

May 1, 2016

Mass Schedule  
Sun. - May 1 8:00 a.m. First Communion & May Crowning -  
For Parishioners  
Wed. - May 4 8:30 a.m. Peg Phelan - Luke & Judith Phelan  
Sun. - May 8 8:00 a.m. Rosemary Sheedy - Donna Gabehardt &  
Sisk Family


Food Pantry Item(s) for the month of May -  
shampoo, bars of soap, toothpaste, tooth brushes

Sunday Mass:  
Lector: J. Jensen Servers: J. & P. Baudino Eucharistic Ministers: H. Bierle, M. Baudino & S. Carey

Mass Intentions

Collections - 4/24/16  
Sunday.....\$ 908.00  
Home Missions...\$ 290.00  
“Your offering is most appreciated!”

“Hail, Holy Queen  
enthroned above.”



- ◆ Please remember in your prayers all the deceased of our parish and communities, all of our nursing home residents and those living alone, all those that are battling illness, along with their families and care givers, all of the brave and selfless men and women serving in the armed forces, their families and all of the innocent souls affected by war. Please also pray for all that are in need, materially and spiritually, those that have suffered and died at the hands of others, those that have been affected by recent natural disasters and all of our dear friends and neighbors that have asked for our prayerful support.
- ◆ Please turn off all electronic devices before Mass begins. Thank you.
- ◆ We extend our sincere condolences to parishioner Bev Neu, and her family, in regards to husband Gene’s passing from this life into the next on April 22<sup>nd</sup>. Please know...our thoughts and prayers continue to be with you.
- ◆ Congratulations to those receiving Holy Communion for the very first time this morning!!! They are; Gracie Smith, Ava Sulzberger, Lauren Thomas, Wyatt Coop and Brady Sheedy. Blessings be upon each and every one of these beautiful children of God!!! Congrats and blessings are also extended to their families and their teacher, Dana Davis, who helped prepare them for this very special day!!!
- ◆ Just a reminder...even though the CCD year has come to an end, our obligation to attend Mass...and to see that our children also attend...does not end. The practice of our faith is not seasonal. If you are not attending Mass here this summer, please make sure you are attending somewhere! Enjoy the warmth of days to come...and the blessings they bring!!!
- ◆ Thank you for your generous support of last week’s Catholic Home Missions Appeal. Your contributions will help **strengthen the Church at home** and will help ensure that the Gospel is spread across the United States. To learn more about home missions funding and who the appeal helps, please visit [www.usccb.org/home-missions](http://www.usccb.org/home-missions).
- ◆ FYI - The Rectory will be closed on Tuesday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>. Lin will be attending a Diocesan Business Manager’s Meeting.
- ◆ Not ashamed to say it...stole this little jewel from the St. Lawrence bulletin...too good not to pass along!!! - “Extra Prayer - When the world falls down around you and a prayer will see you through, say an extra prayer for someone who may need it more than you! For who knows what hearts are breaking in the silence of the night? Just that extra prayer you whisper my help someone see the light! Every time you help a stranger with an extra prayer or two, you are building secret blessings that will all come back to you.”
- ◆ 2016 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES ANNUAL APPEAL PLEDGE REPORT - **Monthly pledge payments for the CMAA pledges should be made in the next few days. It is very important that these pledges be paid so that our parish will reach our goal. Once we have reached goal in paid pledges, 65% of the additional funds received will be returned to the parish for our use.**

○ PARISH GOAL:	<u>\$ 4,922.00</u>
○ AMOUNT PLEDGED:	<u>\$ 5,105.00</u>
○ AMOUNT PAID:	<u>\$ 3,530.00</u>
○ REMAINING BALANCE:	<u>\$ 1,575.00</u>
○ REBATE AMOUNT:	<u>\$ 0.00</u>
- ◆ We would like to welcome all new individuals, couples and families to Sacred Heart! If you haven’t already done so, please register with Fr. Stanley after Mass. Blue registration forms are on the bulletin board in the vestibule.
- ◆ Word of Life - “Little did I know that God was there, all along, offering me his love... The power of forgiveness is life-altering. I am happy again and the people whom I love sense that.” - Life Matters: Forgiveness and Healing after Abortion” - USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities ([www.goo.gl/J2WGnW](http://www.goo.gl/J2WGnW)).
- ◆ Courtesy of the Diocese of Springfield...some thoughts during this Jubilee Year of Mercy - May 1, 2016 - “**No greater burden!** You just have to love the first reading from the Acts of the Apostles (15:1-2, 22-29 - go ahead, read the whole chapter). It describes the dissention and debate in Antioch, the knock-down, drag-out fight among good people. Who should do what? How should you behave? What should you believe? Sound familiar? Not un-similar to our own day is it! A delegation goes to Jerusalem; Paul and Peter ‘have it out’, they talk, debate, ponder. Then the whole Church, all of them decide what is right. Unity in the dead and risen Lord is uppermost. Place no greater burden to unity at the Lord’s table. Here are fundamentals for debate: \*Believe in the Trinity and the power of Christ to save. \*Behave as lovers. \*Do the works of mercy placing no undue burden.”

