

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 Thursday..... 9:00AM - 4:00PM
Friday..... 9:00AM - Noon

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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 By appointment only, please contact the Parish Office.

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 arrangements can be made to bring Communion to you.

23rd Sunday IN ORDINARY TIME

He put his finger into the man's ears and, spitting, touched his tongue; then he looked up to heaven and groaned, and said to him, "Ephphatha!"—that is, "Be opened!" - Mk 7:33b-34

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

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.

SEPTEMBER 5, 2021 - THE 23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SACRAMENTAL LIFE & PRAYER CALENDAR**SUNDAY: September 5 - The 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Readings: Is 35:4-7a/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 [1b]/Jas 2:1-5/Mk 7:31-37

4:30PM Mass - †People of St. Catherine**9:30AM Mass** - †Tom Verkuilen**MONDAY: September 6**

Readings: Col 1:24—2:3/Ps 62:6-7, 9 [8]/Lk 6:6-11

9:30AM Mass - For Labor Day

The Parish Office will be closed on Labor Day.

TUESDAY: September 7

Readings: Col 2:6-15/Ps 145:1b-2, 8-9, 10-11 [9]/Lk 6:12-19

10:30AM Rosary & Communion Service
(suspended) Villa at Bradley Estates**12:00PM Mass** †Geraldine & James Kallas**WEDNESDAY: September 8 - Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

Readings: Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30/Ps 13:6ab, 6c [Is 61:10]/Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23

6:00PM Choir Gathering**THURSDAY: September 9 - Blessed Virgin Mary Patriot Day**

Readings: Col 3:12-17/Ps 150:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6 [6]/Lk 6:27-38

12:00PM Mass †Bill Genski**FRIDAY: September 10**

Readings: Tm 1:1-2, 12-14/Ps 16:1b-2a and 5, 7-8, 11 [cf. 5]/Lk 6:39-42

12:00PM Mass †Mary Stonczak**SATURDAY: September 11**

Readings: : 1 Tm 1:15-17/Ps 113:1b-2, 3-4, 5a and 6-7 [2]/Lk 6:43-49

3:30PM Reconciliation**4:30PM Mass** - †People of St. Catherine**SUNDAY: September 12 - 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Readings: Is 50:5-9a/Ps 116:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 [9]/Jas 2:14-18/Mk 8:27-35

9:30AM Mass - †Bob Seroogy**After Mass** - Annual Parish Picnic**Archdiocese of Milwaukee Invites you**to join them on an eleven day Pilgrimage to the
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MUSIC MINISTRY****Hear Ye! Hear Ye! Come one, Come all
to our Music Ministry "RE" Kick-off.**

As we enter the fall season and what feels like a new beginning, we are working hard to **RE**-Imagine, **RE**-Discover and **RE**-Juvenate our music ministry. Don't get us wrong, we love what's already in place. You know what else we'd love? Growing our ministry! As C.S. Lewis stated: "You are never too old to set another goal or to dream a new dream." is the correct answer. **RE**-Building our music equipment inventory is one of our goals, i.e., replacing worn-out cords, microphones, and music stands. I-Pads for our cantors would reduce printing music and support our concern and care for the environment.

Our community is known for its musical prayer. We can all recall times when we have heard just the right music piece when we have needed it the most. We hope you will join in our excitement as we imagine and implement innovative ways of sharing new arrangements of old and contemporary music with you. Are you intrigued yet? We hope your answer is a loud, "Why yes, I **RE**-ALLY am!" In dreams we plant the seeds of our future, and you can help us grow. Come join us! To get involved or to find out more information, please contact one of us: Director of Adult Choir, Teresa Gross, teresa.gross@yahoo.com or myself, Director of Liturgy and Music, Andy Kukec, akucec@stcatherinemke.org.

Thank you,

—Andy

Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers

Schedules for the months of September and October are available. For parishioners who may be considering joining in the ministry, please contact Pat Lehman for more information at 414.218.6150 or email her at lehmanpat4@gmail.com.

**Volunteers Still Needed:
St. Vincent De Paul Society**

Our St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry has been guided by talented volunteers for many years. We are in need of new people to join the SVdP Society to help us continue serving those in need within our community. Please consider serving in this capacity and contact Mary Kay Brzakala, 262-251-451 for more information about membership in the St. Vincent de Paul Society.



At mid-afternoon, he jumps up on the top of the couch to feel the sun. He enjoys the warmth until a bird settles on my neighbor's roof. Gawking sounds emit but to no avail. That cute bird will not be his.

His cleaning now begins as though his cleaning twenty minutes ago wasn't sufficient. "Cat cleaning" takes quite a while. Every claw needs special attention. (It only takes me three minutes, and I have water!)

