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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 – August 8th
8:00 a.m. Peter Morano
WEDNESDAY – August 9th
5:30 p.m. Edger "Nick" Cleves
THURSDAY – August 10th
8:00 a.m. Lawrence Roell
FRIDAY – August 11th
8:00 a.m. Terry Kennedy
SATURDAY – August 12th
8:00 a.m. Berenice Roll
4:30 p.m. Robert Geiger
SUNDAY – August 13th
9:00 a.m. Jack Rose
11:30 a.m. Members of the Parish

## EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION August 12th & 13th

4:30 p.m. Kristen Gerrein (cup), Sarah Meisenhelder (cup), Catherine Meisenhelder (host), Lois Roell (host)
9:00 a.m. Pat Desmond (cup), Karen Little (cup), Kelly Johnson (host), Louise Roth (host)
11:30 a.m. Heather Shultz (cup), David Sower (cup), Natalie Messmer (host), Elise Rulli (host)

## LECTORS August 12th & 13th

4:30 p.m. Joe Fischer 9:00 a.m. Jennie Cox 11:30 a.m. Bruce Mirrielees

#### SERVERS SCHEDULE August 8th-13th

8:00 a.m. – Tuesday
Rachel Burkart, Cora Hill
5:30 p.m. – Wednesday
Ben Fassler, Natalie Kirst
8:00 a.m. – Thursday
Colin Desmond, Emily Hallau
8:00 a.m. – Friday
Tommy Burkart, Morgan Kremer
8:00 a.m. – Saturday
Adelise Bozeman, Ellery Browning
4:30 p.m. – Saturday
Tim Garlich, Sadie Hess, Addie Hess
9:00 a.m. – Sunday
McKenna Desmond, Grant Desmond, Reese Desmond

11:30 a.m. – Sunday Matilda Faust, Josie Messmer, Logan Meyer

#### SUNDAY COLLECTION RECAP

9	07/23/2023	07/24/2022
\$	10,572	\$ 14,816
\$	56,089	
\$	79,912	
3/2024 \$	1,260,000	
ilies	386	
\$	0	
\$	90	
23-2024	113	
<u>Goal</u>	<b>Pledged</b>	<u>Over</u>
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#### **NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS**

1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13 Rom 9:1-5 Mt 14:22-33

#### THIS WEEK

#### **MONDAY**

New School Parent Meeting, 7:00 p.m., LIB

#### **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.

#### 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, 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**

**JESSE TREE** – We are looking for someone to head up this year's Jesse Tree program. If you are looking for a way to serve those less fortunate and would like to volunteer for this ministry, please contact the parish office at 441-1352.

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 July 31st was Grace Kuhnhein. Congratulations!

# **FORMED**

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, 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!

**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 & 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.

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!

## IN OUR DIOCESE

ST. MARY OF THE ASSUMPTION PARISH FESTIVAL

(Alexandria) will be held Friday, August 11th from 6:00 p.m. to midnight and Saturday, August 12th from 5:00 p.m. to 11:00pm. Mass will be at 4:00 p.m. on this Saturday only. Delicious chicken dinners will be served on Saturday in the air-conditioned cafeteria beginning at 3:30 p.m. Carryouts will also be available. Friday night will feature live entertainment by Bunker Boyz. Saturday highlights will include a \$3,600.00 Grand Raffle and live entertainment by Borderline 360. Come enjoy the Bourbon Booth where you can experience a tasting and purchase a bourbon mixed drink. Plenty of games and bounce houses will keep the kids busy! Plenty of free parking and FUN!

Dear Parishioners,

Every Catholic is all too aware of the dwindling number of Catholics practicing their faith today, but what really seems to strike people is that much of that dwindling number is made up of young people. While I do not claim to know definitively the root or the solution to this problem, it seems to me that the place to begin to address it is the place where faith is supposed to begin and where it is supposed to be first nurtured – the Catholic family.

The Catholic Church has always been clear in her teaching that one of the purposes of marriage is to bring children into the world, but she has also been clear that it is not enough to have children; parents also have the responsibility to raise their children in the faith. In the Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC), she puts it thus: "The fecundity of conjugal love cannot be reduced solely to the procreation of children, but must extend to their moral education and their spiritual formation. The role of parents in education is of such importance that it is almost impossible to provide an adequate substitute." (CCC 2221)

And yet in many ways, for the last few generations, we have in fact been substituting the parish for Catholic parents. Many people, both clergy and lay, seem to think that sending children to a Catholic school or parish religion program constitutes raising them in the faith. The education and formation a parish provides is important, but if the foundations have not been laid for the child's faith in the family, and if there is no ongoing formation in the family, the parish has nothing on which to build.

