

St. Mary's Catholic Church

Reddick, IL

Third Sunday of Advent—December 11, 2016

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Mass Schedule

Sat.— 5:30 pm
Thurs.—8:30am

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:

12/10/16 Sat. 5:30pm +Cynthia Hamende (Ray & Heidi Ehrhardt and Scott & Linda Hamende)
12/15/16 Thurs. 8:30pm +Pat & Alice Masching (Ruth Schott)
12/17/16 Sat. 5:30pm +Parishioners and Kim Schott (Ruth Schott)

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

12/10/16 Sat. 5:30pm Lector—Melinda /Servers—Mike, Matt
12/17/16 Sat. 5:30pm Lector—Mary K./Servers—Mike, Matt

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:

Sunday Collection \$ 460.00

Thank you for your generosity!

Prayers for Sick

Bruce Larson, Mary Lou Fox

Christmas Altar Flowers— If you would like to donate toward the Christmas flowers, please make checks payable to St. Mary CCW. Donations can be put in an envelope marked "Christmas Flowers" and put into the collection basket or please give to Rosemary Brooks. Thank you!

St. Mary's Church CCD Students invite all parish members and families to their Christmas Program on Saturday, December 24th at 5:00pm. Merry Christmas to all our families.

Aging religious need your help. Senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests have offered their lives in service to others—educating the young, comforting the sick, seeking justice for the oppressed. Today, many are frail, elderly, and in need of assistance. Your gift to the Retirement Fund for Religious helps to furnish medications, nursing care, and other necessities. Please give generously to today's second collection.

St. Mary's CCD students will be collecting scarves, gloves, and hats for the winter season from December through January 1st. If you would like to donate something, please put them into the marked box placed in the back of the Church. We will be donating the collected items to Catholic Charities for distribution among needy families. Thank you, in advance, for your generosity and warm hearts!

Advent Confessions— These confession times are for children and adults.

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.

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From the loneliness of his prison cell John the Baptist asks of Jesus: "Are you the one who is to come, or should we look for another?" The weeks before Christmas offer much to be joyous about, celebrating with family and friends, the glitter of seasonal decorations, the excitement of gift giving and re-ceiving. But in our midst there are the lonely and neglected, the poor, the hospitalized, the wayward, the shut-ins. There are those seemingly without hope. To whom should they look? Discipleship in the Lord includes being good stewards of others. Are there those in our family, our neighborhood, our community to whom we can reach out to show them a sign of Christ's presence in their midst?

**Please join Bishop Conlon to
celebrate his
40th Priesthood Anniversary**



Jubilee Mass

Cathedral of St. Raymond Nonnatus

604 N. Raynor Avenue in Joliet

Sunday—January 15, 2017

11:00am

Reception to follow in the Commons

