



# Footnotes

ST. LAWRENCE CATHOLIC PARISH

Jan-Feb 2023

“I came so that they might have life and have it more abundantly.”

John 10:10







HAPPY  
BIRTHDAY

JOIN FR. STEVE  
IN CELEBRATING HIS

60th  
Birthday

SUNDAY, FEB 26  
12:00PM

LUNCH, CAKE & REFRESHMENTS  
WILL BE SERVED IN THE  
ST. LAWRENCE ROOM & PATIO

A MESSAGE FROM FR. STEVE

## OUR LENTEN EXPERIENCE DEEPENS OUR EASTER RENEWAL

Lent is a wonderful time to grow closer to God. It certainly allows us to celebrate Easter anew! What a blessing. Let us all count our blessings.

The parish offers many Lenten opportunities, as our mission on Saturday, March 11th.

Please make every effort to join us for the Sacred Triduum, Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights. Join us for adoration on Holy Thursday night in St. Lawrence from 9:00 pm until Midnight. Keep in your prayers all those coming into the Church on Holy Saturday night.

## FRESH FOOD DONATIONS NEEDED

The St. Joseph's Altar is a loved tradition in the Catholic Church. In modern times, we offer food for those in need on St. Joseph's Feast Day in gratitude for our own blessings. This year we will honor St. Joseph by displaying our own St. Joseph's Altar in the St. Lawrence Room Friday, March 17 at 9:00 am until Sunday, March 19 at 12:15 pm. All are encouraged to visit and lift up prayers of thanksgiving for all God has given.

St. Vincent de Paul volunteers will deliver donated food to families in need on Sunday afternoon. This is a rare opportunity for these families to receive perishable foods such as fruits, vegetables and baked goods.

All items can be dropped off at the office March 13th - March 15th. You may also drop off your saint statues to be displayed and blessed on the altar during that time. If you would like to help with the altar, please contact Afton Sylvester at 251-949-2386 or by email: [events@stlawrencefairhope.com](mailto:events@stlawrencefairhope.com)

## ST. JOSEPH ALTAR DONATIONS NEEDED

FRESH FRUIT AND VEGETABLES, DRIED BEANS,  
PASTA, RICE, CANNED BROTH & TOMATOES  
DONATIONS ARE DISPLAYED ON THE ALTAR THEN DONATED TO LOCAL  
FAMILIES IN NEED.

Please bring donations to the  
parish office March 13th -  
March 15th from 8am-5pm

Contact Afton with questions  
[events@stlawrencefairhope.com](mailto:events@stlawrencefairhope.com)

Celebrate the Solemnity of St. Joseph!  
Attend the Blessing of the Altar  
Friday, March 17th at 9am.

### Altar Hours

March 17th - 9am-5pm

March 18th - 9am - 5pm

March 19th - 8:30am- 12:15pm





Our Christmas Masses are always full of beauty, festivity and great joy. Our Children's Mass in particular offers a special blessing to our parish. Thank you to all the families who brought children and grandchildren to celebrate our Lord's birth on Christmas Eve. Your children are a gift to us all!

### *New Parishioners*

MR. AND MRS. FRANK AND LYNN CAIN

MRS DEBORAH (DEBBY) QUATTLEBAUM

MR. AND MRS. MICHAEL AND JULIE WYSONG

MR. AND MRS. KEITH AND SHANA KOWAL WITH JENNA AND GUNNAR

MR. AND MRS. HUGH AND JULIE (NIKKI) ACOSTA

DRS. JACOB AND LAINIE JORNS WITH EMMA AND REAGAN

MR. AND MRS. ROBERT AND BARBARA McNABB

MR. AND MRS. TIM AND MARGARITA ROTH

## *Our Parish Our Faith Our Sacraments*

### *Baptisms*

JAMES TIMOTHY WOOD  
SON OF STEPHEN AND ABBIE WOOD

MARTHA ANN HENSELER  
DAUGHTER OF TAYLOR AND ANNIE HENSELER

JOSIE-ANNE HARMON HALL  
DAUGHTER OF STEVEN AND MARIAN HALL

### *Deaths*

CARYN SUDDUTH 1.2.23

HARRY CICHOWSKI 2.2.23

MARY ANN HALLIDAY 2.2.23



# COLUMBARIUM AT ST. LAWRENCE

## ARCHBISHOP RODI BLESSES NEW INSTALLATION

We are pleased to announce that the St. Lawrence Columbarium is now in place. The Columbarium, which is located behind the church, was installed in response to the need for a place of dignity and reverence for the cremated remains of the faithful. With the addition of the Columbarium, we are now able to provide a final resting place for our parishioners who chose to be cremated, where people can come to reverently remember the lives of the people they hold dear. We were honored to have Archbishop Rodi bless our newly installed Columbarium on January 15. If you would like information about the Columbarium or would like to reserve a niche, please email Lise Galle at [family@stlawrencefairhope.com](mailto:family@stlawrencefairhope.com).







