

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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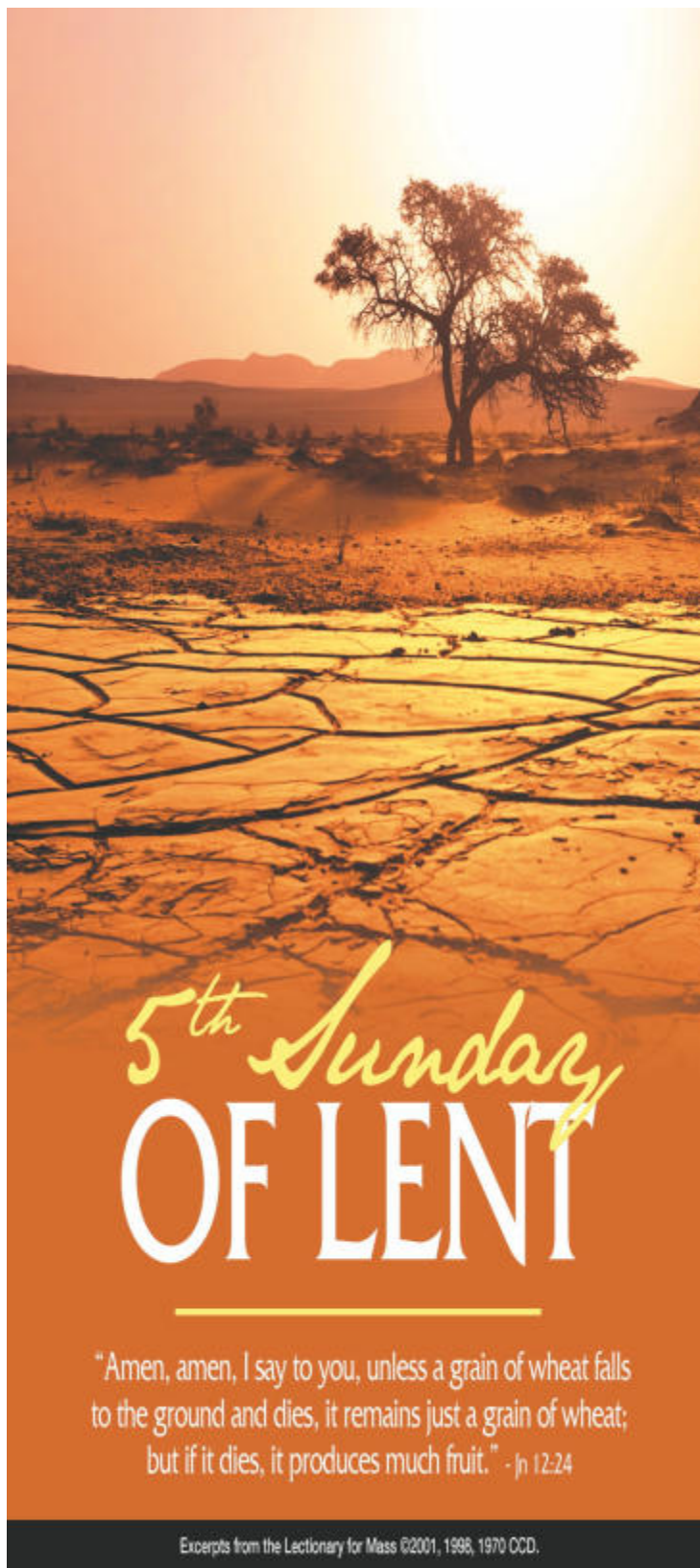
SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM The preparation for baptism can begin before the baby is born. A preparation class and parish membership are required. Call the parish office to make arrangements.

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.



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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.

MARCH 21, 2021 - FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

SACRAMENTAL LIFE & PRAYER

SUNDAY: March 21 - 5th Sunday of Lent

4:30PM Mass - People of St. Catherine
9:30AM Mass - †Roger Verkuilen

MONDAY: March 22

TUESDAY: March 23—St. Turibius of Mogrovejo, Bishop

10:30AM **Rosary & Communion Service** (*suspended*)
- Villa at Bradley Estates
12:00PM Mass - †Sylvester & Violet Zwierzynski
12:30PM **Stations of The Cross** followed by
Eucharistic Adoration until 2:00 PM

