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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 – February 7th

8:00 a.m. Joseph Phnt Pham

WEDNESDAY – February 8th

5:30 p.m. Kevin Shannon

THURSDAY - February 9th

8:00 a.m. Ken & Katy Chandler Family, Special Intention

FRIDAY - February 10th

8:30 a.m. Mass Canceled

SATURDAY - February 11th

8:00 a.m. Mass Canceled

4:30 p.m. Marie Shields, Special Intention

SUNDAY - February 12th

9:00 a.m. Bob, Judy & Tom Schroder

11:30 a.m. Members of the Parish

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

February 11th & 12th

**4:30 p.m.** Diane Hamberg, Heather Shultz **9:00 a.m.** Brooke Holbrook, Judy Rose **11:30 a.m.** Martie Iker, Kathy Wolterman

LECTORS
February 11th & 12th

**4:30 p.m.** Pete Djordjevic **9:00 a.m.** David Sower **11:30 a.m.** Bruce Mirrielees

**SERVERS SCHEDULE** February 7th-February 12th

8:00 a.m. – Tuesdav

Rachel Burkart, Tim Garlich

**5:30 p.m. –Wednesday** Marley Hess, Addie Hess

**8:00 a.m.** – **Thursday** Morgan Kremer, Owen Marx

8:30 a.m. – Friday Mass Canceled

8:00 a.m. – Saturday Mass Canceled

**4:30 p.m.** – Saturday

Lilly Foley, Adelaide Foley, Wren Twehues

9:00 a.m. - Sunday

Sam Gillen, Lucy Gillen, Alex Muench

11:30 a.m. – Sunday

Ben Fassler, Matilda Faust, Cora Hill

### SUNDAY COLLECTION RECAP

	<u>1/22/2023</u> <u>1/23/2022</u>
Weekly Offering	\$ 15,293 \$ 30,682
Fiscal YTD Offerings	\$536,571
Fiscal YTD Budget	\$528,462
Fiscal Annual Budget 2022/2023	\$930,000
Number of registered families	409
Tuition Assistance	
awarded for 2022/2023	\$ 0
Tuition Assistance	
donations FYD	\$ 1,031

## **NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS**

Sir 15:15-20; 1 Cor 2:6-10; Mt 5:17-37

### THIS WEEK

### **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. BOCE, 7:00 p.m., PCMR

### WEDNESDAY

Mass, 5:30 p.m. Liturgy & Spiritual Life, 6:15 p.m., PCMR

### **THURSDAY**

Mass, 8:00 a.m. Choir, 6:30 p.m., Church First Reconciliation, 7:00 p.m., Church Boosters, 7:00 p.m., PCMR

### **FRIDAY**

Mass, 8:30 a.m. Canceled Father/Daughter Night, 6:30 p.m., McCrystal Hall

### **SATURDAY**

Mass, 8:00 a.m. Canceled Confessions Canceled Mass, 4:30 p.m.

#### **NEXT SUNDAY**

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

# Please Pray For Our Sick

Jack Rose, Edie Hegge, Linda Brown, Judy Newberry, 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.

# 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**

**FIRST RECONCILIATION** – The 2nd grade students from our parish will be making their First Reconciliation on **Thursday, February 9th.** Please keep these students, their parents and teachers in your prayers during this important time in their spiritual formation.

**FR. STEF ON VACATION** – Fr. Stef will be gone on vacation from Friday, February 10th through Monday, February 20th. The daily Masses on February 10th-16th will be canceled, as will Confessions on Saturday and Tuesday. We will still have the daily Mass on Friday, February 17th, as well as the Saturday, 4:30 p.m. and Sunday Masses both weekends and Exposition and Benediction on Tuesday. Please pray that Fr. has a safe and restful time away.

SCHOOL REGISTRATION – Registration continues for St. Catherine School for the 2023-2024 school year. If you have a child starting Kindergarten or would like to transfer a child in grades 1-8, please call or stop by the school office for a registration packet. If you would like to see what St. Catherine has to offer students, please call the office at 572-2680 to schedule a personal tour of the facilities.

