



ST. LAWRENCE CATHOLIC CHURCH

South Wilmington, IL



MASS INTENTIONS:

9/09/23 Sat. 4:00pm Parishioners
 9/10/23 Sun. 10:00am +James X Schultz (Grandchildren)

9/11/23 Mon. No Mass
 9/12/23 Tues. No Mass
 9/13/23 Wed. No Mass
 9/14/23 Thurs. No Mass
 9/15/23 Fri. No Mass
 9/16/23 Sat. 4:00pm +Jimmy Yatuni and Jack Cacello (Bob Suddick)
 9/17/23 Sun. 10:00am +Isaac "Ike" Bull (The Bull Family)

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
9/09 Sat. 4pm	A. Wargo	R. Chase	R. Byers /J. Simms
9/10 Sun. 10am	T. Peterson	M. Theis	A. & N. Himes
9/16 Sat. 4pm	D. Wollgast	S. Myrick	L. Scheuber/K. Shute
9/17 Sun. 10am	M. Pfeifer	D. Pfeifer	M. & J. Simms

The **Volunteer Schedule** for **September** 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 September:

General Intention: For people living on the margins. We pray for those persons living on the margins of society, in inhumane life conditions; may they not be overlooked by institutions and never considered of lesser importance.



Weekly Income:
Sunday Collection \$ 3133.00
Maintenance/Improvement \$ 350.00
Thank you!! Your offering is most appreciated.

Parish Staff:

Father Stanley Drewniak, *Pastor*
 Linette Hopwood, *Secretary*
 Susan Tjelle, *RE Director* (815) 823-9376

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Office Hours: 9-1 Monday -Friday
 St. Lawrence Rectory (815) 237-2230

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 September
 Thalia Wilson 237-8595
 Bev Cullick 237-8269

FROM AROUND THE PARISH

Our deepest condolences to the family and friends on the passing of Donnie Lardi, who entered Eternal Life. Eternal Rest Grant to him O Lord. May his soul and all the souls of the Faithful Departed through the mercy of God, Rest in Peace!

No Daily Mass during the rest of **September**. Fr. Stan is in Poland visiting his family. Daily Mass will resume at our parish on Tuesday, October 3rd at 6:30pm. Please welcome Fr. Anthony Nugent on Saturdays 9/16 & 9/23 and Sundays Fr. John Horan 9/17 & 9/24. If an emergency arises and you need a priest, please call the parish office at 815-237-2230. Thank you!

EXCITING NEWS! Our church/parish leadership has determined it is time for our new pictorial church directory. FREE 8x10 opportunity for you and/or your family. Our dates for photography will be: October 26, 27, 28. To schedule your photography appointment online, simply go to www.ucdir.com, click on photography appointment scheduling login on the right side, enter **i1319** the Church Code field and enter **photos** in the Church Password field. Follow the prompts to schedule your family's appointment time. If you have 5 or more in your family please use 2 consecutive time slots. The online scheduling option is available Monday through Friday.

Improvement/Maintenance Collection -Next weekend we will have a Second Collection for our monthly Maintenance & Improvements. Thank you for your generosity.



RE Classes start this weekend Sept. 10th. Registration Fees are \$50 per child or \$75 per Family. Sacrament years (2nd Grade & Confirmation) are an additional \$25. We look forward to seeing all our Religious Ed. Families. If you have any question, or would like to volunteer, please call our Director Susan Tjelle at 815-823-9376 or contact the parish office at 815-237-2230. Thank you!

"Yesterday is gone. Tomorrow has not yet come. We have only today. Let us begin."

-St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta

Happy Grandparents Day! Grandparents are a delightful blend of laughter, caring deeds, wonderful stories, and love.

News & Upcoming Events

St. Rose of Lima Parish in Wilmington invites you to go on a Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Christ's Passion in St. John, Indiana. Friday, Sept. 15, 8:30 am from The St. Rose Parking Lot, 634 S. Kankakee St., Wilmington, IL. Cost of Trip \$30.00/ per person (includes bus trip, gratuity, and entrance to the Our Lady of Guadalupe terrace) Bring your lunch and cooler Golf Carts available: must be reserved in advance. 6.00/ per person Information call or text : Kristi 815.263.4158. The Stations of the Cross will be led by Father Sebastian Gorgal of St. Rose Parish.

Prayer of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Word of Life-“By our baptism, we are members of Christ's body and sharers in his mission. Imitating Christ, we must care for all members of our communities, honoring each person as unique, sacred, and created in the image of God.” USCCB, “Open Wide Our Hearts” Bulletin Insert

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time – 10 September 2023

Ezekiel 33:7-9. Psalm 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9. Romans 13:8-10. Matthew 18:15-20.

Christ Is Present. The readings today lay out our duty to dissuade the wicked from their ways (Ezekiel); to not harden our hearts (Psalm); to love, love, love (Romans); and to lead sisters and brothers out of sin (Matthew). Important. Necessary. Baptismal duty. But let the last gospel sentence become our guide this week: “For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there I am in the midst of them.” Christ is always present. Christ is surely with us now in the liturgy, in Communion, in all the sacraments, in his word proclaimed, in the praying and singing Church – and in this pandemic. As few as two or three of us assures his presence.

- What is God saying to me about un-hardening my heart?
- Let me read a Bible passage each day this week, either reprising the Sunday readings or using this week's gospels of Luke 7 and 8. What is Christ saying to me each day?
- With whom can I gather, even if kept from the church building, to sing God's praise?