

St. Catherine of Alexandria

CATHOLIC CHURCH

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WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 4:30PM · Sunday: 9:30AM

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday, Thursday & First Friday: 12:00PM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays from 3:30 - 4:00PM or by appointment.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Friday..... 9:00AM - 4:00PM

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SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE Contact the Parish Office to begin the preparation process at least six months prior to the anticipated date. Parish membership is required.

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK Celebrated at Sunday Masses a number of times throughout the year. Watch the bulletin for the schedule. Also by appointment.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION Contact the Christian Formation Office for First Communion, First Reconciliation, Confirmation or Rite of Christian Initiation into the Catholic faith (RCIA).

COMMUNION FOR THE HOMEBOUND Anyone who cannot attend Mass because of illness or age, please contact the Parish Office so that arrangements can be made to bring Communion to you.

4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

In their synagogue was a man with an unclean spirit; he cried out, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are—the Holy One of God!" Jesus rebuked him and said, "Quiet! Come out of him!" - Mk 1:23-25

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PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

St. Catherine of Alexandria, the church on the hill since 1855, joins together as a Catholic community to give praise and thanks to God by living and sharing our faith in Jesus Christ through our worship, formation and outreach. With our cluster parishes, we strive to make Christ visible to our wider community.

JANUARY 31, 2021 - FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SACRAMENTAL LIFE & PRAYER

SUNDAY: January 31 - 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 4:30PM **Mass** - People of St. Catherine
 †Jack Chmiel
 9:30AM **Mass** - †Fr. Arthur Baertlein
 †Bernice Zellmer

MONDAY: February 1

TUESDAY: February 2 - The Presentation of the Lord

- 10:30AM **Rosary & Communion Service** (*suspended*)
 - Villa at Bradley Estates
 12:00PM **Mass** - Mary & Brel Schoreder (*living*)
 7:00PM **Rosary & Mother of Perpetual Help Devotions** (*susp'd.*)
 - Led by the Knights of Columbus

WEDNESDAY: February 3 - St. Blaise, St. Ansgar

THURSDAY: February 4

- 12:00PM **Mass** - Jacob Sullivan (*living*)

FRIDAY: February 5 - St. Agatha

- 12:00PM **Mass** - †Emil Herrenbruck

SATURDAY: February 6 - St. Paul Miki and Companions

- 3:30PM **Reconciliation**
 4:30PM **Mass** - People of St. Catherine

SUNDAY: February 7 - 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 9:30AM **Mass** - †Kurt Gross Sr.
 †Duane "Brandy" Brandstatter

IN LOVING MEMORY

We commend to God Wayne Stamm, husband of our parishioner Julie Stamm, whose funeral service was held on January 13. May his soul and the souls of all our faithful departed rest in eternal peace. Please remember Wayne, his wife Julie and their family in your prayers.

IN LOVING REMEMBRANCE

On the one year anniversary of death we remember this week:

Jack Chmiel who passed away on January 31, 2020.
 Please keep Jack, his wife Ginny and their family in your prayers.

Donald Schultz who passed away on January 31, 2020.
 Please keep Don and his family in your prayers.

May they rest in God's eternal peace.

For those unable to return to Mass at this time, Sunday Mass options are as follows:

Sunday Mass From The Cathedral

The Cathedral's Sunday Mass at 9 a.m. is broadcast live on the radio (AM 920), and the Mass at 11 a.m. is broadcast live and recorded for later viewing on their YouTube channel:

www.youtube.com/channel/UCrw_JySXFU94eYPgE_ILokQ

Heart Of The Nation Masses

- 5:30 a.m. on WITI Fox 6
- 7 a.m. and 9 a.m. on WVTM My24
- or watch online at:

<https://www.heartofthenation.org/online-mass/sunday-mass#/>

WEEKLY CALENDAR

With the exception of the following, all activities have been suspended until further notice due to the global COVID-19 pandemic.

SUNDAY: January 31

- 6:00PM Confirmation Christian Formation - Zoom

TUESDAY: February 2

- 9:30AM Bible Basics - Granville Room
 6:00PM Scripture Study - Zoom

WEDNESDAY: February 3

- 6:00PM Grade School Christian Formation - Zoom

FRIDAY: February 5

- 9:30AM St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry - SVdP Office

SUNDAY: February 7

- 6:00PM High School Christian Formation - Zoom

LITURGY NOTES

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 January 31, 2021



GIFTED SPEAKER

*"The people who heard him were amazed at the way he taught for he wasn't like the teachers of the Law, he taught with authority."
 Mark 1:21-28*

Authority comes from being what we talk about. It is one thing to know the Law. It is entirely another to embody the spirits of it rather than simply to insist on keeping its rules. Jesus breathed the very spirit of the Law – love, mercy, justice, peace – and so must we.

