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Mass Schedule:
Sat. – 4:00pm
Sun. – 10:00am
Tues. 6:30pm
Wed. & Thurs. – 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 February
Thalia Wilson 237-8595
Janet Anderson 237-8545

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MASS INTENTIONS:
2/08/20 Sat. 4:00pm Parishioners AND +John Austin (Family)
2/09/20 Sun. 10:00am +Joseph & Genevieve Residori (Family)
2/10/20 Mon. No Mass
2/11/20 Tues. 6:15pm Rosary
2/11/20 Tues. 6:30pm +Tom Perkins (John & Lin Hopwood)
+Merrill Harvey (Dan & Sandy Ryan)
+LaVerne Naretto (S.E. Grundy Co. Seniors)
2/12/20 Wed. 7:30am +Tony Youskevtch (Family)
+Gary Morris (Jon & +Denice Muzzarelli)
2/13/20 Thurs. 7:30am +Larry Residori (+Anita Drendel)
2/14/20 Fri. No Mass
2/15/20 Sat. 4:00pm +Louie Peterson (Ann Syrstad)
2/16/20 Sun. 10:00am +Albert Doglio Sr. (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
2/8 Sat. 4pm	A. Wargo	S. Myrick	A. Himes /C. Hampson
2/9 Sun. 10am	T. Staab	D. Pfeifer	L. & A. Staab
2/15 Sat. 4pm	D. Wollgast	F. Phillips	M. & E. Simms
2/16 Sun. 10am	A. Simms	R. Hollmeyer	R. & M. Cacello

Holy Father's Intention for the month of February:
General Intention: Listen to the Migrants' Cries. That the cries of our migrant brothers and sisters, victims of criminal trafficking, may be heard and considered.

Weekly Income:
Budget (Needed) $ 3200.00
Sunday Collection $ 2644.35
Latin America $ 54.00

Thank you for supporting our parish!

FROM AROUND THE PARISH

Our condolences to the family and friends of Denice Muzzarelli who entered Eternal Life. Eternal Rest Grant to her O Lord. May her soul and all the souls of the Faithful Departed through the mercy of God, Rest in Peace!

Baptism- Congratulations to the parents & families of Renae Lucy Trofimchuck who received the Sacrament of Baptism last weekend. May God always hold her in the Palm of His Hands!

Advanced tickets for the 11th Annual Nite at the Races will be available following Mass on February 22nd and 23rd. Tickets are $10 each. This will get you admission to the event, $10 in "funny money" to be used towards food, raffle tickets, betting and auction items. Every ticket turned in on March 14th will be entered into the door prize drawing for $50 cash. Tickets will be available at the door or by contacting Pam Holohan at 237-2311. Also available will be raffle tickets for a chance on a Smartwatch. Tickets are $5 each or 3 for $10. The winner will be drawn at Nite at the Races being held on March 14th at the American Legion Hall in Gardner.

Thank you Fr. Stan for such a wonderful Appreciation Dinner. The food was delicious, the hall was beautiful and thank you to everyone who was able to attend last Friday. We really appreciate everything that our volunteers do for our parishes. Thank you!

Tuesday, February 11th the Parish Council will be meeting at 7pm in Fr. Matthew Hall.

Altar Servers: St. Lawrence Society is treating all altar servers to an appreciation night out on Sunday, Feb. 23. There will be transportation provided that will be leaving from the church parking lot at 4:30 pm to drive to Dwight's, Victory Lanes bowling alley. We will bowl from 5:00 to 7:00 with pizza, snacks and sodas provided. Permission slips have been sent home from RE that must be signed and returned in order for children to be able to go with drivers to Dwight. We will then return to the church at 7:30 pm so please have someone there at St. Lawrence Church parking lot to pick up your child. Please note that this event is for Altar Servers ONLY. Thank you to all servers! Contact Deb Wollgast at 815-237-8900 for any questions.

"My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world."
1 John 2:1-2

News & Upcoming Events

The Gardner Lions will be serving breakfast at the Gardner Legion Hall on Sunday, **February 9th**, 7am-noon. Menu: Pancakes, French toast, eggs, sausage or bacon, biscuits and gravy, toast, coffee, juice and milk. The cost for Adults, $7.00 Children ages 5-10, $4.00. Children 4 and under eat free.

Rise! Take Your Mat and Walk -St. Lawrence Society is hosting World Day of Prayer 2020 on Friday, March 6th at 1:00 p.m. at Fr. Matthew Parish Hall. This is a brief ecumenical prayer service written by the women of Zimbabwe, Africa, who invite us to explore Jesus' encounter with a person who, although positioned for healing, does not act upon the opportunities given (John 5:2-9a). We hope you will join us as we participate with area churches, as well as men and women throughout the world, to support ecumenical efforts toward justice, peace, and healing. Refreshments will be served following the service.

The Annual Chili Supper Sponsored by South Wilmington United Methodist will be held on February 15th from 4 PM to 7 PM at St. Lawrence Parish Hall. All-U-Can-Eat chili, hot dogs, chips, dessert, lemonade & coffee. Adults $6.00, Child $3.00. South Wilmington Home Bound Residents Call 815-237-2766 for delivery to your home.

"This is **National Marriage Week** and this Sunday is World Marriage Day. Don't miss out on the upcoming enrichments for married couples and religious this month. The enrichment begins with a private weekend experience including 11 presentations about practical tools for growing in loving relationships, and provides ongoing enrichments after the weekend from the Worldwide Marriage Encounter community. For information on applying, please go to wwme-chicagoland.org ."

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time – 09 February 2020
Isaiah 58:7-10. Psalm 112:4-5, 6-7, 8-9. 1 Corinthians 2:1-5. Matthew 5:13-16.
Being Salty. In old Roman times, soldiers were paid in salt (it is the root word for "salary"). We are not paid with salt but are told to be salt today. Salt of the earth. Told, not to use "salty" language, but to be seasoned, tasty. We are also told to be light today. Light of the world. Told, not to show the goodness of our deeds, but to let our good deeds manifest the glory of God.

- How will I season, enliven someone's life today?
- How will I shine God's light on some gloom in today's world?
- How will doing this mercy work _____, show the blessedness of God and Christ and Spirit?