



ST. LAWRENCE CATHOLIC CHURCH

South Wilmington, IL



MASS INTENTIONS:

12/03/16 Sat. 4:00pm +John Hakey (Terry & Donna Hampson)
 12/04/16 Sun.10:00am Parishioners and Martina Turner (Family)

12/05/16 Mon.— No Mass
 12/06/16 Tues.— +Joseph Bacigalupo (Kim & Patti Drechsel)
 12/07/16 Wed.- +Spirit Savant (Jim Fair Family) AND
 +Fred Drendel (Anita Drendel)

12/07/16 Wed. 7:00pm Vigil Immaculate Conception

12/08/16 Thurs— 7:30am Immaculate Conception

12/09/16 Fri. - No Mass
 12/10/16 Sat. 4:00pm +Merrill Harvey (Wife)
 12/11/16 Sun.10:00am +Cecilia Maxard (Jim & Pat Dinelli)

If you would like a Mass Intention said please contact the Rectory.
 Suggested donation is \$10.

REMEMBER in PRAYER our deceased relatives and friends, the ill of our parish and community, nursing home residents, the homeless, hungry and unemployed, those living alone and our own special intentions we hold deep in our hearts. Keep in prayer all men and women serving our country, the injured and those being held prisoners. Let us not forget all men and women who gave up their lives so we may live in freedom and in peace!

Liturgical Schedule Lector E. Minister SERVERS

12/03/16 Sat. 4:00pm- C. Frobish M. Schmidberger P. Schmidberger/Himes
 12/04/16 Sun. 10:00am-C. Mathison F. Phillips L. Staab/T. Banks/M. Kelly

12/10/16 Sat. 4:00pm— A. Simms S. Myrick M. Simms/C. Hampson
 12/11/16 Sun. 10:00am-C. Male R. Hollmeyer K. Scheuber/M. Phillips

Holy Father's Intention for the month of December:

General Intention: That the scandal of child-soldiers may be eliminated the world over.



Weekly Income:
Budget (Needed) \$ 3200.00

Sunday Collection \$ 1788.00
Children's Envelopes \$ 8.00
CCHD Collection \$ 572.00

Thank you for supporting our parish!!

Parish Staff:

Father Stanley Drewniak, *Pastor*
 Linette Hopwood, *Secretary*
 Email: stlawrencswilm@yahoo.com
 Web Page: swkrcatholics.org
 Anne Simms & Tiffany Staab *CCD Directors*

Office Hours: 9-1 Monday –Friday

St. Lawrence Rectory (815) 237-2230
 St. Lawrence Fax (815) 237-2201
 Maria Hakey, *Bulletin* (815) 237-8268

Hall Rentals – Call the Office

Mass Schedule:

Sat. – 4:00pm
 Sun. – 10:00am
 Tues., Wed., Thurs. – Mass at 7:30am

Reconciliation:

Saturday 3:15pm – 4:00pm.

SACRAMENT of BAPTISM – Baptisms are celebrated during the 10:00 am Mass. Please call the Rectory to make arrangements.

MARRIAGES -Diocesan policy require at least a six month preparation process. Couples who are planning to marry should speak directly with the pastor before setting a date. No weddings are scheduled on Sundays.

HOSPITALIZED PARISHIONERS - Due to a change in the privacy law, Father cannot go to the hospital and ask for a list of parishioners for him to visit. As a patient, you must ask the hospital to notify the Rectory that you are requesting a visit. For our homebound parishioners, if you would like Father to visit, please call the Rectory and Father will be more than happy to come and visit you. Thank you!

Funeral Dinner Co-Chairs for December

Ruth Lardi 237-8705
 Cindy Alderson 237-2848

FROM AROUND THE PARISH

Feast of the Immaculate Conception Holy Day Mass Schedule. (Holy Day of Obligation)

St. Lawrence-South Wilmington
 Wednesday, Dec. 7th at 7:00pm
 Thursday, Dec. 8th at 7:30am

Sacred Heart-Kinsman
 Thursday, Dec. 8th at 9:00am

St. Mary's Mission-Reddick
 Wednesday, Dec. 7th at 5:30pm

The Rectory will be closed on December 8 & 9th.

Thank you for your contributions to the collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD)! Your generous gifts will help CCHD break the cycle of poverty in the United States through better education, improved housing, and economic development. Through CCHD and its beneficiaries, we demonstrate Catholic social teaching and carry out Jesus' mission to "bring glad tidings to the poor . . . to proclaim liberty to captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free" (Lk 4:18).

Christmas Poinsettias - If you wish to make a donation towards our Christmas Flowers, please make checks payable to St. Lawrence Church. Please include if the flowers are In Memory/In Honor of . . .The flowers will be coming from the Dwight High School Greenhouse. Thank you for your continued generosity.

Please join us on Sunday, December 11th after 10:00 am Mass to decorate the Church for Christmas. Volunteers are needed to put up trees, lights and decorations. Your help would be greatly appreciated!

You may have noticed the Giving Tree in the Church entrance. St. Lawrence will be supporting the Church of Hope Food Pantry in their effort to provide Christmas baskets for local families in need. St. Lawrence will be collecting needed paper and household items. Please take a tag from the Giving Tree to help us give to those in need. Donations will be accepted through Sunday, December 18th. Thank you for generosity.

If you would like to give Fr. Matthew a Birthday or Christmas present, please place in the box at the entrance of the Church. The gifts will be delivered to him at the abbey before Christmas. Thank you!

News & Upcoming Events

On **Monday, December 5** at **4-6pm** Catholic Charities' Mobile Food Pantry will be distributing food in the church parking lot (rain or shine). Catholic Charities and the Northern Illinois Food Bank have partnered to deliver nutritious food (meat, produce and nonperishable items) to people in need. **This Mobile Food Pantry is sponsored by Morris Lions Club, Coal City Lions Club, Southeastern Grundy County Seniors, and several Anonymous Donors.** Participants are asked to bring bags, laundry baskets, or boxes to transport food and grocery products to their vehicles. Shopping carts will be available. A representative from Catholic Charities will be available at this event to explain additional services provided by the agency. You do not have to be Catholic to participate. Catholic Charities helps people of all faiths and beliefs. For more information about Catholic Charities, please visit catholiccharitiesjoliet.org. If you know anyone in need, please inform them. **Volunteers are asked to be at the Church by 3pm. Thank you!**

Your donation works for aging religious. "I read that roughly 95 percent of donations to the Retirement Fund for Religious aid senior religious," a donor writes. "That's wonderful when we truly want our donations to *work*." Your gift works for elderly religious by helping to furnish medications, nursing care, and more. Please support next week's collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious, and give to those who have given a lifetime.

Advent Confessions— These confession times are for children and adults. Due to the schedule Fr. Stanley must keep, he will be unable to hear children's confessions during Religious Education class time, as done in the past.

Sat., Dec. 17 after the 5:30pm Mass St. Mary- Reddick
 Tues, Dec. 20 7:00pm St. Lawrence-South Wilmington
 Wed., Dec. 21 6:00pm Sacred Heart in Kinsman

Christmas Mass Schedule

St. Lawrence- 4:00pm and Midnight on December 24th and 10:00am December 25th.
 Sacred Heart (Kinsman)— 7:30pm December 24th and 8:00am December 25th
 St. Mary (Reddick) - 5:30pm December 24th.

What we do in life echoes in eternity...