

ST. LAWRENCE CATHOLIC CHURCH
South Wilmington, IL



MASS INTENTIONS:

1/27/18 Sat. 4:00pm +Marlene Chapman (Carl & Sherry Pohl)
1/28/18 Sun. 10:00am +Patrick McElroy & Jennie Lenzie
(Brian McElroy)

1/29/18 Mon. 10:00am No Mass
1/30/18 Tues.-7:30am +Patti Bohac (Friends)
1/31/18 Wed.-7:30am +Fred Drendel (Anita Drendel)
2/01/18 Thurs.-7:30am +Esther Sorensen (Emma Schultz)
2/02/18 Fri. -7:30am-No Mass
2/03/18 Sat. 4:00pm +Louie Peterson (Marie Granger)
2/04/18 Sun. 10:00am +Emilie Dinger (Jenny Kilmer)

If you would like a Mass Intention said please contact the Rectory.
Suggested donation 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 we may live in freedom and in peace!

Liturgical Schedule	Lector	E. Minister	SERVERS
1/27 Sat. 4pm	A. Wargo	R. Chase	N. Siano/O. Siano
1/28 Sun. 10am	M. Pfeifer	D. Pfeifer	L. Staab/M. Simms
2/03 Sat. 4pm	D. Wollgast	Deacon Steve	N. Siano/M. Simms
2/04 Sun. 10am	A. Simms	Deacon Steve	L. Staab/L. Byers

Holy Father's Intention for the month of February:
General Intention: Say "No" to Corruption. That those who have material, political or spiritual power may resist any lure of corruption.



Weekly Income:
Budget (Needed) \$ 3200.00

Sunday Collection \$ 1669.00
Children's Envelopes \$ 5.00
Improvement Collection \$ 122.00
Latin America Collection \$ 605.00

Thank you for supporting our parish!!

FROM AROUND THE PARISH

Thank you for your generous support last week of the Collection for the Church in Latin America. As a parish, we collected \$605.00, which will be used to share the faith with our brothers and sisters in Latin America and the Caribbean so that they in turn can share it with others. If you missed the collection, it's not too late to give! Just visit www.usccb.org/nationalcollections and click "How to Give" on the left. Your gift will certainly make a difference!

The February schedule is ready for Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers and Servers. Please look under the Ministry tab on our website www.swkrcatholics.org. Thank you!

The **Blessing of the Throats** is a **sacramental** of the **Roman Catholic Church**, celebrated on February 3, the **feast day of Saint Blaise** of Sebaste. St. Blaise enjoyed widespread veneration in the Eastern and Western Churches due to many cures attributed to him. According to tradition, he was a physician and Bishop of Sebaste in Armenia and was martyred under Licinius. On February 3rd the Church gives a "Blessing of the Throats" in honor of St. Blaise. From the eighth century he has been invoked on behalf of the sick, especially those afflicted with illnesses of the throat. Many cures were attributed to him notably that of a child who was suffocating through a fish bone being caught in his throat. It is customary in many places to bless the throats of the faithful with two candles tied together with a red ribbon to form a cross. The rite of the blessing of throats may take place before or after Mass. The priest or deacon places the candles around the throat of whoever seeks the blessing, using the formula: "Through the intercession of St. Blaise, bishop and martyr, may God deliver you from every disease of the throat, and from every other disease. In the name of the Father and of the Son, + and of the Holy Spirit. R. Amen."

Fr. Stanley will be blessing throats after all Masses next weekend February 3/4.

News & Upcoming Events

Do You Have Concerns About Falling? Many older adults experience concerns about falling and restrict their activities. A Matter of Balance is an award-winning program designed to manage falls and increase activity levels for individuals ages 60 and older. The program emphasizes practical strategies to manage falls.

Join us on Tuesday mornings from 10:00am-12:00pm
February 6th - March 27th
St. Margaret Mary Catholic Church
410 N. Main St.
Herscher, IL 60941

This program is free and sponsored by Catholic Charities, Diocese of Joliet! Call Amanda at 815-523-9918 for more information or to register for A Matter of Balance. To learn more about Catholic Charities, visit catholiccharitiesjoliet.org.

Gift of FAITH – When we were baptized, God gave us three precious gifts-Faith, Hope, and Charity. Faith is the gift by which we believe in God and in the truths which He teaches us through the Catholic Church. There are millions of persons in the world today who do not have the gift of Faith. Some good men and women are called by God to work for souls and to help them to know, love, and serve God. This is the work Saint Francis Xavier did.

God uses **BROKEN THINGS**
He uses broken soil to produce a crop, broken clouds to give rain, broken grain to give bread, broken bread to give strength. – Author unknown

If you discontinued your home phone and just use a cell phone, please call the Rectory with update or put a note in the Collection basket in an envelope marked "UPDATE". We can't get a hold of people for the funeral dinners and parish functions. Thank you!

IT IS OUR HONOR TO CORDIALLY INVITE YOU (AND YOUR GUEST)
ALL* WHO SACRIFICE TIME AND TALENTS FOR OUR COMMUNITY

to join us to celebrate
AN APPRECIATION DINNER
on Friday, February 2, 2018 at 6:30PM
at St. Lawrence Parish Hall.

Excellent food and drinks would be offered and nice music for dancing!
Please RSVP signing the list in the back of the church.
(*Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, RE Staff, Ushers, Pastoral and Finance Council Members, Musicians and Cantors, Janitors, Money Counters, Society Officers and Funeral Dinner Co-Chairs)