

# St. Mary's Catholic Church

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time, Sunday, October 2, 2022

## Parish Staff:

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## Office Hours: 9-1 Monday—Friday

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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:

10/1/22 Sat. 5:30pm +Fr. Kostelz (Altar & Rosary)  
10/6/22 Thurs. 8:30am +Verneal Fritz (M/M Dan Hogan)  
10/8/22 Sat. 5:30pm +Kazimierz Drewniak (Children)

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

10/1/22 Sat. 5:30 pm-Lector-Jane  
10/8/22 Sat. 5:30 pm-Lector-Melinda



**Holy Father's Intention for the month of October:** *General Intention:* For a Church open to everyone. We pray for the Church, ever faithful to, and courageous in preaching the Gospel; may the Church be a community of solidarity, fraternity, and welcome, always living in an atmosphere of synodality.

## Weekly Income:

Sunday Collection \$ 515.00

Your Offering is most appreciated!

## Prayers for Sick

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

**Pet Blessing**—As we celebrate the Feast of St. Francis on Tuesday, October 4th, Fr. Stan will have Pet Blessings at 5:00pm in South Wilmington at the Prayer Garden. Furry, feathery, fluffy, slimy and spikey friends of all shapes and sizes are welcome to the celebration. All animals must be safely secured or on leashes. Please bring your beloved animals for this special blessing.

**Reminder**—Don't forget to bring your **Undy Sunday** donations by October 16th.

**Eucharistic Adoration—October 5 from 11am – 1pm** at St. Lawrence O'Toole in Essex. Adoration is held on every **1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the month.**

**October is the Month of the Rosary.** Please Pray the Rosary often.

**Thank you** for celebrating Priesthood Sunday with me last weekend. Thank you to everyone for your kind words and prayers for Priesthood Sunday. I am grateful for all of you. Please continue to pray for me and know that I am praying for all of you. Fr. Stanley

**St. Mary's Fall Utility Collection**—The St. Mary's Finance Committee/Parish Council met during this past spring to finalize the 2022-2023 budget. The new budget year began on July 1, 2022. The committee met again on August 30 to review the 2021-2022 Financial Report. The good news is St. Mary's was able to stay within our budget! Without your generous contributions, and the members who volunteer their time and services to our parish, this would not have occurred. The first of our two utility collections for the new budget year will be on October 8. Last year, utilities for our building and 20% of the rectory were \$5,805.63. We anticipate an increase this year due to overall higher energy costs. The money from this collection and the second collection in March is used to defray this expense. Thank you to all of our parishioners who have donated generously to the two utility collections in the past! These collections directly benefit St. Mary's of Reddick. If you would like a copy of the 2021-2022 Financial Report, it is available upon request by calling the parish office.

**Butter Braid/Cookie Dough Fundraiser**—The Reddick Community Auxiliary (RCA) of the Volunteer Firefighter's Association is having their annual butter braid and cookie fundraiser. The RCA hosts a variety of community events such as the Reddick Halloween party, the Community Easter Egg Hunt, Santa's annual visit, holiday baskets for area families, PTA donator, a free outdoor movie, support for the Reddick volunteer firefighters, and a number of other activities. The selection this year is as follows: **Butter Braids** – Apple, Bavarian Crème, Blueberry and Cream Cheese, Cherry, Cinnamon, Cream Cheese, Four Cheese and Herb, Strawberry and Cream Cheese. **Cookies** – Classic Chocolate Chip, Cranberry Oatmeal Medley, Peanut Butter Perfection, Snickerdoodle, Sweet Macadamia Nut, Triple Chocolate. **Cinnamon Rolls, Caramel Rolls, Cake Rolls** – Chocolate Crème, Lemon Crème, Pumpkin, Red Velvet, **Cost: \$16.00 (All to be delivered before Thanksgiving!)** Please contact one of the following members if you are interested in ordering: Jane Arends, Kelli Joyce, and Gayle Joyce or call 815-365-4489 to leave a message and place an order. Thank you for supporting our organization!

**Word of Life**—“The witness of our Blessed Mother invites us to become more aware of the needs of pregnant and parenting moms in our own parishes and communities... Following Mary's example, we can ask ourselves how to better know these mothers, listen to them, seek understanding, and help them obtain the necessities of life for themselves and their children. How can we, like the Blessed Mother, lovingly support mothers in welcoming and caring for God's gift of life?” USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities Respect Life Reflection: “Called to Serve Moms in Need”

**Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time – 02 Oct 2022** Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4. Psalm 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9. 2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14. Luke 17:5-10. **Size matters.** There is a lot to chew on today. Habakkuk accuses God of not listening, not helping (me, too, at times)! Saint Paul tells the beloved (and all of us) to stir into flame the gift(s) of God. The apostles ask for increased faith. For disciples – that is us, for we do follow – Jesus infers that size matters. Little mustard-seed-size faith must be planted. With nurturing, so it grows. As faith grows, so does discipleship. As discipleship grows, so does the duty to faithfully serve. Let us do our duty! How big is my faith? How do I nurture it, fan it to flame? What service do I have the duty to do?

