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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

MONDAY – January 9th 8:00 a.m. David Enzweiler

**TUESDAY – January 10th** 8:00 a.m. William & Marianne McCarthy

WEDNESDAY – January 11th 5:30 p.m. Rose Schutzman

THURSDAY – January 12th 8:00 a.m. Jane Peworchik, Special Intention

FRIDAY – January 13th 8:30 a.m. Mary Buten

SATURDAY – January 14th 8:00 a.m. Dick McCafferty 4:30 p.m. Leonard Geiger

SUNDAY – January 15th 9:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m.

# EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION January 14th & 15th

4:30 p.m. – Catherine Meisenhelder, Dana Ruwe
9:00 a.m. – Kristen Gerrein, Logan Holbrook
11:30 a.m. – Rob Hans, Kelly Hergott

# **LECTORS** January 14th & 15th

4:30 p.m. – Sarah Meisenhelder 9:00 a.m. – Mary Margaret Spica 11:30 a.m. – Pete Djordjevic

# SERVERS SCHEDULE January 9th-15th

MONDAY – January 9th 8:00 a.m. – Matilda Faust, Alison Wagner

TUESDAY – January 10th 8:00 a.m. – Morgan Baldwin, Ava Hamberg

WEDNESDAY – January 11th 5:30 p.m. – Ellery Browning, Adelise Bozeman

THURSDAY – January 12th 8:00 a.m. – Selma Hansbauer, T.J. McSorley

FRIDAY – January 13th 8:30 a.m. – Keegan Collopy, Colin Desmond, Natalie Kirst

SATURDAY – January 14th 8:00 a.m. – Michael Hicks, George Josten 4:30 p.m. – Tim Garlich, Cora Hill, Wren Twehues

SUNDAY – January 15th 9:00 a.m. – Morgan Baldwin, Max Holbrook, Cameron Myers 11:30 a.m. – Tommy Burkart, Owen Marx, Grayson Schwalbach

# SUNDAY COLLECTION RECAP

	<u>12/2</u>	25/2022	<u>12/</u>	<u>26/2021</u>
Weekly Offering	\$	23,217	\$	16,473
Fiscal YTD Offerings	\$4	35,386		
Fiscal YTD Budget	\$4	51,154		
Fiscal Annual Budget 2022/2023	\$ 9	30,000		
Number of registered families		409		
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 49:3, 5-6; 1 Cor 1:1-3; Jn 1:29-34

# **THIS WEEK**

## MONDAY

Baptism of Our Lord Mass, 8:00 a.m. American Heritage Girls, 6:30 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. Parish Council, 7:00 p.m., PCMR

> WEDNESDAY Mass, 5:30 p.m.

THURSDAY

Mass, 8:00 a.m. Choir, 6:30 p.m., Church 2nd Grade Parent Meeting, 7:00 p.m., McCrystal Hall Boosters, 7:30 p.m., LIB

> 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. Mass, 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.

#### **THANK YOU!**

Although none of them care about public thank-yous, I would like to thank a few people for making possible and enhancing our Advent and Christmas worship. I won't remember everyone involved in the decorating, but Molly Fassler heads up the crew, with Alison Schwalbach, Kim Lampe, Louise Roth, and others, especially all of the children and young people who helped decorate. Tim Reynolds arranged for our trees and set them up, along with the stable, with Bob Beck helping. Tim also hung our 'JOY' banner. Thank you to Brenda and the choirs - the children on Christmas Eve and the adults at Midnight Mass and the Christmas Day Mass. Thanks to Dennis and Chris (maintenance) lighting the wreaths and outside trees. Finally, you might remember we had snow on Christmas Eve. Al Boden and Tim Reynolds spent hours in the sub-zero cold clearing the snow, and when I placed a lastminute phone call to Brian Stegman, he somehow found time to come over and plow the back upper lot for us in time for the 4:30 Christmas Eve Mass. Thank you to all who made our Advent and Christmas worship possible, beautiful and meaningful.

Fr. Stef

**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.

**GET YOUR RESERVATIONS IN NOW FOR LITTLE ITALY!** Registration for Little Italy is open. You can register for the event online by going to stcatherineofsiena.org under Events, or register through the parish office. Options for admission include: Admission Only (early admission \$50.00 before January 8th, \$65.00 afterwards) or Admission and Raffle Ticket Package – two admissions, two raffle tickets for \$200.00. Contact the Parish Office with any questions. Hope to see you there!

WE NEED YOU! Our Little Italy fundraiser will be held on January 28th. 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 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 p.m. and Thursday, January 12th, 6:00 p.m. to 11:30 a.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 was due on Tuesday, January 4th, 2023. To read your bulletin, go to www. virtusonline.org, enter you 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.

PARISH WEEKLY RAFFLE WINNER The winners for the week of December 26th were Ken & Margaret Geiger. The winners for the week of January 2nd were Larry & Jayne Beiting. Congratulations!

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May his soul, and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

# REST IN PEACE POPE BENEDICT XVI

Joseph Aloisius Ratzinger 16 April 1927 – 31 December 2022

"The world offers you comfort. But you were not made for comfort. You were made for greatness." **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!





**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 – was January 6th, Men's – January 13th. Questions? Email restoration859@gmail. com or call Chris Dillon at 513-504-5638.



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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 2022. 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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