We were pleased to have Archbishop Rodi join us to offer Mass and a blessing over the newly completed Columbarium Project.





# CHRISTMAS TIME CHEERS

## CHEERS TO CHARITY EVENT AT FAIRHOPE BREWING COMPANY

Thank you to everyone who came out to Cheers to Charity at Fairhope Brewing Company this past Christmas. Our guest bartender, Fr. Steve, was a tremendous host who spent most of his evening visiting our great parish family in attendance. We are so thankful for the nearly \$4,000 you donated to Saint Vincent dePaul Society of St. Lawrence. Saint Vincent dePaul has a direct impact on those in need in our community and we know they do so much with your support. Thank you so much for your support and prayers, you make St. Lawrence a special place!



We had numerous parishioners and friends join us in the name of charity!







Fr. Steve, our host and bartender, was great company to all our visitors and patrons!





# TREASURES

IT'S ALWAYS A GOOD TIME WITH OUR GROUP!

Treasures has had wonderful time in the New Year visiting at their luncheons and having fabulous trips. In February we hosted our luncheon and trip on back-to-back days. We enjoyed the delicious red beans and rice at our luncheon, with a visit from Dr. Jordan M. Chaisson of Cardiology Associates. We always appreciate their visit during Heart Health Month! The next day, we took off for New Orleans School of Cooking to enjoy shrimp and artichoke soup, crawfish etouffe and the show stopping bananas foster! We learned so much and we hope you all will join us next month as we host more gatherings and fun trips!



Dr. Jordan was a delight as he talked about heart health and electrocardiography with our Treasures group.



**THANK YOU TO OUR WONDERFUL CHEFS!**



Treasures enjoy a delicious red beans & rice lunch prepared by a wonderful group of volunteers.





Fr. Steve leads the blessing before we enjoy the wonderful demonstration and food.



The bananas foster is always the highlight and grand finale of our visit.



## THURSDAY, MAY 11TH, 2023

# ST. LAWRENCE TREASURE'S CHARITY CARD PARTY & LUNCHEON




YOU ARE INVITED TO OUR CHARITY CARD PARTY AND LUNCHEON AT ST. LAWRENCE CATHOLIC CHURCH. THERE WILL BE PLENTY OF FOOD AND FUN FOR EVERYONE!

WE WILL OFFER A SILENT AUCTION, SPLIT-THE-POT, JEWELRY BOUTIQUE, CARDS, BRIDGE, DOMINOS, AND MORE! COST IS \$15 PER PERSON. REGISTER YOUR TABLE OR GROUP TODAY!



REGISTER YOUR GROUP OF PLAYERS AND YOUR PREFERRED GAME AT THE ST. LAWRENCE PARISH OFFICE ON 3/6





# MARCH FOR LIFE

## THEME: FEARFULLY AND WONDERFULLY MADE

“Fearfully and Wonderfully Made” was the theme for the 7th annual March for Life Mobile at Cathedral Square on January 27th. As always, St. Lawrence Parish displayed their belief in the dignity and respect for the preborn. Entwined throughout the march and rally, one could see the smiling faces of St. Lawrence parishioners. Father Steve had the church bus available for anyone who wanted to ride to Mobile and participate. Leaving the church parking lot at 8:00 am, Todd graciously drove the bus so all could attend Mass at the Cathedral before the event.

At the rally, our own Todd Sylvester was the Emcee and did a wonderful job. Celebration Church in Fairhope brought their Praise Band and performed songs throughout the entire rally. The event also included three very motivating and informative speakers: Sarah Eubanks, Omarr Peters and Andi Sligh (who is a parishioner at St. Lawrence). Andi shared her story about her beautiful family with the enthusiastic crowd. And there was a guest appearance by her son Nathan!

There were a variety of pro-life organizations present with materials available for people to read and ask questions. A sign making table was accessible for anyone wanting to create their own Pro-life sign. Next was the actual march, where our parishioners and other participants proudly carried signs as they marched peacefully throughout downtown Mobile.

As we reflect on the march, let us remember that on June 24, 2022, the US Supreme Court overturned Roe v. Wade returning the issue of abortion regulation back to individual states. That same day, Alabama’s Human Life Protection Act went into effect making it illegal to prescribe or perform an abortion. We give thanks to God for this layer of protection for the preborn in Alabama and pray that all babies will be protected from abortion across this country.

