

# ST. CATHERINE CHURCH

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## Trust and Cooperation with God

When God created Adam and Eve, he trusted they would cooperate with his plan for their happiness. Instead, they tried to find happiness and fulfillment by doing things their way rather than God's way. We fall into the same temptation. When the devil convinces us not to live God's way to find happiness, we find death.

Today's first reading from the book of Wisdom tells us of Adam and Eve's lack of trust and cooperation with God. That was their fall out, and death came in. Today's Gospel offers a contrast to the fall of Adam and Eve. The two parables of the healing of Jairus' daughter and the woman afflicted with hemorrhages for twelve years show us what happens when people put their trust in Jesus.

When God created Adam and Eve, his intention was to establish a relationship with them. That means we need to play our part. Faith is about trust and cooperation. It's well illustrated in today's gospel. Jairus trusts that Jesus can heal his sick daughter. He also realizes that he must do more than just trust Jesus; he must do his part. He went to Jesus and said, "My daughter is at the point of death. Please, come lay your hands on her that she may get well and live." In the second parable, the woman with hemorrhages for twelve years also trusts that Jesus can heal her, but she realizes that she has to do her part. When she heard Jesus was passing by, she went to meet him and courageously touched the tassel of his clothing. Instantly, she was healed.

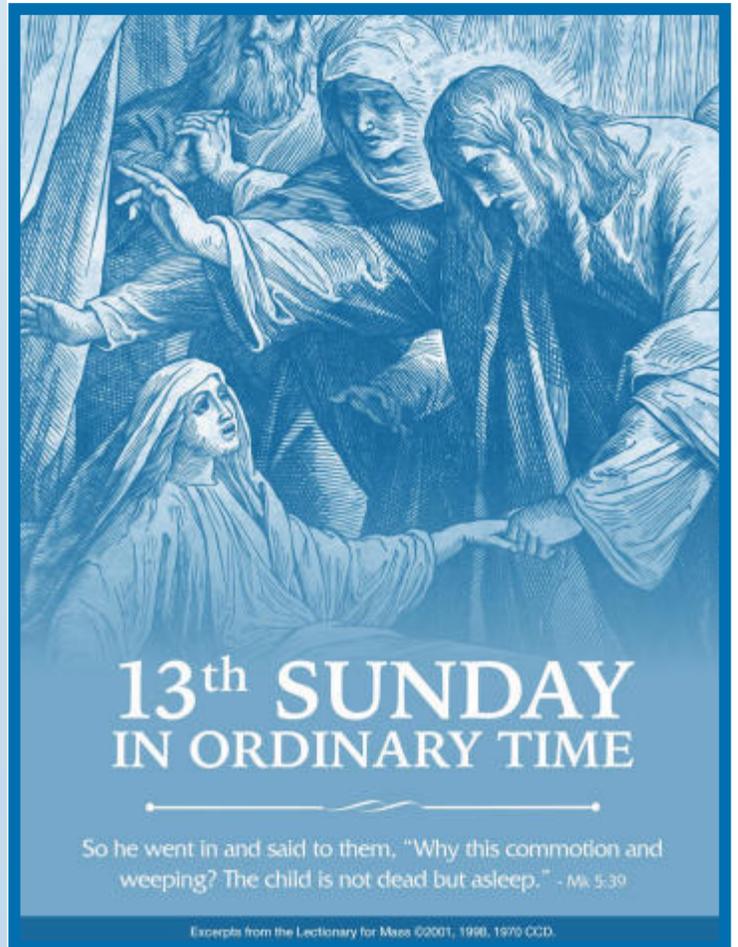
Yes, we Christians trust God, but the question arises, do we play our part or wait for God to perform a miracle? You can't say you want to win a lottery, and yet you don't buy a ticket. Nor do we pass an exam without studying, or win a game without much practice. The list is long. In every situation you face, ask yourself, what is my role? Sometimes, if we are not able to act on our own, we seek help. Jairus' daughter was not able to go to seek Jesus, but her father Jairus filled the gap.

Sometimes our pride or shame holds us back from seeking help. We need to remember that no one is self-sufficient; we can always give or receive. In today's second reading, Paul sums it up, "Not that others should have relief while you are burdened, but that as a matter of equality, your abundance at the present time should supply their needs so that their abundance may also supply your needs, that there may be equality. As it is written: Whoever had much did not have more, and whoever had little did not have less."

