



ST. LAWRENCE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH SANDOVAL, ILLINOIS

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JANUARY 26, 2025

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@ Family of Faith

@ Community of Hope

SACRAMENTAL LIFE

HOLY MASS SCHEDULE: St. Lawrence: Sunday at 8:30 am - Tuesday at 9:00 am - Holy Day Vigil at 6:00 pm
St. Elizabeth: Sunday at 9:30 am - St. Mary: Saturday at 4:00 pm - Sunday at 10:30 am - St. Theresa: Sunday at 11:00 am

Reconciliation: Before Sunday Mass 8:00 am - 8:20 am.

Baptism: Contact the office for Baptism preparation.

Marriage: Contact Pastor at least six months in advance.

Anointing of the sick: Available as needed and at Mass twice a year.

Communion for the homebound: Contact Pastor or call the office.

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MASS INTENTIONS

Jan 26 Rose Mary Jourdan
Tom & Teddy Holstlaw

Jan 28 Norman Williams
Robert Williams
Frances Nalewajka
Charles & Norma Saale

Feb 02 Open

Feb 04 Marilyn Oehmke
Charlotte Carson
Marie Porter
Janice Kannall

LITURGICAL ROLES

January 26, 2025

SERVERS: Dave Peters
Ren Biggs

GREETERS: Cindy Lusch

LECTOR: Mary Williams

GIFT BEARERS: Brenda Schaubert & Bob Perry

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS:
Wayne Houser (Body of Christ)
Need 2 for (Blood of Christ)

CANTOR: Marlene Lackey
COUNTERS TEAM: Barb Spears
Theresa Ingles

February 02, 2025

SERVERS: Sierra Ford
Eugene Nalewajka

GREETERS: Brenda Schaubert

LECTOR: Theresa Oldham

GIFT BEARERS: Cindy Lusch & Bob Perry

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS:
Loren Pepple II (Body of Christ)
Need 2 for (Blood of Christ)

CANTOR: Marlene Lackey
COUNTERS TEAM: Linda DeKalb
Theresa Ingles

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Jan 19, 2024

Envelopes	\$ 705.00
Loose	72.00
Building Fund	200.00
1 st Offering	30.00
Solemnity of Mary	20.00

Attendance – 65 –

Thank you for all
your donations.

LOOKING AHEAD

Sun Jan 26

3rd Sunday in OT

MASS:

CONFESSION 8:00-8:20

St. Lawrence: 8:30 am

St. Elizabeth: 9:30 am

St. Mary: 10:30 am

St. Theresa: 11:00 am

Tues Jan 28

MASS:

St. Lawrence: 9:00 am

FINANCE MEETING: 10:00 am

Sat Feb 01

MASS:

St. Mary: 4:00 pm

Sun Feb 02

4th Sunday in OT

MASS:

CONFESSION 8:00-8:20

St. Lawrence: 8:30 am

St. Elizabeth: 9:30 am

St. Mary: 10:30 am

St. Theresa: 11:00 am

OF SPECIAL INTEREST

It has been brought to my attention about putting the Blood of Christ back on the Liturgical Roles. Starting April I will be putting the Blood of Christ back on the Liturgical Roles. If you do not want put on the list contact the Parish Office (618)247-3300.

Knights News

Congratulations to the winners of the St. Lawrence Knights of Columbus Free Throw Contest held on January 18th. Tristan Burton, Age 9, Odin. Nickolie Brehn, Age 10, Salem. Marvin McClain, Age 11, Sandoval. Qwintierre Shackelford, Age 12, Odin. Tucker Aydt, Age 13, Irvington. Callie Alonso, Age 10, Sandoval. Maddi Hill, Age 13, Centralia. These winners will advance to the district level of competition to be held at St. Lawrence Gym on February 15th.



Reverend Steven Pautler

This weekend, we begin Catholic Schools Week, a time to celebrate the many gifts our students, faculty, staff, and volunteers bring to St. Mary School. Throughout its history, our school has been guided by countless dedicated souls, including Religious Sisters who once staffed the classrooms. They radiated a special joy—one that came from serving God through their vocation as educators.