WEDNESDAY: March 24

THURSDAY: March 25 - The Annunciation of the Lord

12:00PM Mass - †Deceased members of the Loxum Family

FRIDAY: March 26

SATURDAY: March 27

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

SUNDAY: March 28 - Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

9:30AM Mass - †Tom Muehlbach

LENTEN SERVICES

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every Tuesday after the 12 noon Mass

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Every Tuesday, following the Stations of the Cross until 2:00 PM

READINGS FOR THE WEEK



Sunday: Jer 31:31-34/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15 [12a]/Heb 5:7-9/
Jn 12:20-/Rom 8:8-11/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 [7]/Jn 11:1-45
Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6
[4ab]/Jn 8:1-11
Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9/Ps 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21 [2]/Jn 8:21-30
Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56
[52b]/Jn 8:31-42
Thursday: Is 7:10-14; 8:10/Ps 40:7-8, 8-9, 10, 11 [8a, 9a]/Heb
10:4-10/Lk 1:26-38
Friday: Jer 20:10-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7 [cf. 7]/Jn 10:31-42
Saturday: Ez 37:21-28/Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13 [cf. 10d]/Jn
11:45-56
Next Sunday: Mk 11:1-10/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-
24 [2a]/Phil 2:6-11/Mk 14:1—15:47 or 15:1-39

WEEKLY CALENDAR

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

SUNDAY: March 21

6:00PM High School Christian Formation - Zoom

MONDAY: March 22

TUESDAY: March 23

6:00PM Parish Council meeting - Zoom

WEDNESDAY: March 24

6:00PM Grade School Christian Formation - Zoom

THURSDAY: March 25

FRIDAY: March 26

SATURDAY: March 27

8:30AM Change Church environment
10:00AM Triduum Rehearsal — Church



The Psalm Post

PSALM 51

David's Lament

*A clean heart create for me, O God,
and a steadfast spirit renew within me.*

Have mercy on me, O God, in your goodness;
in the greatness of your compassion
wipe out my offense.
Thoroughly wash me from my guilt
and of my sin cleanse me.

A clean heart create for me, O God,
and a steadfast spirit renew within me.
Cast me not out from your presence,
and your Holy Spirit take not from me.

Give me back the joy of your salvation,
and a willing spirit sustain in me.
I will teach transgressors your ways,
and sinners shall return to you.

Psalm 51 is a lament sung by David after he has confronted by the prophet Nathan regarding his sinful behavior with the beautiful, but married, Beth-sheba. David pleads for forgiveness and reconciliation with God. He begs God to wash away his sins and blot out his offenses. He appeals to God's mercy and compassion and, in his desperation, David cries out for God to create in him a new heart. He asks for a heart that is wise, clean, and contrite, as when God created human beings (Genesis 1:26, 2:7). He also asks for a renewed steadfast spirit, a spirit that is as close to him as God's breath was to Adam (Genesis 2:7). David knows his sin has separated him from God and he stands before God with a contrite heart and a broken spirit. He also knows that this is the sacrifice that God accepts and he trusts that God's breath of life (spirit) will restore him to his original relationship with God (Psalm 51:19).

David's lament is a model for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Like David, we examine our conscience and our behavior, acknowledge our sins, express sorrow, ask forgiveness, receive absolution, and then perform a penance. Like David, we move from separation to reconciliation because God is merciful and compassionate to contrite hearts and broken spirits. God is with us in our pain. Lent is a good time to let God create clean hearts in us and place within us a renewed spirit so that we may celebrate the Easter mysteries with acceptable hearts and spirits.

May God be as near to me as is my next breath,

Lorrie



SOULFUL MUSE

Mmmmm. I had ice cream topped with ketchup and mustard last night. Boy, was it good.

You know it's wrong, but at the time it sounds good.

The Bible calls the "Big Ten" commandments, but I don't like that word. It sounds like God saying, "I COMMAND you to do this and not that." I command you. I like the word recipe, a recipe for life. I like it because it combines all life's aspects and mixes them together to become a "child of God." Your recipe needs to be balanced with all the right food groups, it needs to be healthy, and it needs seasonings to taste all of the joys that life brings.

Here, how's this one? In the morning try oatmeal with green peppers and tomatoes. Mix it all together. Mmmmm.

You know its wrong, but at the time it sounds good.

What a better definition for failing to follow God or committing a sin. "You know its wrong, but at the time it sounds good."

My absolute favorite meal in the whole, wide world is meatloaf, creamy corn and a baked potato with butter and sour cream. Now that's worthy of the sound, Mmmmmm.

