



ST. LAWRENCE CATHOLIC CHURCH



MASS INTENTIONS:

- 1/09/21 Sat. 4:00pm +Delores Austin (Jim Fair Family)
- 1/10/21 Sun. 10:00am Parishioners
- 1/11/21 Mon. No Mass
- 1/12/21 Tues 6:30pm +Michael Joyce (Shane Wepprecht)
+Gary Morris (Family)
- 1/13/21 Wed. 7:30am +Larry Lardi (Norm & Donita Lardi)
+Dale Grieff (Scott Frideres Family)
- 1/14/21 Thurs. 7:30am+Lena & Spirit Savant (Family)
- 1/15/21 Fri. No Mass
- 1/16/21 Sat. 4:00pm +M/M Carl Roibsky (John Robisky)
- 1/17/21 Sun. 10:00am +Louie Peterson (Annie Syrstad)

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	Greeters	Ushers
1/09 Sat. 4pm	C. Frobish	Ford	Residori
1/10 Sun. 10am	C. Male	Pfeifer	Pfeifer
1/16 Sat. 4pm	D. Wollgast	Lutz	Wollgast
1/17 Sun. 10am	T. Staab	Himes	Himes

Holy Father's Intention for the month of January:

General Intention: Human fraternity. May the Lord give us the grace to live in full fellowship with our brothers and sisters of other religions, praying for one another, open to all.

Weekly Income:	
Sunday Collection	\$ 2147.00
Improvement Collection	\$ 70.00
Christmas Collection	\$ 90.00
Solemnity of Mary	\$ 475.00
Initial Offering	\$ 210.00
Thank you! Your support is appreciated!	



To donate **online please go to www.dioceseofjoliet.org** and select Donate (green button) then select Universal Offertory Giving. To be of assistance, the Diocese has set up a universal offertory fund for any Diocese of Joliet parish. All monies will be directed to the parish of your choice. Thank you.

Parish Staff:

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Hall Rentals - Call the Office

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!

FROM AROUND THE PARISH

Our deepest condolences to the family and friends of Marlene Testin and Traci (Winchell) Tyler who entered Eternal Life. Eternal Rest Grant to them O Lord. May their souls and all the souls of the Faithful Departed through the mercy of God, Rest in Peace!

Our Church looks beautiful thanks to our parishioners for taking the time to decorate and those parishioners for making donations towards our Christmas Poinsettias. May God Bless all of you in the New Year!

Statistical Parish Data for the year 2020

Baptisms - 8
Weddings - 0
Funerals - 4
Registered Families - 273

Monday, January 11 at 4pm Catholic Charities' and Northern Illinois Food Bank **Mobile Food Pantry** will be distributing food in South Wilmington at St. Lawrence Church parking lot (snow, rain or shine). **Participants are asked to remain in their cars.** The Mobile Food Pantry will use a "drive thru" method to distribute pre-packaged groceries to ensure that all participants are safe during the COVID-19 pandemic. You do not have to be Catholic to participate. Catholic Charities helps people of all faiths and beliefs. This Mobile Food Truck is **sponsored by Catholic Charities.**

We need your help with Traffic Control at 2pm, if you can help us, we would really appreciate it. All other volunteers, please arrive by 3:15pm and wear a mask. Thank you! We appreciate **ALL** of our volunteers!

Religious Education

Religious Ed Students & Families, the January on-line lesson is available now on our website swkrcatholics.org under the Religious Ed tab. Topic: Saint Stories. Thank you for helping your child/children continue their faith journey.

"If you want God to hear your prayers, hear the voice of the poor. If you wish God to anticipate your wants, provide those of the needy without waiting for them to ask you." - St. Thomas of Villanova

Welcome! We welcome all new individuals, couples and families to St. Lawrence Parish. If you haven't already done so, please register with the rectory office. Registration forms can be found on the bulletin board or on our website swkrcatholics.org Thank you!

News & Upcoming Events

YEAR OF SAINT JOSEPH

On December 8, 2020, the 150th anniversary of the declaration of Saint Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church, Pope Francis issued an Apostolic Letter entitled *Patris corde* ("With a Father's Heart"). In that beautiful letter, the Holy Father proclaimed a "Year of Saint Joseph" from December 8, 2020, to December 8, 2021 (See: vaticannews.va). The Apostolic Penitentiary also issued a **Decree** granting plenary indulgences for this special year. There are various prayers and resources to celebrate this Year of Saint Joseph. The following is Pope Francis' Prayer to Saint Joseph.

Pope Francis' Prayer to Saint Joseph

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
To you God entrusted his only Son;
in you Mary placed her trust;
with you Christ became man.
Blessed Joseph, to us too,
show yourself a father
and guide us in the path of life.
Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage,
and defend us from every evil. Amen.
(Composed by Pope Francis in *Patris Corde.*)

The Word of Life—"When we encounter Christ, experience his love, and deepen our relationship with him, we become more aware of our own worth and that of others. His love for each person is cause for great joy, and growing understanding of this priceless treasure motivates us to share his love with others. Our lives are often changed by the witness of others; so too, others' lives may be changed by our witness and authentic friendship with them." USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities "How to Build a Culture of Life" (respectlife.org/culture-of-life)

The Baptism of the Lord, Feast - 10 January 2021

Isaiah 55:1-11. Isaiah 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6. 1 John 5:1-19.
Mark 1:7-11.

God Shows No Partiality. Saint Peter speaks the truth. God is impartial. For everyone who acts uprightly is acceptable. Everyone. Politics may be partisan at times, but Christians can never be. Indeed, Baptism makes us all alike - with differing gifts and charisms - but all in the image of Christ whose name we bear. God says to us as well: "I am well pleased."

Because of Baptism, how will I cherish even those not like me?

What will I do today to bear the image of Christ?

To whom will I say, because of this

_____, I am well pleased?