknd. Please contact the Director of Music, John Valentine or come to our first rehearsal in the music gallery, enter through the short tower, door. ALL are welcome, certainly the ladies as well!
johnv913@gmail.com or 614-286-5710



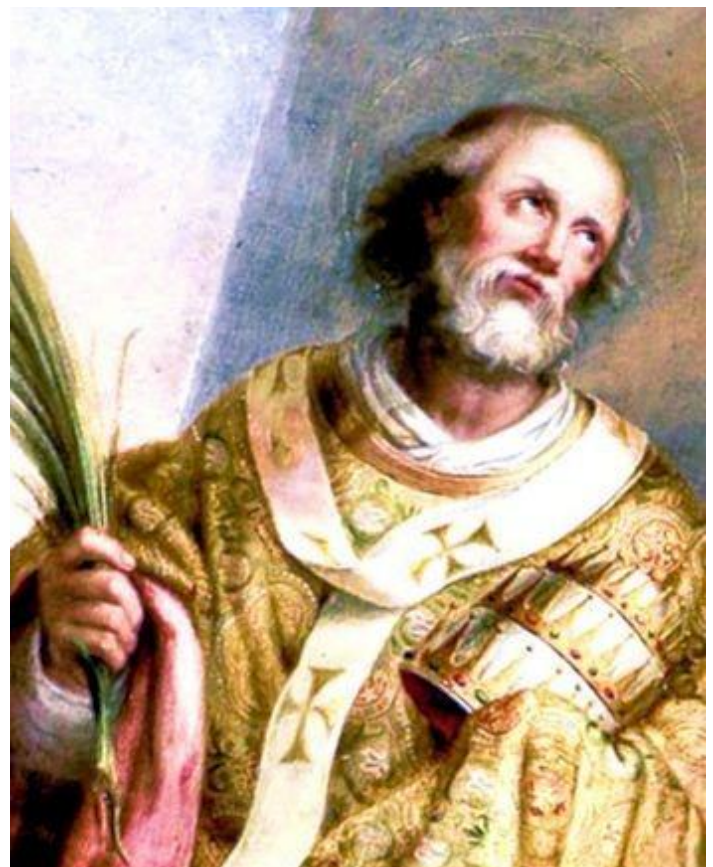
After preaching the blessings of poverty, the Lord went on to say: *Blessed are they who mourn, for they shall be comforted.* But the mourning for which he promises eternal consolation, dearly beloved, has nothing to do with ordinary worldly distress; for the tears which have their origin in the sorrow common to all mankind do not make anyone blessed. There is another cause for the sighs of the saints, another reason for their blessed tears. Religious grief mourns for sin, one's own or another's; it does not lament because of what happens as a result of God's justice, but because of what is done by human malice. Indeed, he who does wrong is more to be lamented than he who suffers it, for his wickedness plunges the sinner into punishment, whereas endurance can raise the just man to glory.

Next the Lord says: *Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.* To the meek and gentle, the lowly and the humble, and to all who are ready to endure any injury, he promises that they will possess the earth. Nor is this inheritance to be considered small or insignificant, as though it were distinct from our heavenly dwelling; for we know that it is the kingdom of heaven which is also the inheritance promised to the meek. The earth that is promised to the meek and which will be given to the gentle for their own possession is none other than the bodies of the saints. Through the merit of their humility their bodies will be transformed by a joyous resurrection and clothed in the glory of immortality.

No longer opposed in any way to their spirits, their bodies will remain in perfect harmony and unity with the will of the soul. Then, indeed, the outer man will be the peaceful and unblemished possession of the inner man.

Then, truly will the meek inherit the earth in perpetual peace, and nothing will be taken from their rights; for *this perishable nature shall put on the imperishable and this mortal nature shall put on immortality.* Their risk will turn into reward; what was a burden will become an honor.

by St. Leo the Great



The Laurentian

The Lord then goes on to say: *Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be filled.* This hunger is not for bodily food, this thirst is not for any earthly drink: it is a longing to be blessed with righteousness, and, by penetrating the secret of all mysteries, to be filled with the Lord himself.

Happy is the soul that longs for the food of righteousness and thirsts for this kind of drink; it would not seek such things if it had not already savored their delight. When the soul hears the voice of the Spirit saying to it through the prophet: *Taste and see that the Lord is good,* it has already received a portion of God's goodness, and is on fire with love, the love that gives joy of the utmost purity. It counts as nothing all that belongs to time; it is entirely consumed with desire to eat and drink the food of righteousness. The soul lays hold of the true meaning of the first and great commandment: *You shall love the Lord God with your whole heart, and your whole mind and your whole strength,* for to love God is nothing else than to love righteousness.

Finally, just as concern for one's neighbor is added to love of God, so the virtue of mercy is added to the desire for righteousness, as it is said: *Blessed are the merciful, for God will be merciful to them.*

Remember, Christian, the surpassing worth of the wisdom that is yours. Bear in mind the kind of school in which you are to learn your skills, the rewards to which you are called.

Mercy itself wishes you to be merciful, righteousness itself wishes you to be righteous, so that the Creator may shine forth in his creature, and the image of God be reflected in the mirror of the human heart as it imitates his qualities. The faith of those who live their faith is a serene faith. What you long for will be given you; what you love will be yours forever.

Since it is by giving alms that everything is pure for you, you will also receive that blessing which is promised next by the Lord: *Blessed are the pure of heart, for they shall see God.* Dear friends, great is the happiness of those for whom such a reward is prepared. Who are the clean of heart if not those who strive for those virtues we have mentioned above? What mind can conceive, what words can express the great happiness of seeing God? Yet human nature will achieve this when it has been transformed so that it sees the Godhead *no longer in a mirror or obscurely but face to face* –the Godhead that no man has been able to see. In the inexpressible joy of this eternal vision, human nature will possess *what eye has not seen or ear heard, what man's heart has never conceived.*

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