Meatloaf is the mixing together of ground beef, onions, eggs and a splash of milk. It's the mixing together of parents, new friends, a good education, sports and free time. Sounds good? The seasonings are the most essential ingredient in this meal, in this life. The meatloaf is sprinkled with gifts of character, integrity, charity, kindnesses, caring, hope and always with an eye for those left behind. Because you see, then you bake your life in the oven at 350 for about one hour. Baking your life is living your life as best you can with the best recipe God's given you. Indeed, it's a meal of one lifetime. Yours.

How about pizza with peanut butter on top? You know it's wrong but at the time..."

Fr. Joe, S.D.S.

ARE YOU CALLED? PARISH COUNCIL NOMINATIONS

Thank you to all those who nominated themselves or another parish member for pastoral council. Our Selection Committee is contacting all those who have been nominated inviting them to attend the Informational Discovery session on April 7, 2020. If you receive that call, please give serious and prayerful consideration to accepting the invitation in order to learn more about the Council and determine if you are willing to be placed on the ballot. The election process will take place after all Masses on May 16-17.

LENTEN 2021 VIDEO FROM FR. JOE JAGODENSKY, SDS

Staying connected with St. Catherine parishioners, Fr. Joe presents a spiritual and musical video for each week during the season of Lent. The link is on our home page at stcatherinemke.org below the Mission Statement.

2021 LENTEN ALMSGIVING

Our Human Concerns Committee has chosen two organizations to be recipients of this year's Lenten Almsgiving. Envelopes were included in your monthly contribution envelopes and are also available at the entrances of church along with a flyer containing information about the recipients: *St. Vincent de Paul Northside Meal Program* and *Guest House of Milwaukee*. Your generosity is much appreciated.

Easter Mass Sign Up

Due to Covid-19 restrictions, Easter Sunday Mass attendance will be limited to 110 people. For the sign-up for Easter Sunday Mass at 9:30 am, please register via the parish website, or contact the parish office to register.

COURTESY ANNOUNCEMENT

ALEXIAN VILLAGE 2021 COFFEE & CONVERSATION

Join us on Thursday, April 1, at 10 AM!

Our speaker will be Bruce Nemovitz of Realty Executives who helps seniors and their families prepare, downsize and sell their long-time homes in the Milwaukee-Metro area.

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

We hope you will join us!

For more information and to RSVP, please contact Liz Eaton at 414-371-7893 or Elisabeth.Eaton@ascension.org

Additional 2021 Coffee and Conversation dates:
May 6, June 3, 2021

PARISH INCOME

AS OF MARCH 7, 2021 (WEEK 36)

LAST WEEK'S BUDGET		\$7,116
LAST WEEK'S ENVELOPES	\$8,569	
LAST WEEK'S OFFERTORY	\$ 147	
ELECTRONIC GIVING	\$1,497	
		<u>\$10,213</u>
EXCESS/(SHORTFALL)		\$ 3,097
YEAR-TO-DATE BUDGET		\$256,154
YEAR TO DATE ACTUAL		<u>\$246,585</u>
YTD EXCESS/(SHORTFALL)		\$ (9,569)

CALENDAR RAFFLE WINNERS

March 14	Paul or Ann Schanen	DePere
March 15	Jacob Young	Brown Deer
March 16	Dorothy Jaroczynski	Milwaukee
March 17	Debby Korpela	Brown Deer
March 18	Gloria Biesen	LaCrosse
March 19	Tim Hoey	Brown Deer
March 20	Joseph Haertle	Milwaukee

LITURGY NOTES

5th Sunday of Lent

March 20-21, 2021

Daring a New Hear



The fifth Sunday of Lent puts the essential summons of Lent in so many words. God is in the newness of life. It is, however, the old, the familiar, the routine, the commonplace that we prefer. So we cling. We like to be in control of our lives. We like the surety and predictability. We don't want to change.

We want to master the moment and capture it in chains. But the ground under us is one great mass of movement. Where is God in flux?

The children come and interrupt our antiseptic schedules. Then years later, the children go and leave us strangers to one another and even to ourselves. Where is God for us when we are nowhere at all that we can recognize?

We work hard to beat a path through the woods of life and find that the path we wanted so badly leads nowhere for us at all. Where is God in failure?

We give up everything in life – vacations, comfort, friends, time for ourselves – to succeed and we wind up in the end with nothing but the boring repetition of repetition. Where is God when what we got was not worth getting?