TROOPS OF ST. GEORGE – TSG is a Catholic outdoor movement for fathers and sons ages 6-18, with a mission, goals, and standards 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 Wednesday of each month in McCrystal Hall to work on skills and faith formation with the boys and to plan for the outdoor event, which will be held on the third Saturday of the month. Our next monthly meeting will be on Wednesday, March 1st and our next outing will be on Saturday, February 18th where we will work on skills (fire building, food preparation, first aid, etc.) for our camping adventures this spring. If you are interested in joining TSG, please contact John David Kimes at tsgtroop0429@gmail.com.

YOU **TAKING ADVANTAGE** ARE 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, CDs, study programs and more content is being added regularly. All of this can be accessed by going to 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!

## **IN OUR DIOCESE**



CANDLELIGHT MASS – Come celebrate a First Friday Candlelight Mass with Sacred Music on February 3rd at St. Joseph Parish in Crescent Springs, hosted by The Angelico Project. Mass starts promptly at 7:00 p.m., followed by individual prayer for healing with the Mustard Seed Charismatic prayer teams in the left nave of the church. We hope to see you there! Call Carol at 859-341-5932 with any questions.

## **SALT AND LIGHT**

Reflection on Matthew 5:13-16

Salt has many virtues; it is an effective preservative, it perks up the taste of everything from tomatoes to margaritas, and warm salt water promotes healing. Few of us would like to live in a saltless world. A lightless world would be incomparably worse. Without light, nothing grows, we trip over our own two feet, and we don't feel safe.

When Jesus says we are salt and light, He gives us high praise indeed. We are not - at least, God does not intend us to be - useless. But we know that a light can sputter and go out, and Jesus contemplated the possibility that salt might lose its tang, and be no better than sand. So if we are to merit Jesus' implicit praises, we need to do something - perhaps a lot of somethings. And all of these good works that flavor the world with justice and enlighten our brothers and sisters with mercy and love, are not accomplished to be a source of personal pride, but to glorify God's name.

~ Fr. Jay



## **WEEKLY SCRIPTURE**

## Sunday, February 5, 2023

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time ls 58:7-10 Ps 112:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 1 Cor 2:1-5

## Monday, February 6, 2023

Saint Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs Gn 1:1-19 Ps 104:1-2a, 5-6, 10,12, 24 and 35c Mk 6:53-56

## Tuesday, February 7, 2023

Weekday Gn 1:20–2:4a Ps 8:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 Mk 7:1-13

Mt 5:13-16

## Wednesday, February 8, 2023

Weekday Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17 Ps 104:1-2a, 27-28, 29bc-30 Mk 7:14-23

## Thursday, February 9, 2023

Weekday Gn 2:18-25 Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 Mk 7:24-30

## Friday, February 10, 2023

Saint Scholastica, Virgin Gn 3:1-8 Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7 Mk 7:31-37

## Saturday, February 11, 2023

Our Lady of Lourdes Gn 3:9-24 Ps 90:2, 3-4abc, 5-6, 12-13 Mk 8:1-10

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

## **OUR LADY OF LOURDES**

Feast Day: February 11

On December 8, 1854, Pope Pius IX proclaimed the dogma of the Immaculate Conception in the apostolic constitution *Ineffabilis Deus*. A little more than three years later, on February 11, 1858, a young lady appeared to Bernadette Soubirous. This began a series of visions. During the apparition on March 25, the lady identified herself with the words: "I am the Immaculate Conception."

Bernadette was a sickly child of poor parents. Their practice of the Catholic faith was scarcely more than lukewarm. Bernadette could pray the *Our Father*, the *Hail Mary* and the *Creed*.

During interrogations Bernadette gave an account of what she saw. It was "something white in the shape of a girl." It was "a pretty young girl with a rosary over her arm." Her white robe was encircled by a blue girdle. She wore a white veil. There was a yellow rose on each foot. A rosary was in her hand. Bernadette was also impressed by the fact that the lady did not use the informal form of address (tu), but the polite form (vous). The humble virgin appeared to a humble girl and treated her with dignity.

Through that humble girl, Mary revitalized and continues to revitalize the faith of millions of people. People began to flock to Lourdes from other parts of France and from all over the world. The Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes became worldwide in 1907.