I recall a conversation with Sister Michael, when I asked her, “Has anyone ever asked you to help at the school?” Her eyes lit up at the opportunity. She hadn’t been asked before, and as we know, her presence would soon become part of St. Mary’s story. Her willingness to say “yes” reminds us of how vital faith-filled educators are to the life of a Catholic school.

In addition to our rigorous curriculum, we equip students with the skills needed to thrive in an ever-evolving world. Through service projects, music programs, and extracurricular activities, St. Mary fosters responsibility, leadership, and teamwork that benefits children far beyond their years, preparing them for life’s challenges with true unwavering confidence.

Today, our school is diverse in many ways, welcoming families of various Christian traditions, backgrounds, and perspectives. This tapestry of faith and culture broadens our understanding of God’s role in the world, helping our students recognize and appreciate the richness of different cultures. Amid this variety, we hold fast to our Catholic identity, carrying on Christ’s mandate of providing a Christian education.

St. Mary’s also maintains high academic standards that are recognized beyond our school walls. High school teachers often note how new freshmen from St. Mary distinguish themselves with their knowledge, discipline, and enthusiasm for learning. Our students’ talents shine when they participate in sports, excel in academic competitions, or visit other schools—building on the strong foundation they received here.

I cherish the memories of being taught by the Adorers of the Blood of Christ from Ruma, Illinois. Their dedication and example shaped me and countless others. Now, our own students have their favorite teachers—those who bring them joy and draw out their gifts. During these days of Catholic Schools Week, we celebrate our students, our parish community, our families, and the faith in Jesus Christ that unites us.

May the spirit of Catholic education continue to flourish at St. Mary School, rooted in love, strengthened by faith, and enriched by the diverse tapestry of all who call our school their home. Our mission is to form disciples of Christ who serve the world with compassion, knowledge, and unwavering faith.

Where Friends Grow in Christ and Classrooms Come Alive!



Saint Mary Catholic School



Catholic Schools Week
January 26th - February 1st.

**The Messenger Newspaper
Subscription Renewal Weekend is
Feb. 1-2.**

Please stay connected with your Diocese through a subscription to *The Messenger* Catholic Newspaper. Payments can be made via your Messenger envelope or by credit card at www.bellevillemessenger.org and click **SUBSCRIBE**. The cost for a 1-year subscription is \$40 for printed, home-delivery, \$35 for digital access and \$45 for both.

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St. Lawrence Church

**The Sanctuary Candle for the month of January
in loving memory of...**

Shaun Ford

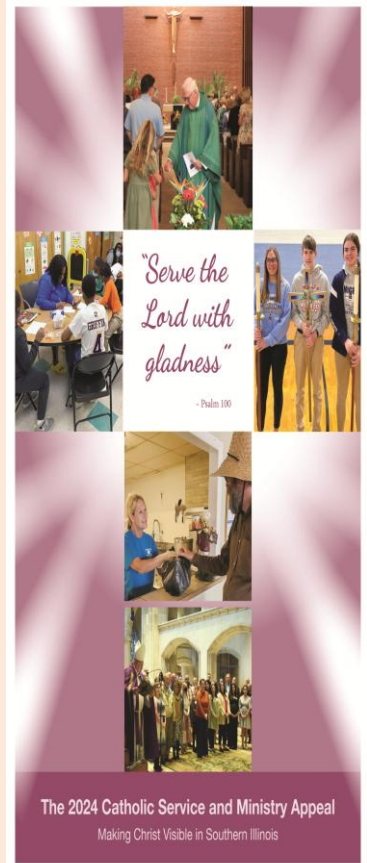
In Loving Memory

January 2025	Shaun Ford
February 2025	Mike Shaffer
March 2025	Leo & Jeannie Nalewajka Nancy Berry & Marcus Oehmke
April 2025	Joe & Florence Altadonna
May 2025	Nancy Berry, Leo & Jeannie Nalewajka
June 2025	John, Freda, Eddy, Raymond, Danny, & Burns Family
July 2025	Marcus Oehmke
August 2025	Marcella Schulte
September 2025	Jim Gore, Shedelbower & Gore Families
October 2025	Bobby Hill, Aaron & Dorothy Niepoetter
November 2025	John, Freda, Eddy, Raymond, Danny & Burns Family
December 2025	Shaun Ford
January 2026	Altadonna Family
February 2026	Mike Shaffer
March 2026	John, Freda, Eddy, Raymond, Danny & Burns Family
April 2026	John, Freda, Eddy, Raymond, Danny Burns & Burns Family
May 2026	Open

If, you would like to put a picture in front of the Sanctuary Candle put it up there on the 1st of the month until the last day of the month. You don't have to put a picture up if you don't want to. It is up to you.

