

# St. Mary's Catholic Church

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time, October 6, 2019

## Parish Staff:

Father Stanley Drewniak, *Pastor*  
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## Office Hours: 9-1 Monday—Friday

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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:

10/5/19 Sat. 5:30 pm +Patrick Watson (Mary K. O'Brien)  
**10/9/19 Thurs. 8:30 am No Mass**  
10/12/19 Sat. 5:30 pm +Arnold Fritz (Monica Ruder)

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

10/5/19 Sat. 5:30 pm Lector-Bill  
10/12/19 Sat. 5:30 pm Lector-Bridget



**Holy Father's Intention for the month of October:** A Missionary "Spring" in the Church. That the breath of the Holy Spirit engender a new missionary "spring" in the church.

## Weekly Income:

Sunday Collection \$ 847.00

Thank you!

## Prayers for Sick

Juanita Arias  
Scot Savoie  
Heidi Ehrhardt  
Sherry Moranski  
Mary Raines

No Daily Mass this week. Fr. Stan will be attending the Convocation with all the Priests in the Diocese of Joliet.



All over the world, people are preparing to celebrate the canonization of Blessed John Henry Newman on Sunday, October 13. This is a time of special grace for us to join together and form links in a great chain of prayer, where we call upon the soon-to-be-saint to crown our prayers with his intercession in heaven. We encourage you to form links in that chain by joining in the Novena with Newman – nine days of prayerful preparation for the canonization, starting on Friday, October 4 and finishing on Saturday, October 12, on the eve of the canonization.

**September 2019, Report from St. Mary's Finance Committee/ October 13 Utility Collection:** The Finance Committee for St. Mary's met in March to finalize the 2019-2020 budget for the church. The new budget year began on July 1. The committee had their first meeting of the new budget year this past week with Lin Hopwood and Fr. Stanley. It is the job of the Finance Committee to establish a yearly budget and monitor St. Mary's income and expenses. We have good news to report this year. St. Mary's is growing! Due to that growth and the generosity of our parishioners, we were able to achieve our budget last year! If you would like a copy of the 2018-2019 Financial Report it is available upon request by calling Lin at the parish office. During the weekend of October 13, we will have our first utility collection for the new budget year. (A green envelop is included in your box for this collection.) Last year utilities for our building and 20% of the rectory were \$5,081.19. The money from this collection and the second collection in March is used to defray our utility expenses. We want to thank all of our parishioners who have donated generously in the past to our two yearly collections. **The money from these collections is designated entirely for the care and maintenance of St. Mary's of Reddick.** Thank you for your support; we've made great progress!

Bill O'Brien, Jane Arends, Tom O'Brien, and Dan Hogan  
St. Mary's Finance Committee

"There is nothing the devil fears so much, or so much tries to hinder, as prayer."— St. Philip Neri

**2019 Public Square Rosary Rally**—Please join us as we ask God to save America through the Rosary of His Most Holy Mother. Where: St. Margaret Mary Catholic Church, Main St., Herscher, Illinois When: Saturday – October 12, 2019 Rosary will begin at 12:00 Noon (Please bring a lawn chair) For more information, please call: Jackie Eberle at 815-421-4048 (In case of inclement weather, we gather in the Church hall)

## Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time – 06 October 2019

Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4. Psalm 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9. 2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14. Luke 17:5-10.

**Size matters.** There is a lot to chew on today. Habakkuk accuses God of not listening, not helping (me, too, at times)! Saint Paul tells the beloved (and all of us) to stir into flame the gift(s) of God. The apostles ask for increased faith. For disciples – that is us, for we do follow – Jesus infers that size matters. Little mustard-seed-size faith must be planted. With nurturing, so it grows. As faith grows, so does discipleship. As discipleship grows, so does the duty to faithfully serve. Let us do our duty!

- How big is my faith?
- How do I nurture it, fan it to flame?
- What service do I have the duty to do?

