



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.

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 9, 2022 - THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

SACRAMENTAL LIFE & PRAYER CALENDAR**SUNDAY: January 9 - The Baptism of Our 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

3:30PM Reconciliation

4:30PM Mass - People of St. Catherine

9:30AM Mass - †Gordon Sailer

MONDAY: January 10 -

Readings: 1 Sm 1:1-8/Ps 116:12-13, 14-17, 18-19/Mk 1:14-20

TUESDAY: January 11

Readings: 1 Sm 1:9-20/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/Mk 1:21-28

12:00AM Mass - †Barbara Wood

WEDNESDAY: January 12

Readings: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Ps 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10/Mk 1:29-39

6:00PM Christian Formation has been canceled due to COVID

THURSDAY: January 13 - St. Hillary, Bishop and Dr.

Readings: 1 Sm 4:1-11/Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25/Mk 1:40-45

12:00AM Mass - †Marge Scotzke

FRIDAY: January 14

Readings: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Ps 89:16-17, 18-19/Mk 2:1-12

SATURDAY: January 15

Readings: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk 2:13-17

3:30PM Reconciliation

4:30PM Mass - People of St. Catherine

9AM - 1PM Christian Formation High School Retreat

SUNDAY: January 16 – The 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 [3]/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11

9:30AM Mass - †Lucy Stoehr

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**

Baptism of the Lord
January 11-12, 2022



Prayer found on the wall of Teresa of Calcutta's room.

People are unreasonable, illogical, and self centered; forgive them anyway.

If you are kind people may accuse you of selfishness, of ulterior motives; be kind anyway.

If you are successful, you will win some false friends; and some true enemies; be successful anyway.

What you spend years building, someone will destroy overnight; build anyway.

If you find serenity and happiness, others may be jealous; be happy anyway.

The good you do today, people will often forget tomorrow; do good anyway.

Give the world the best you have, and it may never be enough; give the world your best anyway.

In the final analysis it is between you and God. It was never between you and them anyway.

Perhaps there is no pain quite so keen as the suffering of seeing what you spent years developing ignored, forgotten, dismantled overnight. It is right to cry. After all, a life's work – a living icon of the soul, a gift to the universe – has been disregarded as lightly as a leaf. It is not right, however, to remain rooted in the rubble of it. When the tears have finally dried, begin again. Once a message has been given it cannot be ignored no matter how deep the grave they dig to conceal it from the ages.

—Andy

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

Way before technology showed us magic and fun, we, ourselves, created magic and fun with our neighborhood friends and in our minds. As a new year begins we can forget to look back. "Look back to what?," you ask. Then read on and then close your eyes and relive those magical and funny moments of growing up. Moments that brought us here for a new year.

"Red light, Green light," "Red Rover, Red Rover," Kickball and dodgeball, "Ring around the Rosie," Jump rope, "You're It!" The ultimate weapon? Water balloons.

Parents stood on the front porch and yelled, or whistled, for you to come home (no pagers or cell phones). The best reminder to return was when the street lights came on.

Running through the sprinkler. Cereal boxes with great prizes on the bottom and Cracker Jacks with the same prizes. Ice pops with two sticks to break and share with your buddy. Catching lightning bugs in a jar. Saturday mornings - "Tom and Jerry," "Captain Midnight," "Cisco Kid," "The Lone Ranger."

You first day of school. Climbing trees for absolutely no reason, except you could do it. Swinging as high as you could, reaching for the sky. Mosquito bits and sticky fingers. A strictly enforced weekly bath. For no apparent reason - pillow fights and jumping down the steps. In the movie theater, watching the movies for the third time.

Being tired from playing. (You may like to read that sentence once more.) Work? Taking out the garbage, cutting the grass, washing the car and doing the dishes. (Which any capable adult is able to do!)

Your first kiss - with your eyes open and mouth closed. Summer's drink? Kool-Aid; also a swig from the hose. Giving your friend a ride on your bike's handlebars. ("One Call, That's All!" if that happened today.) Attaching a baseball card to your bike's spokes to make it sound like a car. When nearly everyone's mom was home to greet you after school with milk and a snack. Receiving a quarter allowance was a miracle from heaven. When being sent to the principal's office was nothing compared to the fate that awaited you at home.

Decisions were made by going "eeny-meeny-miney-mo." Mistakes were corrected by simply exclaiming, "Do over!" "Race issues" meant arguing about who was the fastest.

Finally. Nobody was prettier than Mom. Scrapes and bruises were kissed and healed by her. And, getting a foot of snow was a dream come true.

Now? I can answer telephone calls on my wrist. Where's the magic and fun? I hope it never leaves me or however the next generations define it.

—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 262-251-4517 or Judy L. at 262-252-3081.



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.

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!

