

St. Mary's Catholic Church

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time, August 25, 2019

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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:

8/24/19 Sat. 5:30 pm +C. A. Galeaz (Tony & Anita Galeaz)
 8/29/19 Thurs. 8:30 am +Arnold Berens (Ann Ruder)
 8/31/19 Sat. 5:30 pm +Butch & Bernice Lovell (Bill & Donna Masching)

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

8/24/19 Sat. 5:30 pm Lector-Mary K.
 8/31/19 Sat. 5:30 pm Lector-Bill



Holy Father's Intention for the month of August: Families, Schools of Human Growth. That families, through their life of prayer and love, become ever more clearly "schools of true human growth".

Weekly Income:

Sunday Collection	\$780.00
Assumption	\$238.00
	Thank you!

Prayers for Sick

Juanita Arias
 Scot Savoie
 Heidi Ehrhardt
 Waylon Conley

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!



St. Mary's CCD Registration is on Wednesday, August 28th at 7pm. Registration Fees are \$25 per student OR \$40 per family. (Additional \$25 for sacrament years—First Communion and Confirmation). CCD will be on Wednesday evenings. If you have any questions, please contact Bridget Hoffman at 815-343-3257. Thank you!

"Joyful Again" Retreat/workshop for Widows and Widowers "Have you lost your spouse recently and are grieving for him/her? Do you hold back the tears and let them fall when you are alone to avoid having your family worry about you? Tears can be healing, hope for a more joyful life can follow. Attending a Joyful Again! Retreat can lead the way." (Words of a recent participant who lost his wife and was floundering.) September 7 & 8, 2019 Mary Queen of Heaven Parish, Elmhurst to register call: Joyful Again! 708-354-7211 or email us at joyfulagain7211@gmail.com or see our website: www.joyfulagain.org.

Essex Lions Club will host **breakfast on Sunday, August 25** 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.

The Lucky Winner of the KC's bears/packers raffle was Mary Steffes of Coal City. Thank You to all who bought tickets

Men's Holy Hour and Reflection Group: The Knights of Columbus are putting together a Men's Group open to ALL MEN of our surrounding parishes! The group will meet on the 2nd and 4th Saturday of each month starting in September at 7:00am; there will be an initial meeting on August 31st at 7:00am. All meetings will be at Immaculate Conception Parish in Braidwood. This is a great time to be with our Lord and support each other as the leaders of our families and households!



The Knights of Columbus are selling **fall mums** for \$8.00 each. Order forms will be available in the back of the church. Please return completed forms with payment to the collection baskets or mail them to the address on the form. Orders are due by Sunday, September 15th and the mums can be picked up the following weekend, September 21st at the parish or parish hall of your choice.

The Miracle of Friendship- There is a "Miracle" called "Friendship" that dwells within the heart. And you don't know how it happens or when it gets its start. But the happiness it brings you always gives a special lift. And you realize that "Friendship" is God's most precious gift.

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Isaiah 66:18-21. Psalm 117:1, 2. Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13. Luke 13:22-30.

Being saved. Here is the truth: many, and not just a few, will be saved. We believe it even though we do not always behave like we do believe! Jesus says today that the threshold to heaven is a narrow gate. Jesus says this passing through it is constant striving. Jesus says many will come from all directions and places to enter and dine at heaven's table.

- How will I work hard to be human and Christian?
- How will I rely on God's power and strength to enter the Kingdom of Heaven?
- How can I be like God and embrace everyone from everywhere?

