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2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

“This is my beloved
Son, with whom I am
well pleased; listen
to him.” - Mt 17:5b

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Evening: 4:30 PM

Sunday: 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM, and 11:00 AM

Daily: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday 8:00 AM
Wednesday 7:00 PM

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

First Friday: 3:00 PM – 7:00 PM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 3:30 PM – 4:00 PM

Wednesday: 6:30 PM – 7:00 PM or by appointment

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

For registered and practicing parishioners (weekly attendance at Mass) by arrangement with Father Chester. Preparation classes are held at 7:00 PM on the third Thursday of each month. Please call to register.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Engaged parishioners are requested to make arrangements with Father Chester at least one year in advance.

CARE OF THE SICK

Please notify the Parish Office for a visit for a homebound or ill individual. Call for a prayer intention to be included in the bulletin and/or weekly intentions. Please notify us when someone is hospitalized.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP AND REGISTRATION

Every family should be registered properly. Registration is necessary to qualify for the Religious Education Program and the reception of the Sacraments.

Certificates of eligibility for sponsorship for Baptism or Confirmation will be given only to active (weekly Mass attendance) registered parishioners.

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Weekly Schedule

SATURDAY, MARCH 4TH

9:00 AM — 1:00 PM **KNIGHTS CPR/AED CLASS**

3:30 PM — 4:00 PM **RECONCILIATION**

4:30 PM **MASS**

SUNDAY, MARCH 5TH

8:00 AM — 9:00 AM **2ND GRADE FAITH FORMATION**

8:00 AM **MASS**

8:30 AM — 10:30 AM **3RD GRADE FAITH FORMATION**

9:30 AM **MASS**

11:00 AM **MASS**

12:00 PM **ROSARY SOCIETY MEETING**

MONDAY, MARCH 6TH

8:00 AM **MASS**

TUESDAY, MARCH 7TH

8:00 AM **MASS**

12:30 PM **PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY**

3:30 PM **STEWARDSHIP MEETING**

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8TH

6:00 PM — 7:30 PM **7TH & 8TH GRADE FORMATION CLASSES**

6:30 PM — 7:00 PM **RECONCILIATION**

7:00 PM **MASS**

THURSDAY, MARCH 9TH

8:00 AM **MASS**

7:00 PM — 8:30 PM **BOLD DISCIPLESHIP NIGHT**

FRIDAY, MARCH 10TH

8:00 AM **MASS**

6:00 PM **COMPLEMENTARY SOUP & FELLOWSHIP**

7:00 PM **STATIONS OF THE CROSS/ RECONCILIATION**

SATURDAY, MARCH 11TH

1:30 PM — 5:30 PM **2ND GRADE RETREAT**

3:30 PM — 4:00 PM **RECONCILIATION**

4:30 PM **FAMILY MASS**

SUNDAY, MARCH 12TH

8:00 AM **MASS**

9:30 AM **MASS/RCIA FIRST SCRUTINY & PRESENTATION OF CREED**

11:00 AM **MASS**

6:30 PM **LENTEN PARISH MISSION WITH JON LEONETTI**



We are happy to welcome
our recently baptized at
St. Catherine of Siena:
Millie Angelina Terranova
baptized on February 25, 2023

Readings for the week of March 5, 2023

Sunday: Gn 12:1-4a/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22 (22)/2 Tm 1:8b-10/Mt 17:1-9
Monday: Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13/Lk 6: 36-38
Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mt 23:1-12
Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20/Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16/Mt 20: 17-28
Thursday: Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 16: 19-31
Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
Next Sunday: Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 (8)/Rom 5: 1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

Observances for the week of March 5, 2023

Sunday: 2nd Sunday of Lent
Tuesday: Sts. Perpetua and Felicity, Martyrs
Wednesday: St. John of God, Religious
Thursday: St. Frances of Rome, Religious
Next Sunday: 3rd Sunday of Lent, Daylight Saving Time begins

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Knights of Columbus Annual Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner

The St. Catherine's Knights of Columbus Annual Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner will take place on Sunday, March 19th beginning at 4:00 PM in Fellowship Hall.

Tickets go on sale following Mass the weekends of February 25th /26th through March 11th /12th.



We would like to welcome The DeSapio Family The Dailey Family to St. Catherine of Siena Parish.



We are saddened to announce the death of: Wes Weichert, father of Lori Wunder, who passed away on February 25, 2023



ROSARY SOCIETY NEWS

Next Meeting: Sunday, March 5th, at noon

We will pray the Rosary and then follow with our monthly meeting.

ALL ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND

Father Chester is going to be our guest speaker at the March 5th meeting.

