

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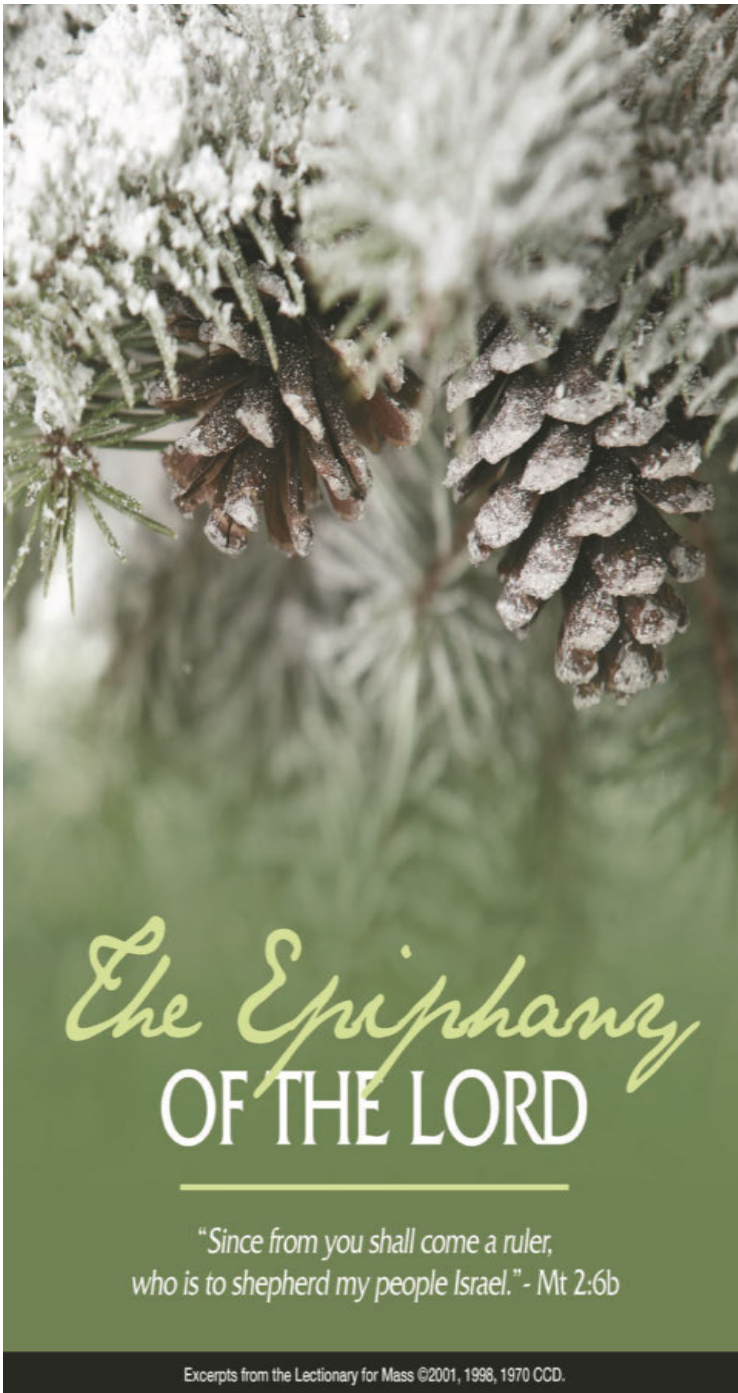
SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM The preparation for baptism can begin before the baby is born. A preparation class and parish membership are required. Call the Parish Office to make arrangements.

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 Adult Baptism.

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.



The Epiphany OF THE LORD

*"Since from you shall come a ruler,
who is to shepherd my people Israel." - Mt 2:6b*

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.

Bulletin Deadline

Noon on Monday prior to publication, but subject to change due to holiday printing schedules. Send articles to bulletin@stcatherinemke.org. Submission of an article does not guarantee it will appear in the bulletin.