Many parishioners contributed financially to the march, including individuals and our own Knights of Columbus Council. This support was greatly appreciated.

As we continue to move forward with sharing the Pro-life message, we will again offer the 40 Days for Life Campaign which begins on February 22 and ends on Palm Sunday, April 2nd. Please keep an eye on the bulletin to see ways you can participate. Contact Lisa Word at 404-307-1355 if you would like to help or be apart of this committee.



A great crowd turned out for the Rally which included a testimony from parishioner Andi Sligh.





Fr. Steve was able to offer a blessing to those students of St. Michael who traveled to D.C. for the march.



We are so thankful for the parishioners who traveled to join the march in Mobile.



Andi Sligh shares her personal encounters with the pro-life movement and being open to life.



Scott and Andi Sligh pose for a photo with son, Nathan.



Peter, Andrew, and Angelle Sylvester attend the rally and march with our parish.





Julie Ford and Diana Foote march in Mobile.



Lucy, Natalia & Marianna from St. Margaret's march with smiles and joy!



Many parishioners from St. Lawrence and friends from across Baldwin County made the trip to march in Mobile.



Ricarda Manning with Lisa and Randy Word who all helped make this march possible!



Andrew Sylvester displays his signs atop the shoulders of his brother Peter.





# IT'S BEEN A BUSY, PRODUCTIVE TIME FOR CREW PARTICIPANTS

January has been very busy for our CREW kids. On January 29th 24 children made their First Reconciliation and Fr. Steven meet with the 5th graders to talk about God's Call to vocations.



DIVINE  
MERCY

FUN FEST

**FREE  
ADMISSION**

SUNDAY  
APRIL  
16TH

12PM  
-  
2PM

St.  
Lawrence  
Patio &  
Outdoors

Live Music  
Sweet & Savory Food Trucks  
Kids Activities  
Bring a Lawn Chair



# ST. BLAISE FEAST DAY

## PARISHIONERS RECEIVE BLESSING OF THE THROATS

St. Blaise's feast day is a special time we can set apart to ask for graces and blessings in our lives for health and vitality. We always celebrate St. Blaise's feast day with The Blessing of the Throats. We pray for you all to have a holy and blessed year

with God's grace and love protecting you. Through the intercession of Saint Blaise, bishop and martyr, may God deliver you from every disease of the throat and from every other illness: In the name of the Father, of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.





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## ST. LAWRENCE LENT SCHEDULE 2023

### ASH WEDNESDAY

February 22  
Mass 8:30AM & 5:30PM  
Ashes to Ashes Retreat 9:15AM & 7:00PM  
Meager Meal 10:30AM & 6:00PM

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Fridays 9:00AM & 6:00PM

### MUSICAL DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

Sundays 5:10PM

### CONFESSIONS

Saturdays 4:30PM-5:00PM  
Wednesdays March 1, April 5 6:00PM

### ETERNAL REST BIBLE STUDY

February 27 - March 9  
Mondays & Thursdays 9:15AM or 6:15PM

### 40 DAYS FOR LIFE

February 22 - April 2

### FRIDAY LENTEN

### FISH FRY DINNERS

February 24, March 10, 24

### MYSTERIES OF THE ROSARY CLASS

March 1 • 7 Weeks  
Wednesdays 9:15AM & 6:15PM

### BOOK STUDY: G.K. CHESTERTON

"Common Sense 101"  
March 1 • Wednesdays 4:00PM

### FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

March 3 • 9:00AM-5:30PM

### PARISH MISSION

Saturday, March 11  
1:30PM - 7:00PM

### ST. JOSEPH'S ALTAR

March 17-19

### ARCHDIOCESAN

### ONE FAITH ONE FAMILY CONFERENCE

March 18  
Mobile Convention Center

### MASS FOR LIFE

Tuesday, March 21  
Women's Resource Center  
Bus Leaves St. Lawrence 6:30AM

### PENANCE SERVICE

Wednesday, March 29  
6:00PM

## TRIDUUM

### HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 6

Liturgy of the Lord's Supper  
7:00PM

### GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 7

Stations of the Cross 3:00PM  
Liturgy of the Lord's Passion  
7:00PM

### DIVINE MERCY NOVENA

Begins Good Friday after Stations  
and each day in the church at 3:00PM  
until April 16

### HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 8

Confession 12:00PM  
Easter Vigil Mass 7:30PM  
Easter Vigil Reception to Follow

## EASTER SUNDAY

### EASTER SUNDAY MASS, APRIL 9

Mass 7:30AM, 9:00AM, 11:00AM  
\*No evening Mass