St. Mary's Catholic Church

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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!

Pontifical Good Friday Collection,-supports Christians living in the Holy Land. Your generosity allows the Franciscan Friars in the Holy Land to continue their work of providing hope to Christians. The pandemic that is affecting the whole world struck particularly hard on the Catholic population of the Holy Land, which is usually strongly supported by pilgrims visiting the holy sites. This collection supports the work of the Franciscans in maintaining the sacred shrines, ministering to the parishes, providing formation and education in the communities and schools, and caring for the basic needs of the people in the Holy Land. When you contribute to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you become an instrument of peace and join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land. For more information about Christians in the Holy Land, visit www.myfranciscan.org/good-friday.

Holy Week Mass Schedule

- April 14 Holy Thurs.-6pm-St. Lawrence All Parishes April 15-Good Friday—The Passion of the Lord 3pm-Sacred Heart-Kinsman
 - 5pm-St. Lawrence-S. Wilmington
- April 16-Holy Saturday
- 5:30pm-Vigil Mass-St. Mary-Reddick 8pm-Vigil Mass-St. Lawrence
- April 17-Easter Sunday-Resurrection of our Lord 8am-Easter Mass-Sacred Heart-Kinsman 10am-Easter Mass-St. Lawrence

Aspect of PALM – Symbol of JESUS -Palm branches have long been associated with the triumphal entry into Jerusalem. The palm is the symbol of victory, conquest, and kingship. As a symbol for Jesus, the Prince of Peace, and Servant-King, the palm has added significance; for the palm, of all trees, is the servant tree. The palm offers shade for the weary. It is the source of food for the hungry. From it man obtains sugar, resin, and oil. Its branches are used for the weaving of baskets and for the thatching of roofs. The lofty palm suggests mastery and service. – E.T. Clapp.

The Parish Office will be closed April 11 & 15.

Saturday, April 16 – Easter Egg Hunt-The annual Community Easter Egg Hunt sponsored by the Reddick Community Auxiliary (RCA) will be held on Saturday, April 16, at 10:00 a.m. at the Reddick Fire Protection District grounds (formerly Reddick Grade School). Please park on the EAST side of the building, and bring a basket or bag for egg collection.

Word of Life--"Despite our best efforts, it can sometimes be difficult to recognize the profound value of human life when we see its full weakness and fragility. Yet, the faithful care of human life until its natural end is entrusted to every person." USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities "The Witness of the Good Samaritan: Palliative Care and Hospice"

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion - 10 April 2022 PROCESSION: Luke 19:28-40. MASS: Isaiah 50:4-7. Psalm 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24. Philippians 2:6-11. Luke 22:14–23:56. Reflecting on the Procession. We read and hear the Passion Gospel today. But first, at the procession, when we bless palms, we hear what precedes it. There is a colt, there are cloaks spread on the road, there are shouts: "Blessed is the king"..."Peace in heaven." What cloak will I spread before Jesus to make it easy for him to to my parish church for all the celebrations of the Easter Triduum? come to me? So that stones do not cry out, what will I proclaim about Jesus Christ? How will I clear my calendar so I can come



Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord, April 10, 2022

Mass Intentions:

4/09/22 Sat. 5:30pm +Ed Masching (Sandra Ryan)

- 4/14/22 Holy Thursday 6pm in South Wilmington all Parishes 4/15/22 Good Friday Service 5pm in South Wilmington
- 4/16/22 Easter Vigil 5:30pm

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 4/09/22 Sat. 5:30 pm-Lector-Bill 4/16/22 Sat. 5:30 pm-Lector-Bridget



Holy Father's Intention for the month of April: General Intention: For health care workers. We pray for health care workers who serve the sick and elderly, especially in the poorest countries; may they be adequately supported by governments and local communities.

Confessions.....Have you been away from the Sacrament of Reconciliation for a

long time? Are you worried about coming back because you don't know if the

"formula" for confession has changed? Are you embarrassed to tell the priest

how long it has been since you have received this sacrament? Rest easy! Things are the same and the priest will welcome you back with open arms!

Confessions will be heard today after Mass or on Tuesday, April 12th after

6:30pm Mass in South Wilmington. There will be a visiting Priest coming to

Lenten Disciplines of Fasting & Abstinence-Catholics in good health ages 18 to

59 are required to fast and abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and Good

smaller snacks that do not add up to a single full meal. Catholics ager 14 and

Friday. Fasting consists of eating only one meal, with the possibility of two

Weekly Income: Sunday Collection \$ 882.00 \$ 100.00 Maintenance

South Wilmington to help Fr. Stan hear Confessions.

older are to abstain from meat on all Fridays in Lent.

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

Your Offering is most appreciated!