St. Mary's Catholic Church

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Mass Schedule

Sat.— 5:30 pm Mass Thurs.— 8:30 am Mass

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!



Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time, September 19, 2021

Mass Intentions:

9/18/21 Sat. 5:30 pm +Mary Lou King (Mary K. O'Brien) 9/23/21 Thurs. No Mass 9/25/21 Sat. 5:30 pm Parishioners

If you would like a Mass Intention said, please contact the Parish Office. Suggested Donations 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 9/18/21 Sat. 5:30 pm-Lector-Mary K. 9/25/21 Sat. 5:30 pm-Lector-Bill



Holy Father's Intention for the month of September: General Intention: An environmentally sustainable lifestyle. We pray that we all will make courageous choices for a simple and environmentally sustainable lifestyle, rejoicing in our young people who are resolutely committed to this.

Weekly Income:Sunday Collection\$ 613.00Haiti Collection\$ 140.00Your Offering is most appreciated!

Prayers for Sick Heidi Ehrhardt, Donna Masching, Debbie Turner, and Michael Mullen

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!

Welcome Fr. Tony Nugent and thankyou for celebrating Mass with us today.

No Daily Mass during the month of **September.** Fr. Stan is in Poland visiting his family. **Daily Mass** will resume at our parish on **Thursday, October 7th at 8:30am**. If an emergency arises and you need a priest, please call the parish office at 815-237-2230. Thank you!

Wanting to keep up with news and/or announcements from the Diocese?! Visit www.dioceseofjoliet.org for the latest information and resources.

"Patience smooths away lots of difficulties." — St. John Bosco

Catechetical Sunday is a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the role that each person plays, by virtue of Baptism, in handing on the faith and being a witness to the Gospel. This year, the Church will celebrate **Catechetical Sunday on September 19, 2021**, and the theme is: *"Say the Word and My Soul Shall be Healed."* We are grateful and Thank you to those who serve as our catechists.

The Parish Office will be closed next week, Monday, Sept. 20 through Sept. 24. The Parish Office will re-open on Monday, Sept. 27th. Thank you!

Butter Braid/ Cookie Dough Fundraiser-The Reddick Community Auxiliary (RCA) of the Volunteer Firefighter's Association is having their annual butter braid and cookie fundraiser. The RCA hosts a variety of community events such as the Reddick Halloween party, the Community Easter Egg Hunt, Santa's annual visit, holiday baskets of food and toys for area families, support for Herscher's PTA, a free summer movie event, support for the Reddick volunteer firefighters, and a number of other activities. The selection this year is as follows: **Butter Braids** – Apple, Bavarian Crème, Blueberry and Cream Cheese, Cherry, Cinnamon, Cream Cheese, Four Cheese and Herb, Strawberry and Cream Cheese **Cookies** – Classic Chocolate Chip, Cranberry Oatmeal Medley, Peanut Butter Perfection, Snickerdoodle, Sweet Macadamia Nut, Triple Chocolate **Cinnamon Rolls, Caramel Rolls, Cake Rolls** – Chocolate Crème, Lemon Crème, Pumpkin Cake, Red Velvet. **Cost: \$16.00 (All to be delivered before Thanksgiving!)** Please contact one of the following members if you are interested in ordering: Rosemary Brooks, Jane Arends, Kelli Joyce, Gayle Joyce or call 815-365-4489 to place an order. Thank you for supporting our organization!

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)*." *NABRE © 2010 CCD. Used with permission.* USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities"Life Matters: Forgiveness and Healing After Abortion"

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time – 19 Sept 2021 Wisdom 2:12, 17-20. Psalm 54:3-4, 5, 6-8. James 3:16–4:31. Mark 9:30 -37. **"I'm Better Than You."** Our lives are filled with all manner of put down, one upmanship, top dog behavior. When the disciples where caught in a similar conversation by Jesus, their response was silence. Perhaps, from embarrassment, even shame – especially after his teaching. He says to them and to us, be last not first, be of service, be open to receive. Who needs to be first at something this week rather than me? Whom can I serve because they need some help? Whom will I receive with joy as I would a child or grandchild?

