

# St. Mary's Catholic Church

The Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time, Sunday, August 27, 2023

## Parish Staff:

Father Stanley Drewniak, *Pastor*  
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## Office Hours: 9-1 Monday—Friday

St. Mary Rectory (815) 237-2230

## 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:

8/26/23 Sat. 5:30pm +Alice Masching (Bill, Donna & Ruth)  
8/31/23 Thurs. 8:30am +Donna Ruder (Monica Ruder)  
9/02/23 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

8/26/23 Sat. 5:30 pm-Lector-Jane  
9/02/23 Sat. 5:30 pm-Lector-Melinda



**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	\$ 610.00
Assumption	\$ 220.00
Thank you, your Offering is most appreciated.	

## Prayers for Sick

Emma "Mickey" King, Ann Koehler, Tim Richie, Heidi Ehrhardt, Donna Masching, and Michael Mullen

Next Sunday, **September 3rd** is a special day for Fr. Stanley. He will be celebrating his 70th Birthday!

**Religious Ed Reminder** -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](http://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!

"Finally, all of you, be of one mind, sympathetic, loving toward one another, compassionate, humble. Do not return evil for evil, or insult for insult; but, on the contrary, a blessing, because to this you were called, that you might inherit a blessing." -1 Peter 3:8-9

**Thank you Knights of Columbus Council #1574** for the generous donation of \$500 for our Religious Education program. We are very grateful for your support to our parish and our Religious Ed Ministry.

The Parish Council and Finance Council will be meeting on Tuesday, August 29th at 7:15pm.

The Department of Catechesis and Evangelization is organizing the first annual retreat for parents of persons with disabilities. This will be held at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parish in Darien located at 8040 Cass Avenue on Saturday, September 23, 2023. There will be two sessions from which to choose: 9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. beginning with 9:00 a.m. Mass or 1:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. ending with Mass at 4:30 p.m. To receive updates on the planning and other events, please complete the survey at the QR code or email [rcichowicz@dioceseofjolieta.org](mailto:rcichowicz@dioceseofjolieta.org)

**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](mailto:katie@sijhinsdale.com).



**Are you, or someone you know, widowed?** *If you have been recently widowed and are still struggling with the loss, or if you have been widowed for some time and need something to get you "over the hump" because you seem stuck in one spot, this program is designed to help you move on with life while still treasuring your past and its precious memories. This unique retreat/workshop will be held at St. Mary's Retreat House, Lemont, IL. The Joyful Again! program is for both men and women (all ages) who have been widowed and are still trying to find hope and new joy in life. All are welcome. What: Retreat/workshop for Widowed Men & Women When: Sept. 20 & 21, 2023 (2-day program-overnight encouraged) Where: St. Mary's Retreat House, Lemont, Illinois (Commute or stay overnight.) For further information, call: 708-354-7211. e-mail us at [joyfulagain7211@gmail.com](mailto:joyfulagain7211@gmail.com) website: [www.joyfulagain.org](http://www.joyfulagain.org)*

**Word of Life**- "No sin or crime is greater than God's mercy. The sacrifice of the Cross reveals that Christ's greatest desire is to forgive those with a repentant heart." USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities "[Death Penalty: Catholic Q&A](#)"

**Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time – 27 August 2023** Isaiah 22:19-23. Psalm 138:1-2, 2-3, 6, 8. Romans 11:33-36. Matthew 16:13-20. **My Experience.** Jesus asks today: Who am I? Peter blurts out: The Christ. In that response, he means the Messiah, the Promised One, the Son of God, the One who saves, redeems, and binds us to God. Quite a mouthful. Profound belief. He is the very foundation of the Church, the People of God. What is my experience of Jesus? He is....How does my experience bind me to all who believe in him? Since I am called to be like him, whom will I save in some small way today?