His wagging tail leisurely tucks itself inside his hind legs and his front paw becomes a pillow for a slowly falling, weary head. (He just finished a nap an hour ago.) His eyes are wide open but you're able to see its glassiness as though, as though ... the head goes down, resting itself on the newly named pillow followed by a long sigh that would tell us that he died.

If bliss is not the word then I have no idea to better describe a cat's sleep. Is he dreaming about lost mice and missed birds? Is he hoping that I keep my job to continue feeding him? Does he ponder those deposited stools that I need to scoop out each night? A deep sleep envelopes him with a soft breathing that gently relaxes. Any mother would envy a cat's sleep with her children in the next room, wondering about their future's future.

A quick noise is heard and his eyes open widely before I hear the stupid, silly noise. Alert. Ready. Armed. He looks around and waits for another troubling sound. Doesn't happen. The head and eyes both begin to lower themselves in harmony. (I should be so lucky with my 1:00 a.m. cigarette after going to bed at 11:00 p.m.) His head reclines again with those possible dreams "Of Mice and Birds."

He'll respire there until the need for affection awakens him. He'll jump up on me and extend those clean claws into my shoulders and stare me in my face and I wonder what he's thinking about or if he's thinking at all.

He warmly looks at me but he can't smile because he's a cat. But I can. It's a mutual exchange. I get the many smiles and he enjoys that enviable bliss.

—Fr. Joe, S.D.S.

Adult Baptism and Confirmation

Do you know someone who would like to be baptized Catholic or someone who was baptized in another Christian church but is now thinking of becoming Catholic? Are you or someone you know a baptized Catholic who needs to be Confirmed and/or receive Holy Communion? Please contact Lorrie Maples for more information at lmables@stcatherinemke.org, 414.365.2020x14.



Adult Bible Study will resume Tuesday evenings, 6pm - 7:30pm, September 28 - November 16, on Zoom or in the Granville Room with the Gospel of Matthew, Chapters 13 - 28. Everyone is welcome.

Bible Basics will meet in the Parish Office at St. Catherine, 9:30am - 11:00am, September 28 - November 16. Bring your own bible or use one of ours and learn the basics of how to read the Bible.

Northwest Milwaukee Catholic Parishes Christian Formation Committee will meet, August 30, 2021, 6pm-7pm on Zoom or in the Granville Room at St. Catherine.

Please contact: Lorrie Maples, for all of the above Christian Formation Classes at (414)365-2020x14, or email Lorrie at lmables@stcatherinemke.org.

Brown Deer Junior Women's Club

The annual Fall Rummage Sale sponsored by the BD Junior Woman's Club, will be held on Sunday, September 26, 2021 from 10 a.m.– 2 p.m. at the BD Elementary School Gym, 5757 West Dean Road.

Note: Currently masks are required for everyone on School District property. We recommend that attendees check our website, browndeerjuniorwomansclub.com, prior to the event for any updates.

Donations of unwanted, usable items would be greatly appreciated! No large furniture items, TV's or major appliances can be accepted. For information on the drop-off dates/times, please contact bdjuniors@gmail.com. Tax deduction receipts are available. Proceeds benefit Brown Deer Community Programs and Schools.



COFFEE AND DONUTS SUNDAY AFTER 9:30AM MASS

Our monthly donut social will be held September 19th. in the Granville Room following the 9:30 am Mass. Donuts, bagels, coffee, tea and juice will be available. New parishioner registration will also be available during the donut social. This is hosted by the Parish Life Committee.



PARISH INCOME AS OF AUGUST 22, 2021 (WEEK 8)

LAST WEEK'S BUDGET	\$7,115
LAST WEEK'S ENVELOPES	\$2,755
LAST WEEK'S OFFERTORY	\$ 338
ELECTRONIC GIVING	\$1,525
	<u>\$4,618</u>
EXCESS/(SHORTFALL)	\$ (2,497)
YEAR-TO-DATE BUDGET	\$56,923
YEAR TO DATE ACTUAL	<u>\$43,786</u>
YTD EXCESS/(SHORTFALL)	\$ (13,137)

CALENDAR RAFFLE WINNERS

Aug. 29	Robin Wallace	Burlington, WI
Aug. 30	Rita Hoey	Waukesha
Aug. 31	Amanda Stamm	Jackson, WI
Sept. 1	Rebecca Schiesel	Glendale, WI
Sept. 2	Justin Hartley	Milwaukee
Sept. 3	Peter Weber	Brown Deer
Sept. 4	Chance Cooke	Imperial Beach, CA



