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### Office Hours: 9-1 Monday -Friday

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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:

12/25/21 Sat. 10am Christmas Day—For Parishioners 12/26/21 Sun. 10:00am +Mildred Dinelli (Paul & Regina Chase)

12/27/21 Mon. No Mass 12/28/21 Tues. No Mass

12/29/21 Wed. 7:30am +Gary Morris (Family)

+Cecilia Maxard (Tom & Julie Connor)

12/30/21 Thurs. 7:30am +Dolores Mack (Joyce Perkins)

+Diane Donnelly Sharif (Paul & Regina Chase)

12/31/21 Fri. No Mass

1/1/22 Sat. 4:00pm Parishioners

1/2/22 Sun. 10:00am +Mary Lou Smolik (Dan & Janet Anderson)

If you would like a Mass Intention said, please contact the Parish

Office. Suggested Donations 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!

Liturg	gical Sc	hedule	Lector	Euch. Min.	Servers
12/25	Sat.	10am	M. Pfeifer	D. Pfeifer	Volunteer
12/26	Sun.	10am	T. Staab	M. Noeth	A. & L. Staab
1/1	Sat.	4pm	C. Frobish	M. Theis	A. & N. Himes
1/2	Sun.	10am	M. Pfeifer	D. Pfeifer	N. & O. Siano

### 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 \$ 1312.00
Improvement Collection \$ 384.00
Snow Removal \$ 35.00

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

Dear brothers and sisters.

God became man; he came to dwell among us. God is not distant: he is "Emmanuel", God-with-us. He is no stranger: he has a face, the face of Jesus.

Merry Christmas to All of you!

Fr. Stanley

No Mass on Tuesday, December 28th.

Parish Office will be closed on December 30th & 31st.

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

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!

The gifts have been delivered! The families were greatly appreciative and so thankful for the assistance from St. Lawrence Church. Your generosity was overwhelming! Thank you for making a difference. Thank you for sharing the joy of Christmas!

**2022 Calendars** -A Big Thank you to R.W. Patterson Funeral Home & Crematory of Braidwood for the generous donation of the beautiful 2022 calendars (The Fifteen Promises of Mary). Please take one!

Feast of the Holy Family – We begin to understand Christian Stewardship in our families. We are called to live out the great commandments of loving God and loving our neighbor. The family is God's holy ground in which we strengthen each individual born in His image and likeness. May all families, always strive to live lives of compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, patience and forgiveness as children of God.

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!

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

I Said a Prayer for You at Christmas I said a special prayer for you, As Christmas Day drew near, That God would bless you richly Throughout the coming year. I did not ask for Him to send You gifts of worldly wealth; But prayed that He would fill your life With peace and joy and health. I asked that you would know His love; Be comforted in strife; Seed wisdom and His guidance, and have abundant live. God sent His Son at Christmas, That happiest of days, And most of all I pray that you Will walk with Him always.

"If we do not risk anything for God we will never do anything great for Him." -St. Louis De Montfort

## The Nativity of the Lord [Christmas], Solemnity, Saturday, 25 December 2021

**Vigil Mass:** Isaiah 62:1-5. Psalm 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29. Acts 13:16-17, 22-25. Matthew 1:1-25.

**Mass during the Night:** Isaiah 9:1-6. Psalm 96:1-2, 2-3, 11-12, 13. Titus 2:11-14. Luke 2:1-14.

Mass at Dawn: Isaiah 62:11-12. Psalm 97:1, 6, 11-12. Titus 3:4-7. Luke 2:15-20.

**Mass during the Day:** Isaiah 52:7-10. Psalm 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6. Hebrews 1:1-6. John 1:1-18.

**Today.** This first coming of Jesus is the promise that this Christ will come again. He is with us now – but also coming at some unknown time to complete all things in the perfect Reign and Kingdom of God. Today we marvel over God's good grace.

• How will I behave with family and friends because Jesus Christ is with me and us today?

# The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph, Feast – Sunday, 26 December 2021

1 Samuel 1:20-22, 24-28. Psalm 84:2-3, 5-6, 9-10. 1 John 3:1-2, 21-24. Luke 2:22-40.

**Family Life.** Even the pre-teen Jesus astonishes and worries his parents as they fret over their child! Those of us who are parents know this stress. But all of us, even us aged ones, are still children of God, dearly loved and called to be obedient.

- How will I obey God this day?
- What commandment will I keep?
- What mercy work will I do?