



ST. LAWRENCE CATHOLIC CHURCH

South Wilmington, IL



MASS INTENTIONS:

2/17/24 Sat. 4:00pm +Terry Hampson (Joyce Perkins)
 2/18/24 Sun. 10:00am +Lou Peterson (Tim Harvey)
 2/19/24 Mon. No Mass
 2/20/24 Tues. 6:30pm +Lou & Jean Naretto (Danny & Loli Pope)
 2/21/24 Wed. 7:30am +Mary Maher (John & Sue Schulze)
7:00pm Stations of the Cross
 2/22/24 Thurs. 7:30am +Elaine Joyce (Bob & Sue Suddick)
 2/23/24 Fri. No Mass
 2/24/24 Sat. 4:00pm +Ken Lardi (Al & Robin Homerding)
 2/25/24 Sun. 10:00am +Tim Richie (Paul, Heather & Grace Richie)

If you would like a Mass Intention said, please contact the Parish Office. Suggested Donations 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
2/17 Sat. 4pm	C. Frobish	R. Chase	K. & R. Shute
2/18 Sun. 10am	T. Peterson	M. Theis	R. Byers/ L. Scheuber
2/24 Sat. 4pm	D. Wollgast	S. Myrick	M. & J. Simms
2/25 Sun. 10am	Special	Special	Volunteer

The **Volunteer Schedule** for **February** 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 February:
General Intention: For the terminally ill. We pray that those with a terminal illness, and their families, receive the necessary physical and spiritual care and accompaniment.



Weekly Income:
Sunday Collection \$ 1890.00
Improvement \$ 60.00
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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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 February
Thalia Wilson 237-8595
Janet Anderson 237-8545

FROM AROUND THE PARISH


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

Stations of the Cross will be held every Wednesday at 5pm in Kinsman and 7pm in South Wilmington during Lent followed by Benediction. The Way of the Cross is not only a great testimony to an inner depth and maturity, but it is in fact a school for interiority and consolation. It is also a school for the examination of conscience, for conversation, for inner transformation and compassion – not as sentimentality, as a mere feeling, but as a disturbing experience that knocks on the door of my heart, that obliges me to know myself and to become a better person. (Pope Benedict XVI) The pious exercise of the Way of the Cross represents the sorrowful journey that Jesus made with the Cross on His shoulders, to die on Calvary for the love of us. Won't you join us on the Wednesdays during Lent for 45 minutes of your time at 7pm?

The St. Lawrence Race Nite team has begun plans for Race Nite 2024. The Committee will meet again on March 12th at 7:00 pm at Father Matthew Parish Hall. Everyone is welcome to attend. The Committee wishes to thank parishioners and local business that have already contributed raffle baskets and auction items to make this night a success. Donations are still being accepted. Please contact Committee members Susan Myrick or Deb Wollgast if you have something you wish to donate. We look forward to seeing everyone on April 6, 2024 for the "Gone Country Race Nite"!

The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, February 19th for Presidents' Day.

Improvement/Maintenance Collection –today we will have a Second Collection for our monthly Maintenance & Improvements. Thank you for your generosity.

 **Easter Flowers**-If you would like to make a donation towards our Easter Flowers, there is a Easter Flower envelope in your envelope package. Please complete and put into the collection basket. If you don't have envelopes, please use a plain white envelope marked "Easter Flowers" and include a list of whom the flowers are in memory or Honor of. Make checks payable to St. Lawrence Church. Thank you!

News & Upcoming Events

The Chili Supper Sponsored by South Wilmington United Methodist will be held on Saturday, February 24th from 4 PM to 7 PM at St. Lawrence Parish Hall. All-U-Can-Eat chili, hot dogs, chips, dessert, lemonade & coffee. Adults \$8.00, Kids 6-12 \$5.00, 5 and Under Free.

Liturgical Color -Violet is the liturgical color for the season of Lent, as well as the color of the stole worn by the priest for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. It is the liturgical color of Lent because it symbolizes repentance. It also symbolizes Christ's royalty as King of all kings.

Suggestions for Lent – Personal prayers, meditation on the profound mysteries of God, visits to the Most Blessed Sacrament, devotional confessions, scripture reading, recitation of the Rosary, making the Way of the Cross... all contribute something precious in personal depth and spiritual enrichment, so necessary to a sound and mature life of faith in the Lord.

"Heaven is filled with converted sinners of all kinds, and there is room for more." –*St. Joseph Cafasso*

St. Patrick's and the Dwight Knights of Columbus **Lenten Fish Fries** at the St Patrick Parish Hall in Dwight. Fridays, (February 16, 23, March 1, 8, 15, 22) They will be serving from 5 till 7. The Menu Fried Pollock, Baked Cod, Fried Shrimp or a grilled cheese sandwich, baked potato or french fries, coleslaw or apple sauce. Prices are Adults - \$13.00 Grade schoolers - \$6.00, Pre-schooler - Free

Micro Pantry– during the colder weather, please avoid leaving glass jars or cans. Dry goods would be the best for the winter, such as Mac and cheese, cereal, boxed meals, dry soups, anything that will not freeze. Personal care items are always a good idea. Please keep them in their package. The Micro Pantry is located on the corner by our Church. "Take what you need" and "Leave what you can". Free to those in need. Thank you to our community for keeping it stocked.

Word of Life-"We often assume parenthood happens easily after 'I do,' but for many married couples, it does not. For some, the joy of conception never happens. Others suffer repeated miscarriages. Still others experience secondary infertility... If you experience difficulty bringing a child into your family, know that you are not alone. God is with you, and his Church desires to walk with you... God has a beautiful plan for your life as a married couple." USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities "Seven Considerations While Navigating Infertility" respectlife.org/navigating-infertility