

St. Mary's Catholic Church

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time, November 14, 2021

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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!

Mass Intentions:

11/13/21 Sat. 5:30 pm +Zephr Benoit (Monica Ruder)
11/18/21 Thurs. 8:30 am +Verneal Fritz (MaryKay & Todd Gereaux)
+Arnold Fritz (Dan & Sandra Ryan)
11/20/21 Sat. 5:30 pm +Tom "Bear" Turner (Melinda & Dan Hogan)

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

11/13/21 Sat. 5:30 pm-Lector-Jane
11/20/21 Sat. 5:30 pm-Lector-Melinda



Holy Father's Intention for the month of November: *General Intention:* People who suffer from depression. We pray that people who suffer from depression or burn-out will find support and a light that opens them up to life.

Weekly Income:

Sunday Collection	\$ 605.00
All Saints Day	\$ 130.00
All Souls Day	\$ 160.00
Maintenance	\$ 300.00

Your Offering is most appreciated!

Prayers for Sick

Heidi Ehrhardt, Donna Masching, Debbie Turner, and Michael Mullen

While we should always pray for those who have died before us, during the month of November we make a special devotion to pray for all our deceased loved ones. It is a pious devotion in the Church to light a candle in remembrance of our loved ones who have died. This practice reminds us of the light of Christ that was given to us in our Baptism. In order to foster both of these devotions we are making available special 6-day votive candles that can be personalized and used in your home. We are asking for a donation of \$5.00 per candle. Candles are available at the back of the Church.

2022 St. Mary's Lectors Needed-Please consider serving St. Mary's by volunteering as one of our lectors. The 2022 schedule will soon be finalized. Current lectors will be kept on the schedule unless they indicate otherwise. If interested, please contact Jane Arends before the end of November. (815-365-4489)

Dear Friends, Our diocese will soon will take up the national collection for the **Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD)**, which serves as the U.S. bishops' anti-poverty initiative. Helping our brothers and sisters living on the margins has always been a key element of Catholic social teaching, but these efforts have taken on a new dimension during the current global health crisis. As Pope Francis noted last month, "the pandemic has laid bare the social inequalities that afflict our peoples. ... To ignore those who have fallen is to ignore our own humanity that cries out in every brother and sister of ours." (*On the Occasion of the Fourth World Meeting of Popular Movements, Oct. 16, 2021*) It's important to remember that 25% of the collection stays within our diocese to be distributed through grants to local organizations whose mission is to help the marginalized. Let me tell you about two of those groups. We Grow Dreams is a nonprofit greenhouse and landscaping service in West Chicago. As its name indicates, it grows more than plants. It offers training and jobs to people with physical and mental disabilities, beginning while they are still in high school. This early start sets these individuals on a path to a more independent life. Garden of Youth Prayer Center in Kankakee County focuses on strengthening families by supporting children and parents. Group homes and foster care families provide the love and nurturing at-risk children need. Family and individual counseling, mentoring and job readiness training accompany these children through each stage of development. The motto of CCHD is that it "offers a hand up, not a hand out." Let us extend our hands in service to our brothers and sisters who need our help through a donation on the week-end of **November 20-21**. Paz y bien, **Most Reverend Ronald A. Hicks** Bishop of Joliet

Monday, November 15 at 4pm is the next Mobile Food Pantry coming to South Wilmington. St. Lawrence Church parking lot (snow, rain or shine). **Participants are asked to remain in their cars.** Catholic Charities helps people of all faiths and beliefs. If you know anyone in need, please inform them. Thank you!

"And this is the testimony: God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. Whoever possesses the Son has life; whoever does not possess the Son of God does not have life." 1 John 5:11-12

Word of Life--"We can't imagine loving a child whom we conceived more than we love Andrew. It is amazing how he fits our personalities so well... Adopting Andrew has made us more aware of God's power and of his love for us. We realize that he always has a perfect plan for our lives." USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, An Adoption Love Story" (respectlife.org/adoption-love-story)

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time – 14 Nov 2021 Daniel 12:1-3. Psalm 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11. Hebrews 10:11-14, 18. Mark 13:24-32. **and World Day of the Poor Is the End-Time Coming?** The liturgical year of 2021 ends in 14 days. These past weeks have kept our focus on living in the Kingdom of God and living for its completion. Who knows when this world will end. None of us! It will come when God is ready. We know it ends here for each of us at death. And then perdures for ever in the eternal presence of God. Rather than fret about when the end will come, let us behave rightly now. What will I do today to behave as God wants? What will I say today that is right and true and just? What mercy work will guide my week?

