



ST. LAWRENCE CATHOLIC CHURCH

South Wilmington, IL



MASS INTENTIONS:

9/23/23 Sat. 4:00pm +Terry Hampson (John & Lin Hopwood)
 9/24/23 Sun. 10:00am +Deceased Knights of Columbus Members

9/25/23 Mon. No Mass
 9/26/23 Tues. No Mass
 9/27/23 Wed. No Mass
 9/28/23 Thurs. No Mass
 9/29/23 Fri. No Mass
 9/30/23 Sat. 4:00pm +Neal Tjelle (Bruce & Deb Tjelle)
 10/1/23 Sun. 10:00am Parishioners and
 +Kazimierz Drewniak (Hanna Drewniak)

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
9/23 Sat. 4pm	A. Wargo	R. Chase	R. Byers
9/24 Sun. 10am	Special	R. Hollmeyer	A. & N. Himes
9/30 Sat. 4pm	T. Peterson	L. Himes	L. Scheuber/N. Himes
10/1 Sun. 10am	M. Pfeifer	D. Pfeifer	K. & R. Shute

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 \$ 1518.00
Maintenance/Improvement \$ 757.00

Thank you!! Your offering is most appreciated.

Parish Staff:

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

Email: stlawrenceswilm@yahoo.com
 Web Page: swkrcatholics.org

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

No Daily Mass next week. Fr. Stan is in Poland visiting his family. Daily Mass will resume at our parish on Tuesday, October 3rd at 6:30pm. Thank you for coming back and celebrating Mass with us on Saturday, Fr. Anthony Nugent and Fr. John Horan on Sunday. If an emergency arises and you need a priest for anointing of the sick or last rites, please call the parish office at 815-237-2230. Thank you!

Thank you to all our volunteers and the United Lutheran Church in Gardner for sponsoring the Food truck that was here on Monday and helping us pack and distribute food to 95 thankful families. The next Mobile Food will be here on Monday, October 23.

Church Directory Update! Our scheduling process has begun. During the next few weeks, you can schedule your family for their portrait time. We will have volunteers eager to help you before and after Mass. If you would like to schedule your 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. Closed for in person scheduling on the weekend. FREE 8x10 opportunity for you and/or your family. Our dates for photography will be: October 26, 27, 28. All parishioners have an envelope with the Photo directory information. Please pick up your envelope after Mass before October 15th. Thank you!

Sunday Funday is coming - October 15th at Fr. Matthew Hall after 10:00 Mass. Flyers are posted and will be sent home with the RE children. Donations for the Kids Raffle are needed. \$5 to \$10 gift cards, games, books, etc will be collected thru October 13th. Donations may be left at the Church or the Rectory.

Word of Life-“Suicidal individuals—with or without a terminal illness—typically do not want to die... The patient requesting assisted suicide is often asking, ‘Does anyone want me to be alive, or care enough to talk me out of this request and support me through this difficult time?’” USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities “Every Suicide is Tragic”

"The closer one approaches to God,
 the simpler one becomes." -*St. Teresa of Avila*

News & Upcoming Events

Undy Sunday 2023 -Did you know that new underwear and socks are the most-requested but least-donated items at Catholic Charities? These basic items (new underwear, warm socks, a fresh diaper) are truly treasures to those who are living in poverty. St. Lawrence Religious Ed and Parish is helping Catholic Charities, Diocese of Joliet and the individuals and families they serve by collecting the following NEW items for children and adults living in low-income households: **Children's Underwear (2T or larger), Pull-ups (2T - 5)**. The collection will be held Oct 1 - Oct 22. If you would prefer to send a monetary donation, please mail it to: Catholic Charities, Diocese of Joliet/Undy Sunday 16555 Weber Road Crest Hill, IL 60403 Monetary donations can also be made online at catholiccharitiesjoliet.org. Thank you for making a difference in the lives of the poor and vulnerable in our community!

Take a Stand and Pray on October 1st WHAT: LIFE CHAIN is a peaceful, prayerful public witness of pro-life Americans standing in honor of 58 million lives lost to abortion, praying for our nation and for an end to abortion. It's a visual statement of solidarity by the Christian community that abortion kills children and supports the sanctity of human life from the moment of conception to natural death. Participants hold a sign (provided) with a life-affirming message while they stand quietly and pray. Bring strollers for babes/tots! Those who need them are welcome to bring chairs. WHEN: Sunday, October 1, 2023 - 2:30 pm - 3:30 pm. WHERE: IL Route 53 at IL Route 113 in Braidwood ***PLEASE Don't Park at Berkots, Park at the KofC Hall 195 E. Main St. Shuttle provided for those who need. Questions contact: Dave Wollgast at 815-705-6229.

The National Shrine of St. Therese at 8433 Bailey Rd. in Darien, IL invite you to visit the Relics of St. Therese and her parents, Sts. Louis and Zelig September 17-30, 9am-8pm. Feast Day is October 1st. For information visit litttleflower.org/feastday

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time -24 Sept. 2023
 Isaiah 55:6-9. Psalm 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18. Philippians 1:20c-24, 27a. Matthew 20:1-16a.

How Things Work in the Kingdom of Heaven. This parable about kingdom living may rile us up. God is as generous to the late-comers to kingdom work as to those who labored longer and, perhaps, harder. Really? It is true. God is so generous, so loving, so good - with ways above our ways and thoughts above our thoughts (reread Isaiah). What work will I do to help bring on the Kingdom of Heaven? How will I pour myself into Christian living without grumbling? How can I be generous to a fault like God this week?