



# St. Denis & St. Lawrence

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



**THE FEAST OF ST. LAWRENCE, DEACON AND MARTYR**

## St. Denis Parish

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## St. Lawrence Parish

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 PO Box 247, Benton, MO 63736  
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## St. Denis School

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 Benton, MO 63736  
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 Email: [lindsay@stdenisbenton.org](mailto:lindsay@stdenisbenton.org)

Principal: Lindsay Wikle  
 School Board President: Mr. Glenn Collom

## Sacraments:

### Saint Denis

**Mass:** Sunday at 7:00am and 10:00am  
 Wednesday-Friday at 8:00am

**Confessions:** Tuesday @ 7:00pm or by appt.

### Saint Lawrence

**Mass:** Saturday at 4:00pm and Sunday at 8:30am  
 Tuesday at 6:00pm and Wednesday at 7:00am

**Confessions:** Saturday @ 3:15pm or by appt.

## SAINT DENIS PARISH

### MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Tues.	12	No Mass
Wed.	13	No Mass
Thurs.	14- 8am	Cletus & Norma Gosche
Fri.	15- 8am	Evangeline Wade
Sun.	17-7am	Melvin Hamm
Sun.	17-10am	St. Denis Parish Family

### LITURGICAL ROLES

#### Sunday 7:00am

<b>Lector:</b>	Anthony Scherer
<b>EM:</b>	Susan Care
<b>Servers:</b>	Emmalyn Care, Tori Neumeyer
<b>Servers</b>	Chloe Welter
<b>Greet \ Gifts:</b>	Robert & Tutti Gosche

#### Sunday 10:00am

<b>Lector:</b>	St. Denis Students
<b>EM:</b>	Pat Moore
<b>Servers:</b>	Nova Wikle, Eli Eftink
<b>Servers</b>	Daniel King, Levi Newton
<b>Greet \ Gifts:</b>	St. Denis Students

### Parish Stewardship

The Week of August 3, 2025

<b>Envelopes:</b>	\$6,242.00
<b>Loose:</b>	\$392.00
<b>Total Collection:</b>	\$6,634.00
<b>Weekly Est. Budget:</b>	\$5,009.00
<b>Difference:</b>	+\$1,625.00

### COMMITTEES AND MISCELLANEOUS ASSIGNMENTS

#### ST. DENIS PARISH

**Church Cleaning for Friday, August 15th:** Brenda Dumey, Malinda Milam, Brendan & Jalyn Milam

**Church Decorating Committee for the month of**

**August:** Janice Scherer

**Flowerbed Committee Schedule: Week of August 10th:**

Rick & Cheri Klipfel

#### ST. LAWRENCE PARISH

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 15th, CHURCH CLEANING.**

Chairman: Doug & Ann Menz

Justin & Tara Modglin, Becky Moore, Jarrett Moore,  
Jewell & Pat Moore.

## SAINT LAWRENCE PARISH

### MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Tues.	12- 6pm	Patrick Shelton
Wed.	13-7am	Earl & Henrietta Dirnberger
Thurs.	14-6pm	Melvin Glastetter
Fri.	15-7am	Felix Enderle
Sat.	16-4pm	Parish Family
Sun.	17-8:30am	Leonard Kluesner

### LITURGICAL ROLES

#### Saturday 4:00pm

<b>Lector \ EM:</b>	Frank Glueck
<b>Musician:</b>	Bernice Kern
<b>Cantor:</b>	Kari Bickings
<b>Gifts:</b>	Mr. & Mrs. Kyle Curry
<b>Servers:</b>	Willow Bickings \Tuck Dirnberger, Saylor Dirnberger
<b>Ushers:</b>	Richard Reeves, Greg Riley, Steven Riley, Mitchell Sander

#### Sunday 8:30am

<b>Lector \ EM:</b>	Jill Pinkston
<b>Musician:</b>	Bernice Kern
<b>Cantor:</b>	Mary B. Glastetter
<b>Gifts:</b>	Mr. & Mrs. Kendal Deason
<b>Servers:</b>	Kabree & Paisley Bahr, Vanelope & Charleigh DeShaney
<b>Ushers:</b>	Shannon Schumer, Mike Senciboy, Ronnie Senciboy, Chris Seyer

### Parish Stewardship

The Week of August 3, 2025

<b>Envelopes:</b>	This will be published when Billy Ray returns to the office.
<b>Loose:</b>	
<b>Total Collection:</b>	

## READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

### The 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 17, 2025

Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10

Hebrews 12:1-4

Luke 12:49-53

## ST. DENIS ANNOUNCEMENTS



**Interested in  
Substitute  
Teaching?**



CONTACT LINDSY AT 573-545-3017 OR  
LINDSY@STDENISBENTON.ORG

SAVE THE DATE SEPTEMBER 19th, 2025! One of our schools biggest fundraisers, The 11th Annual Paul Stuckey Scramble will be here soon! Get your team ready! Contact Natalie at 573-887-1317 for questions and to register.

