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#### Masses for Sunday:

Saturday: 4:30 p.m.; Sunday: 9:00 a.m., 11:30 a.m.

#### **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:**

Tuesday: 8:30 a.m.-6:45 p.m.

#### **Sacrament of Reconciliation:**

Tuesday: \*5:30-6:30 p.m.(\*verify schedule in bulletin under "This Week")
Saturday: Following the 8:00 a.m. Mass; Anytime by Appointment.

#### Marriage:

One member of the couple must be a registered parishioner of St. Catherine Parish.

Call Parish Office at least six months prior to setting a wedding date.

#### **Parish Office Hours:**

Monday-Friday: 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Communion to the Sick: Call Parish Office.

#### **New Parishioners:**

Please call the Parish Office. Notification when leaving the parish is appreciated.

#### **Bulletin Deadline:**

Tuesday, 10:00 a.m. Drop off copy at parish or send via e-mail.

Baptism: Baptism is a joyful event "by which men and women are freed from their sins... are configured to Christ by an indelible character, and are incorporated into the Church." (Canon 849 of the Code of Canon Law). People can be baptized as adults or infants. The preparation for adult baptism takes place in the process of the catechumenate, commonly known as the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, or RCIA. Any adult desiring baptism may call the office to begin this process. Preparation for infant baptism happens in baptism classes, generally held on the fourth Thursday evening of each month in the Parish Office. No child will be baptized at St. Catherine unless both parents have attended one of these classes in the last five years. Baptism of adults generally takes place on Holy Saturday night, while baptism of infants can take place on any Sunday. Since baptism "incorporates one into the Church," it is appropriate that the infant be baptized during a Sunday liturgy when the local Church is gathered. There are legitimate reasons for not wanting to have the baptism during a Sunday liturgy; in those cases, baptisms may be scheduled for a Sunday at 1:00 p.m.

#### Parish Membership - Requires an Active Response

Active members of St. Catherine of Siena Parish have registered and provided the Parish Office with the information needed to complete the census forms. Active members regularly participate in the Saturday evening or Sunday Liturgy at St. Catherine of Siena Parish. Active members invest themselves in the parish by participating in the annual Stewardship Program pledging and contributing time, talent and treasure as God calls them. Active members hold the parish in their daily prayers.

#### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

**TUESDAY – July 4th** 8:00 a.m. Cindy Walker WEDNESDAY – July 5th 5:30 p.m. Paul Lankisch THURSDAY - July 6th

8:00 a.m. The Poor Souls in Purgatory

FRIDAY – July 7th

8:00 a.m. Janet Fassler

SATURDAY – July 8th

8:00 a.m. Julie Harrison

4:30 p.m. Bill Seiter

SUNDAY – July 9th

9:00 a.m. Members of the Parish 11:30 a.m. Teresa Meder

### EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS **OF HOLY COMMUNION** July 8th & 9th

**4:30 p.m.** Lois Roell (cup), Heather Shultz (cup), Joliene Garlich (host), Diane Hamberg (host) 9:00 a.m. Brooke Holbrook (cup), Logan Holbrook (cup), Nathan Holbrook (host), Dana Ruwe (host) 11:30 a.m. Doug Powrie (cup), Linda Powrie (cup), Martie Iker (host), Elise Rulli (host)

#### **LECTORS** July 8th & 9th

**4:30 p.m.** Pete Djordejevic 9:00 a.m. Dennis Hicks 11:30 a.m. Bruce Mirrielees

#### SERVERS SCHEDULE July 4th-July 9th

8:00 a.m. – Tuesday

Silas West, Maggie West

5:30 p.m. – Wednesday

Ryan Stacey, Connor Stacey

8:00 a.m. – Thursday

Colin Desmond. Volunteer Needed

8:00 a.m. - Friday

Tim Garlich, Ava Hamberg

8:00 a.m. – Saturday

Adelise Bozeman, Chloe Greenwell

4:30 p.m. – Saturday

Matilda Faust, Morgan Kremer, Laney Smith

9:00 a.m. – Sunday

Morgan Baldwin, Lucy Gillen, Graham Gillen

11:30 a.m. - Sunday

Hailey Fritz, Logan Meyer, Hayden Schwalbach

#### SUNDAY COLLECTION RECAP

	6/18/2023	6/19/2022
Weekly Offering	\$ 13,121	\$ 17,208
Fiscal YTD Offerings	\$939,157	
Fiscal YTD Budget	\$901,385	
Fiscal Annual Budget 2022/2023	\$930,000	
Number of registered families	407	
Tuition Assistance		
awarded for 2022/2023	\$ 0	
Tuition Assistance		
donations FYD	\$ 1,239	
School Registration for 2022-2023	123	
School Registration for 2023-2024	110	
2023 DPAA <u>Goal</u>	<b>Pledged</b>	<u>Over</u>
(as of 4/30/23) \$79,100	\$81,925	\$2,825

#### **NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS**

Zec 9:9-10 Rom 8:9,11-13 Mt 11:25-30

#### THIS WEEK

#### **MONDAY** TUESDAY

Mass, 8:00 a.m. Happy 4th of July!

