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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 December Carol Frobish 584-1012 Renee Hollmeyer 237-8313 Pam Holohan 237-2311

ST. LAWRENCE CATHOLIC CHURCH South Wilmington, IL



MASS INTENTIONS:

12/24/22 Sat. 4:00pm Parishioners Christmas Eve Sat. 10:00pm Parishioners Christmas Eve 12/25/22 Sun. 10:00am Parishioners Christmas Day

12/26/22 Mon. No Mass

12/27/22 Tues. 6:30pm NO MASS

12/28/22 Wed. 7:30am +Larry Lardi (Norm & Donita Lardi)

12/29/22 Thurs. 7:30am +Cathy Anderson (Paul & Regina Chase)

12/30/22 Fri. No Mass

12/31/22 Sat. 4:00pm +Denice Muzzarelli (Elaine Joyce)

1/01/23 Sun. 10:00am Parishioners

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!

Liturg	gical S	Schedul	e Lector	Euch. Min.	Servers
12/24	Sat.	4pm	A. Wargo	S. Myrick	Volunteer
		10pm	P. Holohan	R. Chase	Volunteer
12/25	Sun.	10am	C. Male	Volunteer	Volunteer
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			D. Wollgast	R. Chase	M. & E. Simms
1/1	Sun.	10am	C. Frobish	L. Himes	A. & N. Himes

The **Volunteer Schedule** for **January** 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 December:

General Intention: For Volunteer Not-for-Profit Organizations. We pray that volunteer non-profit organizations committed to human development find people dedicated to the common good and ceaselessly seek out new paths to international cooperation.



Weekly Income:	
Sunday Collection	\$ 2605.00
Snow Removal	\$ 324.00
Retired Religious	\$ 162.00

Thank you! Your support is appreciated!

FROM AROUND THE PARISH

Welcome! We welcome all new individuals, couples and families to St. Lawrence Parish. If you haven't already done so, please register with the parish office. Registration forms can be found on the bulletin board or on our website swkrcatholics.org Thank you!

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

May the celebration of Christmas be for each one of you a time of joy and peace. May Christ's coming to us be for each one of us one more occasion to meditate on the mysteries of our salvation. Merry Christmas!

Fr. Stanley

The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, December 26th and Friday, December 30th. Merry Christmas!

New Years Day Mass (Solemnity of Mary) this is a Holy Day of Obligation

Dec. 31st 4pm-St. Lawrence, S. Wilmington 5:30pm-St. Mary's, Reddick Jan. 1st 8am-Sacred Heart, Kinsman 10am-St. Lawrence, S. Wilmington

No Daily Mass on Tuesday, December 27th.

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!

Word of Life-"The infant Christ 'came into our world in a state of great vulnerability. He needed to be defended, protected, cared for and raised by Joseph' (PC 5). The humble and often hidden carpenter of Nazareth accompanied Mary in her pregnancy, assisted at the birth of the Messiah in a stable, presented Jesus in the Temple, fled with his family far from their homeland to protect them, and lovingly raised Jesus as his own son in the years to come... Joseph's devotion helps reveal to us our own call to show special care for the lives of those whom God has entrusted to us." *Excerpts from Patris corde, © 2020, Libreria Editrice Vaticana. Used with permission. All rights reserved. USCCB Secretariat of Pro -Life Activities Respect Life Reflection: St. Joseph, Defender of Life

News & Upcoming Events



SAVE THE DATES in 2023! Celebrate the

National Eucharistic Revival
With these special Diocesan Celebrations
DIOCESAN-WIDE FORTY HOURS DEVOTION
FEBRUARY 8, 9, 10 AT THE CATHEDRAL OF
ST. RAYMOND NONNATUS, JOLIET,

AND PRAYER SERVICE with NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC PREACHER on MARCH 23, 24, 25 AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS THROUGHOUT THE DIOCESE.

Watch for more information in the upcoming bulletins.

The Nativity of the Lord [Christmas], Solemnity Saturday, 25 December 2022

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.

Coming Together. All manner of gatherings occur at Christmas: of families, of friends, of associates – some invited, some not. Filled with joy because of a new child or spouse added to the family. Touched with grief because of the death of one we love. Tinged with tension because of some wrong – perceived or real – yet unresolved. Christmas speaks to all of this and more. The birth of God in Jesus assures us that all life is good and holy. The assigned Bible readings speak of vindication, being God's delight, abundant joy, great rejoicing, peace for ever, justice filled, not forsaken, comforted. This day speaks to every emotion, everything, everyone.

- How will I show God's love to everyone with whom I gather?
- How will I let go of some hurt to be at peace?
- How will I be holy and help those with whom I gather to be holy?

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph, Feast – Friday, 29 December 2022. Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14. Psalm 128:1-2, 3, 4-5. Colossians 3:12-21. Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23.

Every Family Is Holy. Pope Francis was not the first to urge us to see and be holy people. Saint Paul, in Colossians 3:12-17, calls us holy and beloved – and lists holy behaviors. It recalls the Old Testament covenants and the very peak of creation told in Genesis – human life.

- How will I, in phone call or letter, speak words of love to my siblings and parents?
- How will I be ever more holy this day?
- How will I help families who grieve or hunger or want?