



# ST. LAWRENCE CATHOLIC CHURCH

South Wilmington, IL



### MASS INTENTIONS:

4/15/23 Sat. 4:00pm +Irene Gunderson (Bob & Sue Suddick)  
 4/16/23 Sun. 10:00am Parishioners  
  
 4/17/23 Mon. No Mass  
 4/18/23 Tues. 6:30pm +Elaine Testa (Bill & Linda Gomora)  
 4/19/23 Wed. 7:30am +Lolita Harrop (+Mary Lou & Jim Smolik)  
 4/20/23 Thurs. 7:30am +Tom Perkins (Joyce Perkins)  
 4/21/23 Fri. No Mass  
 4/22/23 Sat. 4:00pm +George Maxard & Rose Eggenberger (Family)  
 4/23/23 Sun. 10:00am +Rita Farina (Elaine Joyce)

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
4/15 Sat. 4pm	A. Wargo	L. Himes	A. & N. Himes
4/16 Sun. 10am	M. Pfeifer	D. Pfeifer	K. & R. Shute
4/22 Sat. 4pm	T. Peterson	R. Chase	L. Scheuber/E. Simms
4/23 Sun. 10am	Special	R. Hollmeyer	K. & R. Shute

The **Volunteer Schedule** for **April** 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 April:

*General Intention:* For a culture of peace and non violence. We pray for the spread of peace and non violence by decreasing the use of weapons by States and citizens.

Weekly Income:	
Sunday Collection	\$ 261.00
Easter Collection	\$ 2268.00
Holy Thursday	\$ 382.00
Holy Land (Good Friday)	\$ 280.00
Rice Bowl	\$ 22.25
<b>Thank you!! Your offering is most appreciated.</b>	



### Parish Staff:

Father Stanley Drewniak, *Pastor*  
 Linette Hopwood, *Secretary*  
 Email: [stlawrenceswilm@yahoo.com](mailto:stlawrenceswilm@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 April  
 Bonnie Bozue 237-2214  
 Robin Homerding 237-2039

## FROM AROUND THE PARISH

**Our deepest condolences** to Joe Bexson and family on the loss of Barb Bexson who entered eternal life. May Barb's soul and all the souls of the Faithful Departed through the mercy of God, Rest in Peace!

**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. Joylene Fair, Blaine Passini, Ray Testin, Jenny Kilmer, Michele Rowe, Jacob Giordano, Maria Hakey, Dominick Strom, Tim Kaffer, Barb Haut, Pat Robisky and Matt Pantaleone.

**Monday, April 17 at 4pm is the next Mobile Food Pantry** coming to South Wilmington at St. Lawrence Church parking lot (rain or shine). **Participants are asked to remain in their cars.** If you can volunteer to sort and pack boxes, or help us distribute food to neighbors in need, please arrive by 3pm to help pack boxes. If you are able to help with traffic control, please arrive by 2:30pm. Please pass the word to those in need. Please remember with the weather getting nice to wear closed toe shoes. Thank you to The Church of Hope for sponsoring this Mobile Food Truck!

**Improvement Collection-**Next weekend there will be a second collection for our monthly Improvements. Thank you for your generosity.

**CMAA Pledge Report for St. Lawrence Church**  
 Monthly pledge payments for CMAA pledges should be made in the next few days. It is very important that these pledges be paid so that our parish will reach our goal. Once we have reached our goal in paid pledges, 70% of the amount over goal will be returned to our parish for our needs.

Parish Goal: \$10,200  
 Amount Pledged: \$11,439  
 Amount Paid: \$ 9,959  
 Remaining Balance: \$ 1,480

*"Those who sincerely say 'Jesus, I trust in You' will find comfort in all their anxieties and fears. There is nothing more man needs than Divine Mercy—that love which is benevolent, which is compassionate, which raises man above his weakness to the infinite heights to the holiness of God."* - St. John Paul II



## News & Upcoming Events

**Easter Basket Recycle Program**—The Knights of Columbus Council #1574 are again collecting unwanted Easter baskets, eggs and grass. There is a container in front of St. Lawrence, Sacred Heart and St. Mary's. We are also collecting broken or unwanted religious items for repair and redistribution or proper disposal.

### A Stewardship Prayer for April Loving Father,

We know the truth of the Easter proclamation.  
 Christ is risen and with him all creation!  
 Light replaces darkness, joy replaces sadness,  
 life replaces death.

Through the power of your Spirit, there is no failure his love and mercy cannot reverse, no humiliation he cannot exchange with blessing, no anger he cannot dissolve, no routine he cannot transform.

All is embraced by the victory of your son's cross and resurrection.

Help us always be good stewards of Easter's light, see Resurrection as a daily event, and yearn for the love of Christ as intensely as he yearns for our love.  
 We pray this in Jesus' name.

**Amen**

"Apart from the cross, there is no other ladder by which we may get to heaven." –*St. Rose of Lima*

**Word of Life-**If you or someone you know has had an abortion, be assured that it is never too late to seek God's forgiveness in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Additionally, our confidential, compassionate help is available. Select "Find Help" from the menu on [www.hopeafterabortion.org](http://www.hopeafterabortion.org) to find the diocesan Project Rachel Ministry near you. USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, "Bridges of Mercy for Healing after Abortion" [www.usccb.org/bridges-of-mercy](http://www.usccb.org/bridges-of-mercy)

**Second Sunday of Easter (or of Divine Mercy) – 16 April 2023** Acts 2:42-47. Psalm 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24. 1 Peter 1:3-9. John 20:19-31.

**Unrestrained by Locked Doors.** Locked doors are not good enough for keeping the Risen Jesus from us. They are not good enough for preventing Jesus from breathing the Holy Spirit into us. How must we respond? With the devotion noted in the Acts of the Apostles: to the teaching, to Sunday Mass, to attending to those in need.

- What is Jesus, through Scripture and Tradition, teaching me today?
- With what does this Sunday Mass, with prayer and fellowship and Communion, fill me?
- What needs do I notice in others – and what will I do?