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**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 April**  
 Debbie Wollgast 237-8900  
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# ST. LAWRENCE CATHOLIC CHURCH

South Wilmington, IL



## MASS INTENTIONS:

- 3/30/19 Sat. 4:00pm +Scott Allen Donnelly (Donnelly Family)  
 3/31/19 Sun. 10:00am +Marta & Wladyslaw Bednarz (Stanley)
- 4/1/19 Mon. No Mass  
 4/2/19 Tues. 7:30am +Delores Austin (Emma Schultz)  
 4/3/19 Wed. 7:30am +Anita Drendel (Family)  
**Wed. 7:00pm Stations of the Cross**  
 4/4/19 Thurs. 7:30am +Janis Winchell (Richard & Deanna Serdar)  
 4/5/19 Fri. No Mass  
 4/6/19 Sat. 4:00pm +James X. Schultz (Jim R. & Terri Schultz)  
 4/7/19 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
3/30 Sat. 4pm	D. Wollgast	R. Chase	C. & T. Brooks
3/31 Sun. 10am	T. Peterson	P. Holohan	R. & M. Cacello
4/6 Sat. 4pm	A. Wargo	M. Schmidberger	C. & T. Brooks
4/7 Sun. 10am	Special	P. Holohan	L. & A. Staab

**Holy Father's Intention for the month of April:**  
*General Intention:* Doctors and their Collaborators in War Zones. For doctors and their humanitarian collaborators in war zones, who risk their lives to save the lives of others.



<b>Weekly Income:</b>	
<b>Budget (Needed)</b>	<b>\$ 3200.00</b>
<b>Sunday Collection</b>	<b>\$ 1359.00</b>
<b>Childrens Envelopes</b>	<b>\$ 5.00</b>
<b>Improvements</b>	<b>\$ 50.00</b>

**Thank you for supporting our parish!**

## FROM AROUND THE PARISH

**Reminder Stations of the Cross** are on Wednesday evenings during Lent at 5:00pm in Kinsman and 7:00pm in South Wilmington.

This week, we take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection to help **Jesus in disguise**. This collection helps six Catholic agencies provide relief and support to struggling communities and work for peace and reconciliation among our marginalized brothers and sisters here and around the world. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection. Learn more about the collection at [www.usccb.org/catholic-relief](http://www.usccb.org/catholic-relief).

Next weekend, April 7th is our next **Family Mass**. 3rd Grade and Kindergarten will be assisting at this Mass.

**Thank you**-to all the volunteers who helped at the Mobile Food Truck on Monday. We assisted 96 families with food.

### Nite at the Races

Weather is warming up, get out that Hawaiian shirt and get out to the 10th Annual Nite at the Races on April 6th at the Legion Hall in Gardner. Doors will open at 5:00pm with the first race at 6:30pm. Your \$10 admission fee will get you \$10 in "funny money" that can be used for food (Italian beef, hot dogs, corn dogs, and chili), raffle tickets, placing your bet, or live auction items. Bring a friend and enjoy the night.

**Micro Pantry**—Please help us keep the Micro Pantry stocked. "Take what you need" and "Leave what you can". Free to those in need.

#### Guidelines for Giving

1. Please share completely sealed items
2. Canned goods will last the longest
3. Fresh or frozen may spoil in here so please share those with a neighbor instead.
4. Personal care items are always a good idea. Please keep them in their package.

### Lenten Confession Schedule

Tues., April 9 7:00pm-St. Lawrence, S. Wilmington  
 Sat., April 13 after 5:30pm Mass-St. Mary's, Reddick  
 Tues., April 16 6:00pm-Sacred Heart, Kinsman

There will be a visiting Priest coming to South Wilmington to help Fr. Stanley hear confessions on April 9th.



## News & Upcoming Events

**EXTREME** Abortion Bills Introduced in IL Legislature  
**House Bill 2467 & Senate Bill 1594**  
*Repeals* Illinois Parental Notification of Abortion Act. This *current law* requires a parent or legal guardian be notified when a minor seeks an abortion.

### House Bill 2495 & Senate Bill 1942

- *Repeals* the current state ban on partial-birth abortions.
- *Defines* abortion as a fundamental right.
- *Removes* abortion clinics from regulations for serious medical procedures.  
*Removes* the requirement that only doctors can perform abortions.

Contact your state House and Senate lawmakers and urge them to vote "no" on HB 2467, SB 1594 & SB 1942. Go to [www.ilcatholic.org](http://www.ilcatholic.org) for more info.

"The Holy Spirit leads us like a mother. He leads His child by the hand...as a sighted person leads a blind person." *St. John Vianney*

"As Lent is the time for greater love, listen to Jesus' thirst... 'Repent and believe' Jesus tells us. What are we to repent? Our indifference, our hardness of heart. What are we to believe? Jesus thirsts even now, in your heart and in the poor — He knows your weakness. He wants only your love, wants only the chance to love you." *Saint Mother Teresa of Calcutta*

### Fourth Sunday of Lent – 31 March 2019

Joshua 5:9a, 10-12. Psalm 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7.  
 2 Corinthians 5:17-21. Luke 15:1-3, 11-32.

**Longing to eat with pigs.** It seems inconceivable that some would be so hungry they would long for the slop and husks in the pig sty. That is part of the gospel story today. It is also the story for 12% of citizens and, worse, 18% of children who suffer food insecurity in our own United States. The prodigal son in the story comes to his senses and returns to the compassion of father and home. We are urged to be that smart, to step away from prideful behavior and return to the Father of all life.

- What gets in the way of attending to God's compassion?
- How can I rejoice when God cuts a prodigal one some slack?
- I will do this mercy work, giving food to the hungry, by \_\_\_\_\_?