

# St. Mary's Catholic Church

Reddick, IL

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord—April 16, 2017

## Parish Staff:

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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:

4/15/17 Sat. 5:30pm Holy Saturday for Parishioners  
4/20/17 Thurs. 8:30am Sue Eich (Ruth Schott)  
4/22/17 Sat. 5:30pm Parishioners and Dana Forneris

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

4/15/17 Sat. 5:30pm Lector—Mary K.  
4/22/17 Sat. 5:30pm Lector-Bill

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

*General Intention:* Young People. That young people may respond generously to their vocations and seriously consider offering themselves to God in the priesthood or consecrated life.

## Weekly Income:

Sunday Collection \$ 575.00

Thank you for your generosity!



The rectory & office are currently undergoing remodeling. If you need to meet with Fr. Stan or the secretary, please call the Rectory number 815-237-2230 for an appointment. We will be glad to meet with you. Thank you!

The Rectory office will be closed on Monday & Tuesday this week.

Happy & Blessed Easter to all!

Fr. Stephen Dyas (son of Mary Dyas of Reddick, with 6 boys and 1 girl) will be saying a Mass at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Reddick at 5:30pm on Saturday 22nd. The Mass is for the soul of Dana Forneris who passed away last summer. The Forneris family will be there and offer a meal in the parish hall immediately following the Mass.

Fr Stephen will also say the 10:30am Mass at St. Margaret Mary Church in Herscher on Sunday April 23rd. He would love to see any old friends and families that he has not seen over the many years he has been away. He left Reddick in 1989 to join a high-school seminary, did formation in New Hampshire, Connecticut, spent 5 years in Rome, ordained a catholic priest in 2007, and did ministry for 2 years in France and 9 years in Canada. He is presently working in New York City.

## Perpetual EASTER – Catholic MASS

Christ has died! Christ is risen! Christ will come again! Nothing is more important to us than these three facts which we acclaim after Christ comes to us on the altar at the Consecration of the Mass! Christ has died for our sins, to give us the liberty from our sins that we need. Before that we were, as it were, in a cage, barred up by sin, but Christ has broken open the door for us, so that we are free with the liberty of the children of God. Christ has risen in order to be with us and to send us His Spirit, so that we might have the strength to live as people of God, no longer behind bars. Christ will come again to give us all happiness if we have lived out our freedom as we should. He has reminded us that if we eat His flesh and drink His blood, as we do in Holy Communion, we shall live forever. At Easter we receive Him with special love as we remember how much He showed His love for us by suffering, dying, and rising from the dead and by giving us His holy Spirit!

St. Patrick's Altar & Rosary Salad Luncheon & Bake Sale, Tuesday, April 25, 2017 at 11:00AM -1:00PM at the Parish Hall, 114 West Mazon St. in Dwight. Adults \$8, Children \$3, Preschool-Free, carryouts available. Cards will follow at 1:00PM.

**THE CATHEDRAL OF ST. RAYMOND NONNATUS PARISH IS HOSTING AN EVENING WITH BISHOP ROBERT BARRON AS PART OF ITS CENTENNIAL SPEAKER SERIES:** Bishop Barron will be speaking at the [Cathedral in Joliet](#) on **Wednesday, April 19 at 7:00 p.m.** Tickets are now available at the parish rectory at [604 N. Raynor Avenue](#). Bishop Barron is the founder of Word on Fire Catholic Ministries and Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, CA. He is also the host of [CATHOLICISM](#), a groundbreaking, award-winning documentary about the Catholic Faith, which aired on PBS. Bishop Barron's website, [WordOnFire.org](#), reaches millions of people each year, and he is one of the most-followed Catholics on social media.

The best place to put your troubles is in your pocket – the one with the hole in it!

## The Resurrection of the Lord – Easter Sunday April 16, 2017

The reading from the Acts of the Apostles reminds us that we, too, bear witness to the risen Lord. The presence of Christ is within us, making us new, transforming us, turning us into stewards of the Good News. There is no more time for holding grudges, disliking others, seeking vengeance, maintaining old prejudices, tolerating bias. We are Christ's joy and instruments of his peace. Our world is reordered. Reflect on how we are called to let Christ's forgiveness, reconciliation and love permeate our lives. We are Easter people. Rejoice! He is risen! Alleluia!