Sunday, January 26, 2025 Respect Life Bulletin Corner

Many people are unaware that someone they know personally is silently suffering from participation in abortion. If a friend confided in you tomorrow that she had an abortion, would you be able to respond in a way that brings her closer to healing? Learn how at <https://www.usccb.org/prolife/how-talk-friend-whos-had-abortion>
**USCCB Secretariat of
Pro-Life Activities**



The 2024 Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal

***Serve the Lord with
gladness***

-Psalm 100

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul truly serves the poorest of the poor through its Cosgrove's Soup Kitchen, SVDP Thrift Store, Help Center and Night Drop-In Center. Men, women and children are provided the basic necessities of life – food, clothing and shelter – and the hope and the tools they need for a better tomorrow. Help St. Vincent de Paul serve those who have no place else to turn. Please make **your gift** to The Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal today.

CANDLEMAS

THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

Candles will be blessed during Mass on Saturday, February 1st, at 4:00 p.m. and Sunday, February 2nd, at 10:30 a.m. If you have candles you would like blessed, please bring them and place them on the designated blessing table. Additionally, candles will be available to take home for a donation.

BLESSING OF THROATS AFTER MASS



Quote for the week: Everyday do something that will inch you closer to a better tomorrow.

Third Week of Ordinary Time

The **Third Sunday in Ordinary Time** begins to take us through **Luke's Gospel**. We will follow it each week until Lent begins; it picks up again after the Easter season when Ordinary Time returns. It introduces Jesus as returning to Galilee "in the power of the Spirit" where he goes to the synagogue and teaches from Isaiah: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor." He ends with the stunning words "Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing."

Tuesday is the **Memorial of Saint Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church**.

The first reading this week continues with the **Letter to the Hebrews** which teaches that Jesus is mediator of a new covenant and a priest who "offered one sacrifice for sins. He took his seat forever at the right hand of God."

In **Mark's Gospel** this week, the ever-critical scribes accuse Jesus of being possessed by demons. Jesus responds clearly, "If a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand." When told his family has arrived to see him, he replies that "whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother." He tells the imaginative story of the sower and the seed and after the crowd dispersed, Jesus explains to the disciples that the seed is the word of God, accepted at various levels. He encourages his disciples to show their light: "Is a lamp brought in to be placed under a bushel basket or under a bed, and not to be placed on a lampstand?" Jesus compares the Kingdom with the tiniest of mustard seeds which grow to "the largest of plants." He calms the seas during a storm. His disciples wonder, "Who then is this whom even wind and sea obey?"

On the **Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time**, **Luke's gospel** continues the story of the Jesus teaching in the synagogue. The crowd, although "amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth" began to challenge Jesus. He responds that "no prophet is accepted in his own native place" and challenges their assumptions, angering the crowd. When they try to drive him out of town, he passes through their midst.

Daily Prayer This Week

This week is set at the beginning of Jesus' ministry and the pictures we get of how challenged and pushed he is prepare us to hear the simple parables he tells us. All of us get challenged and pushed in our daily lives. Even when we are on the right road and following a faithful path, there are forces, conflicting demands, tempting alternatives, differing values that batter us. It takes grace and courage to trust our real mission and that our Lord will be with us through it all.

Each morning this week, we can take a moment, to ask for what we desire. The entire day will be different just by spending 20 seconds sitting at the edge of the bed saying, "Lord, I want to keep my eyes open today. Whatever comes at me today, I want to stay in touch with you. Thank you." Another morning I may be aware of a big decision I have to execute that day or a conflict I am planning to face, and I might pray, "Okay, Lord, this is the day. This is how I live out my relationship with you. Be with me and give me what I need. Keep reminding me I can't do it without you."