JANUARY 2, 2022 - THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

SACRAMENTAL LIFE & PRAYER CALENDAR**SUNDAY: January 2 - The Epiphany of Our Lord**

Readings: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 [cf.11]/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

3:30PM Reconciliation

4:30PM Mass - People of St. Catherine

9:30AM Mass - Ruth Ntaba - "Thank you God for life's great miracles"

MONDAY: January 3 - The Most Holy Name of Jesus

Readings: 1 Jn 3:22—4:6/Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a/Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

6-7PM CF Committee Meetings - Zoom

TUESDAY: January 4 - St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

Readings: 1 Jn 4:7-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8/Mk 6:34-44

12:00PM Mass - †Wendy K. Jones

WEDNESDAY: January 5 - St John Neumann

Readings: 1 Jn 4:11-18/Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13/Mk 6:45-52

6:00PM Christian Formation - School Bld.

THURSDAY: January 6 - St. Andre Bessette

Readings: 1 Jn 4:19—5:4/Ps 72:1-2, 14 and 15bc, 17/Lk 4:14-22a

12:00AM Mass - †Patrick Hoying

6:30PM Choir Rehearsal - Granville

FRIDAY: January 7 - St. Raymond of Penyafort

Readings: 1 Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/Lk 5:12-16

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

12:00PM Mass - †Steve Antifinger

SATURDAY: January 8

Readings: 1 Jn 5:14-21/Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5 and 6a and 9b/Jn 3:22-30

3:30PM Reconciliation

4:30PM Mass - People of St. Catherine

SUNDAY: January 9 – The Baptism of the Lord

Readings: Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 [11b]/Acts 10:34-38/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

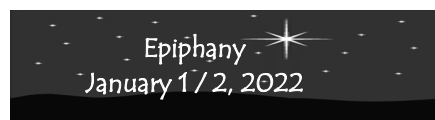
9:30AM Mass - †Gordon Sailer

Parish Suggestions

As a parishioner, you play a vital role in the life of the parish. If you would like to make a suggestion 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.

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL FOOD COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND

Feel free to bring in non-perishable food items for our pantry any weekend in January. If you prefer to give a financial contribution, please make checks out to St. Vincent de Paul and place in a separate envelope marked "St. Vincent de Paul." Thank you for your continued support of the pantry. Your generous donations make it possible to feed needy families in our neighborhood.

**LITURGY NOTES****EPIPHANY BLESSING**

The story of the astrologers who traveled to the Christ Child by following a star has endless implications for those of us who live in this present age. For we, too, are seekers. We, too, travel by faith, not knowing how long or how far we must go before we encounter Christ, the One Love of our hearts. Like the Wise Ones, we see the Star, lose sight of the Star, find the Star again. Like them, we do not give up our desire to discover the One Love who waits to guide our way.

May you listen to your soul-stirrings urging you to leave the home of your satisfactions, to risk new discoveries by traveling into the "land of don't know."

May you allow yourself to be guided by the Star of Grace, with the assurance of an abiding faith, as you seek the path of spiritual growth.

May you be willing to journey with vulnerability in the land of darkness and obscurity when the way fills with uncertainty.

May you have the gift of discerning what draws you forward, and what leads you, courage, and hope through your kinship with others who aaway, in seeking the One Love.

May you find inspiration also journey by faith on the road of life.

May you have openness of mind and heart so that you recognize the divine Star in those whose demeanor conceals this light-filled love.

May you daily bring the gift of your truest self and offer this to the Revealer of Love, who knows the bounty of your virtues.

May you be filled with gratitude each time you discover the One Love in some aspect of your life.

May the joy that the Wise Travelers expressed upon discovering the Christ Child also dance within your heart.

Sister Joyce Rupp, [Prayer Seeds](#) ©2017

—Andy

In Loving Remembrance

On the one year anniversary of death we remember this week Wayne Stamm who passed away on January 8th, 2021 and Elizabeth Conter who passed away on January 8th, 2021. Please keep Wayne Stamm and Elizabeth Conter, their families in your prayers. May they both rest in God's eternal peace.

