

St. Mary's Catholic Church

The Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time , Sunday, August 13, 2023

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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:

8/12/23 Sat. 5:30pm +Donald O'Brien (Ruth McGinnis)
 8/17/23 Thurs. 8:30am +Zephyr Benoit (M/M Larry Taggart)
 8/19/23 Sat. 5:30pm +Clarence Moranski (Monica Ruder)

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

8/12/23 Sat. 5:30 pm-Lector-Bill
 8/19/23 Sat. 5:30 pm-Lector-Mary Kay



Holy Father's Intention for the month of August: *General Intention:* For World Youth Day. We pray the World Youth Day in Lisbon will help young people to live and witness the Gospel in their own lives.

Weekly Income:

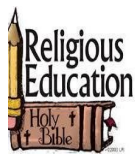
Sunday Collection \$ 636.00

Thank you, your Offering is most appreciated.

Prayers for Sick

Emma "Mickey" King, Ann Koehler, 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.



Religious Ed Families—Registration will be held in the Parish Hall on Wednesday, September 6th from 6:00pm-7:30pm. Classes will resume September 13th. Registration forms are also available to print from our parish website www.swkrcatholics.org We will need some volunteers to help with our Religious Ed. Program. If you are interested or know someone, please contact our Director, Bridget Hoffman or call the parish Office 815-237-2230. Thank you!

Tuesday, August 15th—The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary is a Holy Day of Obligation. Fr. Stan will celebrate one Mass at St. Lawrence Church in South Wilmington for all 3 Parishes on Tuesday, August 15th at 6:30pm.

ASSUMPTION of Mary—Why was Mary's body received into heaven instead of remaining in the earth like the rest of mankind? The grave had no power over one who was immaculate. Her flesh could not see corruption. Her body had been overshadowed by the Holy Ghost; it had been the sacred temple in which had dwelt God Incarnate, and so it had a claim to ascent whether the body of her Son had already gone before. But the chief reason was that, as she had shared in each detail in the sorrows and agony of her Son, so it was right that she should take part in His triumph. To her it was due that she should without delay enter into the joy of her Lord, her Son, her God. O happy Mary! What were all her dolours compared with the joy of that first moment in heaven! How light are all our sorrows compared with the eternal weight of glory prepared for us!

Prayer for the Assumption of Mary

Father in heaven,
 all creation rightly gives you praise,
 for all life and all holiness come from you.
 In the plan of your wisdom
 she who bore the Christ in her womb
 was raised body and soul in glory to be with him in
 heaven.
 May we follow her example in reflecting your holiness
 and join in her hymn of endless love and praise.
 We ask this through Christ our Lord.
 Amen.

"Spread love everywhere you go. Let no one ever come to you without leaving happier." *St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta*



Please join us on Sunday, August 13th after the 10:00 am Mass in South Wilmington for a **St. Lawrence Fiesta**. We will celebrate with a taco bar, Fiesta hot dogs, desserts and ice cream. There will be kid games, Bingo and fellowship. The drawing for the Quilt Raffle will be held. This event will be a free will donation.



Word of Life- "Although we may feel unsure how best to comfort those who mourn, we must stand with them in their time of suffering. Miscarriage touches the lives of many people, yet all too often this tragedy remains unaddressed. This lack of response not only often leads to unresolved grief, but also fails to clearly manifest our belief that each person, from conception onward, is precious and unique." USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities "[Solace and Strength in the Sorrow of Miscarriage](#)"

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time – 13 August 2023 Wisdom 18:6-9. Psalm 33:1, 12, 18-19, 20-22. Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19. Luke 12:32-48. **What Shall We Do?** Jesus tells us today: "Do not be afraid any longer." He also tells us what to do next. Here is the list. Give alms. Gird your loins, that is, put on comfortable clothes so you can work. Wait at the ready for the coming of the Lord. Be prepared all the time. Know what God wants. As followers of Jesus Christ, we are to be about his business and his Father's business – not our own. Our business is also God's business. What fear will I let go; what fear will I give up? What does God want me to do this week? How will I be full of mercy by _____?

