

St. Mary's Catholic Church

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Sunday, February 11, 2024

Parish Staff:

Father Stanley Drewniak, *Pastor*
 Linette Hopwood, *Secretary*
 Email: stlawrenceswilm@yahoo.com
 Web Page swkrcatholics.org
 Bridget Hoffman, *CCD Director*
 Hall Rentals—Norma O'Brien 365-2590

Office Hours: 9-1 Monday—Friday

St. Mary Rectory (815) 237-2230

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!

Pledge your gift to the CMAA—This is commitment weekend for the 2024 Catholic Ministries Catholic Appeal (CMAA). The appeal is a beautiful way we can put our faith into action by supporting the mission and important ministries of the Diocese of Joliet. This year's CMAA theme is *For the Glory of God*. Caring for our brothers and sisters in need is a magnificent way to celebrate His glory. Through our annual appeal, our parish joins with other parishes in the diocese to enrich the lives of those most vulnerable among us, grow our children in deep faith, and strengthen vocations. We could not foster these and the many other ministries the CMAA supports on our own. This is a diocese-wide effort. Seventy percent of any amount we raise over our goal will be returned to us, a wonderful re-gifting of sorts, that affords us the opportunity to invest in the needs of our own parish. Please prayerfully reflect on how you can best support our annual appeal and help our parish reach its \$3500. To make a gift, complete and return one of the pledge envelopes in church today. Thank you in advance for your support!

Ash Wednesday Schedule – February 14, 2024 (Day of Fast & Abstinence)

7:30am Mass & Ashes – St. Lawrence, S. Wilmington
 9:00am Mass & Ashes—Sacred Heart, Kinsman
 12 Noon Ash Distribution Service—St. Mary's, Reddick
 6:00pm Ash Distribution Service – St. Lawrence

Mass Intentions:

2/10/24 Sat. 5:30pm +Gisele Fontaine (Ray & Heidi Ehrhardt)

2/14/24 Wed. 12 Noon Ash Distribution Service

2/15/24 Thurs. No Mass

2/17/24 Sat. 5:30pm +Tim Richie (Mark & Sue Richie & Family)

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

2/10/24 Sat. 5:30pm-Lector-Bridget

2/17/24 Sat. 5:30pm-Lector-Jane



Holy Father's Intention for the month of February: *General Intention: For the terminally ill.* We pray that those with a terminal illness, and their families, receive the necessary physical and spiritual care and accompaniment.

Weekly Income:

Sunday Collection	\$ 734.00
Latin America	\$ 120.00
Thank you. Your Offering is most appreciated.	

Prayers for Sick

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

Daily Mass -During the months of February & 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.

Statement of Contributions-If you would like a tax statement of your contributions for 2023, please call the Parish Office 815-237-2230. Statements can only be prepared if you use your weekly Offertory Envelopes.

"Be who God meant you to be and you will set the world on fire."

—St. Catherine of Siena



Faith Into Action Podcast Episode 4

In Episode 4, Michelle Dellinger interviews Katie Golwacz, a parishioner at Church of the Holy Ghost in Wood Dale. Katie's story about her struggle to receive childhood sacraments in Yugoslavia following WWII is fascinating. She can give us all a new perspective about our faith—and the religious freedom we likely take for granted.



Faith Into Action YouTube (video)



Faith Into Action Podcast (audio)



From podcasts and youth events to service and prayer cards, scan the QR code or visit the website for the full list of events and activities surrounding the 75th anniversary.

diojoliet.org/75th

The Lenten Season begins on **Ash Wednesday** and concludes when the Triduum Fast begins with the Church's celebration of the **Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday**. **Fast and Abstinence Regulations.** 1) Everyone 14 years of age or over is bound to abstain from meat on **Ash Wednesday** and all the **Fridays of Lent**. 2) Everyone 18 years of age and under 59 years of age is bound to fast and to abstain on **Ash Wednesday** and **Good Friday**. 3) On **Ash Wednesday** and **Good Friday**, only one full meatless meal is allowed. Two other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted on these two days, but liquids, including milk and fruit juices are allowed. When health or ability to work would be seriously affected, the law does not oblige. 4) To disregard completely the law of fast and abstinence is seriously sinful. 5) Lent is the principal season of penance in the Christian year; all, in addition to following the Lenten regulations, are strongly urged to develop and follow a program of voluntary self-denial, serious prayer, and a performance of works of charity and mercy.

