The Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time, Sunday, June 18, 2023

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:

6/17/23 Sat. 5:30pm +Donald O'Brien (Mickey & Joe King) 6/22/23 Thurs. 8:30am +Zephyr Benoit (Joy Benoit & Family) 6/24/23 Sat. 5:30pm Parishioners and Kazimierz Drewniak (Hanna Drewniak)

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

6/17/23 Sat. 5:30 pm-Lector-Mary Kay 6/24/23 Sat. 5:30 pm-Lector-Jane



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 \$ 710.00

Thank you, your Offering is most appreciated.

Prayers for Sick

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

Blessings Fr. Stanley on June 18th, the 45th Anniversary of your Ordination to the Priesthood. Thank you for your loving service to St. Marys and may God bless you in your vocation for many more years. We are blessed to have you at our parishes.

Happy Father's Day to all Fathers, Grandfathers, Brothers, Uncles and all the special men in our lives that care for us and love us. Thank you, and may God bless you this Father's Day!

"Cast yourself into the arms of God and be very sure that if He wants anything of you, He will fit you for the work and give you strength." -St. Philip Neri

Thank you to the volunteers who came to the Mobile Food Truck at St. Lawrence on Monday. We were able to help 101 families. The next Mobile is on Monday, July 17th and is sponsored by The Church of Hope in Gardner.

This weekend is our "Father's Day Collection for Infirmed & Retired Priests". This collection helps meet the medical needs of our senior priests within the Diocese of Joliet and helps offset the costs associated with our fathers who are living in retirement homes and those who have fallen ill even before retirement age and require rehabilitation or long-term care. Thank you for your generous support of the Father's Day Collection for our aged and infirm diocesan priests.

Your participation in the CMAA is important. If you have not had a chance to participate in the Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal (CMAA) this year, there is still time. Please look for the mailing which will be arriving in homes shortly. As your pastor, I encourage you to prayerfully reflect on God's gifts to you and to give a gift to the CMAA. Participation is the key to a successful appeal and a chance for our parish to receive a parish rebate, too. Every gift helps! If you do not receive this mailing and would like to make a gift to the CMAA, please call the Diocese of Joliet Development Office at (815) 838-8515. Or, if you wish to make your gift online, please visit www.jolietdioceseappeal.org.

TRAVELING THIS SUMMER? Call 1-800-MASS-TIMES (1-800-627-7846) or log on to www.masstimes.org to find a church and ass times at your destination. 22,000 parishes and missions are in the database to provide travelers with times of Masses and other worship services as well as church location, telephone number and handicapped accessibility.

BE FORMED – Season 7 will be focusing on the Eucharistic Revival during this upcoming "Year of the Parish." Be Formed dynamic small groups will run Sep. 10 through Dec. 8 and focus on the Eucharistic Revival. Join a small group and reignite your zeal for living the virtuous life! Registration opens July 11. Interested in facilitating a Be Formed Small Group or have questions? Contact katie@sijhinsdale.com.

Word of Life-"Through our prayers and through the intercession of St. Joseph, patron of fathers, may fathers come to know the *irreplaceable* role they hold in the lives of their children, and the responsibility they share in welcoming God's gift of new life!" Most Reverend Shelton J. Fabre, Bishop of Houma-Thibodaux "Fathers' Irreplaceable Role in Welcoming Life"

Father's Day Tribute – Here are some timely sentiments about DAD – yours and mine as we say thanks for all the things, big and small, he has done for us throughout the year and years: Fathers are Wonderful People, too little understood. And we do not sing their praises, as often as we should. For, somehow, Fathers seem to be, The man who pays the bills, while mother binds up little hurts and nurses all our ills. Father struggles daily to live up to "His Image." As protector and provider, "Hero of the scrimmage." And perhaps this is the reason, we sometimes get the notion that Fathers are not subject to the thing we call emotion. But if, you look inside Dad's heart, you know, where no one else can see...You'll find he's sentimental, and as "soft" as he can be. But he's so busy every day in the business of the grueling race of life, that waits and respects no one, He just leaves a sentimental stuff to his partner, the wife. Fathers are just wonderful people in a million different ways, they merit loving compliments and accolades of praises for the only reason Dad aspires to fortune and success, is to make the family proud of him and to bring them happiness. And like our Heavenly Father, he's a guardian and a guide, Someone that we can count on to be always on our side!