

St. Mary's Catholic Church

Second Sunday of Easter (Or Sunday of Divine Mercy), April 24, 2022

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Mass Schedule

Sat.— 5:30 pm Mass
Thurs.—8:30am 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:

4/23/22 Sat. 5:30pm +Ryan Hogan (Dan & Melinda Hogan) and Parishioners

4/28/22 Thurs. 8:30am +Mary Jo Murphy

4/30/22 Sat. 5:30pm Don & Norma O'Brien (65th Wedding Anniv.)

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

4/23/22 Sat. 5:30 pm-Lector-Jane

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



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.

Weekly Income:

Easter Collection	\$ 1664.00
Holy Thursday	\$ 145.00
Good Friday	\$ 230.00
Your 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!

Thank you to our CCD teachers for taking the time to teach our children this past year. Kelli Joyce K-1st, Glenda Turner 2nd, Kelsey Kambic 3rd & 4th, Becky Stipanovich and Cathy Burke 5th & 6th and Bridget Hoffman our CCD Director. Religious Ed. Classes will begin again after Labor Day.

"Say to yourself over and over again regardless of what happens: God loves me! And then add: I will try to love him!" Fulton Sheen-*The Wisdom of Fulton Sheen*. DynamicCatholic.com

Support the **Catholic Home Missions Appeal** today! Nearly 40% of dioceses in the United States and its territories are considered mission territories because they are unable to fund essential pastoral activities needed in their communities. Your support funds religious education, seminary formation, lay ministry training, and other programs that build vibrant faith communities right here in the United States. Please be generous. More information can be found at www.usccb.org/home-missions.

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 kschweikart@cc-doj.org. To learn more about the programs and services provided by Catholic Charities, visit catholiccharitiesjoliet.org.

Essex Community Club will host breakfast on Sunday, April 24 at the Essex Community Hall, 217 Paris St., from 7 am to noon. The Lions will serve biscuits and gravy, pancakes, French toast, hash browns, bacon, sausage, eggs (any way), toast, orange juice, milk and coffee. The cost will be \$8 for adults and \$4 for children ages 6-12 and Under 6 eat FREE.

Monday, April 25 at 4pm is the next Mobile Food Pantry coming to South Wilmington. St. Lawrence Church parking lot (rain or shine). **Participants are asked to remain in their cars.** Take Action to solve hunger by volunteering to sort and pack boxes, help us distribute food to neighbors in need. If you can volunteer, please arrive by 3pm to help pack boxes. Please pass the word to those in need. Thank you!

Word of Life—"If you or someone you know has had an abortion, be assured that it is never too late to seek God's forgiveness in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Additionally, other confidential, compassionate help is available. Select "Find Help" from the menu on www.hopeafterabortion.org to find the diocesan Project Rachel Ministry near you. USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities "Bridges of Mercy for Healing after Abortion" www.usccb.org/bridges-of-mercy

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Acts 5:12-16. Psalm 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24. Revelation 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19. John 20:19-31.

Standing in Our Midst. Sometimes we just want proof. The words and witness of others is not always enough. Even when we do not ask for Jesus to come, he comes to us, just as he did to the disciples in the upper room. He is with us still, with us now, extending mercy and peace.

- What signs do I see of Christ being present, being with us being with me?
- How can I extend Christ's Easter greeting of peace to others?
- How will I be an ambassador of mercy? What work will I do this week?

