

St. Mary's Catholic Church

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

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Sunday, February 3, 2019

Parish Staff:

Father Stanley Drewniak, *Pastor*
Linette Hopwood, *Secretary*
Email: stlawrenceswilm@yahoo.com
Web Page swkrcatholics.org
Bridget Hoffman, *CCD Director*
Hall Rentals—Norma O'Brien 365-2590

Office Hours: 9-1 Monday—Friday

St. Mary Rectory (815) 237-2230

Mass Schedule

Sat.— 5:30 pm

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:

2/2/19 Sat. 5:30pm +Clement & Edith Riordan (Rosemary Brooks)

2/7/19 Thurs. 8:30am No Mass

2/9/19 Sat. 5:30pm Jacob Conor Cole (Dan & Melinda Hogan)

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

2/2/19 Sat. 5:30pm Lector-Bridget

2/9/19 Sat. 5:30pm Lector-Jane



Holy Father's Intention for the month of February: *General Intention:* Human Trafficking. For a generous welcome of the victims of human trafficking, of enforced prostitution, and of violence.

Weekly Income:

Sunday Collection	\$ 622.00
Latin America	\$ 110.00
	Thank you!

Prayers for Sick

Heidi Ehrhardt
Juanita Arias
Mike Zermeno

Welcome! 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!

During the month of February we will not have Daily Mass. If you would like to attend Daily Mass, please join me in South Wilmington Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings at 7:30am. Thank you! Fr. Stan

The Rectory office will be closed on Wednesday, February 6th. Lin will be attending a meeting at the Diocese.

Thank you for your generous support last week of the Collection for the **Church in Latin America**. As a parish, we collected \$110, which will be used to share the faith with our brothers and sisters in Latin America and the Caribbean so they in turn can share it with others. If you missed the collection, it's not too late to give! Visit www.usccb.org/nationalcollections and click "How to Give" on the left. Your gift makes a difference!

The **Blessing of the Throats** is a sacramental of the Roman Catholic Church, celebrated on February 3, the feast day of Saint Blaise of Sebaste. St. Blaise enjoyed widespread veneration in the Eastern and Western Churches due to many cures attributed to him. According to tradition, he was a physician and Bishop of Sebaste in Armenia and was martyred under Licinius. On February 3rd the Church gives a "Blessing of the Throats" in honor of St. Blaise. From the eighth century he has been invoked on behalf of the sick, especially those afflicted with illnesses of the throat. Many cures were attributed to him notably that of a child who was suffocating through a fish bone being caught in his throat. It is customary in many places to bless the throats of the faithful with two candles tied together with a red ribbon to form a cross. The rite of the blessing of throats may take place before or after Mass. The priest or deacon places the candles around the throat of whoever seeks the blessing, using the formula: "Through the intercession of St. Blaise, bishop and martyr, may God deliver you from every disease of the throat, and from every other disease. In the name of the Father and of the Son, + and of the Holy Spirit. R. Amen." Fr. Stanley will be blessing throats after Mass.

The Shroud Encounter experience will be coming to Immaculate Conception Church in Braidwood on Sunday March 17, 2019 at 2:00 PM. Russ Breault, an internationally known speaker from Georgia, will present the latest scientific research on the Shroud of Turin. It will be a fast moving, big screen experience using over 200 images covering all aspects of the Shroud research. Anita Scheer from Immaculate Conception Parish will be selling tickets at St. Lawrence after Masses next weekend. Immediately following the 1 1/2 to 2 hour presentation, The Braidwood Knights of Columbus will be offering a free will donation **Corn Beef & Cabbage Dinner** next door at Fr. White Hall.

"A single act of pure love pleases me more than a thousand imperfect prayers." *Jesus (According to St. Faustina)*

Word of Life---"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you" (Jeremiah 1:5). NABRE © 2010 CCD. Used with permission.

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time February 2/3, 2019 -In today's second reading we find one of the most beautiful and familiar passages in the Bible; a recitation of fifteen characteristics of Christian love typically read at weddings and anniversary celebrations. Of course, this was not what Saint Paul had in mind when he was chastising the Christian community at Corinth for its lack of love. He admonished the members of the community to exercise better stewardship of Christian love. The practice of patience, humility, joy, truth, peace, affirmation, and hope are ways good stewards put love into action. Might there be one or two of these attributes we can work on in order to grow in our love for God and others?

