



ST. LAWRENCE CATHOLIC CHURCH



MASS INTENTIONS:

- 12/12/20 Sat. 4:00pm +Delores Austin (Family)
 12/13/20 Sun. 10:00am +Cinotto & Pomatto Families (Family)
- 12/14/20 Mon. No Mass
 12/15/20 Tues +Albert Doglio Jr. (Family)
 +Louie Peterson (Bruce & Deb Tjelle)
- 12/16/20 Wed. +Gary Morris (Donna Heavens)
 +Tom Poole (M/M Chuck Verdun)
- 12/17/20 Thurs. +Martina Turner (Family)
 +Connie Muzzarelli (Emma Schultz)
- 12/18/20 Fri. No Mass
 12/19/20 Sat. 4:00pm +Lois Residori (Family) AND
 +Lou & Jean Naretto (Joyce Perkins)
- 12/20/20 Sun. 10:00am +Patrick McElroy (Family) AND Parishioners

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
12/12 Sat. 4pm	D. Wollgast	Lutz	Residori
12/13 Sun. 10am	C. Male	Chase	Harvey
12/19 Sat. 4pm	A. Wargo	Ford	Residori
12/20 Sun. 10am	T. Peterson	Hollmeyer	Hollmeyer

Holy Father's Intention for the month of December:

General Intention: For a life of prayer. That our personal relationship with Jesus Christ be nourished by the Word of God and a life of prayer.



Weekly Income:
Sunday Collection \$ 2679.00
Improvement Collection \$ 55.00

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:

Father Stanley Drewniak, *Pastor*
 Linette Hopwood, *Secretary*
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 Anne Simms & Tiffany Staab *CCD Directors*

Office Hours: 9-1 Monday -Friday

St. Lawrence Rectory (815) 237-2230
 Maria Hakey, *Bulletin* (815) 237-8268

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

Christmas Mass Schedule & New Years Day Mass

- Dec. 24th 2pm-Sacred Heart, Kinsman
 4pm-St. Lawrence, S. Wilmington
 5:30pm-St. Mary's, Reddick
 10pm-St. Lawrence, S. Wilmington
- Dec. 25th 8am-Sacred Heart, Kinsman
 10am-St. Lawrence, S. Wilmington
- Dec. 31st 4pm-St. Lawrence, S. Wilmington
 5:30pm-St. Mary's, Reddick
- January 1 8am-Sacred Heart, Kinsman
 January 1 10am-St. Lawrence, S. Wilmington
- Each Parish will begin registration for their Christmas Masses for regular Mass attendees and their families of each parish beginning this weekend. Please sign up after Mass. Open Registration for each parish will begin on Monday, December 14th. Please call the Rectory Office to register to attend one of the Christmas Masses. Thank you!

Make a difference. "Every dollar makes a difference in covering our expenses," says a Trappist abbot. Hundreds of US religious communities struggle to provide for aging members because most senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests served for little pay. Your gift to the **Retirement Fund for Religious** helps these communities bridge the gap, offering support for medications, nursing care, and other necessities. Please be generous.

Monday, December 14 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 (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 St. Lawrence Giving Tree Donors. Thank You!**

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!

The Word of Life-"O St. Bakhita, assist all those who are trapped in a state of slavery; Intercede with God on their behalf so that they will be released from their chains of captivity. Those whom man enslaves, let God set free." USCCB, "Prayer to St. Josephine Bakhita"

News & Upcoming Events

The Giving Tree

Helping Those in Need



As we continue our efforts to protect our parishioners, Our Giving Tree will be virtual this year. St. Lawrence Church would like to continue our mission to provide food to those in need in our community. The cost of a Mobile Food Truck is currently \$1,200. We are in need of donations to provide this service in 2021. If you are able, please help us serve our community by making a donation. You may put your donation in an envelope marked Giving Tree in the collection basket, dropped in the mail slot at the Church Office or mailed in. Any amount is appreciated. Thank you for your generosity.

Sponsor a Needy Individual or Family for Christmas- Catholic Charities is providing the opportunity for you to help their clients at Christmas this year. The Gift of Christmas is an annual program that fulfills wish lists for individuals who are served by Catholic Charities. Read stories about clients and choose who you would like to help this Christmas. Or, if you prefer, you can direct your donation to an individual or family who hasn't been chosen yet. Donating is simple: visit catholiccharitiesjoliet.org and click on "donate." Or, call 815-724-1140 to make your donation over the phone. To send a check, please note "Gift of Christmas" in the memo and send checks to: Catholic Charities, 16555 Weber Rd., Crest Hill, IL 60403 If you have any questions, please call 815-724-1140 or email msnow@cc-doj.org. Thank you and God bless you! Merry Christmas!

Our Lady of Guadalupe, Feast - Saturday, 12 Dec 2020
 Zechariah 2:14-17. **OR** Revelation 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab. Judith 13:18bcde, 19. Luke 1:26-38. **OR** Luke 1:39-47.

Being Blessed. This holy Mary, the patroness of the Americas, is blest because she believed. And she acted on the belief that what God said would indeed happen. In whom will I believe? And how will I act today because of it?

Third Sunday of Advent - 13 December 2020

Isaiah 61:1-2a, 10-11. Luke 1:46-48, 49-50, 53-54. 1 Thesalonians 5:16-24. John 1:6-8, 19-28.

Who Am I? As we long for the Second Coming of Jesus Christ, let our Advent be perfectly holy. To help us, Saint Paul reminds us of these basic Christian attitudes: (1) rejoice always, (2) pray without ceasing, and (3) always give thanks. In whom or in what will I rejoice this week? How will I pray every day this week? For whom and for what am I thankful? What will I do because of this thanksgiving?