Parish Office Closed Exposition, Canceled

Confessions, Canceled

Benediction, Canceled

Rosary, Canceled

WEDNESDAY

Mass, 5:30 p.m.

**THURSDAY** 

Mass, 8:00 a.m.

FRIDAY

Mass, 8:00 a.m.

**SATURDAY** 

Mass, 8:00 a.m.

Confessions Immediately following Mass

Mass, 4:30 p.m.

#### **NEXT SUNDAY**

Mass. 9:00 a.m.

Mass, 11:30 a.m.

## Please Pray For Our Sick

Tom Ferring, Sherry Milleck, Marie Shields, Linda Brown, Peter Defoe, Kay Grothaus, Jon McSorley, Mary Vieth, Ann Basham, Bob Rulli, Cris Bear, Mary Kohrs, Larry Beiting, Mary Hoffman, Bette Riedmatter & David Garner. Also, remember all of our parishioners in nursing homes as well as those confined to their homes in your prayers.

# IN OUR PARISH

**OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY** goes out to the family and friends of JoAnn Lindeman who will be buried from our parish on Monday, July 3rd. Please keep Joann and her family in your prayers.

**CHANGE IN SCHEDULE** – Due to the 4th of July holiday on Tuesday, we will not have Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Confessions, Benediction or the Rosary. However, there will be Mass at 8:00 a.m.

#### **UPDATE YOUR MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION –**

Does our parish database have your family membership record correct? Here is your chance to update your record with any changes, additions, or deletions that may have occurred in your family over the past year for our annual Guide Book and Directory. Have you changed your phone number or email address? Have you moved? Are you preparing to move soon? Are all of your children still at home and are they all included in your membership record? If you have not already informed the parish office about changes to your record, please let us know now so that the information in the next Guide Book and Directory is correct. Please notify the parish office at 441-1352 or church@stcatherineofsiena.org with any changes to your record.

CUSTODIAN/MAINTENANCE NEEDED We have a full-time position open in our maintenance department. This is a first shift position and duties include light maintenance and general cleaning duties associated with school and church. Virtus certification required. Great work environment and competitive compensation with retirement benefits and paid medical insurance. Please send resume/inquiries to dgrothaus@stcatherineofsiena.org.

**PARISH WEEKLY RAFFLE WINNER** – The winner for the week of June 26th was Ken Woltermann. Congratulations!

## Please Pray for the Following Soldiers Serving Our Country

Luke Norman, Jay Blinn, Michael Beiting, Joe Fitzgerald, Brian Clayton, Adam Beiting, Michael Dunn, Trent Moeves, James Taft III, Drew Cecil, Zack Hehman, Adam Kramer, Wolfgang Davis, Clint & Sarah Brandt, Mark Marten, Zachary Dunn and Fr. Bill Appel.



ARE YOU TAKING ADVANTAGE OF THIS WONDERFUL CATHOLIC RESOURCE? Our parish still has a subscription to FORMED, a website that is filled with Catholic programs for adults and youth, movies for the whole family as well as movies specifically for children, books, CD's, study programs and more content is being added regularly. All of this can be accessed by going to the www.stcatherineofsiena.org and clicking on the login link to Formed, which is on the home page of the website. From there, you can set up an account that will allow you to view everything it has to offer. If you have any questions about how to set up your account, contact the parish office. This really is an amazing resource for anyone interested in learning more about the Catholic faith and we hope that many people will take advantage of it!

ST. BERNARD PANTRY – The pantry is always in need of any nonperishable food items (peanut butter, cereal, pasta and sauce, canned soup, beans, etc.), paper products and hygiene items for their clients. Additionally, they need clean, plastic bags for food distribution purposes to their clients. All donations are gratefully accepted and can be dropped off in the box at the Rossford entrance or parish office. Please be mindful of the Expiration Date or the Best Used By date when considering your donation. If each family donated just one food item per month, what a difference we could make!