The Psalm Post

Prayer of Praise

Praise the Lord, my soul
Psalm 154

The Lord God created human beings with a soul as told in the story of the creation of Adam, the first living human being. *"Then the Lord God formed the man out of the dust of the ground and blew into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living being (Genesis 2:7).* Like a potter shapes clay into a vessel, the Lord God shaped the first person from the clay and, rather than a vessel that can contain or hold something, the clay became a living being when the Lord God breathed God's own breath to the clay. In the Old Testament world, there is no separation of body and soul. They are one expression of the Lord God creative love

I praise God with my life!
In what I do and in what I say.
What I hear and what I see.
In what I love and what I abhor.
Who I help and who I ignore.
Life, as a child of God,
Is a prayer of praise
Praise the Lord!
Amen.

—*Lorrie*



TRI-PARISH CHRISTIAN FORMATION

Christian Formation Registration

Now is the time to register your child or teen for Christian Formation, First Reconciliation, First Communion, and Confirmation. Classes begin the first week of October. Registration forms and calendars are available at the St. Catherine website, stcatherinemke.org. Contact Lorrie Maples for more information, lmaples@stcatherinemke.org, 414.365.2020x14.

Christian Formation classes for 1st - 8th grades are scheduled for Wednesdays, 6pm - 7pm, in St. Catherine School, October 6 - April 6. Registration materials will be sent to families by the end of July.

First Communion and First Reconciliation is available to children who have reached the age of 7 and were in a Christian Formation program or Catholic School in the first grade and are currently in the second grade in a Christian Formation program or Catholic School.

High School Christian Formation classes will meet on designated Sunday evenings from 6pm - 7pm, October 3 - April 3, in the Granville Room at St. Catherine. Registration forms will be sent by the end of July.

Confirmation is available to baptized teens in the 11th grade. Classes will meet on designated Sunday evenings from 6pm - 7pm, October 3 - April 3, in the Granville Room at St. Catherine. Please contact Lorrie Maples for more information.

SHARED MOMENTS OF JOY:

JOY IS SEEING THE BEAUTIFUL QUILTS OF
PAULINE PARKER AT THE MILWAUKEE ART
MUSEUM.

— NICOLE HARTLEY



Sign-Up For Annual Parish Picnic

Please join us for our annual Parish Picnic on Sunday, September 12th. Come and share good times and good food following the 9:30 a.m. Mass. Sign-Up sheets will be available at both entrances of the church for the next several weekends. Also, you can sign up through the parish website on our Sign-Up Genius. If you need assistance, please contact the Parish Office



Sign-Up-Genius

Picnic Attendance

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0949AAAB23A0F58-parish>

Picnic Volunteers

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0949AAAB23A0F58-parish1>

We also have sign-up sheets for volunteers. There will be two shifts. The first shift will be 10:15 - 11:30 and the second shift will be 11:15 to the end. Extra workers are needed. Please look for the sign-up sheets and consider helping. It is always fun!

If you have any questions, you may contact Anne Lutz at 414-354-9327 or email Anne @ llutz@wi.rr.com.

Women of Christ - 2021 Conference

Come to the 14th Women of Christ conference on Saturday, November 6th at the Washington County Fair Park and experience the magnitude of God's love and delight. He will meet you in the sacrament of reconciliation; ready to shower you with mercy and grace; He will be present in the mass through the Eucharist and He will converse with you in the silence of Adoration. For registration go to <https://womenofchrist.net/>.



Knights of Columbus Thanks You for Your Generosity

Knights of Columbus Council 6646 thanks you for your donations to this year's Campaign for People with Intellectual Disabilities. All proceeds you gave on August 28th and 29th will go to organizations that directly help the intellectually disabled. Thank you and God bless all of you for being so generous!

St. Catherine Gardens Help Needed

We still need additional help maintaining the St. Catherine Gardens. While it is wonderful to see the flowers around our church grounds, help is needed in maintaining the garden beds. In particular, light weeding is needed around the columbarium garden and around our beautiful statues. This would not be a huge time commitment, an hour or two per month could make a substantial difference. Please contact the Parish Office if you can assist.



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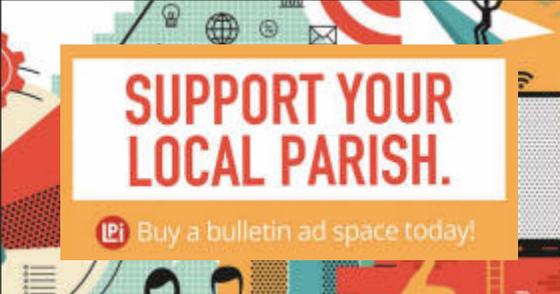
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