Each day will offer a different brief moment of connection with our Lord, but each will ground the day. Then it is so very easy, while in the shower or walking down a hall, for just brief moments here and there in the background of our day, to stay in touch with our Lord. These guides can help keep us focused on the nourishing Word which interacts with our daily life. Every day can seem like a living Parable of the Sower. There is seed being scattered all around us and we can see and experience our degrees of receptivity. And while we are doing the best we can, all day, every day, in a variety of things, we can be consoled by the Lord's smile reminding us that the Kingdom is like a mustard seed. The real graces come from very small seeds, the smallest of efforts that make a big difference. Most of all, when things get rough, during any day, we can pause and take a breath and ask him to calm the wind and sea in our hearts.

Every night we can thank him for his presence and ground our growing relationship with him.

Taken from the "Weekly Guide for Daily Prayer" on the Creighton University's Online Ministries web site:
<https://onlineministries.creighton.edu/CollaborativeMinistry/Prayer/A1-OT-30.html>

3rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)

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January 26, 2025
Nehemiah 8:24-6, 8-10
Psalms 19:8-10, 15
1Corinthians 12:12-30
Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21

The Presentation of the Lord
February 02, 2025
Malachi 3:1-4
Psalms 24:7-10 (8)
Hebrews 2:14-18
Luke 2:22-40

Gathering #643 Praise to You, O Christ Our Savior
Prep of Gifts #644 Your Words Are Spirit & Life
Communion #797 Come to Me & Drink
Recessional #821 Celtic Alleluia: Sending Forth
Readings 936



Celebrating Excellence and Character at St. Mary School

This past Wednesday, during our All School Mass, we took a moment to celebrate and recognize the outstanding achievements of our students from the second quarter at St. Mary School. These recognitions highlighted the many ways our students continue to grow and shine, not only academically but also in character and spirit. Awards were presented to students who demonstrated significant academic improvement, showed exceptional kindness to their peers, and consistently lent a helping hand to others. Additionally, we celebrated accomplishments in areas such as reading, leadership, and other important contributions that enrich our school community. It was a wonderful opportunity to affirm the values of hard work, compassion, and dedication that we strive to instill in our students every day. We are so proud of all their efforts and grateful for the example they set for our entire school family.

**JODENE IS CELEBRATING
HER BIRTHDAY JANUARY 31ST.**

Help us celebrate our amazing birthday girl in style! She deserves an avalanche of love, so let's flood her mailbox with cards, notes, and warm wishes. Let's make her day unforgettable!

JoDene Nall, c/o Heritage Woods
2049 E. McCord St. Apt 267
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SMS CALENDAR WINNERS

MONDAY, JANUARY 6, 2025

GREG CROUCH – CENTRALIA

TINA BRUNSON - CHAMPAIGN

MONDAY, JANUARY 13, 2025

SARAH TOMLIN – CENTRALIA

JOE HAVRILKA – WENTZVILLE, MO

MONDAY, JANUARY 20, 2025

VALENCIA BAILEY - CENTRTALIA

MARISSA BARROW - CENTRALIA

Catholic Schools Week
January 26th - February 1st.

Percentage of high school graduates who attend a four-year college.

Category	Percentage
Catholic Schools	85.2%
Other Religions	63.7%
Public Schools	43%
Non-Religious	55.6%

SAINT MARY PARISH, MOUNT VERON

2025 ST. MARY PARISH-WIDE REBOOT
May 14, 2025 | 7:00 PM a life-changing event

TICKETS AVAILABLE in the Church office & online!

Scan Here!

\$30 in office | \$33 online

JOIN MARY'S MERRY QUILTERS

MONDAY, ST. LAWRENCE PARISH - 9:00 A.M.

In the tapestry of life, it's the threads of love, faith, and fellowship that make the most beautiful patterns. We hope you'll consider weaving your unique thread into our quilting group. Whether you come for the quilting, the community, or both, know that a warm welcome awaits you. Contact Sally Tiemann, or visit us at St. Lawrence.