Flyers are available in the Church Foyer

OCIA 2026-2027: If you know anyone interested in knowing more about the Catholic faith, and may wish to become Catholic, please invite them to the first OCIA meeting on September 7, at 5 PM in the Cafeteria!

American Red Cross Blood Drive Tuesday, August 27th, 2-6 PM at St. Denis Parish Center. Please mark your calendar and help save lives by donating blood. Your donation is truly the Gift of Life.



**PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER**

Angela Fisher, Avree Riley,  
Ronnie Schlosser

August 14 & 15th are the Feast of the Assumption, which is a Holy Day of Obligation. Mass at 6pm (SL), 7am (SL), 8am (SD).

## OTHER NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 16th, DEDICATION FOR CHERYL ANNE SCHERER.** All are invited to the Dedication and Unveiling of the Remembrance Marker for Cheryl Anne Scherer, at 11AM (lasting approximately 30 minutes) in front of Rhodes Convenience Store, 2116 Main Street, Scott City, MO 63780.

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6th, KERN CANCER BENEFIT.** Dinner and Trivia Night will be held in the St. Lawrence Parish Center for Brittany Mock (Kern) and Julie Kern. All donations are appreciated! Trivia with dinner, dinner only, or carry-out tickets are available for purchase. Trivia with dinner = \$200 for 8 people, dinner only and carry-out by the quart = \$15 each or 2 for \$25. Raffle tickets will be pre-sales as well as sold the night of the event. Raffle basket tickets will only be sold on the night of the event. Doors open at 5PM and trivia begins at 7PM. Contact Jamie Kern at 573-318-4245 or Theresa Kern at 573-587-2258 to secure your entry, make donations, and /or for general questions. We hope to see you there.

**CODE OF CONDUCTS.** Code of Conduct is available online or in the Parish Office to be signed for volunteers, workers, and PSR staff/teachers for the upcoming year. Please come by to sign or drop off as soon as possible. This year again another form needs to be signed. The "Fair Credit Reporting Act" background check form also needs to be signed along with the CoC form. Both are available online and in the Parish Office.

## ST. LAWRENCE ANNOUNCEMENTS

**SUNDAY: OUR LADY OF FATIMA VISITATION. AUG 10**  
~Theresa Essner, AUG 17 – Jill Pinkston, AUG 24 –  
Carol Klipfel, AUG 31 – Dorothy Deason

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 10TH, ST. LAWRENCE DAY CELEBRATION.** Meet and greet with the Deacons of our Diocese at 6PM followed by Potluck dinner. The parish will provide fried chicken and ham. Potluck requests A-K bring salad or vegetables, L-Z bring desserts. The Sign-up sheet for name and number attending is in the vestibule of the church. Fireworks will begin at Dark! Please join us in celebrating the past, present, and future of St. Lawrence Parish!

**Diocesan Development Fund (DDF) REPORT.** We have met our goal of \$24,075. Thank you to the 97 families that donated and for those that offered up prayers in support of DDF.

**THURSDAY & FRIDAY, AUGUST 14 & 15, HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION, THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED MOTHER MARY.** Thursday, Lector/Cantor: Volunteers, Music: Bernice Kern/Jamie Essner, Gift Bearers, Servers, and Ushers: Volunteers. Friday, Lector/Cantor: Volunteers, Music: Cheryl Kern/Mary B. Glastetter, Gift Bearers, Servers, and Ushers: Volunteers

Our home growing up was much like any other home- if you wanted your friends to come over, you'd have to clean the house first. Now, this task was one that had to be completed to some degree before mom or dad would ever commit to such an idea, but even after that point, there was still cleaning to be done up until the point that the guest arrived. If they were coming, you were expected to be waiting and acting as if they were coming soon.

