

# St. Mary's Catholic Church

216 E. Lincoln St., PO Box 16  
Reddick, IL

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time November 19, 2017

## Parish Staff:

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## Office Hours: 9-1 Monday—Friday

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## Mass Schedule

Sat.— 5:30 pm  
Thurs— 8:30 am

## 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:

11/18/17 Sat. 5:30pm Parishioners  
**11/23/17 Thurs. No Mass**  
**11/25/17 Sat. 5:30pm No Mass**  
12/02/17 Sat. 5:30pm +Brian Buckley (Mary R. Hale)

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

11/18/17 Sat. 5:30pm Lector—Melinda  
12/02/17 Sat. 5:30pm Lector—Mary K.

## Holy Father's Intention for the month of November:

**General Intention:** Christians in Asia. That Christians in Asia, bearing witness to the Gospel in word and deed, may promote dialogue, peace, and mutual understanding, especially with those of other religions.

## Weekly Income:

Sunday Collection \$ 650.00



We welcome all new individuals, couples and families to St. Mary's Parish. If you haven't already done so, please register with the rectory office. Registration forms can be found on the bulletin board or on our website swkrcatholics.org Thank you!

Thank you to the Confirmation class for serving the soup and sandwich dinner on Saturday evening. A job well done!

"Thank you to all who helped donate their time and food to the Soup and Sandwich Supper on November 11<sup>th</sup>. Also, a big thank you for the items and money donated to the Veterans – we appreciate your thoughtfulness and consideration for our collection." Sincerely, the Confirmation Candidates

Please be generous in this week's second collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. In the United States, one in six people lives in poverty. With this collection you support programs that address the causes of poverty and provide a sustainable future for those who are struggling across the country. In addition, 25 percent of funds collected remains in our diocese to fund local anti-poverty projects. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this collection and work on the margins. More information about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development can be found at [www.usccb.org/cchd/collection](http://www.usccb.org/cchd/collection).

Saturday, November 25th Bishop Conlon will be coming to St. Lawrence in South Wilmington to celebrate 4pm Mass and Bless the Offices and Remodeling of the Rectory. **There will not be Mass at St. Mary's in Reddick on this Day.** Please come to Mass in South Wilmington on November 25th.

Christmas Flowers—St. Mary's CCW is accepting donations for Christmas Flowers. Please put your donations in a white envelope marked "Christmas Flowers in C/O Ruth Schott" This is a great way to remember your loved ones during the Christmas Season.

Anyone who has relatives buried at Mount Olivet Cemetery in Braidwood, please pick up a letter at the back of the Church. The Rectory Office will be closed For Thanksgiving on Thursday, November 23rd and Friday, November 24th.

**BLESSING for blessing—THANKSGIVING** God has given us everything. What a delightful Thanksgiving Day it would be, if for "Thanksgiving Day" means more than a Turkey ——"IT IS GIVING THANKS!" A Happy and Blessed Thanksgiving to All!

Thanksgiving Day Mass—Fr. Stanley will have one Mass on Thanksgiving day at 9AM in South Wilmington at St. Lawrence. Please join Fr. Stanley on this special day.

On Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>, the St. Lawrence Parish will rededicate the Parish Hall in memory of Fr. Matthew. Lunch will be served followed by a dedication program at the Parish Hall after 10:00 Mass. There is a signup sheet in the Church entry. Please RSVP by November 26<sup>th</sup>. Join us for fellowship and share your memories of Fr. Matthew.

**Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time Weekend of November 18/19, 2017** In today's Gospel, Jesus delivers the parable of the talents; using the example of money rather than abilities or skills. It's a story about investments, risks and returns. Stewards understand that God has given them an abundance of spiritual gifts. They know God doesn't want them to simply receive these blessings and bury them in fear, but to multiply them; to use these gifts to serve Him and others; to spread Christ's Good News; to go and make disciples of others. Good stewards invest what God has given them in the service of others and are prepared to render an account when the Lord returns. Reflect this week on how you are returning your own God-given gifts back to God with increase.

