

St. Mary's Catholic Church

Third Sunday of Easter, May 1, 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:

4/30/22 Sat. 5:30pm Don & Norma O'Brien (65th Wedding Anniv.)
5/05/22 Thurs. 8:30am +Zeph & Joan Benoit (Ruth Schott)
5/07/22 Sat. 5:30pm +Joe Kersch (Kay & Family)

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

4/30/22 Sat. 5:30 pm-Lector-Bill
5/07/22 Sat. 5:30 pm-Lector-Melinda



Holy Father's Intention for the month of May: *General Intention:* For faith-filled young people. We pray for all young people, called to live life to the fullest; may they see in Mary's life the way to listen, the depth of discernment, the courage that faith generates, and the dedication to service.

Weekly Income:

Sunday Collection	\$ 675.00
Home Missions	\$ 110.00
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!

The Parish Office will be closed on Friday, May 6th.

Eucharistic Adoration—May 4 from 11am – 1pm at St. Lawrence O'Toole in Essex. Everyone is invited to adore Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament on every **1st Wednesday of the month.** Hope you can find time to stop by an visit with Jesus during this time.

"The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is thy faithfulness." —Lamentations 3:22-23

Please keep our First Communion student, Ayden Marcotte in your prayers this weekend as he receives Jesus for the first time.

Lines to a First Communicant—Today a Guest is coming, Who will fill your soul with love, for we all know that Jesus is coming from above. Coming into your very heart, close inside of you, Where you can talk to Him, and tell your secrets, too. I know how happy you must be upon this Special Day: May God keep you close to Him, and forever bless your way.

Thank you for your generous support of last week's Catholic Home Missions Appeal. As a parish, we raised \$110.00 to help strengthen the Church at home and ensure that the Gospel is spread across the United States. If you missed the appeal, it's not too late to give! Just visit www.usccb.org/home-missions.

The month of May is traditionally considered the month of Mary, a month especially dedicated to devotion to Our Lady, the Mother of God and the Mother of all of us. In May, we celebrate Mother's Day, and it is only fitting that we spend a whole month celebrating especially the Mother who is model of all mothers, the Mother God chose for His own Son. This is a month to grow in devotion to Mary as Our Mother. At the foot of the cross, Jesus said to His mother, who was standing with the beloved disciple (who represents each one of us), "Woman, behold your son." And then to the beloved disciple—and to each of us—"Behold your mother." And then, the Gospel tells us, "From that hour the disciple took her into his home." (John 19:26-27) In the month of May, Jesus invites us in a special way to take Mary into our homes, to show her a special honor, to receive her as our Mother in the spiritual life, and to let her lead us closer to the heart of Jesus.

How can we grow in devotion to Mary this month? Pray the rosary daily, either individually or as a family. If you live alone, invite others to join you in the rosary. We encourage you to begin or renew the practice of praying three Hail Mary's each night, before you go to bed. With these three Hail Mary's we ask Our Mother to "tuck us in," spiritually, keeping watch over our bodies and souls, especially asking for the gift of purity of body and soul.

Elbow Benders 59th Annual Spaghetti Supper—Saturday, May 7th 2022 at The Parish Hall in South Wilmington. Serving from 5 to 9 pm. All you can Eat & Drink. (Spaghetti and Beer). Donation: Adults \$6. Child Portion available. Carry outs available at door. Proceeds benefit area youth baseball & softball.

Third Sunday of Easter – 01 May 2022 Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41. Psalm 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13. Revelation 5:11-14. John 21:1-19. **Serving Breakfast.** In this third appearance of the risen Lord to his followers, Jesus prepares breakfast on the shore for the disciples toiling in the sea. What an image! Jesus cooks. Jesus feeds them so they can go out and feed and tend the flock.

- What will this weekly meal of Communion enable me to be?
- What will this meal empower me to do?
- How can I then do the mercy work of giving drink to the thirsty and food to the hungry?

