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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!

Funeral Dinner Co-Chairs for December
Carol Frobish 584-1012
Renee Hollmeyer 237-8313
Pam Holohan 237-2311

ST. LAWRENCE CATHOLIC CHURCH



MASS INTENTIONS:

- 12/18/21 Sat. 4:00pm +Patrick McElroy (Family)
+Lou & Jean Naretto (Marie Granger)
- 12/19/21 Sun. 10:00am +Richard Kowalski (Hanna Drewniak)
- 12/20/21 Mon. No Mass
- 12/21/21 Tues. 6:30pm +Kazimierz Drewniak (Children)
+Todd Sandeno (Ken & Dorothy Lardi)
- 12/22/21 Wed. 7:30am +Mary Lou Smolik (Marie Granger)
+Terry Marketti (Friends)
- 12/23/21 Thurs. 7:30am No Mass
- 12/24/21 Fri. 4pm Christmas Eve—For Parishioners
10pm Christmas Eve—For Parishioners
- 12/25/21 Sat. 10am Christmas Day—For Parishioners
- 12/26/21 Sun. 10:00am +Mildred Dinelli (Paul & Regina Chase)

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	Euch. Min.	Servers
12/18 Sat. 4pm	T. Peterson	S. Myrick	M. & E. Simms
12/19 Sun. 10am	T. Staab	L. Himes	A. & L. Staab
12/24 Fri. 4pm	D. Wollgast	S. Myrick	K. & L. Scheuber
10pm	P. Holohan	R. Chase	K. Shute & L. Byers
12/25 Sat. 10am	M. Pfeifer	D. Pfeifer	Volunteer
12/26 Sun. 10am	T. Staab	M. Noeth	A. & L. Staab

Holy Father’s Intention for the month of December:
General Intention: Catechists. Let us pray for the catechists, summoned to announce the Word of God: may they be its witnesses, with courage and creativity and in the power of the Holy Spirit.



Weekly Income:	
Sunday Collection	\$ 1879.00
Improvement Collection	\$ 365.00
Snow Removal	\$ 100.00
Immaculate Conception	\$ 719.00
Retired Religious	\$ 1086.00
Thank you! Your support is appreciated!	

Improvement Collection in December & January designated for Snow Removal. If you wish for your Improvement Donations to go towards Snow Removal costs this winter, please write “Snow Removal” on your Improvement Envelopes. Thank You!



FROM AROUND THE PARISH



Christmas Mass Schedule

- Dec. 24th 4pm-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

January 1st—Solemnity of Mary the Mother of God.
This is not a Holy Day of Obligation this year.

No Mass on Thursday, December 23rd.

Parish Office will be closed on December 23rd & 24th

Religious give thanks. A sister writes, “Our prayers belong most of all to the generous benefactors whose donations have made this financial assistance possible.” Thank you for supporting last week’s Retirement Fund for Religious collection. *Visit retiredreligious.org to learn how your gift supports elderly sisters, brothers, and religious order priests.*

Thank you to the volunteers who gave their time to help out at the Catholic Charities Mobile Food Truck last Monday. We assisted **85** families with food. The next Mobile Food Truck will be coming January 24 at 4pm.

Sunday Offering Envelopes-Watch the mail. The 1st quarter envelopes for 2022 have been mailed to our registered parishioners. If you do not receive envelopes in the mail, please contact the parish office at 815-237-2230. Thank you and May God Bless you always!

The **Volunteer Schedule** for January can be found on our website swkrcatholics.org under the ministry tab. Thank you to all our volunteers. If you are interested in volunteering as a Lector or Eucharistic Minister, please call the Parish Office. Thank you!

RE Reminder—There will not be any RE classes till Sunday, January 9th. Please enjoy this special time of the year with family and friends. We look forward to still seeing you at Mass.

News & Upcoming Events

CHRISTMAS REMINDERS

May the Christmas CHEER remind you of Him who said, “Be of good cheer.” May the Christmas BELL remind you of the glorious proclamations of His birth. May the Christmas CAROLS remind you of the song the Angels sang, “Glory to God in the Highest!” May the Christmas SEASON remind you in every way of Jesus Christ, Your King!

A Blessing Prayer for the Manager...God of all Creation, as we look upon this Holy Manager, fill us with wonder and awe. May these figures help us to reflect on the wonder of Christ’s birth that silent night in Bethlehem. God of Miracles and Mystery, fill us with the faith of Joseph and Mary, with the wonder of the shepherds, and with the generosity of the Three Kings. Bless this Manager; may it be for us a sign of peace, of joy and of Your gentle love. We ask this in the name of Christ, Your Son and our Brother. Amen.

"Advent’s intention is to awaken the most profound and basic emotional memory within us, namely, the memory of the God who became a child. This is a healing memory; it brings hope." —Pope Benedict VI



Word of Life—“Perhaps one of your friends has become pregnant unexpectedly. As someone who has been there, I encourage you to support your friend in her new journey of being a mother.” Learn ten tips at respectlife.org/support-her. SCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities “10 Ways to Support Her When She’s Unexpectedly Expecting”

Fourth Sunday of Advent – 19 December 2021
Micah 5:1-4a. Psalm 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19. Hebrews 10:5-10. Luke 1:39-45.

Leaping for Joy. Let us take our cue from the six-month gestating baby in the womb of Elizabeth leaping for joy on encountering the Lord and the one who brings him. Let us sing again and again all week the antiphon of the psalm: “Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved.”

- How can I keep looking for the face of Christ in those around me?
- Whom will I visit, even virtually if needed, to help in some way?
- How can I get to Christmas Day in peace?