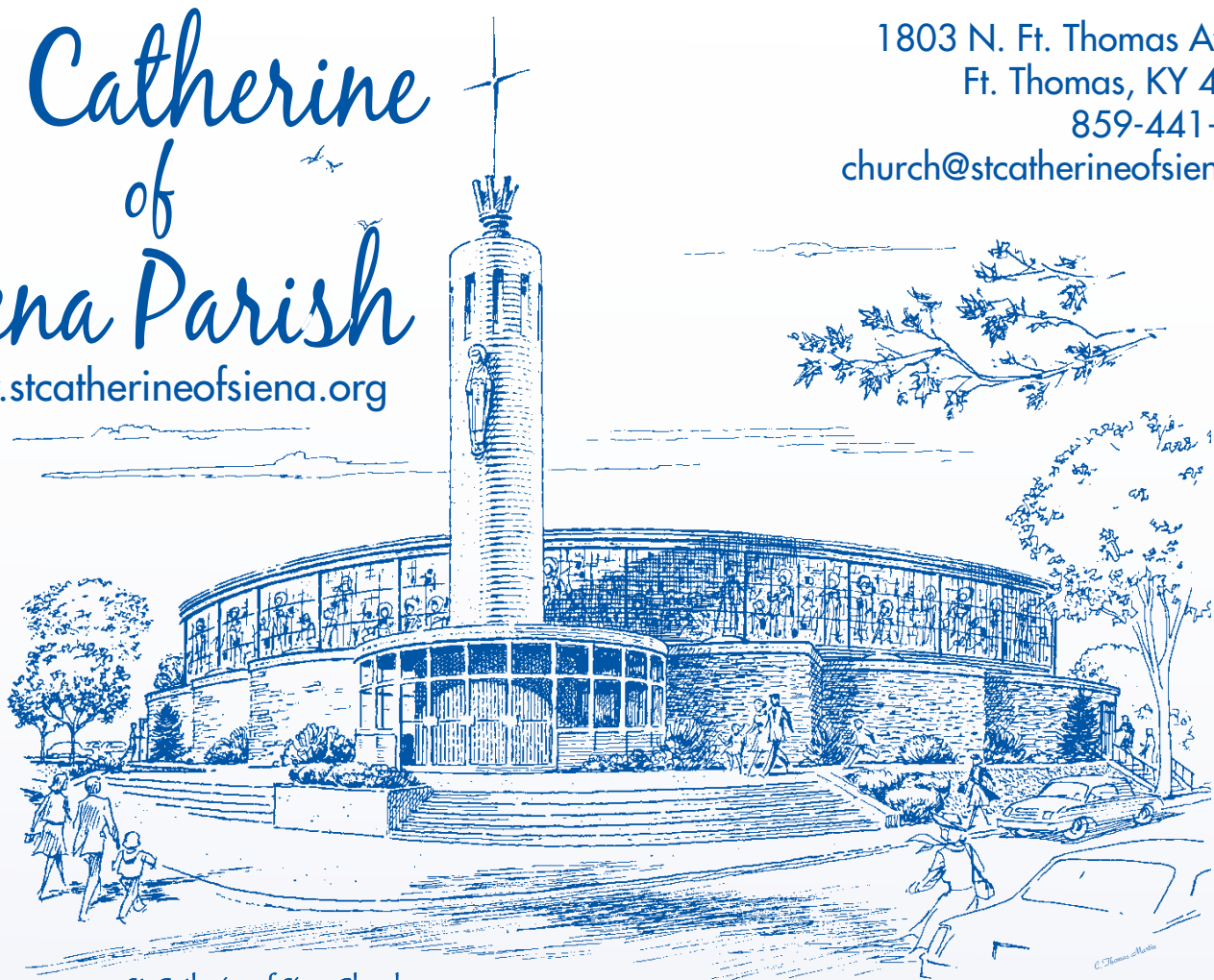


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Masses for Sunday:

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.

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.

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.

