



# ST. LAWRENCE CATHOLIC CHURCH

South Wilmington, IL



### MASS INTENTIONS:

2/04/23 Sat. 4:00pm + Evelyn Ford (Ozog Family)  
 2/05/23 Sun. 10:00am +Todd Sandeno (Craig & Val Male)

2/06/23 Mon. No Mass  
 2/07/23 Tues. 6:30pm +George Maxard (Family)  
 2/08/23 Wed. 7:30am +Wayne & Dorothy Onsen (Fair Family)  
 2/09/23 Thurs. 7:30am +Tom Poole (Gina Schultz)  
 2/10/23 Fri. No Mass  
 2/11/23 Sat. 4:00pm + Peter Schultz (Cindy, Kailyn & Chelsea)  
 2/12/23 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!

Liturgical Schedule	Lector	Euch. Min.	Servers
2/04 Sat. 4pm	C. Frobish	R. Chase	L. Byers & R. Shute
2/05 Sun. 10am	C. Male	M. Theis	K. & L. Scheuber

2/11 Sat. 4pm	A. Wargo	S. Myrick	M. & E. Simms
2/12 Sun. 10am	T. Peterson	L. Himes	N. & A. Himes

The **Volunteer Schedule** for **February** can be found on our website [swkr Catholics.org](http://swkr Catholics.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 February:**  
*General Intention:* For parishes. We pray that parishes, placing communion at the center, may increasingly become communities of faith, unity and welcome towards those most in need.



**Weekly Income:**  
**Sunday Collection** \$ 2344.00  
**Snow Removal Fund** \$ 55.00

**Thank you!! Your offering is most appreciated.**

### Parish Staff:

Father Stanley Drewniak, *Pastor*  
 Linette Hopwood, *Secretary*  
 Email: [stlawrencswilm@yahoo.com](mailto:stlawrencswilm@yahoo.com)  
 Web Page: [swkr Catholics.org](http://swkr Catholics.org)

### Office Hours: 9-1 Monday –Friday

St. Lawrence Rectory (815) 237-2230  
 Susan Tjelle, *RE Director* (815) 823-9376

*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 February  
 Thalia Wilson 237-8595  
 Janet Anderson 237-8545

## FROM AROUND THE PARISH

**Our deepest condolences** to Marge, family and friends on the passing of Charles McCormack, also our condolences to The Maher family on the passing of Johnny Maher (Son of John & Mary Maher) and condolences to Tom Perkins on the passing of his brother, Jim Perkins who entered Eternal Life. Eternal Rest Grant to them O Lord. May their souls and all the souls of the Faithful Departed through the mercy of God, Rest in Peace!

Saint Blaise was the bishop of Sebaste in Armenia during the fourth century. According to various accounts he was a physician before becoming a bishop. His cult spread throughout the entire Church in the Middle Ages because he was reputed to have miraculously cured a little boy who nearly died because of a fishbone in his throat. From the eighth century he has been invoked on behalf of the sick, especially those afflicted with illnesses of the throat. Fr. Stan will be blessing throats after Mass this weekend.

**Altar Servers**— In appreciation of your service, you are invited to a Bowling Party at Victory Lanes in Dwight on Sunday, February 26 from 4:00-6:00pm. Please RSVP to Deb Wollgast. Rides may be provided if needed.

Bishop Hicks Column for February –Feeding the hungry through our ministries. Copies are available on the table at the entrance of our Church or visit [www.dioceseofjoli.org](http://www.dioceseofjoli.org)

**Prayers for the sick-** The following names are the people that their family has asked us to pray for them during Mass. Please remember them in your daily prayers. Blaine Passini, Ray Testin, Jenny Kilmer, Terry Hampson, Michele Rowe, Jacob Giordano, Maria Hakey, Dominick Strom, Tim Kaffer, Marie Granger, Elaine Testa, Jack Cacello, Matt Pantaleone, Barb Haut, Heidi Dinelli Pulito, and Donna Mary Horrie.

**Word of Life**—“A society is all the more human to the degree that it cares effectively for its most frail and suffering members, in a spirit of fraternal love. Let us strive to achieve this goal, so that no one will feel alone, excluded or abandoned.” Pope Francis, Message for the 29<sup>th</sup> World Day of the Sick 2021 © 2020, Libreria Editrice Vaticana. Used with permission. All rights reserved.

**Welcome!** We welcome all new individuals, couples and families to St. Lawrence Parish.

## News & Upcoming Events

This coming Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday our Diocese will be celebrating 40 Hours Devotion at the Cathedral of St. Raymond Nonnatus in Joliet. This is one of our celebrations of the National Eucharistic Revival and everyone is invited to go to the Cathedral and spend some time in adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and in prayer with other parishioners from throughout the Diocese. The schedule of prayers for these three days can be found on the Diocesan Website [www.dioceseofjoli.org](http://www.dioceseofjoli.org)

### Visit to St. John Vianney College Seminary (SJV)

\*Thursday, February 16 – Saturday, February 18, 2023

FOR YOUNG MEN AGES 16 – 24

WHY VISIT THE SEMINARY?	SEMINARY VISIT SCHEDULE
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Meet current seminarians.</li> <li>• Learn more about the life of a seminarian.</li> <li>• Time for prayer and discernment.</li> <li>• Attend classes and hear inspiring talks.</li> <li>• Discern God's will for you.</li> <li>• Meet other young men from Joliet discerning God's will in their lives.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Thursday, February 16</b></p> <p>9:00 AM Pick up group at Home Depot, 2000 Butterfield Rd., Downers Grove</p> <p>4:00 PM Arrive at SJV Seminary, welcome Mass, introductory talks</p> <p><b>Friday, February 17</b></p> <p>Holy Hour, Mass, Univ. of St. Thomas tour, talks, meals, time with seminarians, attend classes</p> <p><b>Saturday, February 18</b></p> <p>9:00 AM Leave SJV Seminary</p> <p>4:00 PM Arrive at pick up place</p>
<p><b>WHAT SHOULD I BRING?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sleeping bag and pillow</li> <li>• Personal toiletries</li> <li>• Dress clothes for Mass</li> <li>• Gym clothes for open gym</li> <li>• Bible, rosary, spiritual reading for Holy Hour</li> <li>• Personal spending money</li> </ul>	<p>*For more information, call                      Diocese of Joliet Vocation Office                      at 815-221-6171</p>

"By reason of His immensity, God is present everywhere; but there are two places where He dwells in a particular manner. One is in the highest heavens, where He is present by that glory which He communicates to the blessed; the other is on earth—within the humble soul that loves Him."  
 —St. Alphonsus Liguori

**Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time – 05 February 2023**  
 Isaiah 58:7-10. Psalm 112:4-5, 6-7, 8-9. 1 Corinthians 2:1-5. Matthew 5:13-16.

**Being Salty.** In old Roman times, soldiers were paid in salt (it is the root word for “salary”). We are not paid with salt but are told to be salt today. Salt of the earth. Told, not to use “salty” language, but to be seasoned, tasty. We are also told to be light today. Light of the world. Told, not to show the goodness of our deeds, but to let our good deeds manifest the glory of God.

- How will I season, enliven someone’s life today?
- How will I shine God’s light on some gloom in today’s world?
- How will doing this mercy work \_\_\_\_\_, show the blessedness of God and Christ and Spirit?