You Are Invited To A

Birthday Party

Join us as we celebrate

Reverend Monsignor Thomas Flach's
80th Birthday!

February

Sunday

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Noon

Columbian Club of Pinckneyville

312 N. Gordon St.

Pinckneyville, IL 62274

Please RSVP before January 28th by calling or emailing the
parish office

618-542-3423 / 618-357-5510

sacredheartduquoin@gmail.com / stlsmm@yahoo.com

Meat, Salad, Cake & Drinks will be served. Please bring a side dish to share.

Praying in Ordinary Time Before Lent

As Lent Approaches

Lent is a powerful season for our transformation. As we experience ourselves reflecting on the issues of our lives during Ordinary Time, we can consciously begin to shape what our Lenten journey might be like. We can begin to ask, what am I going to be desiring during this Lent? What do I need and what will I be asking help to do?

It is a good time to begin to dip into our [Praying Lent](#) website, to do some preparatory work. Anything that is important to us, anything worth doing well, is worth preparing for well. We have a number of resources to help us think through how we want to approach Lent, and how we can be ready for when it begins.

Growing in our Relationship with Jesus

The season of Ordinary Time can be rich and blessed because the readings and prayers offered us in this season are wonderful. They give us a chance to grow in our attraction to Jesus and to stoke our desire for a deeper, personal relationship with him.

May the Lord who has begun this great work in us, continue it in us, to its completion.

National Marriage Week

Feb 7-14, 2025

Marriage: Source of Hope, Spring of Renewal.
Pursue a Lasting Love!

O God, who in creating the human race
willed that man and wife should be one,
keep, we pray, in a bond of inseparable love
those who are united in the covenant of Marriage,
so that, as you make their love fruitful,
they may become, by your grace, witnesses to charity itself.
Through Christ our Lord
Amen.

Ready to gift your marriage?

Check out these resources:

www.foryourmarriage.org/married-life/

www.paradisusdei.org/the-choice-wine

www.diobelle.org/marriage-enrichment



SUNDAY MASS

St. Mary (Vigil) 4:00 p.m.

St. Mary (Vigil) Carlyle

4:30 p.m. & 7:30 a.m.

St. Lawrence - 8:30 a.m.

St. Elizabeth - 9:30 a.m.

St. Mary - 10:30 a.m.

St. Theresa - 11:00 a.m.



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BIRTHDAY

01-26 Joe Hill
01-31 Clay Cain III
02-09 Jeanine Faith
02-10 Cindy (Porter) Lusch
02-12 Hannah Hill
02-14 Linda (Beckmann) DeKalb
02-16 Mary (Altadonna) Vogt
02-17 Lucas Alonso
02-17 Stacey (Nalewajka) Ford
02-22 Ashley Alonso
03-05 Msgr. David Darin
03-10 Tom Lusch
03-23 Clayton D. Cain
03-23 Chris Williams
03-29 Lacy Toedte
04-06 James Nattier
04-13 Mickayla (Schulte) Skibinski
04-16 Johnny Bosler

ANNIVERSARY

02-08 Clayton & Kay Cain
03-22 Jolynn & Chares Garrett
04-10 Tom & Cindy Lusch

SHALOM IS NEEDING HELP

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2025
2025 SETTING UP FROM 5:00 PM - ?.
DISTRIBUTE ON SATURDAY,
FEBRUARY 8, 2025 FROM 7:00 AM –
9:30 AM FOR MORE INFORMATION
CONTACT BRENDA SCHAUBERT

Those in nursing homes or assisted living are:

Gerald & Phyllis Fanger.
Please pray for them, their families and
their care-givers.