Lourdes has become a place of pilgrimage and healing, but even more of faith. Church authorities have recognized over 60 miraculous cures, although there have probably been many more. To people of faith this is not surprising. It is a continuation of Jesus' healing miracles – now performed at the intercession of His mother. Many who visit Lourdes return home with renewed faith and a readiness to serve God in their needy brothers and sisters.

Read the full article: "Our Lady of Lourdes" Franciscan Media, Franciscan Friars, https://www.franciscanmedia.org/saint-of-the-day/our-lady-of-lourdes/. (Accessed 20 Jan 2023).

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 oneyear of experience as a Nursing Assistant or be currently enrolled in an accredited healthcare program.

PRN Nurses - Experienced LPNs/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.

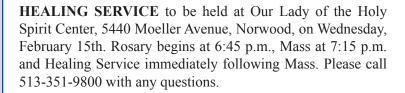


**CHILDCARE TEACHERS AND AIDES NEEDED – Holy** Spirit Parish Child Development Center, located in Newport, has immediate openings for lead teachers and aides in our year-round infant through PreK program. Flexible schedule, industry-competitive wages, full benefits package (health, vision, dental, retirement, paid holidays, and vacations). For more information, please contact Mrs. Michele Mabrey, Director, at 859-888-0777 or childcare@holyspiritnky.org.

**MEMORIAL MASS FOR THE LOSS OF A CHILD – This** Mass will be held on Wednesday, March 15th at 7:00 p.m. at Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, Burlington. It will be offered for parents, grandparents, family members and friends of those who have lost a child through miscarriage, stillbirth, early infant death, abortion, illness, suicide, accident, or any other reason. All are welcome to attend. Rev. Michael Comer will be presiding.

POLITICAL PARTISANSHIP AND ITS IMPACT ON THE FUTURE OF RELIGIOUS LIBERTY is the Wm. T. (Bill) Robinson III '67 Institute for Religious Liberty Spring Event being held on February 16th from 7:00-9:00 p.m. at the Mary, Seat of Wisdom Chapel, Thomas More University, Crestview Hills. This event features keynote speaker Asma Uddin and commentator Dr. William Madges. Ms. Uddin is a religious liberty lawyer and scholar working for the protection of religious expression for people of all faiths in the U.S. and abroad. She is currently the visiting assistant professor of law at the Catholic University of America. Dr. Madges is the chair of the theology department and the faculty director of the Brueggeman Center for Dialogue at Xavier University. All are welcome, RSVP not required. Visit thomasmore.edu/religiousliberty for details.

## **ELSEWHERE**



LOOKING FOR THE PERFECT VALENTINE'S GIFT FOR YOUR SPOUSE? Looking to spend a weekend alone with them? Give the gift of yourself, better communication, more romance and a weekend together with a WorldWide Marriage Encounter Experience. The next Marriage Encounter Weekend experience is March 3-5 at Our Lady of the Holy Spirit Center in Cincinnati. Not available then? Check our website for other upcoming weekends. 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 esharing.org.

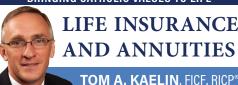
NATIONAL CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE – All men of the parish are invited to join the Archbishop of Cincinnati at the National Catholic Men's Conference being held on Saturday, March 25th at the Cintas Center on Xavier's campus. Tickets can be purchased at NationalMensConference.com. Join men from around the country for a one-day event filled with virtue, inspirational speakers, fellowship, networking and spiritual growth. Ladies, there is no better gift you could give the men in your life than a ticket to this conference to grow in Faith. Featured speakers include: Jonathan Roumie, the actor who plays Jesus in *The Chosen* Series; Father Robert Spitzer from EWTN; His Royal Highness, the Archduke of Austria and grandson of Blessed Karl, Archduke Christian Habsburg-Lorraine. This will be his first speech EVER in the United States, so history will be made; Archbishop Dennis Schnurr and Bishop Earl Fernandes from Columbus Ohio; A LIVE panel discussion with professional Bengals football players; Jeff Schiefelbein (chef-el-bine); as well as Fr. Jonathan Meyer and Fr. Ethan Moore from University of Cincinnati. Get tickets now as the best seats are selling fast.



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