



# ST. LAWRENCE CATHOLIC CHURCH



## MASS INTENTIONS:

1/8/22 Sat. 4:00pm +Evelyn Ford (Linda Vercler)  
 1/9/22 Sun. 10:00am +Louie Peterson (Curt & Linda Christensen & Family)  
 1/10/22 Mon. No Mass  
 1/11/22 Tues. 6:30pm +Kazimierz Drewniak (Children)  
 +Tom Perkins (Jim & Pat Dinelli)  
 1/12/22 Wed. 7:30am +Mary Maher (Robin & Tom Barren)  
 +Dale Grieff (Linda Daniels Feehan)  
 1/13/22 Thurs. 7:30am +Esther Sorensen (Mary Ann Roark)  
 +Tom Poole (Barney & +Lois Vigna)  
 1/14/22 Fri. No Mass  
 1/15/22 Sat. 4:00pm +Rita Youskevitch (Char Curtis)  
 1/16/22 Sun. 10:00am +Cathy Anderson (Denny & Cindy Christensen)

**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
1/8 Sat. 4pm	D. Wollgast	R. Chase	K. & R. Shute
1/9 Sun. 10am	T. Peterson	L. Himes	K. & L. Scheuber
1/15 Sat. 4pm	P. Holohan	L. Himes	A. & N. Himes
1/16 Sun. 10am	C. Male	M. Theis	L. & R. Byers

### Holy Father's Intention for the month of January:

**General Intention:** For true human fraternity. We pray for all those suffering from religious discrimination and persecution; may their own rights and dignity be recognized, which originate from being brothers and sisters in the human family.



**Weekly Income:**  
**Sunday Collection \$ 1502.00**  
**Christmas Offering \$ 350.00**  
**Initial Offering \$ 347.00**  
**Solemnity of Mary \$ 270.00**  
**Thank you! Your support is appreciated!**

**Improvement Collection in 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 Sharon Ford & family on the loss of Rodney Ford, who entered eternal life this week. May his soul and all the souls of the Faithful Departed through the mercy of God, Rest in Peace!

Thank you to all the parishioners for your many prayers, Christmas cards and generous gifts. Your kindness is very much appreciated. Our Church looks beautiful thanks to our parishioners for taking the time to decorate and those parishioners for making donations towards our Christmas Poinsettias. God Bless all of you in the New Year.-Fr. Stanley

**Statement of Contributions**-If you would like a tax statement of your contributions for 2021, please call the Rectory 815-237-2230. Statements can only be prepared if you use your weekly Offertory Envelopes.

**Improvement Collection** -There is a Second Collection next weekend 1/15 & 1/16 for our monthly Improvements. 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.

We will be taking down the Christmas decorations after 10:00 am Mass on Sunday, January 9<sup>th</sup>. Your help would be greatly appreciated.

Fr. Stanley is available to come and bless your homes. If you are interested, please call the rectory to set this up. Otherwise, we have available to you Epiphany Kits and instructions so you can bless your own homes.

**Micro Pantry**- will continue to remain open through the winter, but because the weather is starting to get colder, please avoid leaving glass jars or cans. Dry goods would be the best for the winter, such as Mac and cheese, cereal, boxed meals, dry soups, anything that will not freeze. 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 our community for keeping it stocked.

"If you want God to hear your prayers, hear the voice of the poor. If you wish God to anticipate your wants, provide those of the needy without waiting for them to ask you." *St. Thomas of Villanova*

**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 [swkr Catholics.org](http://swkr Catholics.org) Thank you!

## News & Upcoming Events

**Support the works of the Lord through the 2022 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal** -The 2022 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal (CMAA) is now underway, and we are asking everyone to pledge their support to this important effort for our diocese, and our parish. This year's CMAA theme, *Devoted to the Works of the Lord*, illustrates how the many ministries our annual appeal supports allow us to join together to do God's work throughout our diocese. From helping the poor and vulnerable to forming future priests and educating people of all ages in the faith, the ministries funded through your gifts are far more extensive than our parish could provide on its own. Our parish's goal for the 2022 CMAA is \$10,700, and 70 percent of any amount we raise over our goal will be returned to us. This is a great opportunity for our parish! Please review the materials and prayerfully reflect on your gift to this year's annual appeal. If you do not receive a CMAA mailing, please contact the parish office to request one.

### Full-time Building Grounds and Custodial Maintenance Manager Cathedral of St. Raymond, Joliet

The Cathedral of St. Raymond in Joliet is seeking to hire a full-time Building Grounds and Custodial Maintenance Manager. This position is responsible for the maintenance of all parish buildings and grounds. Must be able perform/oversee tasks related to HVAC, electrical, plumbing, painting, security and maintain the safety of all buildings and grounds. General knowledge related to HVAC, Electrical and plumbing trades is preferred. Must be able to lift 50 lbs. and climb ladders. Position requires a team player who pays attention to detail and can work with limited supervision. Please submit resume and references to [ppluth@straymond.net](mailto:ppluth@straymond.net).

**Word of Life**- "When we encounter Christ, experience his love, and deepen our relationship with him, we become more aware of our own worth and that of others. His love for each person is cause for great joy, and growing understanding of this priceless treasure motivates us to share his love with others. Our lives are often changed by the witness of others; so too, others' lives may be changed by our witness and authentic friendship with them." USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities "How to Build a Culture of [respectlife.org/culture-of-life](http://respectlife.org/culture-of-life)"

**The Baptism of the Lord, Feast – Sunday, 09 January 2022** Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11. Psalm 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30. Titus 2:11-14; 3:4-7. Luke 3:5-16, 21-22.

**Prayer.** Jesus himself is baptized by John. Then he prays. In his praying, the Spirit comes and the Father speaks words of possessive pleasure.

- How will I pray this last day of the Christmas season?
- When I am quiet enough, what do I hear God say?
- What mercy work does the Spirit empower me to do?

### Parish Staff:

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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 January  
 Thalia Wilson 237-8595  
 Betsy Lutz 252-0157