MORNING OF REFLECTION – You are invited to the next Morning of Reflection at Divine Mercy Parish on Saturday, July 8th. The topic will be "5 Last Things." Want to know more about St. Ignatius' Rules for the Discernment of Spirits? Come and join us! The day begins at 9:00 a.m. with the presentation and discussion in Charity Hall, 312 Poplar Street, Bellevue. Mass will be at 10:00 a.m. with Adoration and Confession following at 11:00 a.m.

#### AS YOU GO...

Reflection on Matthew 10:37-42

Today's Gospel is the conclusion of the pep talk Jesus gave the twelve before sending them on mission. It started several Sundays ago with the specific charge that they were to go to all the towns and villages of Israel proclaiming that God's kingdom was at hand. Next came instructions about how they were to make the journey – traveling light and relying on hospitality. Now, Jesus asks them to be faithful to the mission, faithful to this loving Father, who deserves a love from them that supersedes their love for anyone or anything else.

Despite the somber tone of the first few verses, both parts of this Gospel encourage the follower of Jesus. If true life is found only in Jesus, then anyone who lays aside anything for the sake of Jesus will reap a bumper crop. The sacrifices a person makes in following Jesus are more than outweighed by the benefits that come from being Jesus' friend. Jesus does not pretend that discipleship is cost-free, but He does insist that the gain is worth the loss.

~ Fr. Jay



#### **WEEKLY SCRIPTURE**

Sunday, July 2, 2023

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time 2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16a Ps 89:2-3, 16-17, 18-19 Rom 6:3-4, 8-11 Mt 10:37-42

Monday, July 3, 2023

Saint Thomas, Apostle Eph 2:19-22 Ps 117:1bc, 2 Jn 20:24-29

Tuesday, July 4, 2023

Weekday Gn 19:15-29 Ps 26:2-3, 9-10, 11-12 Mt 8:23-27

Wednesday, July 5, 2023

Saint Anthony Zaccaria, Priest Gn 21:5, 8-20a Ps 34:7-8, 10-11, 12-13 Mt 8:28-34 Thursday, July 6, 2023

Saint Maria Goretti, Virgin and Martyr Gn 22:1b-19 Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 Mt 9:1-8

Friday, July 7, 2023

Weekday Gn 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67 Ps 106:1b-2, 3-4a, 4b-5 Mt 9:9-13

Saturday, July 8, 2023

Weekday Gn 27:1-5, 15-29 Ps 135:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6 Mt 9:14-17

> Access Daily Readings from the New American Bible, Revised Edition (NABRE) online at https://bible.usccb.org

### SAINT MARIA GORETTI

Feast Day: July 6

Patron Saint of: Girls, Teenagers

She was the daughter of a poor Italian tenant farmer, had no chance to go to school, never learned to read or write.

On a hot afternoon in July, Maria was sitting at the top of the stairs of her house, mending a shirt. She was not quite 12 years old, but physically mature. A cart stopped outside, and a neighbor, 18-year-old Alessandro, ran up the stairs. He seized her and pulled her into a bedroom. She struggled and tried to call for help. "No, God does not wish it," she cried out. "It is a sin. You would go to hell for it." Alessandro began striking at her blindly with a long dagger.

Maria was taken to a hospital. Her last hours were marked by the usual simple compassion of the good – concern about where her mother would sleep, forgiveness of her murderer (she had been in fear of him, but did not say anything lest she cause trouble to his family), and her devout welcoming of Viaticum, her last Holy Communion. She died about 24 hours after the attack.

Alessandro was sentenced to 30 years in prison. For a long time he was unrepentant and surly. One night he had a dream or vision of Maria gathering flowers and offering them to him. His life changed. When he was released after 27 years, his first act was to beg the forgiveness of Maria's mother.

Devotion to the young martyr grew, miracles were worked, and in less than half a century she was canonized. At her beatification in 1947, her 82-year-old mother, two sisters, and her brother appeared with Pope Pius XII on the balcony of St. Peter's. Three years later, at Maria's canonization, a 66-year-old Alessandro Serenelli knelt among the quarter-million people and cried tears of joy.

Read the full article: "Saint Maria Goretti" Franciscan Media, Franciscan Friars, https://www.franciscanmedia.org/saint-of-the-day/saint-maria-goretti/. (Accessed June 16, 2023).