The Gospel for this Sunday provides a very clear parallel to this idea. The Lord wants everyone to be faithful, and mindful of the way that the Lord will come. Last week He gave us instruction to be rich in what matters to God, and now He gives us a timeline- but a vague one. The intention behind this is clear- we do not know when the Lord will come, so the time to "clean up" is right now.

Are we cleaning up at this moment? If we do not know when Jesus will arrive (whether at the end of our life, whenever that is, or at the second coming), are we kind of just waiting around for it to happen, or are we getting ready? Are we sitting around in "drunkenness" so to speak, or are we trying to wake up and prepare? Are we living in revelry or are we living in revelation? Are we sleeping or are we sober?

The Lord is coming- that much is clear. May we prepare ourselves well even in this moment as we wait.

*-Fr. Belken*

<p><b>One-on-one answers to your Medicare questions.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Shana Kight 573-450-8066</li> <li>• Doris Breymeyer 573-545-4253</li> <li>• Rhonda Ratledge 573-979-4537</li> </ul> <p> Medicare Supplements   Medicare Advantage Plans   Part D Plans</p> 	<p><b>Ditronics</b></p> <p>Video Surveillance / Two-Way Radio</p> <p>14 N. Winchester, Benton, Missouri</p>	<p>25 W Tywappity 573-313-9200</p> 	
<p><b>Halter Gas Company</b></p> <p>Oran, Mo.</p> <p>LP—Gasoline—Diesel—Service</p> <p>262-3322</p> 	<p><b>MKAY SUPPLY</b></p> <p>FARM • HARDWARE • HOME</p> <p>6626 State Hwy 77, Benton 545-4455</p>	<p><b>Montgomery BANK</b></p> <p>Easier and Friendlier Financial Solutions</p> <p>1-800-455-2275 www.montgomerybank.com</p>	<p><b>Bollinger's Auto Service</b></p> <p>Tires &amp; Batteries—Servicing All Makes &amp; Models</p> <p>545-3810</p> <p>Benton, Missouri</p> 
<p><b>FLOYD'S EQUIPMENT</b></p> <p>573.472.2652   www.cmtruckbeds.com 225 N Interstate Dr. / Sikeston, MO 63801</p> <p><b>MISSOURI'S TRUCK BED HEADQUARTERS!</b></p>	<p><b>ELITE PEST CONTROL</b></p> <p> Josh Glastetter Phone: 573-200-1715 Email: elitepestsemo@gmail.com</p>	<p><b>MARSHALL COMPANIES</b></p>  <p>PO Box 1, Charleston, MO</p>	<p><b>W. E. Walker-Lakenan</b> A division of Sunstar Insurance Group LLC</p> <p>Janice Scherer <a href="mailto:jscherer@wewalker.com">jscherer@wewalker.com</a> Office: 573-755-1523 Cell: 573-208-8702</p>
<p>Ronald Schlosser Excavating Co</p>  <p>Excavating&gt;LandClearing&gt;FarmWork Since 1960&gt; Benton, MO 545-3360</p>	<p><b>SCOTT CITY ANIMAL CLINIC</b></p>  <p>Jeff Shively DVM 1904 Main Street Scott City, MO 573-264-3455</p>	<p><b>WADE'S AUTO PLUS</b></p>  <p>For all your transportation needs!</p> <p>545-4402</p>	<p><b>Benton Laundry &amp; Storage</b></p> <p>132 N. Winchester, Benton</p> <p>Laundry open 24 hours a day</p> <p>Storage Units: Call 270-4507</p>
<p><b>Benton Pharmacy</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CONVENIENTLY LOCATED INSIDE BENTON COMMUNITY CARE CENTER</li> <li>• LOCAL DELIVERY</li> <li>• DRIVE-THRU</li> <li>• SLIDING SCALE GENERIC PRICING</li> </ul> <p>6468 STATE HWY 77, BENTON, MISSOURI</p>	<p>Our providers are accepting new patients!</p> <p><b>MISSOURI DELTA BENTON COMMUNITY CARE CENTER</b></p> <p>Amber Thorne, FNP-BC Family Nurse Practitioner Juliana Jones, PMHNP-BC Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner</p>		<p><b>Pam Dannenmueller</b></p> <p>573-887-1081</p>  <p>Edge Realty 573-620-6054</p>
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