



# ST. LAWRENCE CATHOLIC CHURCH

South Wilmington, IL



### MASS INTENTIONS:

1/22/22 Sat. 4:00pm Parishioners  
 1/23/22 Sun. 10:00am +Mary Kaye Yatuni (Shane Wepprecht)  
 1/24/22 Mon. No Mass  
 1/25/22 Tues. 6:30pm +Todd Sandeno (Elias Gordan)  
 +Dolores Mack (Danny & Loli Pope)  
 1/26/22 Wed. 7:30am +Paul Dinelli (Robert & Sue Suddick)  
 +Jan & Jerry Joyce (Francis Smith)  
 1/27/22 Thurs. 7:30am +Michael Jett (Bob & Bobbi Petrunaro)  
 +Tom Perkins (Mary & Don Pfeifer)  
 1/28/22 Fri. No Mass  
 1/29/22 Sat. 4:00pm +Patrick McElroy & Jennie Lenzie (Brian McElroy)  
 1/30/22 Sun. 10:00am Perez Family (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
1/22 Sat. 4pm	A. Wargo	S. Myrick	N. & O. Siano
1/23 Sun. 10am	T. Staab	D. Wollgast	L. & A. Staab
1/29 Sat. 4pm	C. Frobish	R. Chase	K. & R. Shute
1/30 Sun. 10am	M. Pfeifer	D. Pfeifer	M. & E. Simms

### 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** \$ 2158.00  
**Improvement Collection** \$ 329.00  
**Snow Removal** \$ 456.00

**Thank you! Your support is appreciated!**



### Parish Staff:

Father Stanley Drewniak, *Pastor*  
 Linette Hopwood, *Secretary*  
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 Web Page: [swkrcatholics.org](http://swkrcatholics.org)  
 Anne Simms & Tiffany Staab *CCD Directors*

**Office Hours: 9-1 Monday -Friday**  
 St. Lawrence Rectory (815) 237-2230  
 Maria Hakey, *Bulletin* (815) 237-2230

*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

## 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 our website [swkrcatholics.org](http://swkrcatholics.org) Thank you!

**Statement of Contributions**-If you would like a tax statement of your contributions for 2021, please call the Parish Office 815-237-2230.

The Parish Office will be closed on Friday, Jan. 28.

This weekend we take up the **Collection for the Church in Latin America!** Many people in Latin America and the Caribbean do not have access to church programs and ministries because of a rising secular culture, rugged rural terrain, and a shortage of ministers. Your generosity enables our brothers and sisters in Latin America and the Caribbean to share in the life of the Church and grow closer to Christ. Please be generous in the special collection! To learn more, please visit [www.usccb.org/latin-america](http://www.usccb.org/latin-america).

The **Volunteer Schedule** for February can be found on our website [swkrcatholics.org](http://swkrcatholics.org) under the ministry tab. If you would like a printed copy, please call the Parish Office. Thank you for volunteering. If you are interested in volunteering as a lector or Eucharistic Minister, please contact the Parish Office. Thank you!

**Monday, January 24 at 4pm Catholic Charities' and Northern Illinois Food Bank Mobile Food Pantry** will be distributing food in South Wilmington at St. Lawrence Church parking lot (snow, rain or shine). You do not have to be Catholic to participate. If you know anyone in need, please inform them. This Mobile Food Truck is **sponsored by The Church of Hope**. Take Action to solve hunger by volunteering to sort and pack boxes, help us distribute food to neighbors in need. If you can volunteer, please arrive by 3pm. Thank you!

The race committee met on January 12th to consider the possibility of holding the 12th Nite At the Races event. After careful consideration we have decided to give our community another year to recoup from COVID-19. Night at the Races has been an event that brings our community together for a night of fun and socialization and the businesses of our community have been very gracious over the years. The health and welfare of everyone that participates is our priority. We look forward to the possibility of holding this event in 2023.

## News & Upcoming Events

### My Parish—His Heart—My Home

My parish is composed of people like me. I help make it what it is. It will be friendly, if I am. It will be holy, if I am. Its pews will be filled, if I help fill them. It will do great work, if I work. It will be prayerful, if I pray. It will make generous gifts to many causes, if I am a generous giver. It will bring others into worship, if I invite and bring them in. It will be a place of loyalty and love, of fearlessness and faith, of compassion, charity, and mercy, if I, who make it what it is, am filled with these same things. Therefore, with the help of God, I now dedicate myself to the task of being all the things that I want my parish to be. Amen.

"He opened their minds to understand the Scriptures" (Lk 24:45).

**Word of Life**—"Many people know someone personally who is suffering because of an abortion. If a friend confided in you tomorrow that she had an abortion, would you be able to respond in a way that brings her closer to healing? ... Even a woman who doesn't go to church or think of herself as religious can be afraid that God will never forgive her for having an abortion. She should know that God loves and forgives those who are sorrowful. He wants to comfort them and give them his peace. USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities "How to Talk to a Friend Who's Had an Abortion"

### Third Sunday in Ordinary Time – 23 January 2022

**We devote this day to the celebration, study, and spread of the Word of God.**

Nehemiah 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10. Psalm 19:8, 9, 10, 15. 1 Corinthians 12:12-30. Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21.

**Believing the Word of God.** We are the Body of Christ (Corinthians) assembling as the graced community of believers (Nehemiah) each week to give thanks and praise, to share in Communion, and then sent to serve. We are part of the great Communion of Saints to whom is handed down the living Word of God – both the Scriptures and the Tradition as well as the very person of Christ who is the spoken Word of God (Luke). During the first Mass in a brand-new church building, the bishop shows the *Lectionary* to the assembly and says: "May the word of God resound always in this building, to open for you the mystery of Christ and to bring about your salvation in the Church." *The Order of the Dedication of a Church and an Altar*, Chapter II, no. 53, © 2018, ICEL. All rights reserved. The Word of God is central to faith.

- How will I set aside a few minutes each day to read/ reread Scripture? What is a good time?
- How will I look for the unfolding mystery of Christ in little and big ways today?
- How will I be "good news" this week by what I say and do?