Answer: God is right where we do not want God to be. God is in the newness. We begin to see differently. We begin to live differently. We begin to think about both life and our self differently. We find ourselves in a land we never knew existed and would not have chosen to inhabit if we could possibly have avoided it. The God of the past is past now. There is only one way out and that is forward. Then, it is to the God of Newness that we must go if we are really to be a spiritual people.

To be invited to begin again, to be ready to start over in life, is what the practice of life is all about. Then we are free to rethink everything we've done in life and everything we want in life and everything we've demanded from lie and get down to basics: the presence of God and trust in the God of Surprises.

Lent calls us not to get trapped in the past. Everything in life can begin again, at any time, in every way, if we will only permit it. God's way with the Chosen People proves it. Over and over again, God leads them to new pastures, new peoples, new promised, new ways of being alive to the place of the divine in the mundane.

Our lives are no different. If Lent is to be real at all, we must recognize that we are on a journey that twists and turns between what we were before and what we are becoming now. There is no settling down. There is only the call of the New Beginning where God dwells in the heart and takes all our fear, our loneliness away.

Andy

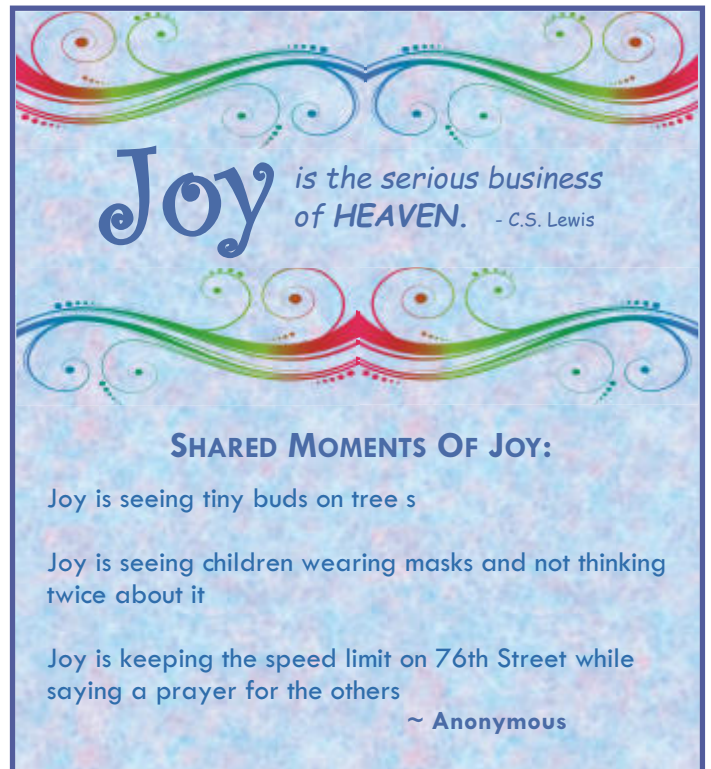
Holy Week Services

April 1 Holy Thursday Mass: 6:30 pm

April 2 Good Friday Service of the Passion: 1:00 pm

April 3 Easter Vigil: 8:00 pm

April 4 Easter Sunday: 9:30 am. Reservations needed for Easter Sunday Mass. Please go online (www.stcatherinemke.org) to make reservations or call the Parish Office (364-2020). Thank you.



Keeping Parish Communication Seamless and Strong

- Please submit your bulletin column/announcement to bulletin@stcatherinemke.org.
- Please submit your bulletin column/announcement no later than 10 a.m. on Mondays.
- Your bulletin column/announcement will be submitted as provided, please do not make us edit your column/announcement.
- Please understand that this is a transition process.


St. Bernadette Curbside Fish Fry

St. Bernadette Parish, 8200 West Denver Avenue (about three blocks south of Good Hope Road), invites you to enjoy their fabulous Fish Fry on Friday, April 2, from 4:00 to 7:00pm. It is takeout only with curbside pick-up. Included with the fish are coleslaw, fries, rye roll, butter, and tartar sauce. Our April 2 dessert is cross cookies for \$1. Pre-ordering is highly recommended. You can pre-order by contacting the parish office at 414-358-4600, going to www.stbweb.com for a pre-order form to fill out and return, or go to <https://st-bernadette-curbsidedinner.square.site>. Online ordering starts two weeks prior to the fish fry.



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