St. Mary's Catholic Church

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Mass Schedule

Sat.— 5:30 pm Mass Thurs.—8:30 am 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:

5/27/23 Sat. 5:30pm +Verneal Fritz (Joni, Jack, Jen, JJ & Justin

Eisenmann)

6/01/23 Thurs. No Mass

6/03/23 Sat. 5:30pm Parishioners

If you would like a Mass Intention said, please contact the Parish Office.

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

5/27/23 Sat. 5:30 pm-Lector-Melinda 6/03/23 Sat. 5:30 pm-Lector-Bill



Holy Father's Intention for the month of June: General Intention: For the abolition of torture. We pray that the international community may commit in a concrete way to ensuring the abolition of torture and guarantee support to victims and their families.

Weekly Income:

Sunday Collection \$ 640.00 Asecension \$ 100.00 Thank you, your Offering is most appreciated.

Prayers for Sick

Ann Koehler, Norma O'Brien, Tim Richie, Heidi Ehrhardt, Donna Masching, and Michael Mullen

Welcome! We welcome all new individuals, couples and families to St. Mary's Parish. If you would like to register, registration forms can be found on the bulletin board or on our website swkrcatholics.org.

No Daily Mass this week (May 30, May 31 and June 1st). Fr. Stan will be on vacation this week. However, if you need a Fr. Stan for a sick call, please don't hesitate to call the parish office. Thank you!

Next weekend, please welcome Fr. Peter Galek will be celebrating the weekend Masses with us.



The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, May 29th in observance of Memorial Day. Have a safe and happy Memorial Day!

Pentecost Sunday...By the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on the day of Pentecost, Christ's paschal mystery was brought to its completion. The Holy Spirit prepares us with his grace in order to draw us to Christ. He manifests the risen Lord to us, opening our minds. He makes present the mystery of Christ. And he reconciles us, bringing us into communion with God. St. Thomas Aquinas says that the Holy Spirit interiorly perfects our spirit, communicating to it a new dynamism so that it refrains from evil for love. With the Holy Spirit within us "it is quite natural for people who had been absorbed by the things of this world to become entirely otherworldly in outlook, and for cowards to become people of great courage." (St. Cyril of Alexandria)

Memorial Day Mass – A Memorial Day Mass will be celebrated on Monday, May 29th at 12 noon at Mr. Olivet Cemetery, 35235 South Cemetery Road, Braidwood. Mass will be held by the Altar and cross by the main entrance. Please bring your own lawn chair if you wish to sit during the service, which will be held rain or shine. Thank you to those who are serving and have served our country and to those who made the ultimate sacrifice.

Memorial Day – Celebrate with Prayer – This month we celebrate Memorial Day, a time when we remember all those who have gone before us and have begun the final stage of their journey, home to God. It is a time when we remember the necessity of continual prayer for our departed loved ones. It is also a time to remember those who have and are giving their lives in defense of our great country. Give thanks to God this Memorial Day for all the Blessings He has given us and pray for His constant protection of our beloved country. What better way can we give thanks to God than by celebrating the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, the Eternal Sacrifice which makes possible for us our salvation.

Pray for Our Military-Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. Amen.

Word of Life -- "Even the weakest and most vulnerable, the sick, the old, the unborn and the poor, are masterpieces of God's creation, made in his own image, destined to live forever, and deserving of the utmost reverence and respect." USCCB Respect Life flyer quoting Pope Francis' "Day for Life Greeting" © 2013 Libreria Editrice Vaticana. Used with permission. All rights reserved.

Pentecost Sunday (at the Mass during the Day) – Sunday, 28 May 2023 Acts 2:1-11. Psalm 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34. 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13. Sequence – Veni, Sancte Spiritus / Come, Holy Spirit, come! John 20:19-23. Many and One. There are many spiritual gifts and many forms of service. True. But there is one Spirit, one Lord, one God making it all possible. And one Church – many people made one because of Baptism into Christ. He is the Risen One, standing in our midst, saying: "Peace be with you." Because of Baptism, what gifts do I have? How will these gifts spill over into service, into mercy works? How can I share the peace of Christ with one or two others this week?

