

St. Mary's Catholic Church

Reddick, IL

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time.—August 23, 2015

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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:

8/22/15 Sat. 5:30pm +Eleanor O'Connor—Ruth Schott
8/27/15 Thurs. 8:30am Members of our Congregation
8/29/15 Sat. 5:30pm +Alice Masching—Norma O'Brien

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

8/22/15 Sat. 5:30pm Lector-Melinda
8/29/15 Sat. 5:30pm Lector-Mary K.

Holy Father's Intention for the month of August:

General Intention: That volunteers may give themselves generously to the service of the needy.

Weekly Income:

Sunday Collection \$ 471.00
Franciscan Mission \$ 184.00
Thank you for your generosity!



We have a new web page with the address swkrcatholics.org

CCD NEWS - CCD will begin on Wednesday, September 9th. Class will be 5:30pm to 6:30pm at the Church Hall. We are in need of a couple teachers this year, if you are interested in teaching or helping out at CCD please contact Bridget Hoffman , you can call or text 815-343-3257.

There will be a concert featuring nationally known artist Kevin Heider. The concert will begin at 2:00pm. It is hosted by St. Patrick Parish and Sacred Heart (Campus). This is free to the public. Please join us on Sunday, August 23rd at St. Patrick's Parish Hall in Dwight. Refreshments will be served at this family-friendly event. A free will offering will be taken to help defray travel expenses.

Dear Parishioners,

On behalf of everyone we serve at Catholic Charities, Diocese of Joliet, **THANK YOU** for your generosity during the recent second collection for our Disaster Relief Fund! Your generous gifts will truly make a difference in the lives of your neighbors when they need it most. The destructive tornadoes and flooding that impacted several areas within the Diocese of Joliet in June left many families not knowing where to turn. With the help of our Disaster Relief Fund, Catholic Charities was able to meet the needs of these families immediately and help them start to re-build their homes and their lives. We provide assistance including but not limited to shelter, food, and mental health services to help families and entire communities get back on their feet. Again, thank you for your support of Catholic Charities and our Disaster Relief Fund. It is truly appreciated. You are in our thoughts and in our prayers. To learn more about the programs and services provided by Catholic Charities, Diocese of Joliet, visit catholiccharitiesjoliet.org. God bless you, Glenn Van Cura-Executive Director and Kathleen Langdon-Director of Development and Communications

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time (August 22-23)

In today's Gospel, we hear that a number of Jesus' followers left him because his message was too difficult for them to accept. In essence, they did not believe in him. He then asked the Twelve if they wished to leave as well. Peter responds by making a profound profession of faith in Jesus as Lord and Savior. The Twelve made a choice and stood by their choice, remaining loyal to their commitment to Jesus. A good question for our reflection might be this: Are we satisfied with the stewardship we exercise over our baptismal commitment? Are we just "along for the ride?" Are we keeping Christ in front of us as we make decisions about our daily activities, our relationships, our parish, issues in the workplace, issues such as peace and justice? What is the quality of our stewardship?

Consecrated Life—Religious Community Facts—Did you know? In 1946, the IBVM Sisters purchased property in Wheaton, which became Loretto Convent – home to many Sisters, the US Province Offices, the Office of Development, Loretto Center, Loretto Extension Service, Loretto House, and the Loretto Early Childhood Center which closed in June of 2014.

