



ST. LAWRENCE CATHOLIC CHURCH

South Wilmington, IL



MASS INTENTIONS:

11/26/22 Sat. 4:00pm +Violet Vigna (Dave & Debbie Wollgast)
 11/27/22 Sun. 10:00am +Willard Perkins (Joyce Perkins & Family) and Margaretkas (Fr. Stanley)

11/28/22 Mon. No Mass
 11/29/22 Tues. 6:30pm +Tom Perkins (Kurt & Betsy Lutz)
 11/30/22 Wed. 7:30am +George Maxard (Family)
 12/01/22 Thurs. 7:30am +Lou & Jean Naretto (Ron & Jen Frye)
 12/02/22 Fri. No Mass
 12/03/22 Sat. 4:00pm +James X Schultz (Emma)
 12/04/22 Sun. 10:00am +Lois Residori (Tom Residori)

If you would like a Mass Intention said please contact the Rectory. Suggested donation 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!

Liturgical Schedule	Lector	Euch. Min.	Servers
11/26 Sat. 4pm	T. Peterson	S. Myrick	K. & L. Scheuber
11/27 Sun. 10am	M. Pfeifer	D. Pfeifer	K. & R. Shute
12/3 Sat. 4pm	A. Wargo	R. Chase	R. Byers & L. Scheuber
12/4 Sun. 10am	C. Male	M. Theis	R. & K. Shute

The **Volunteer Schedule** for **December** 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.

Holy Father's Intention for the month of November:
General Intention: For children who suffer. We pray for children who are suffering, especially those who are homeless, orphans, and victims of war; may they be guaranteed access to education and the opportunity to experience family affection.



Weekly Income:
Sunday Collection \$ 2292.00
Improvement Collection \$ 774.00
CCHD \$ 248.00

Thank you! Your support is appreciated!

Parish Staff:

Father Stanley Drewniak, *Pastor*
 Linette Hopwood, *Secretary*
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Office Hours: 9-1 Monday -Friday

St. Lawrence Rectory (815) 237-2230
 Maria Hakey, *Bulletin* (815) 237-2230
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Hall Rentals - Call the Parish 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 November
 Debbie Wollgast 584-5030
 Denise Scheuber 237-2639

FROM AROUND THE PARISH

Our 2022 Giving Tree will benefit two worthy causes. We are seeking donations for our monthly Mobile Food Truck. The cost for a truck of food is \$1,200. Any amount donated will help to continue this monthly outreach ministry for our community.

We will also be seeking donations for a local family in need of our assistance. Please take an ornament from the tree to help us meet the needs of our community. The Giving Tree donations will be collected thru December 18th.

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
 9:00am-Sacred Heart, Kinsman
 12-1pm- Hour of Grace-St. Lawrence, S. Wilmington
 5:30pm-St. Mary's, Reddick

Christmas Flowers-In your box of envelopes you will find a Christmas Flower Offering envelope. Please put the person being remembered, on the outside of the envelope and drop the envelope into the collection. Make checks payable to St. Lawrence Church. If you do not have envelopes, please use a plain envelope and write "Christmas Flowers" on the outside. Thank you!

ADVENT begins anew-Advent begins the Church's new year of grace. Advent invites us to begin anew our new journey in the grace of Christ. For that reason, spiritual writers tell us that the spiritual life is a series of new beginnings. Advent invites us to a period of meditation, of examination. It is our time of preparing for the coming of Christ. But Christ comes in many ways. He will come, to be sure, on Christmas morn. But He will also come whenever the grace of God is stirred up in our hearts. For this reason Advent should be a time of more frequent and fervent meditation and examination. Through such means we will be more concerned with spiritual than temporal matters. In such a way the grace of God will be able to work more effectively in our souls. Advent is our time of spiritual rebirth. By opening the eyes of our soul through prayer and meditation, we will be better able to see the birth of Christ on Christmas morn!
 -Fr. Vincent A Yzermans

"I believe that I shall see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living! Wait for the Lord; be strong, and let your heart take courage; yea, wait for the Lord!"
 -Psalm 27:13-14

News & Upcoming Events

It's BACK!!! The St. Lawrence Nite at the Races will be held again this year after a couple year interruption. The horses will be off and running on Saturday, April 15, 2023. The theme this year will be "the roaring 20's". So dig up a flapper or gangster suit and come play the horses at our 12th annual NITE AT THE RACES! We will begin planning in January and would appreciate any volunteers to help us make this the best race nite ever. Please contact Debbie Wollgast (815-584-5030) if interested in joining the fun.

Saturday, December 10 – Winter Carnival-The Reddick Community Auxiliary is sponsoring a Winter Carnival at the Reddick Fire Station Community Hall on Main Street, Reddick. The family event will be held from 6:00-8:00 p.m. The Carnival will kick off with Santa's arrival! Activities include a visit with Santa, raffles, games, crafts, prizes, and entertainment.

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.

Word of Life-“Having received the gift of the Gospel of Life, we are the people of life and a people for life. It is our duty to proclaim the Gospel of Life to the world. To proclaim Jesus is to proclaim life itself. Gratitude and joy at the incomparable dignity of the human person impel us to bring the Gospel of life to the hearts of all people and make it penetrate every part of society.” USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities“ The Gospel of Life: A Brief Summary”

First Sunday of Advent – 27 November 2022
 Isaiah 2:1-5. Psalm 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9.
 Romans 13:11-14. Matthew 24:37-44.

Coming That Is Certain Yet Unknown. We begin a new liturgical year today, focusing on the *parousia*, the “end time”, the Second Coming of Jesus Christ. We **know** its coming is certain. Jesus says, however, we just do **not know when**. How, then, shall we behave? As if that coming is today!

- Since Christ is light (Isaiah and Creed), how will my merciful behaviors shine with his radiance?
- Since Christ is near (Romans), how will I behave with sobriety, loving-kindness, and generosity?
- I will stay awake for the Second Coming of Christ by _____?