40 CANS FOR LENT

During Lent, the Knights of Columbus will be conducting their annual 40 Cans for Lent program. The goal is for each family to put aside one can of non-perishable food every day of Lent and bring in 7 cans to Mass each weekend starting February 25th. The Knights will collect and transport your donations to local food pantries within our diocese. The collection bins will be placed in the Fellowship Hall. Food contributions from our parishioners have totaled over 17,963 pounds. That's over 9 tons of food for the needy! We thank you for your past participation and we hope you will continue to help our less fortunate neighbors. Thank you!



One Can of Food Can Make a Difference

THE TIME HAS COME FOR OUR PARISH MISSION! ARE YOU READY FOR "SURGE OF THE HEART"?

Next week Sunday, March 12th & Monday, March 13th from 6:30-8:00 PM, we will be hosting Catholic speaker and best-selling author, Jon Leonetti, for a two-evening parish mission you will never forget!

Each evening Jon will be presenting on two distinct topics within our Catholic faith. Evening one, "Who is God and why does that matter?" and evening two, "God's Dream for your Life."

Jon will help us live an authentic relationship with Jesus in the messiness of everyday life. Make sure to invite a family member or friend! Refreshments and fellowship will be available in Fellowship Hall after each night. A freewill donation will be taken up and all proceeds will go to our Parish Center Building Fund.

If donating to the Parish Center using your March envelope packet, please write your name on the envelope. It's missing your envelope number.

Mass Intentions

Saturday: March 4, 2023

4:30 PM David Perna Birthday Blessings
r/o The Family

Sunday: March 5, 2023

8:00 AM Protection of Babies in the Womb and
Their Families

9:30 AM The Parishioners of St. Catherine's

11:00 AM Catherine Raymonds
r/o St. Catherine's Parish

Monday: March 6, 2023

8:00 AM Erin & Jeb Edwards
r/o Dawn & Mark Salerno

Tuesday: March 7, 2023

8:00 AM Antonio & Rosa Rofrano
r/o Ortensia Clancey

Wednesday: March 8, 2023

7:00 PM Irene DeLuca
r/o Anthony & Jennifer Natalizio

Thursday: March 9, 2023

8:00 AM Prudence Giel
r/o The Baker Family

Friday: March 10, 2023

8:00 AM Marian Kaczynski
r/o The Baker Family

Saturday: March 11, 2023

4:30 PM Thomas Sherwood
r/o Ron & Rita Fenty

Sunday: March 12, 2023

8:00 AM Veronica April
r/o Joseph April

9:30 AM The Parishioners of St. Catherine's

11:00 AM Gunnar Dominic Bickhardt
r/o Karen Pereira & Family

From the Pastor's Desk *Lenten Parish Mission*

We are privileged to host a two-day, two-topic **Lenten Parish Mission on Sunday, March 12th, and Monday, March 13th presented by Jon Leonetti, who will offer an evening session from 6:30 – 8:00 PM.**

Jon Leonetti is an internationally recognized mission presenter, who weaves stories into an engaging, passionate message of hope. John will give us both practical and effective ways to live, know, and grow in our Catholic faith.

A Parish Mission can be viewed as an opportunity for spiritual healing, renewal, and reconciliation. It also can provide an opportunity to change hearts and transform lives as we renew and strengthen our relationship with our Lord.

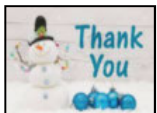
As we know, during the season of Lent we are challenged in a special way to acknowledge our sins and shortcomings and seek God's mercy. During Lent we will offer additional times for the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

On the second day of our Parish Mission, Monday, March 13th, from 5:00 – 6:00 PM we will have additional priests available to serve as instruments of the Lord's pardon, mercy, and forgiveness, and to help us experience spiritual joy in our hearts.

At times we need to be reminded that the sacrament is here to heal, not to condemn. It is here to get us closer to the Lord who loves us. Pope Francis reminds us that, "Confession is the sacrament of the tenderness of God, His way of embracing us." He urged those who have been away from sacrament to be not afraid to reach out to the Lord who will receive you with open arms.

Details concerning the Parish Mission and information concerning opportunities for the Sacrament of Reconciliation can be obtained through the Parish office, bulletin, Facebook, and website. I hope that you will prayerfully consider participating in the Parish Mission and avail yourself of great opportunities to enhance your spiritual life during this special season of Lent.

Fr. Chester



The collections for February 26th were \$4150.00 (142 envelopes) for the regular collection and \$852.00 (39 envelopes) for the Catholic Spirit. The collection for February 22nd was \$1,825.00 (56 envelopes) for Ash Wednesday.



On-Line Giving for February 26th was \$4,082.64 (119 donors).

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