

St. Catherine of Alexandria

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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 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.

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST KING OF THE UNIVERSE

So Pilate said to him, "Then you are a king?"
Jesus answered, "You say I am a king." - Jn 18:37a

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.

Change In Bulletin Submission Deadlines

Due to the upcoming Christmas holiday, the deadline to submit announcements for the December 12th bulletin is 10 a.m. Thursday, December 2nd. The deadline for the December 19th bulletin is 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, December 9th. Submission of an article does not guarantee it will appear in the bulletin.

NOVEMBER 21, 2021 - OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST KING OF THE UNIVERSE

SACRAMENTAL LIFE & PRAYER CALENDAR**SUNDAY: November 21 - The Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe**

Readings: Dn 7:13-14/Ps 93:1, 1-2, 5 [1a]/Rv 1:5-8/Jn 18:33b-37

3:30PM Reconciliation**4:30PM Mass** - People of St. Catherine & †Jerry Loberger Sr.**9:30AM Mass** - †Rosemary & Richard Bonniwell**6:00PM** H S Christian Formation - Granville**MONDAY: November 22 - St. Cecilia**

Readings: Dn 1:1-6, 8-20/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56 [52b]/Lk 21:1-4

TUESDAY: November 23 - St. Clement

Readings: Dn 2:31-45/Dn 3:57, 58, 59, 60, 61 [59b]/Lk 21:5-11

9:30AM Bible Basics - Parish Office**12:00PM Mass** - †Franziska Badofszky**6:00PM** Scripture Study - Zoom**6:00PM** Scripture Study - Zoom**WEDNESDAY: November 24 - St. Andrew Dung-Luc and Companions**

Readings: Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28/Dn 3:62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67 [59b]/Lk 21:12-19

6:00PM Christian Formation - School Bld.**THURSDAY: November 25 - St. Catherine of Alexandria**

Readings: Dn 6:12-28/Dn 3:68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74 [59b]/Lk 21:20-28

9:00AM Thanksgiving Mass - †Nan Braun
Parish Office Closed**FRIDAY: November 26**

Readings: Dn 7:2-14/Dn 3:75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81/Lk 21:29-33

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

Parish Office Closed

SATURDAY: November 27 - Blessed Virgin Mary

Readings: Dn 7:15-27/Dn 3:82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87/Lk 21:34-36

3:30PM Reconciliation**4:30PM Mass** - †William Menté**SUNDAY: November 28— The 1st Sunday in Advent**

Readings: Jer 33:14-16/1 Thes 3:12—4:2/Ps 25:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14 [1b]/Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

9:30AM Mass - People of St. CatherineThe Nov. 23rd Pastoral Council Meeting has changed to **Nov. 30th at 6:30pm***Happy Thanksgiving !**“O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his steadfast love**Endures forever..”**Psalm 107:1***LITURGY NOTES**Remembering those Who Have Died
Part 111Blessed are they who grieve, for they shall be consoled.
Matthew 5:4

The first stage of grief is disbelief. We refuse to accept the fact that something devastatingly final has erupted into the middle of our lives. Our minds know that now there is no going back but our hearts stay locked in the past. This is the stage that melts the soul of certainties.

The second stage of grief is when we believe the loss to be unbearable and so we go numb. We refuse to feel what we fear we cannot endure. And in that refusal run the risk of becoming numb to everything. This is the stage that saves us from desolation but dims our vision. The things we lose in life all teach us something.

The third stage of grief is when we begin again to believe enough in ourselves to be able finally to let go of one stage of life in order to embrace the rest of it once more. This is the stage that resurrects the heart.

Grief is a process, not an event. As Emily Dickinson puts it:

*After great pain.
a formal feeling comes –
This is the Hour of Lead –
Remembered, if outlived,
As Freezing persons,
recollect the Snow –
First – Chill – then Stupor –
then the letting go.*

TO BE CONTINUED.

—Andy

Lighting the Advent Wreath and Bringing up the Gifts

Advent begins the weekend of November 27/28, 2021. We are in need of people to light the Advent wreath at the beginning of Mass. We will also resume bringing up the Gifts of Bread and Wine on the First Sunday of Advent. We are asking those people who light the Advent candle to also bring up the gifts. If you are not able to bring up the gifts, please inform one of the ushers and they will ask someone in the congregation.

If you are interested in signing up, please contact Jeaninne in the parish office at 414-365-2020, ext.10, or jrapant@stcatherinemke.org



SOULFUL MUSE

"Empty yourself." How often I say that during Mass, and how often you've heard it. "One ear and out the other?" Or, just another churchy phrase who's meaning just plainly escapes us?