**VIRTUS TRAINING** – Here are the upcoming Virtus training classes:

- Tuesday, July 18th, 6:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m. at St. Agnes Church, Murphy Hall, 1680 Dixie Highway, Fort Wright.
- Wednesday, July 26th, 6:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m. at Diocesan Curia, Bishop Howard Memorial Auditorium, 1125 Madison Avenue, Covington.
- Thursday, August 3rd, 6:30 p.m.-9:00 p.m. at Diocesan Catholic Children's Home, 75 Orphanage Road, Fort Mitchell. The June bulletin posted on Sunday, June 4th, 2023, and is due on Tuesday, July 4th. July's bulletin will post on Sunday, July 2nd and will be due on Monday, August 7th.

ST. ANN NOVENA – Join in praying through the powerful intercession of St. Ann with daily Novena Prayers and Mass, July 18th-26th. St. Ann is the patroness of Christian families, mothers, grandmothers, housewives, pregnancy, pregnant women, women in labor, and sterility, among others. This is a very powerful Novena for any petitions. Novena prayers begin at 7:00 p.m. with Novena Mass at 7:15 p.m. In addition to being in-person we will also live stream the Novena on our Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/StJohnAnnCovington. The theme for this year's Novena is "The Beatitudes."

- July 18th Poor in spirit Deacon Steve Durkee
- July 19th They who mourn Deacon Scott Folz
- July 20th The meek Deacon Jerry Franzen
- July 21st Hunger & Thirst Deacon Barry Henry
- July 22nd The merciful Deacon Rick Dames
- July 23rd The clean of heart Deacon Kevin Cranley
- July 24th The peacemakers Deacon Jim Bayne
- July 25th The persecuted Deacon Mike Keller
- July 26th You Deacon Bob Stoeckle.

Fr. Aby Thampi will be leading the Novena this year. After Mass each evening there will be individual blessings with a relic of St. Ann. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be offered after the blessing. Holy cards, rosaries and religious items will be available for sale each night.

The Feast of Saints Joachim and Ann will be celebrated the final evening, July 26th. All are welcome to stay for a reception after Mass. St. Ann's is located at 1268 Parkway, Covington. For more information, call 859-431-5314.

JOB OPPORTUNITY – The Diocese of Covington Curia invites individuals with a degree and background in Accounting to apply for the position of Internal Auditor, which reports to the Chief Financial Officer. The Internal Auditor's primary responsibilities include updating and maintaining the existing parish and high school audit programs, scheduling and performing parish and high school audits, and writing audit reports, among other duties in the Finance Office. Candidate requirements include an Accounting degree and at least two years of experience that includes auditing. CPA licensure is a plus. Interested candidates may submit a letter of interest, along with a resume that includes compensation history and references with contact email addresses, by email or by fax to Stephen Koplyay, SPHR, skoplyay@covdio.org, 859-392-1589.

CAFETERIA POSITIONS – DIOCESE OF COVINGTON SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM – The School Lunch Program is currently seeking dedicated individuals to join our team in various positions within our school cafeterias. These important roles contribute to the successful operation of our school lunch program, ensuring the provision of nutritious meals to our students. Positions available are Cafeteria Manager, Food Prep, Server, and Dishwasher. These positions are available at various schools within the Diocese of Covington. We offer competitive compensation and benefits packages for eligible employees. Exact details will be discussed during the interview process. To apply, please go to www. covdio.org/employment, School Related Openings, Employment Application, Non-Teacher. Send completed application to: Diocese of Covington, ATTN: Laura Hatfield, SLP Director, 1125 Madison Avenue, Covington, KY 41011.

VOCATION MINISTRY CONFERENCE – You are invited to "Ignite" vocations in your parish. Statistical evidence proves that parishes with an intentional vocational ministry bear the fruit of holy marriages and single life, priestly and religious vocations. Learn more on August 5th when the Serra Clubs from the Diocese of Covington and the Archdiocese of Cincinnati co-host "Ignite," a Vocation Conference full of information, practical brainstorming for a personalized plan for your parish, Mass, prayer and food. The Conference and all resources are free of charge. Register with Nick Winnike at nwinnike@gmail.com or Donna Heim at donnakheim@gmail.com.

NEW BEGINNINGS – A faith-based support group, New Beginnings provides separated and divorced individuals the opportunity for healing and growth. In this group, participants find new understanding of themselves and their relationships and gain courage to discover new life. Registration is required. Visit https://covdio.org/new-beginnings-2/ or call 859-392-1500, ext. 1592. The next session will be held on consecutive Tuesdays, August 29th through October 17th from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m., at Holy Trinity Elementary School, Bellevue.



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