



ST. LAWRENCE CATHOLIC CHURCH



MASS INTENTIONS:
2/27/21 Sat. 4:00pm +Evelyn Ford (Tom Ford & Koslowski Families)
2/28/21 Sun. 10:00am +Bill & Donna McClintock (Gretz Family)
3/1/21 Mon. No Mass
3/2/21 Tues. 6:30pm +Kate Doglio (Family)
+Frances Allen (Bob & Sue Suddick)
3/3/21 Wed. 7:30am +M/M Pete Vota (Family)
+Esther Sorenson (Deacon Steve & Margie)
3/4/21 Thurs. 7:30am Health & God’s Blessing for Maria Jarzebska
(Hanna Drewniak)
3/5/21 Fri. No Mass
3/6/21 Sat. 4:00pm +Lee Gunderson (Bob & Sue Suddick)
3/7/21 Sun. 10:00am +Michael Joyce (Family)

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
2/27	Sat. 4pm	A. Wargo	Ford/Homerding	Residori
2/28	Sun. 10am	P. Holohan	Pfeifer/Volunteer	Pfeifer
3/6	Sat. 4pm	C. Frobish	Myrick/Homerding	Residori
3/7	Sun. 10am	C. Male	Himes	Himes

Holy Father’s Intention for the month of March:
General Intention: Sacrament of reconciliation. Let us pray that we may experience the sacrament of reconciliation with renewed depth, to taste the infinite mercy of God.



Weekly Income:
Sunday Collection \$ 1435.00
Children envelopes \$ 4.00
Improvement Collection \$ 309.00
Eastern Europe \$ 518.00
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.

FROM AROUND THE PARISH

Our deepest condolences to the family and friends of Brandon Sorensen who entered Eternal Life. 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!

Thank you to those who were able to help out at the Mobile Food Truck on Monday. We were able to help 109 families. Thank you! We need many volunteers to make the truck run smoothly. Maybe you have thought about helping, we would love to see you next month. The truck will be here on Monday, March 15th. Thanks to the generous donations from the St. Lawrence Giving Tree.



Thank you to everyone who has already pledged a gift to the 2021 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal (CMAA). Every gift, large or small, brings us closer to our parish’s 2021 CMAA goal of \$9700. If you have yet to make your gift, please prayerfully reflect on how you can best support the CMAA. If we raise more than our goal, 70 percent of the amount over goal will be returned to us for our use. This is an amazing opportunity for our parish. Our pastor recently mailed a pledge envelope to everyone in our parish. Please either return it, or the pledge card you received from the diocese, in the mail. You may also make a secure gift online at joliethdioceseappeal.org or text DONATE to (815) 205-1949.

The **Volunteer Schedule** for March can be found on our website swkrcatholics.org under the ministry tab. If you would like a printed copy, please call the Parish Office. Thank you for volunteering.

Statement of Contributions-If you would like a tax statement of your contributions for 2020, please call the Rectory 815-237-2230. Statements can only be prepared if you use your weekly Offertory Envelopes.

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!

"Lent stimulates us to let the Word of God penetrate our life and in this way to know the fundamental truth: who we are, where we come from, where we must go, what path we must take in life..." - Pope Benedict XVI

News & Upcoming Events

BINGOCIZE® is a 10-week health promotion program for Grundy County seniors that combines the game of bingo with fall prevention exercise. Play bingo with us online and meet new people while learning about techniques to reduce falls. **Grundy County:** When: Tuesday & Thursday mornings April 1st- June 10, 2021 Time: 11:00-12:00PM Where: online from the comfort of your own home! To Register, Call Amanda at 815-523-9919 by MARCH 25TH

Micro Pantry– has continued to remain open through the winter, please remember if the temperature is cold, avoid leaving glass jars or cans. Non-Perishable and completely sealed items or personal care items are great items to add to the pantry. The Micro Pantry is located on the corner by our Church. “Take what you need” and “Leave what you can”. Free to those in need. Thank you to everyone in our community for keeping it stocked and helping share a little to those in need.

The Word of Life–“The essence of our identity is that we are created in God's image and likeness and loved by Him. Nothing can diminish the priceless worth of any human life. Every person is **cherished**.”

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities
Respect Life Reflection: Cherished, Chosen, Sent
usccb.org/cherished-chosen-sent-reflection

Nut-shell summary of LENT—According to Saint Benedict. During these Lenten days we should very carefully keep our life pure, and at the same time atone for the shortcomings of other times. We should busy ourselves with fervent prayer, spiritual reading, contrition of heart, and self-denial; bring sacrifices freely and beyond our usual obligation to our loving God in the joy of the Holy Spirit; and thus, while we abstain somewhat from food and drink, from sleep, talking and jesting, we await the holy feast of Easter with a joy and desire that the spirit of God awakens in us.
-St. Benedict (480-547).

Second Sunday of Lent – 28 February 2021
Genesis 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18. Psalm 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19. Romans 8:31b-34. Mark 9:2-10.
Listen to Him. One week into Lent, we are simply told by the voice from the cloud: Listen to Jesus. He told us last Sunday to “believe in the gospel.” What does belief in this Good News look and sound like this Lent, this year?

- Since we are descendants of Abraham, how am I to behave with my cousins (that is, everyone)?
- Since we are sisters and brothers in the Lord Jesus Christ, to whom do I listen? What am I told?
- Since I am also “beloved”, what will I do?