We were boldly told that we are special, unique with a whale's potential throughout our entire education. Posters clutter the hallways conveying the same message. That short space above the chalkboard, again, proclaims your extraordinary presence in the world. You then go home to dutifully clean the bathroom toilet and wash the basement steps. (By nature, shouldn't basement steps be dirty!?) By nature, how special is our specialness? I guess it's encouraging to encourage youngsters. We all need a positive push during those developmental years.

Your parents then take you to church to hear me say those two words. If you are that special, you would wonder what the paradox is between the school's push and the church's pull.

The church would say, "Empty yourself of all that keeps you from being that special, once-in-the-universe child." I wonder when a young person discovers a community not exclusively centered around one person. I hope it begins in the family and is then amplified through the church. I know people who read those posters and now live them to the disregard of others. That's not the "pull" of the church. I can name and remember numerous others who read those "pushes" and, in faith, acknowledge and act upon those churchy "pulls."

One of my favorite examples is a simple conversation between two people - in a coffee shop, mall, church entrance. Someone shares with you a personal story. Your interest and focus are seen in your eyes. Nothing will distract you from listening. No. It's hearing the story from beginning to end. No interruptions. Smiles, frowns, and nods are acceptable with no audible sounds from you unless a giggle or sigh is called for. The person finishes speaking. Your presence and response are the emptyings of yourself by filling yourself with another person. A wrong exchange: "I was in Chicago last week and..." "Wow, I was in Chicago last week too and you wouldn't believe..." That would be a sin against what ought to be the eighth sacrament of the Catholic Church.

Perhaps those always clean basement steps and those positive posters slowly taught me to be like the Jesus who then became the Christ.

—Fr. Joe, S.D.S.

COURTESY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Help is Available for Seniors

Eras Senior Network (formerly Interfaith) is a non-profit agency which provides various services for seniors. Through a team of volunteers, they provide rides to medical appointments, the pharmacy, or the grocery store. During COVID-19, they are making wellness calls to check on isolated clients. Eras – Engage, Relate, Advocate, Support, has provided supportive services at no charge for older adults 60+ since 1991 based on the Neighborhood Outreach Program (NOP) model. For more information about their services in Milwaukee County, please call 414-488-6500.

Confessions at Our Lady of Good Hope

Tuesday, December 14, 6:30 pm at Our Lady of Good Hope has a Communal Reconciliation Prayer Service with private Confessions following.



The Archdiocese of Milwaukee Presentation on Wednesday, December 1, 2021 7:00-8:30 PM

The Archdiocese of Milwaukee is excited to host Advent Missions at 18 parishes throughout southeastern Wisconsin. This Mission is based on The Gift of Sunday, a theological reflection issued by Archbishop Jerome Listekci, join us for a beautiful prayer service and presentation that encourages everyone to come to Mass and rediscover Jesus' presence in the Eucharist - this Advent Season and beyond!

City	Parish	Presenter
Menomonee Falls	Good Shepherd	Bishop Jeffrey Haines
Milwaukee	St. Sebastian	Fr. Brad Krawczyk
Milwaukee	Immaculate Conception	Fr. Michael Maher, S.J.
Pewaukee	Queen of Apostles	Fr. Curt Frederick

"At Home with the Word" Books now available

Copies of the new At Home with the Word for 2022 available for \$8. This guide provides the readings for each Sunday of the liturgical year, along with insights from scripture scholars and action steps. It also includes prayers, citations for weekday readings and other resources for scripture study. If you are interested, copies are available for purchase in the **parish office** during regular business hours.



ELECTRONIC CONTRIBUTIONS

If you are interested in making your contributions to the parish through regular deductions from your bank account, please contact Jon Gabik, our Director of Operations & Administration, at 414-365-2020, ext. 12, or at jgabik@stcatherinemke.org.

CALENDAR RAFFLE WINNERS

Nov. 14	Karl Mente	Brown Deer, WI
Nov. 15	Kevin Barkow	Milwaukee, WI
Nov. 16	Bobette Schmirler	Milwaukee, WI
Nov. 17	Deserae Laczniak	Imperial Beach, LA
Nov. 18	Bradley Laczniak	Pewaukee, WI
Nov. 19	Lisa Forster	Waukesha, WI
Nov. 20	Franciscan Missions	Waterford, WI

PARISH INCOME

AS OF NOVEMBER 15, 2021 (WEEK 19)

Due to this past week's early bulletin deadline, last week's income figures were not available at the time of printing.



