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Hall Rentals – Call the Office

Mass Schedule:
Sat. – 4:00pm
Sun. – 10:00am
Tues, Wed. & Thurs. – Mass at 7:30am

Reconciliation:
Saturday 3:30pm – 4:00pm.

SACRAMENT of BAPTISM – Baptisms are celebrated during the 10:00 am 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!

Funeral Dinner Co-Chairs for March
Donna Hampson 237-2374
Mary Pfeifer 237-8164

ST. LAWRENCE CATHOLIC CHURCH
South Wilmington, IL



MASS INTENTIONS:

3/17/18 Sat. 4:00pm +Delores Austin (Michael & Elaine Joyce)
3/18/18 Sun. 10:00am Parishioners

3/19/18 Mon. 10:00am-No Mass
3/20/18 Tues. 7:30am + LaVerne Naretto (Family)
3/21/18 Wed. 7:30am +Don Pfeifer Sr. (Paul & Regina Chase)

Wed. 7:00pm Stations of the Cross

3/22/18 Thurs.7:30am +Robert Ufnal (Zarzycki Family)
3/23/18 Fri. 7:30am-No Mass
3/24/18 Sat. 4:00pm +John Neece (Family)
3/25/18 Sun. 10:00am +Kathleen Scardina (Family)

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
3/17	Sat. 4pm	T. Peterson	F. Phillips	M. Phillips/M. Kelly
3/18	Sun. 10am	Special	L. Himes	W.C.T. Brooks
3/24	Sat. 4pm	D. Wollgast	R. Chase	N. Siano/M. Simms
3/25	Sun. 10am	M. Pfeifer	D. Pfeifer	A. Himes/A. Meredith

Holy Father's Intention for the month of March:
General Intention: Formation in Spiritual Discernment. That the Church may appreciate the urgency of formation in spiritual discernment, both on the personal and communitarian levels.



Weekly Income:
Budget (Needed) \$ 3200.00

Sunday Collection \$ 1849.00
Children's Envelopes \$ 5.00
Catholic Relief Services \$ 654.00

Thank you for supporting our parish!!

FROM AROUND THE PARISH

Please remember in prayer Michael “Plow” Joyce who entered Eternal Life. Our condolences to his family and friends. Eternal Rest Grant to him O Lord. May his soul and all the souls of the Faithful Departed through the mercy of God, Rest in Peace!

Lenten Confession Schedule
Tues., March 20 7:15pm-St. Lawrence, S. Wilmington
Wed., March 21 5:30-6:30pm-Sacred Heart, Kinsman
Sat., March 25 after 5:30pm Mass-St. Mary’s, Reddick

There will be a visiting Priest coming to South Wilmington to help Fr. Stanley hear confessions on March 20th.

Suggestions for Lent – Personal prayers, meditation on the profound mysteries of God, visits to the Most Blessed Sacrament, devotional confessions, scripture reading, recitation of the Rosary, making the Way of the Cross...all contribute something precious in personal depth and spiritual enrichment, so necessary to a sound and mature life of faith in the Lord.

Reminder -Stations of the Cross on Wednesday at 7pm. Please join me for this beautiful Lenten devotion.

Thank you for your generous support of The Catholic Relief Services Collection and for helping **Jesus in disguise**. Your contributions will make a difference for the poor and marginalized around the world. If you missed the collection, it’s not too late to give!



Easter Flowers-In your box of envelopes you will find an Easter Flower Offering envelope. Please put your name, as well as the person being remembered, on the outside of the envelope and drop the envelope into the collection. Make checks payable to St. Lawrence Church. Our Easter flowers will be coming from Sticks & Stems in Gardner.

This weekend there is a second collection for our monthly Improvements. Thank you for your generosity.

Thank you to all our volunteers who helped with our Mobile Food Truck. We served 85 families.

A Child’s Prayer— Dear God, I thank You for Your care. You’ve been right with me everywhere. At school, at play, You’re right by my side. My special friend, My loving Guide. And when the sun has said goodbye and little stars shine in the sky, You’re still with me, not far above Right in my heart, for You are Love. Amen

News & Upcoming Events

Don’t forget to get your chances on the Wisconsin Dells Package following Mass this weekend. Tickets are \$5 each or 3/\$10. The winner will be drawn on April 7th after the final race at Nite at the Races being held at the American Legion Hall in Gardner. Doors open at 5:00 pm with the first race at 6:30. Admission tickets are also available for \$10 each. This is a fun night to get out after being cooped up all winter. Join friends and family in cheering on the horses “owned” by our parishioners.

Dells Package includes:

- * 2 Night stay at Tamarack Resort Condos
- *\$50 Gift Card for River's Edge Restaurant
- *\$25 Gift Card for Denny's Diner
- *Large pizza from Moosejaw
- *Large pizza from Buffalo Phil's
- *4 Tickets to Circus World
- *4 Tickets to Ghost Outpost
- *4 Tickets to Lost Temple
- *4 Mini Golf tickets at Adventure Cove
- * Tickets to Jeremy Allen's Magic Show

Love Outreach in Morris has been asked to speak at the University of St. Francis on March 22nd at noon. The address is 500 Wilcox Street in Joliet. If anyone needs more information they can call me at (815) 237-8202. Please come and learn more about Human Trafficking and how we're trying to bring awareness to the area. We had a full house for our last seminar. Our wonderful Franciscan Sisters had it at their place in Joliet. We met a lot of great people and many of them are getting involved with the program. We have moved into the Joliet area as well, so we're getting bigger and bigger. People don't think it's an issue here, but there are at least 20 girls in Morris alone being trafficked every day. Please come join us. These girls need our help. Thanks! Donna Gabehart

"It's easy to judge. It's more difficult to understand. Understanding requires compassion, patience, and a willingness to believe that good hearts sometimes choose poor methods. Through judging, we separate. Through understanding, we grow." Unknown

Fifth Sunday of Lent – 18 March 2018 – Year B
About dying. Many are already thinking of spring planting and waiting for bulbs to show and then flower. Dying seeds. Dormant bulbs. Plentiful produce. Beautiful flowers.

- As Lent winds down, what still needs to die in me?
- As Easter draws near, what needs to flourish?
- How will I remain obediently faithful?