*Lord, we hear the word "authority"
 and we react!*

*We often resist;
 we are not receptive.*

*We have reasons for being somewhat cynical.
 Our experience with those in authority has not always been positive.
 Those who exercise authority seem to become tainted by it.*

*People reacted to the authority of Jesus too.
 Some were angry. Others were amazed.*

*He spoke words which needed to be spoken.
 Many people listened.
 Many people were changed.
 Forever!*

*Today, the authority of Jesus reaches our ears
 and our hearts with undiminished power.*

*Keep our hearts open to your will and melt away
 our resistance.*

*Amaze us with your transforming love.
 Amen.*

Andy



SOULFUL MUSE

Fr. Joe, S.D.S.

“The Youngest Inaugural Poet, January 20, 2021”

When day comes, we ask ourselves, where can we find light in this never-ending shade? The loss we carry. A sea we must wade. We braved the belly of the beast...

Somehow we weathered and witnessed a nation that isn't broken, but simply unfinished.

We, the successors of a country and a time where a skinny Black girl descended from slaves and raised by a single mother can dream of becoming president, only to find herself reciting for one.

And, yes, we are far from polished, far from pristine, but that doesn't mean we are striving to form a union that is perfect. We are striving to forge our union with purpose. To compose a country committed to all cultures, colors, characters, and conditions of man.

And so we lift our gaze, not to what stands between us, but what stands before us. We close the divide because we know to put our future first, we must first put our differences aside.

We lay down our arms so we can reach out our arms to one another. We seek harm to none and harmony for all. Let the globe, if nothing else, say this is true. That even as we grieved, we grew. That even as we hurt, we hoped. That even as we tired, we tried. That we'll forever be tied together, victorious. Not because we will never again know defeat, but because we will never again sow division.

Scripture tells us to envision that everyone shall sit under their own vine and fig tree, and no one shall make them afraid. If we're to live up to our own time, then victory won't lie in the blade, but in all the bridges we've made. That is the promise to glade, the hill we climb, if only we dare. It's because being American is more than a pride we inherit. It's the past we step into and how we repair it.

We've seen a force that would shatter our nation, rather than share it. Would destroy our country if it meant delaying democracy. And this effort very nearly succeeded. But while democracy can be periodically delayed, it can never be permanently defeated. In this truth, in this faith we trust, for while we have our eyes on the future, history has its eyes on us.

This is the era of just redemption. We feared at its inception. We did not feel prepared to be the heirs of such a terrifying hour. But within it we found the power to author a new chapter, to offer hope and laughter to ourselves...But one thing is certain. If we merge mercy with might, and might with right, then love becomes our legacy and change our children's birthright. So let us leave behind a country better than the one we were left. Every breath from my bronze-pounded chest, we will raise this wounded world into a wondrous one...

And every known nook of our nation and every corner called our country, our people diverse and beautiful, will emerge battered and beautiful. When day comes, we step out of the shade of flame and unafraid. The new dawn balloons as we free it. For there is always light if only we're brave enough to see it. If only we are brave enough to be it.

~ Twenty-two-year old Amanda Gorman

LECTORS & EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS SCHEDULE

Please notify Pat Lehman with any changes, conflicts, or special requests in your schedules for the months of March and April by February 6. Contact Pat at lehmanpat4@gmail.com or call 414-354-7926 or leave a note in her folder on the windowsill next to the sacristy. Schedules will be available the weekend of February 13. For parishioners who may be considering participating in the ministry, please contact Pat for more information.



PRAYER & WORSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING

The Prayer and Worship Committee is meeting this Tuesday, February 9 at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom. Parishioners are invited to attend the virtual meeting. Please contact the parish office at 414-365-2020 for the Zoom link.

COURTESY ANNOUNCEMENT

ST. BERNADETTE PARISH CURBSIDE DINNERS

St. Bernadette Parish (8200 West Denver Avenue, Milwaukee) is offering the following curbside pick-up dinners. Please go to www.stbweb.com for the link to pre-order. The link becomes active two weeks prior to the dinner. You can also call the parish office to pre-order, 414-358-4600.

February 19:	Fish Fry, 4:00 - 7:00 p.m.
March 5:	Fish Fry, 4:00 - 7:00 p.m.
March 19:	Fish Fry, 4:00 - 7:00 p.m.
April 2:	Fish Fry, 4:00 - 7:00 p.m.

ALEXIAN VILLAGE 2021 COFFEE & CONVERSATION!

“Heart Healthy Month”

Join our dining services team as we celebrate and learn about healthy heart dining and nutrition.

Thursday, February 4, 2021
10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

This is a virtual event - join by phone or use your computer to attend!

Please RSVP to Liz Eaton at 414-371-7893 or elisabeth.eaton@ascension.org.

Additional 2021 Coffee & Conversation dates:

March 4, 2021
April 1, 2021

We hope you will join us!

