

St. Mary's Catholic Church

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time, Sunday, January 14, 2024

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Mass Schedule

Sat.— 5:30 pm Mass
 Thurs.—No Mass January-March

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:

1/13/24 Sat. 5:30pm +Zephyr Benoit (Joyce Shear)
 1/18/24 Thurs. No Mass
 1/20/24 Sat. 5:30pm Parishioners

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

1/13/24 Sat. 5:30pm-Lector-Mary Kay
 1/20/24 Sat. 5:30pm-Lector-Jane



Holy Father's Intention for the month of January: *General Intention: For the gift of diversity in the Church.* We pray that the Holy Spirit may help us to recognize the gift of different charisms within the Christian community and to discover the richness of different traditions and rituals in the Catholic Church.

Weekly Income:

Sunday Collection \$

Note: Collection Amounts will be posted in the bulletin on January 28th. Thank you!

Prayers for Sick

Debbie Turner, Emma "Mickey" King, Heidi Ehrhardt, Donna Masching, and Michael Mullen

Daily Mass -During the months of January through March, we will not be having Daily Mass on Thursday mornings in Reddick. Please consider joining me in South Wilmington on Tuesdays at 6:30pm or Wednesday and Thursday mornings at 7:30am.

The Parish Office will be closed January 15-21. However, someone will be checking phone messages during this time. Fr. Stan will be available.

REMINDER– Please pick up your box of 2024 Offering envelopes . If you do not see a box with your name on it, there are some blank boxes available. Please write your name on the envelope. Thank you!

The **2024 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal has begun!** As the Diocese of Joliet launches the 2024 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal (CMAA), we are humbly asking all parishioners to pledge their support for this important effort, as together we can make a profound difference. This year's CMAA theme is For the Glory of God. Through our support, we ensure that the mission and ministries of Christ's Church are available to everyone. Together, we can help provide safe shelter for the homeless, feed the physical and social needs of those who are hungry, inspire those discerning a life of vocation, and aid in the education of our next generation of Catholics. Our parish could not accomplish all of this on its own, but together through the appeal we can do so much more. Our parish's goal for the 2024 CMAA is \$3,500, and 70 percent of any amount we raise over our goal will be returned to us and used fruitfully within our own parish. Please review the materials you receive in the mail from the Diocese of Joliet this month and prayerfully reflect on your gift to this year's annual appeal. If you do not receive a CMAA mailing, please contact the parish office. Thank you!

Home Blessing-Did you remember to Bless your home for 2024? Fr. Stan is available to come and bless your home. Call the Parish Office to set up a time. Why bless your home? In the Catholic faith, the home is seen as a sacred space where God's presence can be felt and nurtured. To create an environment that promotes faith, peace, and protection, many Catholics choose to have their homes blessed. The Catholic house blessing is a beautiful and meaningful ritual that seeks God's blessings and protection for the household and all who dwell within it.

Word of Life-“When we encounter Christ, experience his love, and deepen our relationship with him, we become more aware of our own worth and that of others. His love for each person is cause for great joy, and growing understanding of this priceless treasure motivates us to share his love with others. Our lives are often changed by the witness of others; so too, others' lives may be changed by our witness and authentic friendship with them.” USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities
 “How to Build a Culture of Life” (respectlife.org/culture-of-life)



BE FORMED

FEBRUARY 14 THROUGH MAY 13 2024

- Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
- Fellowship
- Prayer
- Scripture
- Small Groups
- Weekly content videos to help you gain a deeper understanding of Catholicism

Join a small group and reignite your zeal for living the virtuous life!

USCCB Eucharistic Revival material to be included in weekly emails!

REGISTRATION
OPENS
JANUARY 2ND !

SEASON 8
EUCHARISTIC
REVIVAL

On or after January 2nd, register by using the QR code above or go to <https://tinyurl.com/26xcx38a>

"For prayer is nothing else than being on terms of friendship with God." –St. Teresa of Avila