PARISH INCOME	
AS OF JANUARY 2, 2022 (WEEK 27)	
LAST WEEK'S BUDGET	\$7,116
LAST WEEK'S ENVELOPES	\$4,667
LAST WEEK'S OFFERTORY	\$ 276
ELECTRONIC GIVING	<u>\$ 105</u>
	<u>\$5,048</u>
EXCESS/(SHORTFALL)	\$(2,068)
YEAR-TO-DATE BUDGET	\$192,116
YEAR TO DATE ACTUAL	<u>\$182,991</u>
YTD EXCESS/(SHORTFALL)	\$ (9,125)

PARISH INCOME	
AS OF DECEMBER 26, 2021 (WEEK 26)	
LAST WEEK'S BUDGET	\$7,115
LAST WEEK'S ENVELOPES	\$5,912
LAST WEEK'S OFFERTORY	\$ 668
ELECTRONIC GIVING	<u>\$1,320</u>
	<u>\$7,900</u>
EXCESS/(SHORTFALL)	\$ 785
YEAR-TO-DATE BUDGET	\$185,000
YEAR TO DATE ACTUAL	<u>\$177,043</u>
YTD EXCESS/(SHORTFALL)	\$ (7,057)

2022 Calendar Raffle

Thank you so much to all of you who bought or sold entries for our annual calendar raffle. We sold 762 tickets making it the second-highest total in our raffle's history. Good luck to all those who have tickets in our bin!

CALENDAR RAFFLE WINNERS		
Jan. 1	Yvonne Gabik	Whitefish Bay, WI
Jan. 2	Susan Braun	Mequon, WI
Jan. 3	Diane Smith	Thiensville, WI
Jan. 4	Le Roy A. Lutz	Brown Deer, WI
Jan. 5	Evan & Bonnie Malloy	Colgate, WI
Jan. 6	Patricia Butler	Madison, WI
Jan. 7	Rose Marie Schmutzler	Milwaukee, WI
Jan. 8	Ron & Pat Malecki	Jackson, WI



Psalm Post
Psalm 104:1-4
Baptism of Jesus

*O Lord, my God, you are great indeed!
You are clothed with majesty and glory,
robed in light as with a cloak.
You have spread out the heavens like a tent-cloth;
You have constructed your palace upon the waters.
You make the clouds your chariot;
you travel on the wings of the wind.
You make the winds your messengers,
and flaming fire your ministers. Psalm 104:1b-4*

The image of God in Psalm 104 is a God who is covered in majesty, glory and light and who used the heavens to cover the earth. God built a dwelling on the waters, rode the clouds as a chariot, and traveled on the wings of the wind. God used the wind as messengers and fire as ministers. This is the same God who was present at the baptism of Jesus where this happened:

After all the people had been baptized and Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased." Luke 3:21-22

God spread out the heavens like a tent-cloth and constructed a palace upon the waters at the baptism of Jesus, God's beloved Son. God spoke from the heavens to the earth at the baptism of Jesus; the palace upon the waters. At our baptism God covered each and every one of us like a tent, a robe, a garment, with the waters of salvation and we are beloved sons and daughters of God, who is well pleased with us. Let us rejoice and be glad that we have put on Christ and in Him we have baptized, Alleluia.

—*Lorrie*

A United States Flag Pole Welcoming Parishioners

St. Catherine's is placing a United States flagpole next to the lamp post leading to the Church's main entrance. We'd like it to be donor-driven. Please make your contributions to "St. Catherine" with "flag pole" in the memo line. We will let you know about our progress.

A plaque will be placed at the flagpole base with the donor's names or "in memory of" someone. The collection basket, DropBox, or visiting the parish office is appreciated.

Thanks for your consideration

—*Father Joe*

SHARED MOMENTS OF JOY

Joy

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

St. Catherine's 2022 theme is **"Our Beautiful Catholic Faith."** Let's celebrate a gift that we must never take for granted. Our weekly bulletin will contain Catholic experiences, episodes and anecdotes provided by our parishioners. Please send your reflections by 10:00 am. on Mondays. Thanks for your participation in publicly valuing **"Our Beautiful Catholic Faith."** Thanks, Fr. Joe

Winter Farmers Market and Brunch Has Been Canceled



Due to the steep rise in COVID-19 cases in Milwaukee, St. Catherine is unable to host the Winter Farmers' Market on Sunday, January 16. Please help the farmers of the *Food, Faith, and Farming Network* by giving generously to St. Catherine's January 2022 **5th Sunday Giving** collection. Pray for the farmers and for the hungry people they help to feed.

— **Tri-Parish Human Concerns Committee 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.

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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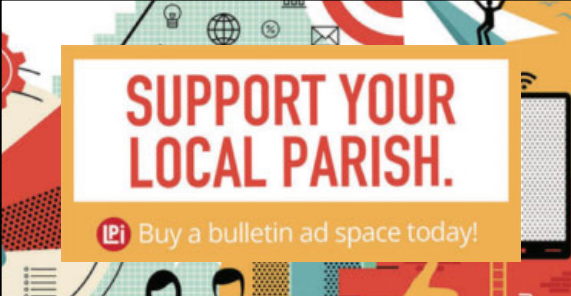
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