After years of personal prayer and reflection, a year of discernment with our CRE John David Kimes, and consultation with members of our parish Board of Education, Mike Jacks our principal, and other parish members, I have decided to begin the implementation of a different approach to our religious education program. While there will still be classes offered for children, emphasis will be put on providing education and formation to parents, so that they will be able to educate and form their children.

We are calling the program *Loreto: Forming Families in the Faith.* Because this approach to catechesis and formation is fundamentally different from past years, we plan to implement it in stages over the course of several years. The entire program, with curriculum and schedule, will be laid out in the parent handbook and on our website, so here I will only sketch out what will happen this year.

The backbone of *Loreto* will be the classes for parents. These will be held the first Wednesday of the month, September through May, from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m., and will focus on their education and formation in the faith and equipping them confidently to teach the faith to their children. While the parent classes are in session, supplemental lessons and devotions for children (Pre-K to 8th grade) will be offered as well. By the way, since student instruction will come from parents and the Wednesday meetings, we will no longer need to offer our previous CCD program. *Loreto* is intended for all families, regardless of where the students attend school. I warmly invite all parents to take advantage of this opportunity.

The second part of *Loreto* will be what we will call community events. These will be events for the entire parish – social events, service projects, devotions – that strengthen our parish as a community of faith.

We will, of course, continue to offer classes and activities to prepare students to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation, First Holy Communion and Confirmation. Requirements for receiving the Sacraments will be posted on our website and included in the parent handbook.

Participation in *Loreto* is voluntary. Following Christ is a free act, and so also is fulfilling the responsibilities of our vocations. I believe that most Catholic parents want to pass their faith on to their children, but may not know how or feel confident in their abilities. It is my hope that our efforts in *Loreto* will help you in both areas. I invite, encourage, and challenge you to take part in this program, and become the Catholic parent the Church envisions you to be.

In Him, Fr. Stef

P.S. For more information and registration, please visit <a href="www.stcatherineofsiena.org/family-catechesis">www.stcatherineofsiena.org/family-catechesis</a>, or contact John David Kimes at extension 21 or <a href="mailto:jdkimes@stcatherineofsiena.org">jdkimes@stcatherineofsiena.org</a>.

NCC HILLTOPPERS – Have you ever wondered what happens on a floating casino? Join Newport Central Catholic's Hilltoppers for "Disaster" in the Black Box Theatre! With 70's hits like "Knock on Wood," "I Will Survive," and "Hooked on a Feeling," you don't want to miss this hilarious show. Shows are August 10-12 at 7:30 p.m., with a matinee show at 1:30 p.m. on August 11. Tickets are \$12.00 and benefit NCC. Visit https://www.showtix4u.com to purchase tickets today!

**MORNINGS OF REFLECTION** – You are invited to the next three Mornings of Reflection at All Saints Parish, 1 Beatrice Avenue, Walton. The dates and topics are:

September 16 – "The Mass"

October 21 - "Confession"

November 11 – "Call to Holiness"

The schedule for the morning will be 9:00 a.m. – Presentation and Discussion; 10:00 a.m. – Mass; 11:00 a.m. – Adoration with Confession available. All are welcome to attend!



SAVE THE DATE – You are invited to a day of recollection and exploration into the interconnectedness of the mind, body and soul at St. Joseph Heights on Saturday, September 23rd. Featured speakers are Msgr. William Cleves, Spiritual Director Kathy Kramer and Health Coach Jessica Muehlenkamp. This day will be one of growth and renewal. Methods of self-care, including Centering Prayer and SpirFit (spir-fit.com), will also be available to you on this day. The cost is \$65.00 which includes the program materials, activities, and a catered continental breakfast and lunch. If you would like to be notified once registration opens or for more information, please email holylistening24@gmail.com.

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.



**40 HOURS DEVOTION** – St. Augustine Parish in Covington will host "40 Hours Devotion" to celebrate her patronal feast day from 7:00 p.m. on Friday, August 25th through 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, August 27th. All the faithful are invited to join the parish in spending time in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament. The closing of "40 Hours" will be at 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, followed by a meal at 6:00 p.m. Please sign up for a period of Adoration and RSVP for dinner at www.staugustines.net.

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/newbeginnings-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.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES NEEDS YOUR HELP! Their annual fundraiser, Cassba, has some great raffle items. There's a rare bourbon raffle with two raffles – a flight of Pappy and another bourbon raffle with two prizes. The Cassba Cash "split the pot" tickets are available for \$20.00 each. Last year, the winners received over \$11,000.00! All proceeds from this event benefit the clients served through Catholic Charities and Parish Kitchen. The winning tickets will be drawn on Sunday, August 27th at 6:30 p.m. You can purchase tickets at www. cassba.com. Thanks for your support of Catholic Charities and Parish Kitchen.



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