

St. Mary's Catholic Church

Reddick, IL

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time—February 25, 2017

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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:

2/25/17 Sat. 5:30pm +Blanche Hamende (Ray & Heidi Ehrhardt, Scott & Linda Hamende)

3/01/17 Wed. 5:30pm Mass & Ashes — Parishioners

3/02/17 Thurs. 8:30am Suzanne Eich (Michelle Ruder)

Thurs. After 8:30am Mass— Stations of the Cross

3/04/17 Sat. 5:30pm +Lyle & Norma Tambling (Hoffman Family)

If you would like a Mass Intention said, please contact the Rectory.

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

2/25/17 Sat. 5:30pm Lector—Mary K. /Servers-Volunteers

3/01/17 Wed. 5:30pm Lector-Bill /Servers-Volunteers

3/04/17 Sat. 5:30pm Lector—Bridget./Servers-Volunteers

Holy Father's Intention for the month of March:

General Intention: Support the Persecuted Christians. That Persecuted Christians may be supported by the prayers and material help of the whole Church.

Weekly Income:

Sunday Collection \$ 498.01

Thank you for your generosity!

Prayers for Sick

Bruce Larson, Mary Lou Fox



Mass & Ashes Schedule for March 1st

7:30am—St. Lawrence (S. Wilmington)

9:00am-Sacred Heart-(Kinsman)

5:30pm-St. Mary (Reddick)

7:00pm-St. Lawrence (S. Wilmington)

Next week, we will take up the Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. This collection supports the Church in over 20 countries, many of which are still struggling to recover in the aftermath of Soviet rule. Funds from this collection support pastoral care, catechesis, building renovations, and seminary formation. Your support **restores the Church and builds the future** in this region. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection next week. More information can be found at www.usccb.org/ccee.

Lenten Regulations: 1) Everyone 14 years of age or over is bound to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent (excluding the Solemnity of the Annunciation). 2) Everyone 18 years of age and under 59 years of age is bound to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. 3) On these two days of fast and abstinence, only one full meatless meal is allowed. Two other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted on these two days, but liquids, including milk and fruit juices are allowed. When health or ability to work would be seriously affected, the law does not oblige. **4) To disregard completely the law of fast and abstinence is seriously sinful.** 5) Lent is the principal season of penance in the Christian year. All of the faithful are strongly urged to develop and follow a program of voluntary self-denial (in addition to following the Lenten regulations), serious prayer and performance of works of charity and mercy.

Please Participate! Your Gift Makes a Difference!

This weekend at each Mass you will be asked to participate in our diocesan-wide Commitment/In-Pew Weekend for the 2017 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal (CMAA). Through the CMAA, our ministries spread the Gospel message to others by bringing comfort, hope and aid to our friends and neighbors. As you listen to Bishop Conlon's homily today, please reflect on God's gifts to you and give thanks to Him through a gift to the CMAA.



Our parish goal is **\$2,278**. Help us to exceed this goal in paid pledges. Our parish will receive 70% of the amount over goal for use in our parish! Together, we can continue to spread the Gospel message in our Diocese through our ministries and help God hold us in His hands. Thank you in advance for your support.

For those of you who were unable to make a decision about your commitment this weekend, please prayerfully consider doing so online at jolietdioceseappeal.org or by returning a Commitment/In-Pew Weekend envelope to our parish next week. If you received a pledge form in the mail, you may return it via mail.

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time, February 26, 2017 - There are so many things that can occupy our minds. We have many concerns as well as hopes. Good Stewards offer them all to God. In strengthening our relationship with the Lord, we will be able to know him better. This is why we are called to seek the Kingdom of God. It is in this way that we will know God's love.