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 – January 3rd**

8:00 a.m. Mary Jane Enzweiler

WEDNESDAY – January 4th

5:30 p.m. The Collopy Family

THURSDAY – January 5th

8:00 a.m. Jim Doepker

FRIDAY – January 6th

8:30 a.m. Bob, Judy & Tom Schroder

SATURDAY – January 7th

8:00 a.m. Mary & Fred McLane, Special Intention

4:30 p.m. Members of the Parish

SUNDAY – January 8th

9:00 a.m. Diane Detzel

10:00 a.m. Rick Beiting

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS
OF HOLY COMMUNION**

January 7th & 8th

4:30 p.m. – Joliene Garlich, Sarah Meisenhelder

9:00 a.m. – Brooke Holbrook, Nathan Holbrook

11:30 a.m. – Jenny Griffith, Martie Iker

LECTORS

January 7th & 8th

4:30 p.m. – David Sower

9:00 a.m. – Raymond Schlosser

11:30 a.m. – Joe Fischer

SERVERS SCHEDULE

January 3rd-8th

TUESDAY – January 3rd

8:00 a.m. – Joseph Hicks, George Josten

WEDNESDAY – January 4th

5:30 p.m. – Hannah Fritz, Hayden Schwalbach

THURSDAY – January 5th

8:00 a.m. – Graham Gillen, Lucy Gillen

FRIDAY – January 6th

8:30 a.m. – Emily Kirst, Alex Muench, Molly Muench

SATURDAY – January 7th

8:00 a.m. – Connor Stacey, Ryan Stacey

4:30 p.m. – Lillian Foley, Adelaide Foley, Addie Hess,
Morgan Kremer**SUNDAY – January 8th**9:00 a.m. – McKenna Desmond, Grant Desmond,
Greta Hansbauer, Otto Hansbauer11:30 a.m. – Rachel Burkart, Hailey Fritz, Nathan Kirst,
Owen Marx**SUNDAY COLLECTION RECAP**

	<u>12/11/2022</u>	<u>12/12/2021</u>
Weekly Offering	\$ 14,141	\$ 29,255
Fiscal YTD Offerings	\$ 370,024	
Fiscal YTD Budget	\$ 418,846	
Fiscal Annual Budget 2022/2023	\$ 930,000	
	<u>12/18/2022</u>	<u>12/19/2021</u>
Weekly Offering	\$ 42,173	\$ 21,365
Fiscal YTD Offerings	\$ 412,197	
Fiscal YTD Budget	\$ 435,000	
Fiscal Annual Budget 2022/2023	\$ 930,000	
Number of registered families	407	
Tuition Assistance		
awarded for 2022/2023	\$ 0	
Tuition Assistance		
donations FYD	\$ 911	
School Registration for 2022/2023	123	
CCD Registration for 2022/2023	96	

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

Is 60:1-6; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

THIS WEEK**TODAY**

Happy New Year!

MONDAY

Parish Office Closed

Troops of St. George, 7:00 p.m., McCrystal Hall

TUESDAY

Mass, 8:00 a.m.

Exposition, 8:30 a.m.

Confessions, 5:30 p.m.

Benediction, 6:45 p.m.

Rosary, 7:00 p.m.

Board of Catholic Education, 7:00 p.m., PCMR

WEDNESDAY

Mass, 5:30 p.m.

THURSDAY

Mass, 8:00 a.m.

Choir, 6:30 p.m., Church

FRIDAY

Mass, 8:30 a.m.

SATURDAY

Mass, 8:00 a.m.

Confessions immediately following 8:00 a.m. Mass

Mass, 4:30 p.m.

NEXT SUNDAY

Mass, 9:00 a.m. & 11:30 a.m.

Please Pray For Our Sick

Linda Brown, Judy Newberry, Peter Defoe, Kay Grothaus, Peggy Kohrs, 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.

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.

IN OUR PARISH

MASS ON THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD – The Feast of the Baptism of the Lord is on Monday, January 9th. While it is not a Holy Day of Obligation, we will have Mass that day at 8:00 a.m.

PARISH WEEKLY RAFFLE WINNER The winner for the week of December 19th was Kelly Johnson. Congratulations! The winner for the week of December 26th will be reported next week.

LITTLE ITALY RAFFLE We are raffling off a trip to Italy!! The major raffle for our winter fundraiser is a trip to Tuscany, Italy. Tickets are \$50.00 and are available from any St. Catherine school student and at the parish and school offices.

WE NEED YOU! Our Little Italy fundraiser will be held on January 28th and we could use your help in making it a successful night for our parish. We need volunteers to help with raffle ticket sales, silent auction, basket raffle, decorations, setup and marketing the event. Since things are always more fun in a group, consider gathering some friends together and taking on one of these tasks! Maybe your friend group could put together a basket for the basket raffle, gather items for the silent auction, take on overseeing reservations, or getting the word out to the community about the event. Any and all help is needed and greatly appreciated. Please contact Wade Smith at garrett_wade_smith@hotmail.com to volunteer.

ATTENTION, FATHERS AND SONS This year, St. Catherine Parish has started a troop in the Troops of St. George (TSG). As a Catholic outdoor movement for fathers and sons ages 6-18, the mission, goals, and standards are entirely different from other scouting organizations. Our focus is on building fraternal relationships and growing in our Catholic faith using monthly outdoor events organized by the fathers and sons. The troop will meet from 7:00-8:00 p.m. on the first Monday of each month in McCrystal Hall to work on skills with the boys (e.g. orienteering, first aid, camping) and to plan for the outdoor event, which will be held on the third Saturday of the month. If you are interested in joining TSG, please contact John David Kimes at tsgtroop0429@gmail.com. Our next monthly meeting will be on Monday, January 2nd and our next outing will be on Saturday, January 21st.

VIRTUS INFORMATION There are two upcoming Virtus training sessions: Tuesday, January 10th, 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and Thursday, January 12th, 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Both sessions will be held at the Diocesan Curia, Bishop Howard Memorial Auditorium, 1125 Madison Avenue, Covington. The December bulletin posted on Sunday, December 4th and will be due on Wednesday, January 4th, 2023. To read your bulletin, go to www.virtusonline.org, enter your user ID and password. If your account is suspended, contact your primary location where you volunteer or are employed. Your primary location contact information is found under your Contact Tab.

