

# St. Mary's Catholic Church

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time, September 15, 2019

## Parish Staff:

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## Office Hours: 9-1 Monday—Friday

St. Mary Rectory (815) 237-2230

## 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!

This year, there will be no second collection for **Christ is Our Hope Magazine Appeal**. If you wish to still support the magazine, please check your September 2019 issue for a donation envelope and send your gift directly to the Christ is Our Hope Magazine Appeal at the Diocese of Joliet. Thank you for your gift!

**Word of Life**—"Throughout salvation history, God has welcomed repentant sinners with special joy. Jesus concludes the parable of the lost sheep with these words: 'there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous people who have no need of repentance' (Lk 15:7)."

**Monday, September 16th at 4pm Catholic Charities' and Northern Illinois Food Bank Mobile Food Pantry** will be distributing food in South Wilmington at St. Lawrence Church parking lot (rain or shine). You do not have to be Catholic to participate. Catholic Charities helps people of all faiths and beliefs. If you know anyone in need, please inform them.

**Butter Braid Fundraiser**-The Reddick Community Auxiliary (R.C.A.), a volunteer organization affiliated with the Reddick Firefighter's Association, is having their annual Butter Braid and Cookies Fundraiser. The R.C.A. is responsible for hosting a variety of community events such as the town's Halloween party, the Easter egg hunt, sponsoring Santa Claus' visit, holiday baskets of food and toys for area families, support for Herscher's P.T.A., a free outside summer movie event, support for the Reddick volunteer firefighters, and a number of other activities. The selection this year is as follows: **Butter Braids** - Cream Cheese, Apple, Blueberry Cream Cheese, Cinnamon, Bavarian Cream, Cherry, Strawberry and Cream Cheese, Four Cheese and Herb with Marinara Sauce. **Cookies** – Triple Chocolate, Classis Chocolate Chip, Cranberry Oatmeal Medley, Peanut Butter Perfection, Snickerdoodle, and Sweet Macadamia Nut **Cinnamon Rolls** and **Caramel Rolls** are also available. **Cost: \$15.00 (All to be delivered before the holidays!)** Please see one of the following members if you are interested in ordering: Rosemary Brooks, Jane Arends, Kelli Joyce, Gail Joyce or call 815-365-4489 to place an order. Thank you for your ongoing support for our organization!

**Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time – 15 September 2019** Exodus 32:7-11, 13-14. Psalm 51:3-4, 12-13, 17, 19. 1 Timothy 1:12-17. Luke 15:1-32. **Welcoming sinners and eating with them.** Some will be shocked at whom we are called to hang around. Lost sheep. Ungrateful children. Sinners, the less than perfect, the prodigal. People just like us, if truth be told. The Church is not a place for the perfect. We are charged to be perfect, true. But perfection is found in God alone. That is why we hang around those who hang around Jesus and strive to be like him.

- Whom will I welcome?
- What lost sheep will I go after?
- What seemingly ungrateful person will I look for, welcome back, and embrace?



## Mass Intentions:

9/14/19 Sat. 5:30 pm +Cynthia Hamende (Ray & Heidi Ehrhardt)  
9/19/19 Thurs. 8:30 am No Mass  
9/21/19 Sat. 5:30 pm +Pat & Alice Masching (Ruth Schott)

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

9/14/19 Sat. 5:30 pm Lector-Jane  
9/21/19 Sat. 5:30 pm Lector-Melinda



**Holy Father's Intention for the month of September:** The Protection of the Oceans. That politicians, scientists and economists work together to protect the world's seas and oceans.

## Weekly Income:

Sunday Collection \$659.00

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!

Fr. Stanley is in Poland with his family at this difficult time on the loss of his father. Daily Masses have been cancelled and will resume on Tuesday, September 23rd. There will be a Priest for the weekend Masses. Please keep Fr. Stanley and his family in your prayers. Condolences may be sent to Father Stan at PO Box 190, South Wilmington, IL 60474.

*Try to put in the hearts of your children a love for home. Make them long to be with their families. So much sin could be avoided if our people really loved their homes.*

## Are You Called to the Permanent Diaconate?

The Diocese of Joliet has begun the process of inviting men to discern the call to the diaconate.

**Applications Are Now Being Accepted Online**

[deaconapp.org](http://deaconapp.org)

