

St. Mary's Catholic Church

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time, February 6, 2022

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Mass Schedule

Sat.— 5:30 pm 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:

2/5/22 Sat. 5:30pm +Lucille Christensen (Heidi & Ray Ehrhardt)

2/10/22 Thurs. No Mass

2/12/22 Sat. 5:30pm +Zephyr Benoit (Sharon Draeide)

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

2/5/22 Sat. 5:30 pm-Lector-Jane

2/12/22 Sat. 5:30 pm-Lector-Melinda



Holy Father's Intention for the month of February: *General Intention:* For religious sisters and consecrated women. We pray for religious sisters and consecrated women; thanking them for their mission and their courage, may they continue to find new responses to the challenges of our times.

Weekly Income:

Sunday Collection \$ 745.00

Your Offering is most appreciated!

Prayers for Sick

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

During the months of February we will not have Daily Mass. If you would like to attend Daily Mass during these months, please join me in South Wilmington on Tuesdays for 6:30pm Mass. Wednesday and Thursdays Mass at 7:30am. Thank you! Fr. Stan

Statement of Contributions-If you would like a tax statement of your contributions for 2021, please call the Rectory 815-237-2230. Statements can only be prepared if you use your weekly Offertory Envelopes.

Congratulations to our newest member who received the Sacrament of Baptism, Eleanor Dell Peterson, daughter of Dane & Alyssa. May God always hold her in the Palm of His Hands.

"Think well. Speak well. Do well. These three things, through the mercy of God, will make a man go to Heaven." –St. Camillus



Prayer for Married Couples-Almighty and eternal God, You blessed the union of married couples so that they might reflect the union of Christ with his Church:

look with kindness on them. Renew their marriage covenant, increase your love in them, and strengthen their bond of peace so that, with their children, they may always rejoice in the gift of your blessing. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

February—Month of the Passion of Our Lord. The month of February is traditionally dedicated to the Passion of Our Lord in anticipation of the liturgical season of Lent. In this month, we begin to meditate on the mystery of Jesus' sufferings which culminated in his death on the Cross for the redemption of mankind. Saints who had a special devotion to Christ's passion include St. Francis of Assisi, who was the first known saint to receive the stigmata; St. John of the Cross; St. Bridget of Sweden; and St. Catherine of Siena.

Are You Good With Numbers? Use Your Talents to Help Others! Catholic Charities is seeking volunteers in our Money Management Program. As a trained volunteer, you'll provide basic money management services to low-income seniors who have difficulty budgeting, paying routine bills, and keeping track of financial matters. You will use your valuable skills to help individuals who may not have friends or relatives to assist them. All volunteers must pass federal and state background checks. If you're interested in sharing your talents as a Money Management Program volunteer, call 815-724-1178, or email kscheikart@cc-doj.org.

Word of Life—"A society is all the more human to the degree that it cares effectively for its most frail and suffering members, in a spirit of fraternal love. Let us strive to achieve this goal, so that no one will feel alone, excluded or abandoned." Pope Francis, Message for the 29th World Day of the Sick 2021 © 2020, Libreria Editrice Vaticana. Used with permission. All rights reserved.

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time – 06 February 2022 Isaiah 6:1-2a, 3-8. Psalm 138:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 7-8. 1 Corinthians 15:1-11. Luke 5:1-11. **Believing Christ's Rising.** Isaiah and Luke relate stories of being called to do God's work. Paul, in the second reading, recounts the Good News in which we stand and in which we are saved. Namely: Jesus died, was buried, was raised on the third day, and then appeared to many. He is with us still. How do I experience the risen Christ in daily life? My life? Other's lives? How will I "press in on Jesus" (Luke) to hear his saving words? From what does this Christ save me this day? Then tomorrow? Then the next day?