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 & youth, movies for the whole family, as well as movies specifically for children, books, CDs, 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!

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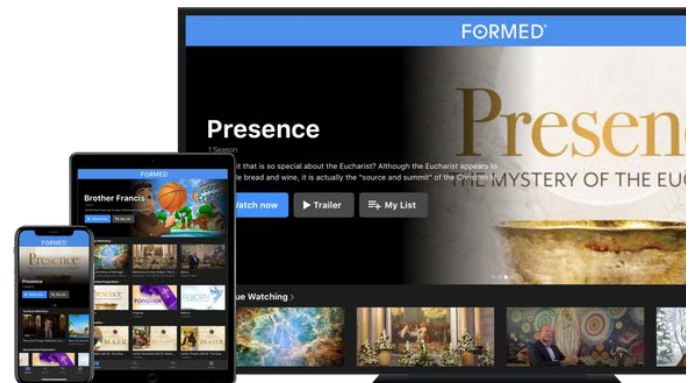
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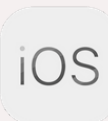
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IN OUR DIOCESE

FIRST FRIDAY MASS – Come celebrate First Friday Mass followed by a Healing Service on January 6th at St. Joseph Church, Crescent Springs, with Fr. Thomas Picchione. The evening begins at 7:00 p.m. with music by the Sacred Heart Praise Band, followed by Mass at 7:30 p.m. Sponsored by the Mustard Seed Catholic Charismatic Community of the Diocese of Covington. For more information, call Carol at 859-341-5932.

PRAYER GATHERING – The Mustard Seed Catholic Charismatic Community of NKY sponsors a monthly third Tuesday prayer gathering from 7:00-8:45 p.m. at Blessed Sacrament's Parish Center, 2407 Dixie Highway, Ft. Mitchell. Join us on January 17th for praise and worship music, teaching, witnesses, and healing prayers. All are invited! For more information, call Carol at 859-341-5932.

SUPPORT GROUP FOR SEPARATED AND DIVORCED – 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. The next session will be held on consecutive Tuesdays, January 10, 17, 24, 31, and February 7, 14, 21, 28 from 7:00-8:30 p.m. at Holy Trinity Elementary, 235 Division Street, Bellevue. Registration is required. Visit <https://covdio.org/new-beginnings-2/> or call 859-392-1592.

JOB OPENINGS The Sisters of Notre Dame are hiring for the following openings:

PRN Nursing Assistants – assistants serve the sisters in the Lourdes Hall Care Facility working 8-hour shifts (6:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m., 2:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m.-6:00 a.m.). Qualified applicants will have a minimum of one-year of experience as a Nursing Assistant or be currently enrolled in an accredited healthcare program.

PRN Nurses – experienced LPN/RNs are needed to care for the retired sisters. These positions work 12-hour shifts (6:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.). The PRN team picks up shifts as needed based on availability. Shifts can be split into two 6-hour shifts. If interested in these opportunities, please email humanresources@sndky.org or call 859-392-8101.

RESTORATION RETREAT Join fellow Cursillo Alumni for a Restoration Retreat with "Our Father." Fr. Mike Comer and Deacon Brian Cox will reenergize your Fourth Day. The retreat will be held at the Jesuit Retreat Center, Milford, Ohio. Cost is \$155.00. Women's Retreat to be held January 20th, 5:00 p.m. – January 21st, 5:30 p.m. Men's Retreat to be held January 27th, 5:00 p.m. – January 28th, 5:30 p.m. Registration is required and applications can be found on the Covington Cursillo website: www.covingtoncursillo.org under News/Events. Application Deadline: Women's - January 6th, Men's - January 13th. Questions? Email restoration859@gmail.com or call Chris Dillon at 513-504-5638.

ELSEWHERE**THINKING ABOUT SEPARATION OR DIVORCE?**

Is your marriage or that of a relative or friend heading for divorce? Do you know how to save that marriage? Or do you feel helpless? Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi with a long i) is designed to help troubled marriages regain their health. It helps spouses uncover or re-awaken the love, trust, and commitment that originally brought them together. The program is highly successful in saving hurting marriages, even bringing reconciliation to couples who have already separated or divorced. For confidential information about or to register for the September program beginning with a weekend on January 7-9, 2023, call 513 486-6222 or visit the website at www.HelpOurMarriage.com.

**LOOKING FOR THE PERFECT CHRISTMAS GIFT FOR YOUR SPOUSE?**

Resolve to improve your relationship and communication in 2023? Give the gift of yourself, better communication, more romance and a weekend to be alone with your spouse. A WorldWide Marriage Encounter Experience can be that gift and help your relationship and communication in 2023. The next Marriage Encounter Weekend experience is March 3-5, 2023 at Our Lady of the Holy Spirit Center in Cincinnati. Apply today at <https://esharing.org/applyWeekend.php>. For more questions or more details, contact: Andy and Melanie Reinersman at 859-653-8464, application@esharing.org or visit www.esharing.org.

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