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**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  
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# ST. LAWRENCE CATHOLIC CHURCH



## MASS INTENTIONS:

12/4/21 Sat. 4:00pm +Gary Morris (Family)  
 12/5/21 Sun. 10:00am +Kazimierz Drewniak (Children)

12/6/21 Mon. No Mass  
 12/7/21 Tues. 6:30pm Irene Drewniak –Health & Blessings  
 +Alden & Elsie Hoffman (Byers Family)

**12/8/21 Wed. 7:30am Immaculate Conception of BVM**  
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**(This is a Holy Day of Obligation)**

12/9/21 Thurs. 7:30am +Lena & Spirit Savant (Family)  
 12/10/21 Fri. No Mass  
 12/11/21 Sat. 4:00pm +Lois Residori (Tom Residori)  
 12/12/21 Sun. 10:00am +Merrill Harvey (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	Euch. Min.	Servers
12/4 Sat. 4pm	A. Wargo	S. Myrick	A. & N Himes
12/5 Sun. 10am	M. Pfeifer	D. Pfeifer	M. & E. Simms
<b>12/8 Wed. 7pm</b>	<b>D. Wollgast</b>	<b>S. Myrick</b>	<b>Volunteer</b>
12/11 Sat. 4pm	A. Wargo	R. Chase	N. & O. Siano
12/12 Sun. 10am	C. Male	M. Theis	K. & L. Scheuber

**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 \$ 1700.00**  
**Improvement Collection \$ 100.00**  
**CCHD \$ 90.00**

**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

**Our Condolences** to Tom Perkins & family on the loss of his father, Willard "Bud" Perkins. May his soul and all the souls of the Faithful Departed through the mercy of God, Rest in Peace!

**December 8-Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary) this is a Holy Day of Obligation. Mass Schedule**  
 7:30am & 7:00pm-St. Lawrence, S. Wilmington  
 8:30am-Sacred Heart, Kinsman  
 5:30pm-St. Mary's, Reddick

**Give in gratitude.** A donor to the **Retirement Fund for Religious** writes, "I still remember the lessons the sisters gave us and how they instilled in us the love of our faith." Show your thanks for the prayerful service of elderly Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests. Your gift to next week's second collection helps provide care, medicine, and more. Please be generous.

**Christmas Flowers**-If you would like to make a donation towards our Christmas Flowers, there is a Christmas Flower envelope in your envelope box. Please complete and put into the collection basket. If you don't have envelopes, please use a plain white envelope marked "Christmas Flowers" and include a list of whom the flowers are in memory or Honor of. Make checks payable to St. Lawrence Church. Thank you!

**Church Decorating-** Please join us after 10:00 am Mass on Sunday, December 19<sup>th</sup> to decorate the Church for Christmas. Many hands are needed and appreciated.

**The Giving Tree** will benefit three families in need of our help. Please take an ornament from the tree if you would like to help make Christmas for these families a bit more joyous. On the back of each ornament is a needed gift. The items will be collected thru Sunday, December 19<sup>th</sup> and delivered to the families in time for Christmas. Thank you for your generosity.



**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](http://swkrcatholics.org) Thank you!

## News & Upcoming Events

**Movie Night**-Our Knights of Columbus will be hosting a movie night at Fr. Matthew Hall on Saturday, December 11, 2021 after the 4:00pm Mass. They are planning on showing the movie "Unplanned" and also some form of refreshments will be served. All are invited to this Movie night.

Hear, O Lord, when I cry aloud, be gracious to me and answer me! Thou hast said, "Seek ye my face." My heart says to thee, "Thy face, Lord, do I seek." Hide not thy face from me. Turn not thy servant away in anger, thou who hast been my help. Cast me not off, forsake me not, O God of my salvation!" -*Psalms 27:7-9*

The month of December is dedicated to the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Chosen before time to be the Mother of God Incarnate, Jesus Christ, God created Mary perfect and full of grace, preserving her from the stain of Original Sin. Mary Immaculate is the most beautiful fruit of the work of redemption accomplished by her Son, thereby making her the perfect model of holiness for all Christians.

**Second Sunday of Advent - 05 December 2021**  
 Baruch 5:1-9. Psalm 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6. Philippians 1:4-6, 8-11. Luke 3:1-6.

**Preparing the Way.** In announcing the first coming of the Messiah, John the Baptist urges all people to be right with one another and the world. In awaiting the coming, prophet Baruch tells us how to dress for that day - clad in justice and peace and mercy. In praying for us, as we await the Second Coming of Jesus Christ, Saint Paul confidently urges us to do good work, to love more and more, and to be filled with what is right.

In these troubled times, how can I make things right with \_\_\_\_\_?

What good work of justice and peace can I do this week?  
 What mercy work is Jesus urging me to do?

**The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Solemnity Patronal Feastday of the United States of America - Wednesday, 08 December 2021**  
 Genesis 3:9-15, 20. Psalm 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4. Ephesians 1:3-6, 11-12. Luke 1:26-38.

**Hearing Voices.** Adam and Eve, while still in the garden, hear God speak. Mary, in small town Nazareth, converses with angel Gabriel. Big events result. Mary, who did not know sin, helped, through God's good grace, to bear the Son of God and bring on the Church and the Reign and Kingdom of God.

What inner voice, calling me blessed, urges me not to be afraid of \_\_\_\_\_?

What am I chosen by God to do this week?  
 How will my life give God praise?