Become a Volunteer Minister of Hospitality

St. Catherine of Alexandria has several dedicated members of the parish who serve as volunteer Ministers of Hospitality or ushers on the weekends. If you would like to join our team, then please contact **Bill Bergeron at (414) 540-0222** or send an email to wbergeron63@gmail.com. Duties include: welcoming parish members and guests before Mass; helping with collections and communion; and, passing out bulletins at the end of Mass. We hope you join us!



SOULFUL MUSE

"Two women meet,
cousins yet more than kin—
bound now to one another
by pregnant surprise.

Their unpredictable God
has laughed at nature
and made the childless and the virgin bear.
She of the leaping womb, thought barren,
bears the restlessness of her God.

And the virgin unknown
becomes the magnifying glass
that makes great her God for all to see.



The women embrace:
forgotten hope surprised by life
embraces surpassing love.

Meeting they touch
the old and the new
the forgotten and the unknown
now revealed in mystery
as ancient desire and
time's fullness.

The simple majesty
of their common meeting
is remembered as the uncommon
visitation
of God come among us.
Shall our own forgotten hope
protect us from surprise?



Perhaps!

Shall our fear of being known
cause us to turn and hide
from this—God's embrace?

It is possible.

Shall we trade
the restlessness of God
for oblivion?

Also possible.

But these women,
Elizabeth and Mary,
desire and fullness,
call us to laugh with
our unpredictable God
who comes to visit
such a warm and generous embrace
upon our quaking hearts."



I found this one on the web. I love an "unpredictable God" and a "surprising" people. Sincere gratitude for this past year and blessings on what "pregnant surprises" are in store for St. Catherine and each of us in 2022.

—Fr. Joe, S.D.S.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY



The next meeting of the Prayer Shawl Ministry takes place this Friday, January 14th, from 1-3 p.m. in the Granville Room. The love of knitting and crochet combine in a prayerful ministry that reaches out to those in need of comfort. Each shawl begins with a prayer and receives a final blessing on completion. To join, call Mary Kay at 262-251-45176 or Judy L. at 262-252-3081.

Church Decoration Removal Helpers Needed

Please help us take down the Christmas decorations. We will be removing them after the 9:30 Mass next Sunday, January 9, and we need your help. Please join us even if only for a short time. Thank you!

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.

**PARISH INCOME
AS OF DECEMBER 12, 2021 (WEEK 24)**

LAST WEEK'S BUDGET	\$7,115
LAST WEEK'S ENVELOPES	\$4,746
LAST WEEK'S OFFERTORY	\$2,260
ELECTRONIC GIVING	\$1,005
	<u>\$8,011</u>
EXCESS/(SHORTFALL)	\$ 896
YEAR-TO-DATE BUDGET	\$170,769
YEAR TO DATE ACTUAL	<u>\$162,151</u>
YTD EXCESS/(SHORTFALL)	\$ (8,618)

**PARISH INCOME
AS OF DECEMBER 19, 2021 (WEEK 25)**

LAST WEEK'S BUDGET	\$7,116
LAST WEEK'S ENVELOPES	\$6,254
LAST WEEK'S OFFERTORY	\$ 293
ELECTRONIC GIVING	\$1,345
	<u>\$7,892</u>
EXCESS/(SHORTFALL)	\$ 776
YEAR-TO-DATE BUDGET	\$177,885
YEAR TO DATE ACTUAL	<u>\$170,043</u>
YTD EXCESS/(SHORTFALL)	\$ (7,842)

CALENDAR RAFFLE WINNERS

Dec. 19	Bill & Heather Gilles	Onalaska, WI
Dec. 20	Patricia Messner	Milwaukee, WI
Dec. 21	Ella Francois	Cedarburg, WI
Dec. 22	Edward A. Benes	Mequon, WI
Dec. 23	Devon Laczniak	Hartford, WI
Dec. 24	Relevant Radio	Green Bay, WI
Dec. 25	Connie Donovan	Brown Deer, WI

