

St. Mary's Catholic Church

216 E. Lincoln St., PO Box 16
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Sixth Sunday of Easter May 6, 2018

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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!

Thank you for your generous support of last week's Catholic Home Missions Appeal. Your contributions will help strengthen the Church at home and ensure that the Gospel is spread across the United States. If you missed the appeal, it's not too late to give! Just visit www.usccb.org/nationalcollections and click on the "How to Give" link on the left.

A Big Thank you to our CCD director Bridget Hoffman, our teachers Ainsley Fritz, Mary K. O'Brien, Cheryl O'Brien and Kelli Joyce. Thank you for the generosity of time and talent in sharing your faith and instructing our children so that their faith in Jesus Christ may grow. Have a Happy and safe summer vacation, but remember...Don't take a vacation from God. Always remember, keep Holy the Sabbath Day!

The Parish Office will be closed on Thursday, May 10th.

Donations are Matched With Catholic Charities' Angel Fund - Each day at Catholic Charities, Diocese of Joliet we assist individuals and families who need an angel -- veterans who have lost their homes, single mothers who seek warm clothes for their children, and seniors who are forced to choose between paying rent and buying food. Thankfully, we have found someone who is so special and generous... that he is almost like an angel on earth. This anonymous donor wants to team up with **you** to continue to help our struggling neighbors. **For every dollar you donate, our special angel will match it – up to \$50,000.** Please be generous. This is an opportunity to help someone who will have nowhere else to turn if Catholic Charities isn't there to help. Please send in a donation by May 31st. Make checks payable to: Catholic Charities: Angel Fund, 16555 Weber Rd., Crest Hill, IL 60403. Donations can also be made at catholiccharitiesjoliet.org or by calling 815-724-1140. Bless you for your support of Catholic Charities. Together we are doing God's work – changing and saving lives! If you can't send a gift, please remember the vulnerable and needy in your prayers.

Sixth Sunday of Easter Time – 06 May 2018

Still loving. On Holy Thursday, at the Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper, we sang *Ubi Caritas* (Where true charity is dwelling, God is present there). The second reading (1 John 4:7-10) and the gospel (John 15:9-17) harmonize this same song.

- What is it like to be beloved of God?
- Who will I love as friend this week?
- What will I lay down in my life for the benefit of another?

Mass Intentions:

5/05/18 Sat. 5:30pm +Joe Kersch (Kay Kersch & Family)
5/10/18 Thurs. 8:30am +Verneal Fritz (Mike Scanlon)
5/12/18 Sat. 5:30pm +Denise Blake Jepsen (Melinda & Dan 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

5/05/18 Sat. 5:30pm Lector-Bridget
5/12/18 Sat. 5:30pm Lector-Jane

Holy Father's Intention for the month of May:

General Intention: The Mission of the Laity. That the lay faithful may fulfill their specific mission, by responding with creativity to the challenges that face the world today.

Weekly Income:

Sunday Collection \$ 731.00
Home Missions \$ 80.00
"Your offering is most appreciated!"



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!

Last week Evalyn Hoffman and Charlie Mathison received Jesus for the first time at First Holy Communion. To the First Communicants: A guest came, to fill your soul with love, for we all know that Jesus came from above. He came into your very heart, close inside of you, where you can talk to Him, and tell your secrets, too. We know how happy you must be upon that Special Day: May God keep you close to Him, and forever bless your way.

2018 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES ANNUAL APPEAL PLEDGE REPORT

Monthly pledge payments for the CMAA pledges should be made in the next few days. It is very important that these pledges be paid so that our parish will reach our goal. Once we have reached goal in paid pledges, 70% of the additional funds received will be returned to the parish for our use.

PARISH GOAL:	<u>\$ 2,500.00</u>
AMOUNT PLEDGED:	<u>\$ 2,060.00</u>
AMOUNT PAID:	<u>\$ 1,910.00</u>
REMAINING BALANCE:	<u>\$ 150.00</u>