

# St. Mary's Catholic Church

Second Sunday of Easter (or Divine Mercy Sunday), April 7, 2024

## Parish Staff:

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## Office Hours: 9-1 Monday—Friday

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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:

4/06/24 Sat. 5:30pm +Clarence Moranski (Family)  
 4/11/24 Thurs. 8:30am +Frank & Minnie Gianotti & Descendents  
 4/13/24 Sat. 5:30pm +Donald O'Brien (Tim Buckley)

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

4/06/24 Sat. 5:30pm-Lector-Bill  
 4/13/24 Sat. 5:30pm-Lector-Bridget



**Holy Father's Intention for the month of April:** *General Intention:* **For the role of women.** We pray that the dignity and immense value of women be recognized in every culture, and for the end of discrimination that they experience in different parts of the world.

## Weekly Income:

Easter Sunday Collection \$2003.00  
 Holy Thursday \$ 125.00  
 Good Friday \$ 255.00  
 Thank you. Your Offering is most appreciated.

## Prayers for Sick

Hank Kovach, Debbie Turner, Donna Masching, and Michael Mullen

**Our condolences** to Parishioner, John O'Donnell, on the loss of his brother Leo O'Donnell who entered Eternal Life. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

We have resumed Daily Mass in Reddick on Thursdays mornings at 8:30am. If you are able please join me.

**Confirmation** will be on Wednesday, April 10 at 7pm in South Wilmington for all 3 parishes—St. Lawrence, Sacred Heart and St. Mary's. Please keep them in your prayers this week.

**St. Mary's 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration** – The next planning committee meeting for the July 13<sup>th</sup> St. Mary's Anniversary celebration will be at 6:30 Thursday evening, April 11, at the St. Mary's hall.



The Second Sunday of Easter, is the Feast of Divine Mercy, or **Divine Mercy Sunday** (April 7, 2024). **What is Divine Mercy Sunday?** Jesus told St. Faustina that this Feast of Mercy would be an extraordinary day when "all the divine floodgates through which graces flow are opened". (Diary 699) Our Lord made a great promise of total forgiveness of all sins and punishment to all who would go to Confession and receive Him in Holy Communion on the special Feast of His Mercy, now called Divine Mercy Sunday, throughout the Catholic Church.

Those who sincerely say 'Jesus, I trust in You' will find comfort in all their anxieties and fears. There is nothing that man needs more than Divine Mercy – that love which is benevolent, which is compassionate, which raises man above his weakness to the infinite heights of the holiness of God." — St. John Paul II

**Jeremiah Day**-Saturday, April 27, 2024 at Mundelein Seminary for Boys Grades 7-10. Enjoy a day to grow closer to God and visit a seminary. The activities include a tour of Mundelein Seminary, talks about how God calls us, recreation time and open gym, and Mass. Questions, or to have forms emailed to you, please send an email to vocations@dioceseofjoli.org.

**Knights of Columbus Braidwood #1574 Summer Cash Bash Raffle** -Daily Cash Drawing from June 1st to June 30th. Tickets can win multiple times. 30 chances to win. June 1st—\$500, June 2nd—29th (Sundays—\$250) June 30th—\$1,000, All other days—\$100. Daily Winner is the Evening Pick 3 Lottery number. \$10 per ticket. For a ticket contact John (815) 651-1963, Dave (815) 705-6229 or Bill (815) 671-7665. Proceeds Benefit Council Functions and Local Charity Outreach. Winners will be announced at [www.facebook.com/braidwoodknightsforcolumbus](http://www.facebook.com/braidwoodknightsforcolumbus)



**The Beauty of Holiness-A testimony about marriage, family, and the sanctity of life** on the 20th anniversary of Saint Gianna Beretta Molla's canonization, Dr. Gianna Emanuela Molla shares the powerful and inspiring example of her most beloved Saint Mom and Holy Dad. **May 24, 2024 Holy Family Catholic Church in Shorewood, IL** Event includes veneration of St. Gianna Molla relics, Mass, talk by Dr. Gianna Emanuela Molla, and a dessert reception. For details, scan the QR code or visit [diojoli.org/w/the-beauty-of-holiness](http://diojoli.org/w/the-beauty-of-holiness) Photo courtesy Word on Fire Catholic Ministries



Join us tonight, Saturday, April 6<sup>th</sup> at the American Legion Hall in Gardner for **St. Lawrence's 13<sup>th</sup> Nite at the Races**. Doors open at 5:00 pm. Italian beef and hot dogs will be available. The first race will begin at 6:30 pm. Admission tickets are \$10 each and can be purchased at the door. Your ticket gets you entered into a drawing for one of three \$50 cash door prizes. In addition you will receive \$10 in "funny money" that can be used for food, race bets, or raffle tickets. There will be a live auction after the last race. A cash bar will be available throughout the night. Everyone 21 and older is welcome to attend. Come dressed for our theme "Gone Country" and receive two extra raffle tickets to use for your chance on the great prize baskets that will be available. Don't miss this night of fun.