CALENDAR RAFFLE WINNERS

Dec. 26	Erica Katajarvi	West Bloomfield, MI
Dec. 27	Theodore A. Prince	Milwaukee, WI
Dec. 28	K Schmidt	Milwaukee, WI
Dec. 29	Brad Dilling	Brown Deer, WI
Dec. 30	Noah Hopilins	Oakdale, MN
Dec. 31	Ellie Palzewicz	Mequon, WI

Mary, Mother of God

On Mother's Day, let us remember Mary, Mother of God. She is the *Theotokos*, the God-bearer, and has been called so since the first centuries of the Church. The Council of Ephesus in 431 A. D., insisted that, "If anyone does not confess that God is truly Emmanuel, and that on this account the holy virgin is the *Theotokos*, for according to the flesh she gave birth to the word of God become flesh by birth, let him be *anathema*." The Church celebrates the Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God, on January 1, and the month of May is dedicated to Mary. During times of need, the faithful have turned to Mary for the protection and mercy that is offered through her Son, Jesus Christ. Below is an ancient prayer to Mary for protection from danger called *Sub Tuum*.

*We fly to Your protection,
O Holy Mother of God.*

*Do not despise our petitions in our necessities,
but deliver us always from all dangers,
O Glorious and Blessed Virgin. Amen.*

*May we, like Mary, be God-bearers of mercy and
protection for one another.*



—*Corrie*

COURTESY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Delicious Lasagna Dinner

St. Bernadette Parish, 8200 West Denver Avenue (about three blocks south of Good Hope) invites you to enjoy their delicious lasagna dinner on Saturday, January 8, from 4:30 to 6:30pm. Included with the lasagna (meat or vegetarian) are garlic bread and tossed salad with Italian dressing. The dessert, for \$1 each, is peanut butter chocolate cake. It is curbside pick-up only. We request that you **pre-order by Wednesday, January 5**. For more information or to place your order, please contact the St. Bernadette Parish office at 414-358-4600 or go to www.stbweb.com.



Bereavement Support Group

St. Bernadette and Our Lady of Good Hope Parishes will be starting a "Grief to Healing" group in the new year. The meetings will be held at St. Bernadette (8200 West Denver Avenue) on the first Tuesday of each month at 11:00AM beginning on January 4. Brother Joe Pense, an Alexian Brother, will facilitate this support group. Please contact Sr. Jane Mary at 414-352-1148 or jmlorbiecki@olghparish.org to register or to ask any questions. Our facility is handicapped accessible.

SHARED MOMENTS OF JOY

I CHOOSE JOY "THESE THINGS I HAVE SPOKEN TO YOU, THAT MAY BE IN YOU, AND THAT YOUR JOY MAY BE COMPLETE."

— JOHN 15



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 sales for the brunch begin on January 2 and January 8 & 9 after all Masses. Tickets for the brunch are \$10/adult and \$5/child. There is no cost to attend the market. We source most of the food for the brunch from the farmer vendors participating at the market. Please join us to support our local farmers/vendors.

— NMCP Human Concerns Committee

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. If you are interested becoming Catholic, call Lorrie Maples for information at 414-365-2020.

Northside Meal Program

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.

Mass Intentions

There are weekday Masses available for Mass Intentions. If you would like to schedule Mass intentions, please contact the parish office at 414-365-2020, ext. 10. Please note, this means that only one intention will be available for weekend Masses since one of the weekend Mass intentions must be for the "People of St. Catherine" per archdiocesan guidelines.



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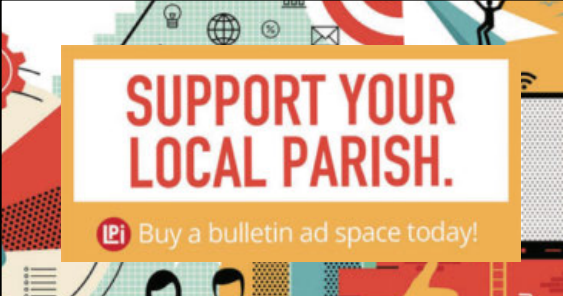
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