The Psalm Post
Daniel 3:52
Heavenly Music

*"Blessed are you, O Lord, the God of our fathers, praiseworthy and exalted above all forever; And blessed is your holy and glorious name, praiseworthy and exalted above all for all ages."
Glory and praise for ever! Daniel 3:52*

November 22 is the Memorial of St. Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr (d. 230). St. Cecilia is regarded as the patroness of music because, according to legend, she heard the heavenly music of angels in her heart at her wedding. She is usually pictured with an organ or a viola. A church was named after her in the late fourth century and her feast has been celebrated since 545. Her story has inspired the faithful and musicians for centuries. She has become the symbol of the Church's love of good liturgical music and many musical festivals are held in her honor on her feast day.

Dear St. Cecilia,

One thing we know for certain about you is that you became a heroic martyr in fidelity to your divine Bridegroom.

We do not know that you were a musician but we are told that you heard Angels sing.

Inspire musicians to gladden the hearts of people by filling the air with God's gift of music and reminding them of the divine Musician who created all beauty.

Amen

Discerning Hearts, Catholic Podcasts, discerninghearts.com

—Corrie

Parish Membership

All interested Catholics are invited to register as active members in our parish. Registration usually occurs after Masses on the third weekend of the month, but do not hesitate to call the parish office to register by phone. Non-Catholics are invited to call for information on the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA).

Northside Meal Program

After a long hiatus due to COVID, the Northside Meal Program is now returning. On the third Friday of the month, we need volunteers to help prepare food at the Peoples Church and then we will box up the food for individuals. St Vincent de Paul workers will then pass out the boxes we fill to those in need. We meet at the St. Catherine upper parking lot (handicapped) and carpool down at 4:15 pm to the site. We will be done by 7 pm. If you are interested in volunteering or if you have more questions, please contact Debbie Wazniak for more information at 414-651-0216 or email@DWazniak@wi.rr.com.

2022 Calendar Raffle

Are you gathering with family and friends on Thanksgiving? Take along some of our calendar raffles and sell a few. Our parish will realize over \$14,000 in profits, if we are able to sell 1000 copies. For \$25, your family and friends have 358 chances to win \$25 or more in prizes. Remember, winners' names are re-entered into the drawing; you may win more than once. **Sale of calendars will end on December 31st.**



SHARED MOMENTS OF JOY!
**JOY IS CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS WITH SIX OF MY
FAMILY MEMBERS, ALL IN THE SAME WEEK.**
—JUDY DOLLHAUSEN

SAVE THE DATE
Winter Farmers Market and Brunch



Date: Sunday, January 16, 2022
from 9am to noon

Where: St. Catherine of Alexandria School Gym

Our fourth annual event is quickly approaching. Tickets for the brunch will be on sale beginning on January 2 and January 8 & 9. Ticket prices are \$10-adult; \$5-child. There is no charge to attend the market. We source most of the food for the brunch from the farmer vendors participating at the market. All profits go to the Food, Faith, and Farming Network (our partner in this event) and the Harvest of Hope Fund (emergency grants to farmers in crises).

Please join us on Jan. 16 - this is truly a tri-parish collaboration and we look forward to seeing you there!

Northwest Milwaukee Catholic Parishes Human Concerns Committee

SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Thank you so much to 85 households who have returned commitment cards for this year's financial stewardship appeal. This represents 19% of our parish community. We are grateful and hope to hear from many more of you. Why support St. Catherine?



I choose to support St. Catherine because it is my parish home as well as my parish church. Here one can be as involved as one wishes to be or, if not, that's okay too. Either way you will be welcomed, loved and supported. Why wouldn't I give?

- Carol Hasenyager

If you haven't already done so, please take a look at the materials you received in the mail. After prayer consideration, return the commitment card that was included in the mailing. The card can be returned to the collection basket or the parish office. Thank you so much for your support!

Parish Suggestions

As a parishioner, you play a vital role in the life of the parish. If you would like to make a suggestions regarding an important aspect of St. Catherine of Alexandria Parish, please contact one of the parish trustees or Fr. Joe listed on the front of the bulletin. Thank you and may God bless you.



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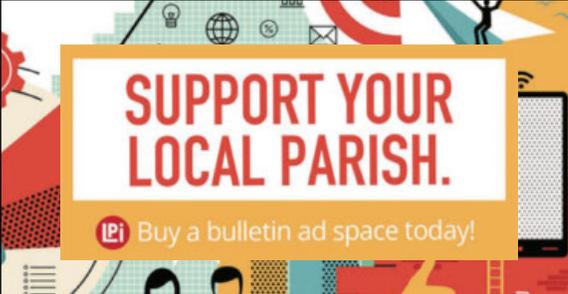
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