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Mass Schedule

Sat.— 5:30 pm

Reconciliation:

Before Mass or by Appointment

Sacrament of Baptism – Baptisms are celebrated during the Saturday 5:30p.m. 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!

Mass Intentions:

1/09/16 Sat. 5:30pm +Mary Jo Murphy
1/14/16 Thurs. No Daily Mass
1/16/16 Sat. 5:30pm +Phyllis Buza (Monica Ruder)



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 that we may live in freedom and peace!

Liturgical Schedule for Lectors/Servers

1/09/16 Sat. 5:30pm Lector-Melinda/Servers-Miles, Jackson & Elsie
1/16/16 Sat. 5:30pm Lector-Mary K./Servers-Mike & Matt

Holy Father's Intention for the month of January:

General Intention: That sincere dialogue among men and women of different faiths may produce the fruits of peace and justice.

Weekly Income:

Sunday Collection \$ 764.00
Solemnity of Mary \$ 212.25

Thank you for your generosity!

Prayers for Sick

Sue Eich and Heidi Ehrhardt.

During the months of January and February we will not have Daily Mass. If you would like to attend Daily Mass during these months, please join me in South Wilmington Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings at 7:30am. Thank you! Fr. Stan

Please pick up your 2016 Offertory Envelopes at the entrance of the Church. If you do not see a box with your name on it and would like a box of envelopes please call the Rectory.

IT IS OUR HONOR TO CORDIALLY INVITE YOU (AND YOUR GUEST)
ALL* WHO SACRIFICE TIME AND TALENTS FOR OUR COMMUNITY
to join us to celebrate
AN APPRECIATION DINNER
on Friday, January 29, 2016 at 6:30PM at St. Lawrence Parish Hall.
Excellent food and drinks would be offered and nice music for dancing!
Please RSVP signing the list in the back of the church.

(*Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, RE Staff, Ushers, Pastoral and Finance Council Members, Musicians and Cantors, Janitors, Money Counters, Society Officers and Funeral Dinner Co-Chairs)

A big thank-you to all who donated hats and gloves for the Harbor House Organization. Your generosity will warm the bodies and hearts of those who need it this winter season. Sincerely, St. Mary's CCD Students

We need your help. We are in the process of updating our information on each member in our parish. Please complete the parish forms and return to the parish office or put into the collection basket. If you did not receive an envelope with parish census paperwork, please call the rectory 815-237-2230. Thank you!

Feast of the Baptism of the Lord January 9/10, 2016-In today's reading from the Gospel of Luke we hear the proclamation of the baptism of Jesus with "all the people." Indeed, "heaven was opened," and the Father announced his special favor. Whenever we partake of the body and blood of Christ, heed his call in our daily lives, share his Good News, become instruments of his transforming justice and peace, heaven is opened to us, and through the Holy Spirit, the Lord announces his special favor on us as well. A good stewardship reflection this week might be this: How, or in what ways, have we personally experienced God's special favor in our lives?

"The best Inheritance you can give your children
is a little time each day!"



Baptism of the Lord

Baptism starts things off. After his Baptism in the Jordan, Jesus became very public. So, too, for each us. We are **saved**, surely, in Baptism. But we are also **sent**. The clarity we have today is that we are sent to be **missionary disciples** – sent to proclaim mercy, sent to be justice. Sent. Maybe sent to my family or neighborhood, maybe sent to where I work, maybe sent to my school, maybe sent to....

- How will I behave this week as one who is both saved and sent?

