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!

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Sunday, September 25, 2022

Mass Intentions:

9/24/22 Sat. 5:30pm +John & Lorraine Tyrrell (Ray & Heidi Ehrhardt) 9/29/22 Thurs. 8:30am +Frank & Minnie Gianotti & Descendents 10/1/22 Sat. 5:30pm +Fr. Kostelz (Altar & Rosary)

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 9/24/22 Sat. 5:30 pm-Lector-Bridget 10/1/22 Sat. 5:30 pm-Lector-Jane



Holy Father's Intention for the month of September: General Intention: For the abolition of the death penalty. We pray that the death penalty, which attacks the dignity of the human person, may be legally abolished in every country.

Weekly Income:		Prayers for Sick
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Sunday Collection	\$ 646.00	John Deane, Kay Kersch, Heidi
		Ehrhardt, Donna Masching, Deb-
Your Offering is most appreciated!		bie Turner, and Michael Mullen

Welcome back Fr. Stanley!! We hope you had a wonderful vacation and enjoyed your visit with your family in Poland. We missed you!

Daily Mass Resumes this week on Thursday morning at 8:30am.

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.

October 3-4, 2022—the **movie about Mother Teresa**: No Greater Love will be showing at Cinemark theaters at 7pm in Joliet and Bourbonnais on Oct, 3rd & 4th and at AMC in New Lenox. Watch the trailer at motherteresamovie.com

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.

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.

Undy Sunday 2022-Did you know that new underwear and socks are the most-requested, but least-donated items at Catholic Charities? These basic items (new underwear, warm socks, a fresh diaper) are truly treasures to those who are living in poverty. St. Mary's Church is helping Catholic Charities, Diocese of Joliet and the individuals and families they serve by collecting the following NEW items for children and adults living in low-income households: We are grateful for ALL Undy Sunday donations, but here are the items specifically requested from our locations this year: Boy's underwear in toddler sizes (18month and larger), Children's undershirts in sizes 2T - 5T (boys and girls), Disposable Face Masks (for adults). Collection will be held until October 16th. If you would prefer to send a monetary donation, please mail it to: Catholic Charities, Diocese of Joliet/Undy Sunday, 16555 Weber Road, Crest Hill, IL 60403. Monetary donations can also be made online at catholiccharitiesjoliet.org. Thank you for making a difference in the lives of the poor and vulnerable in our community!

Then the disciples came to Jesus privately and said, 'Why could we not cast it out?' He said to them, 'Because of your little faith. For truly I tell you, if you have faith the size of a mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, "Move from here to there", and it will move; and nothing will be impossible for you.'" –Matthew 17:20

Word of Life- "Suicidal individuals—with or without a terminal illness—typically do not want to die... The patient requesting assisted suicide is often asking, 'Does anyone want me to be alive, or care enough to talk me out of this request and support me through this difficult time?'" USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities "Every Suicide is Tragic"

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time – 25 Sept 2022 Amos 6:1a, 4-7. Psalm 146:7, 8-9, 9-10. 1 Timothy 2:11-16. Luke 16:19-31. **Are the Rich in Trouble?** Here, today, is the story of a rich man and a poor man, Lazarus (means, "My God helps"). The impoverished life of the latter and the sumptuous life of the former gets reversed in death and the life that follows. Are the rich in trouble? It depends. How will I keep one eye on heaven, my final home? How will I be generous today? How can I feed those who are hungry?