PARISH INCOME

AS OF JANUARY 17, 2020 (WEEK 29)

LAST WEEK'S BUDGET		\$7,115
LAST WEEK'S ENVELOPES	\$2,686	
LAST WEEK'S OFFERTORY	\$ 195	
ELECTRONIC GIVING	\$ 642	
		<u>\$3,523</u>
EXCESS/(SHORTFALL)		\$(3,592)
YEAR-TO-DATE BUDGET		\$206,346
YEAR TO DATE ACTUAL		<u>\$200,389</u>
YTD EXCESS/(SHORTFALL)		\$ (5,957)



The Psalm Post

PSALM 95

Sing Joyfully at Mass

Come, let us sing joyfully to the LORD;
let us acclaim the rock of our salvation.
Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;
let us joyfully sing psalms to him.

Come, let us bow down in worship;
let us kneel before the LORD who made us.
For he is our God,
and we are the people he shepherds, the flock he guides.

Oh, that today you would hear his voice:
"Harden not your hearts as at Meribah,
as in the day of Massah in the desert,
Where your fathers tempted me;
they tested me though they had seen my works."

Psalm 95 is our invitation to come together to give praise and thanksgiving to God, our creator and protector, and an admonition to prepare our hearts to receive the Word of God without question. It is a description of Mass! We are called to come to Mass every Sunday to joyfully sing praise and thanksgiving to God and to hear God's voice speaking to our hearts through the Word of God. We are priest, prophet and king by our baptism into the Body of Christ and so we come to Mass to sing joyfully to the Lord, to participate fully, mindfully, and actively together with our brothers and sisters.

Sing joyfully? "Yes, but I don't like the music and I can't sing very well." "My voice isn't nice." "The music is a distraction from my prayer at Mass." These are statements I have heard through the years from parishioners in many parishes about singing at Mass. I offer that music is beauty and beauty is one of the three transcendental qualities of God; Truth, Goodness and Beauty. God is beauty. Music is beauty. What a way to communicate with God! For the timid singers at Mass, remember: God gave you that voice, give it back!

Sing joyfully,

Lorrie

READINGS FOR THE WEEK



Sunday: Dt 18:15-20/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9 [8]/1 Cor 7:32-35/
Mk 1:21-28

Monday: Heb 11:32-40/Ps 31:20, 21, 22, 23, 24 [25]/
Mk 5:1-20

Tuesday: Mal 3:1-4/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10 [8]/Heb 2:14-18/
Lk 2:22-40

Wednesday: Heb 12:4-7, 11-15/Ps 103:1-2, 13-14,
17-18a [cf. 17]/ Mk 6:1-6

Thursday: Heb 12:18-19, 21-24/Ps 48:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 9,
10-11 [cf. 10]/Mk 6:7-13

Friday: Heb 13:1-8/Ps 27:1, 3, 5, 8b-9abc [1a]/Mk 6:14-29

Saturday: Heb 13:15-17, 20-21/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [1]/
Mk 6:30-34

Next Sunday: Jb 7:1-4, 6-7/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [cf. 3a]/
1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23/Mk 1:29-39

Joy is the serious business
of HEAVEN. - C.S. Lewis

SHARED MOMENTS OF JOY:

Joy for me is returning to Mass and the Eucharist.
- Ginny Chmiel

Joy is lighting the candle on the kitchen table every morning and sitting down to read the daily Bible readings and then spending time in prayer and contemplation.
- Nicole Hartley

7:30 a.m. On January 24, I hear a snowblower. A stranger ran his blower on our sidewalk as well as the entire block. A joyful sight to aging arms and legs.
- Fr. Joe J.

FIFTH SUNDAY GIVING JANUARY 31, 2021



The Food, Faith and Farming Network has made the difficult decision to suspend the farmers' markets and parish brunches for the 2020-2021 season. This event has been very popular with our Tri-parish communities and we were looking forward to our fourth Winter Farmers' Market and Brunch that was to take place at St. Catherine of Alexandria Parish this year. However, the COVID-19 pandemic makes these types of gatherings dangerous to our collective health. The January 31, 2021, Fifth Sunday Giving collection will go to the Food, Faith and Farming Network to help make up for their financial loss due to cancellation of the brunch.



Please consider giving generously to St. Catherine January Fifth Sunday Giving collection by placing your gift in the envelopes provided at the church entrances. Remember: Sharing is Caring!

CALENDAR RAFFLE WINNERS

January 17	Paula Williams	Englewood, CO
January 18	Laura Kelm	Pewaukee
January 19	Matthew Buckley	Brookfield
January 20	Julie Stamm	Brown Deer
January 21	Mary Buckley	Brown Deer
January 22	Mary Hopkins	New Richmond
January 23	Danny Korpela	Brown Deer



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