Masses:

~ Sacred Heart Church ~

Wednesdays - 8:30 a.m. Sundays - 8:00 a.m. Kinsman, IL Father Stanley Drewniak, Pastor Before Sunday Mass By appointment: 815-237-2230

Reconciliation:

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December 3, 2023		First Sunday of Advent
Mass Schedule	Mass Intentions	<u>Collections – 11/19/2023</u>
Sun Dec. 3 8:00 a.m. Wed Dec. 6 8:30 a.m.	Marijayne Baudino - Marty & Dean Pfeifer Mary Brockman - John T. Walsh & Dana Davis	Sunday
Fri Dec. 8 9:00 a.m.	Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Human Development 356.00
Sun Dec. 10 8:00 a.m.	Don Bartman - Lynn Phelan	<u>Collections – 11/26/2023</u> Sunday\$ 965.00 Food Truck25.00
Sunday Mass:	December Stewardship	"Your Offering is most appreciated!"
Lector: Pam Siedentop	Servers: Bailey & Kenley Kruger	Eucharistic Minister: Kathy Vint

- 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, all first responders, and all of our dear friends and neighbors that have asked for our prayerful support; Kathryn Vint, Henry Fink, Sherry Lewis, Sarah Windham, John Ribordy, Blane Passini, Jenny Kilmer, Amy Walters, Ed Neikirk, Phyllis Neikirk, Pat Sanders, Nerina Walker & Jennifer Jensen.
- Please turn off all electronic devices before Mass begins. Thank you.
- Audio assistance is available in the back of the church, for those who find it difficult to hear Mass. Please feel free to use it!!!
- December 8th Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary this is a Holy Day of Obligation. Mass Schedule:
 7:30am & 7:00pm -St. Lawrence, S. Wilmington 9:00am Sacred Heart, Kinsman (12-1pm–Hour of Grace-St. Lawrence, S. Wilmington) 5:30 pm St. Mary's, Reddick.
- Second collection next Sunday, Dec. 10th Retirement Fund for Religious **You can help.** "Religious are blessed to serve," says Dominican Father Bertrand Ebben, age 90. Please donate to the Retirement Fund for Religious next week. Your gift will provide essential care for nearly 25,000 senior sisters, brothers and religious order priests who have dedicated their lives to serving others. Let us show our gratitude to these selfless individuals by giving generously.
- We will decorate the church for Christmas next Sunday after Mass. Any & all help is always appreciated!!!
- Our children's CCD Christmas Program will be held after Mass on Sunday, Dec. 17th.
- Christmas Mass schedule for Sacred Heart: Christmas Eve: 2:00 p.m. Christmas Day: 8:00 a.m.
- The Opening Mass for the 75th Anniversary of our Diocese is being held on Monday, Dec. 11th at 6:00 p.m. at the Cathedral of St. Raymond in Joliet. Four tickets are available for Sacred Heart Parishioners that would like to attend! See Fr. Stan.
- Prairie Singers 35th Christmas Concert Series "Christmas Memories" next concert **today**, Dec 3rd at St Patrick's Catholic Church, Seneca at 2 pm. Final concert dates: Morris Presbyterian Church, Morris, Sat., Dec. 9th at 7 pm. and Epworth Methodist Church, Ottawa on Dec. 10th at 2 pm. All of the church concerts are open to the public. There will be a free-will offering. For further information contact George McComb, director at 815 287 9806.
- **Do You Have Concerns About Falling?** Many older adults experience concerns about falling and restrict their activities. A Matter of Balance is a FREE award-winning program designed to manage falls and increase activity levels. Learn to manage falls. If you are interested in improving your balance, flexibility, strength, have fallen previously, or are fearful of falling, this series is for you! **Where**: Three Rivers Library 109 N Wabena Ave, Minooka **When:** 1:00pm 3:00pm on Dec 12, Jan 9, 23, 30, Feb 13 & 27, and Mar 12 & 26. **To register**, please call Jan or Brooke 815-933-7791 ext: 9910/ext. 9954.
- The Rectory/Parish Office is open. You may, however, want to call ahead (815-237-2230) to make sure the office is open the day of, or during the hours you would like to stop by, just to save yourself an unproductive trip. **FYI**: Office closed Friday, Dec. 8th & Mon. Dec. 11th.
- We would like to welcome all new individuals, couples and families to Sacred Heart!!! If you'd like to become a member of our parish, a registration form can be found on our website; swkrcatholics.org, or can be made available upon request! If you have questions or need further assistance, please contact our parish secretary, Lin, at 815-237-2230. Thank you!
- Word of Life "The Gospel of Life recognizes the full range of threats against human life, from poverty and malnutrition to murder and war. Particular emphasis, however, is placed on threats to life at its beginning and end precisely when it is most in need of protection. In modern times, children in their mothers' wombs and those approaching the end of their lives are certainly among the 'least of these' in our world's estimation." USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities respectlife.org/live-the-gospel-of-life.
- Stewardship Dec. 3, 2023 First Sunday of Advent (Compliments of the Archdiocese of St. Louis, MO) "Be watchful! Be alert! You do not know when the time will come." Mark 13:33 "We all take things for granted. In particular, we take time for granted. We make our lives too busy. We plan our days, weeks, months, even years in advance. Remember, our time on earth is a gift. None of us knows how long we will be here. Start today and begin thanking God for each and every day. Take time in silence, every day, and listen to how God is calling you right now to help build His kingdom on earth."