

St. Mary's Catholic Church

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

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time—August 27, 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:

8/26/17 Sat. 5:30pm Parishioners
8/31/17 Thurs. 8:30am +Suzanne Eich (David Ruder & Family)
9/02/17 Sat. 5:30pm +Gary Matern (Don & 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

8/26/17 Sat. 5:30pm Lector—Mary K.
9/02/17 Sat. 5:30pm Lector—Bill

Holy Father's Intention for the month of August:

General Intention: Artists. That artists of our time, through their ingenuity, may help everyone discover the beauty of creation.

Weekly Income:

Sunday Collection \$ 318.00



Welcome back Fr. Stanley. We missed you and are glad to have you back. We hope you enjoyed your vacation.

We have resumed daily Mass on Thursday mornings at 8:30am.

Fr. Stanley also has daily Mass at St. Lawrence in South Wilmington on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings at 7:30am. Rosary is after Mass on Tuesday mornings.

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!

Essex Lions Club will host breakfast on Sunday, August 27 at the Essex Lions Club, 217 Paris St., from 7 am to noon. The Lions will serve biscuits and gravy, pancakes, French toast, hash browns, bacon, sausage, eggs (any way), toast, orange juice, milk and coffee. The cost will be \$7 for adults and \$4 for children ages 6-12 and Under 6 eat FREE.

Ladies of St. Mary's, Reddick—You are invited to make Christmas stockings for soldiers through Operation Care Package. Thursday, September 21, 2017 from 9:00am-2:00pm in Herscher at St. Margaret Mary's Catholic Church (in the hall in church basement). Bring sewing machine, basic sewing kit and a sack lunch. Drinks and stockings to sew will be provided. Call Patty if questions 815-614-3757. Herscher Community Quilters.

No living without FAITH

FAITH is that characteristic of life that keeps a person going, when stopping would be convenient; it keeps a person looking up, when he feels like looking down; it keeps a person hoping, when hopelessness invades his heart. Faith must be the last thing to go, for when it is gone, living is futile.

FOR ALL THAT IS PAST, THANKS -
FOR ALL THAT IS TO COME, YES!

Rule of THREE—RULES—LIFE

Three things to love—**Courage, Gentleness, Thoughtfulness**
Three things to pray for: **Holiness, Health, Cheerfulness**
Three things to avoid: **Idleness, Gossip, Bad Company**
Three things to hate: **Cruelty, Hypocrisy, Pride**
Three things to fight for: **Principle, Home, Country**
Three things to control: **Temper, Tongue, Appetite**
Three things to think about: **Life, Death, Heaven**

Sacred Heart Church in Kinsman is having their Annual Golf Outing on Saturday, September 16th at the Dwight Country Club. 12:00 Noon Shotgun start. (Best Ball Scramble) Dinner to follow, raffles and prizes. There are sign-up sheets at the entrance of the Church for anyone who would like to golf. Golf and Dinner is \$60 per person. If you are not a golfer and would like to attend the Dinner only cost is \$13.00. If you know of anyone who would like to sponsor a hole and/or make a donation it would greatly be appreciated. If you have any questions, please contact Peter Thetard at 815-545-8525. Please return all Golf/Dinner sign-up sheets by September 3rd. Thank you!

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time Weekend of Aug 26/27, 2017

Saint Paul reminds us in today's second reading that the ultimate origin of everything is God. Since everything comes from God, we are God's own. We can never put God in our debt. There is absolutely no negotiating with God. Every breath we take is a gift. Every good deed we perform is grace. Good stewards realize they are created and called to make the beauty, greatness, compassion and justice of God and his gifts known throughout the world. The stewardship question for us is whether we are willing to embrace this call, acknowledge our dependence on God and give our lives over to him completely for this purpose.