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REMEMBERING OUR LOVED JANUARY:

01-20 Mary Burns
01-22 Curtis Fark
01-92 Elmer Gambetta
01-20 Kaden Lyons
01-21 JoAnn Maroccio
01-21 Bonnie Richeson
01-05 Lucille Spinner
04-78 Melvin Poli
04-23 Norma (Wimberly) Saale
07-83 Joe Resch
07-20 Barb Steele
09-17 Mary Lyons
09-97 Rita Lusch
09-95 Dennis McGibany
09-93 Helen Oehmke
09-92 Phillip Russell
09-95 Victor Warren
10-10 Frances Hawley
11-22 Danny Burns
12-04 Anthony Korzenewski
12-08 Jack Seats
15-02 Robert "Bobby" Hill
15-10 Gary Korzenewski
15-16 John Stack
16-15 James "Jim" Gambetta
16-17 Beanie Lusch
16-21 Tina Suarez
16-17 Cecelia Wiedle
21-92 Ethel Merkle
23-98 Brian Keith Isaak
23-94 Lena Wurm
25-06 Charles Saale
25-16 Norman Williams
26-15 Evelyn Barton
26-90 Margorie Warnock
26-15 Robert Williams
27-08 DeSolena Foutch
27-01 Mary Mae Leuty
27-14 Frances Nalewajka

RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE

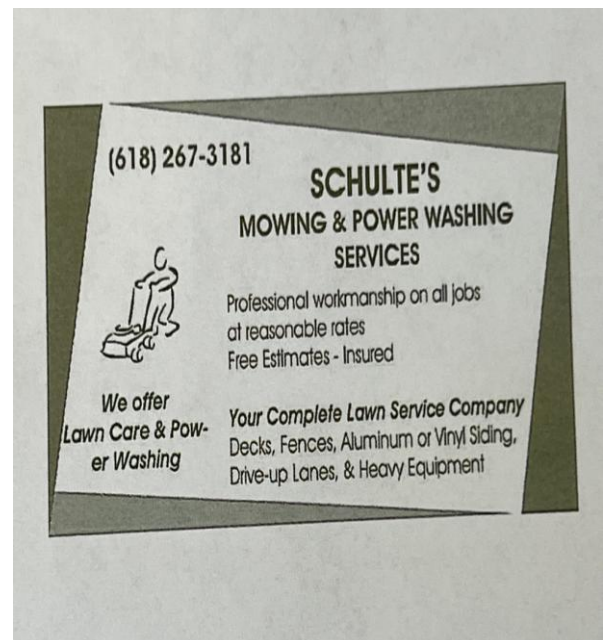
ST. MARY, CENTRALIA
SATURDAY FROM 3:15 P.M. - 3:45 P.M.

ST. MARY, MT. VERNON
SATURDAY FROM 4:00 P.M. - 4:30 P.M.

ST. LAWRENCE, SANDOVAL
SUNDAY FROM 8:00 A.M. - 8:15 A.M.

PRAYER REQUEST – CAN YOU PLEASE GO OVER THESE NAMES TO SEE IF ANY NEEDS TO BE REMOVED PLEASE LET OFFICE KNOW

2 Special Cancer People, Brenda Altadonna, Chris Berry, Brianna Blakley, Earl Bosler, Shirley Brady, Clayton & Kay Cain, Craig Church, Mindy Clark, Daisy Conrad, Jared Fogerson, Don Frazier, Sue Gambill, Debra (Small) Gerrish, Mary Gore, Barb Grasher, Debbie Grasher, Alexis Hall, Bill & Mary Hall, Tom Hall, Michelle Irvin, Bob Kannall, Marlene Lackey, Judy Jenkins, Karleigh McClaren, Tracy Minton, John Mullen, Jerry Nitz, Earl Nolte, Jeff Orrell, Susan Parrish, Wayne Pepple, Rachel & Sandie Peters, Brenda Pinkston, Gary Quick, Jerry Ratermann, Joel Rivera, Bart Robbins, Pat (Gerrish) Roestel, Kenny & Mary Saatkamp, Rachael Sager, Otto Schaffer, Monica Schaubert, Kim Schulte, Fr. Carl Schrage, Shamus, Jack Shanafelt, Mickayla Skibinski, John Alan Small, Milya Smith, Zelma (Wurm) Smith, Patti, Jerome Stack, Brittany Starbreck, Vicky Steele, Evelyn Szatkowski, Janette Torrance, Jane Waddell, Waylon Vick, Ledger Whisenand, Craig Williams, Sara Wright.



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