St. Mary's Catholic Church

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Mass Schedule Sat.— 5:30 pm Mass

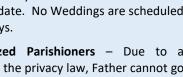
Thurs.—8:30am Mass

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!



Please join us in the Celebration of Life for

Sixth Sunday of Easter, May 22, 2022

Mass Intentions:

5/21/22 Sat. 5:30pm +Fr. Kostelz (Mark & Sue Richie & Family) 5/26/22 Thurs. 8:30am +John & Lorraine Tyrrell (Ray & Heidi Ehrhardt) 5/28/22 Sat. 5:30pm +Clifford Steichen (Friends)

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 5/21/22 Sat. 5:30 pm-Lector-Jane 5/28/22 Sat. 5:30 pm-Lector-Bill



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 \$ 690.00 Your Offering is most appreciated!

Prayers for Sick Kay Kersch, Heidi Ehrhardt, Donna Masching, Debbie Turner, and Michael Mullen

Congratulations to all our graduates, Grade School, High School, College, etc. Congratulations and well done! As you begin the next step, on your journey of life, may we suggest a little formula to help you to be the best person you can be? First and foremost, keep the faith. There will be many pressures on you in the future to abandon your faith. Try to remain focused on the key idea: Jesus Christ is the Lord of your life, and He is due respect and obedience. His teachings in the Sermon on the Mount will transform your life. Follow Him for He is the Way, the Truth and the Light. In order to remain spiritually alive, always turn to the Lord who said, Learn of Me for I am meek and humble of heart." When you accept Jesus as Lord, you are challenged to give witness to Christ in four ways: 1) Through Worship and Holy Communion. 2) Through the Recognition of Legitimate Authority. 3) Through Stewardship. 4) Through a Loving Relationship. Pray for the grace to live joyfully because of the knowledge of God's love. This isn't easy, but with God's help it is possible. May the Lord be your strength and your joy. Remember, God doesn't take a vacation from us, HE is with us Always!!!



Lucille A Christensen 2-4-24 to 3-27-21 97 years old. Saturday, June 11, 2022 Mass will be celebrated at 5:30pm at St. Mary's in Reddick Following the Mass an open house will be held and refreshments/supper will be served in St. Mary's Parish Hall from 6:30pm to 8:30 pm for all family & friends.

"Love Mary! She is loveable, faithful, constant. She will never let herself be outdone in love, but will ever remain supreme. If you are in danger, she will hasten to free you. If you are troubled, she will console you. If you are sick, she will bring you relief. If you are in need, she will help you. She does not look to see what kind of person you have been. She simply comes to a heart that wants to love her." -St. Gabriel Possenti

Monday, May 23 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!

The Knights of Columbus #1574 — Casino Night-Come out for a night of fun while helping out a great cause! All guests are able to win "funny money" throughout the night; the Top 10 Winners take home cash prizes!! 1st-\$500, 2nd-\$300, 3rd-\$200, 4th-\$150, 5th-\$100, 6th-10th \$50. May 28th 5pm-9pm at St. Lawrence Parish Hall. Tickets are \$25 each and includes unlimited food/drinks plus \$25 in "funny money" to get you started! Games include: Blackjack, Slot Machines, Texas Hold'em, Five Card Draw, etc. Proceeds to benefit St. Lawrence Church and Refugee Relief in Ukraine! Contact John Guistat at (815) 593-5827 or email at john.guistat@kofc.org for tickets. Tickets also available at the door for \$25.

Word of Life-- "The tragic U.S. Supreme Court decision of *Roe v. Wade* has allowed for the destruction of millions of innocent lives through legalized abortion. The Supreme Court is now in the process of deciding a case that has the potential to weaken, or even overturn, Roe v. Wade. As the Court prepares to release its decision in Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization, Christians across the country are uniting in prayer for this important case. Society as a whole must respect, defend and promote the dignity of every human person, at every moment and in every condition of that person's life. May we commit ourselves to urgent prayer and fasting, that the Court may act to uphold the dignity of unborn human life." USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, Respect Life Prayer Guide

Sixth Sunday of Easter – 22 May 2022 Acts 15:1-2, 22-29. Psalm 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8. Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23. John 14:23-29. Keeping the Lord's Word. Love me. Keep my words. Will teach you everything. Be not afraid. What an Easter message! From the other side of death, the living Jesus still embraces us, still teaches us, still wants the best of everything for us. How will I love God today? What impact will that have on someone else? How can I be at peace and trust in the Lord's care for me? How will I shed fear and not let my heart be troubled?