*Fr. Peter Patrick*

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**Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**



**June 27, 2021**

**Parish Office** ... 445-5115 ... Fax 445-5198  
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 St. Sebastian Office ... 453-1061

**Parish Staff**

Rev. Peter Patrick Kimani, *Pastor*  
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**Parish School** 445-2846 Fax 445-0448  
 Jade Cottrell, *Principal* Office Open 7:30 am - 3:30 pm

**Parish Trustees**

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**The Week Ahead**

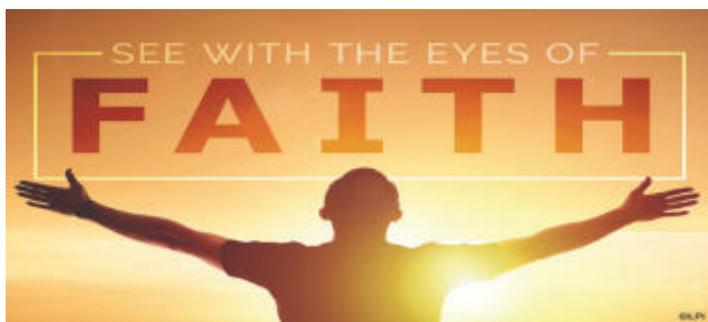
Sunday, June 27	9:00 am	Mass & Picnic (Convent Lawn)
Tuesday, June 29	8:30 am	Mass (Church)
Wednesday, June 30	6:30 pm	Centennial Committee (Virtual)
Friday, July 2	8:30 am	Mass (Church)
Saturday, July 3	9:00 am	Trail Experience Garden Club
Sunday, July 4	9:00 am	Mass (Church) Fourth of July
Monday, July 5		Fourth of July Observed - Office Closed

**Brew City Catholic- Young Adult Events**

For young people in their 20s-30s

**Tuesday, June 29, at 6:00 pm**--Brewing the Faith Social at The Landing Beer Garden in Wauwatosa. Grab a beer (first one is on us!) and meet some great people. Questions? Contact Jon Metz for more information.

**Thursday, July 8, at 7:00 pm**--Boat Cruise on Lake Michigan. A great way to meet people and see beautiful Milwaukee in a way you've never seen before. Registration begins at 6:30 pm. The boat will launch at 7:00 pm and return by 9:00 pm. Cost is \$20/person. Sign up with Jon Metz at jmetz@saintsebs.org



<b>Regular Contributions thru 6/20/21 - Week 51</b>	\$170,864
Prior YTD Amount	<u>163,227</u>
<b>Surplus/Deficit vs. Prior Year</b>	\$ 7,637

**Mass Intentions & Scripture Readings**

**Sunday, June 27 Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:00 am † Joey Badora & Maria Buhler (Julie Ristow)  
 Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24/Ps 30:2-6, 11-13/2 Cor 8:7-15/ Mk 5:21-43

**Monday, June 28 St. Irenaeus**

8:30 am Mass at St. Sebastian  
 Gn 18:16-33/Ps 103:1b-2-4, 8-11/Mt 8:18-22

**Tuesday, June 29 Sts. Peter and Paul**

8:30 am Prayer For The Universal Church  
 Acts 12:1-11/Ps 34:2-9/2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18/Mt 16:13-19

**Wednesday, June 30 First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church**

8:30 am Mass at St. Sebastian  
 Gn 21:5, 8-20a/Ps 34:7-8, 10-13/Mt 8:28-34

**Thursday, July 1 St. Junipero Serra**

Gn 22:1b-19/Ps 115:1-6, 8-9/Mt 9:1-8

**Friday, July 2**

8:30 am In Thanksgiving for Missionaries to the U.S.  
 Gn 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67/Ps 106:1b-2-5/Mt 9:9-13

**Sunday, July 4 Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:00 am † Charles Thunander (Dolores Thunander)  
 Ez 2:2-5/Ps 123:1-4/2 Cor 12:7-10/Mk 6:1-6a

**Liturgical Ministers**

**Sunday, June 27 - Fr. Peter Patrick**

Lectors Steve O'Connell, Kathy Hazen

**Sunday, July 4 - Fr. Larry**

Lectors Emily Fglesthaler, Tony Amoroso

**Reflections on this Sunday's Readings**

Today's first reading from the book of Wisdom begins, "God did not make death, nor does he rejoice in the destruction of the living." God always wants good for us, and God always has the best intentions for us. As humans, we sometimes mess up God's intention with our poor choices, but God continues to hope for the best for us. Why doesn't God make everything good all the time? Well, that is because God gave us the gift of free will to make our own decisions. God is not a puppet-master predetermining our decisions. Like a parent, God loves us and has so much hope well for us, but ultimately lets us make our path.

We do have some examples of how faith helps us move away from suffering and death. In today's gospel from Mark, we see the woman cured from her hemorrhage. In this miracle, the woman merely touched the cloak of Jesus and was healed. Faith has a way of bringing us healing. The power of faith is strong, but it takes trust. We don't always find the physical healing we are looking for, but often with great trust, we find the spiritual healing we need to embrace life over death.

- Do you truly believe that God has our best intentions in mind?
- How is trust part of your faith experience?
- Have you ever experienced a spiritual healing that you needed?

## Pray for Our Sick

Maryl Barrett, Michael Barton, Carol & Joe Brien, Tom Cavanaugh, Annie Coleman, Chuck Cooney, Ellie Cunningham, Barb Haig, Ernest Herre, James Krutina, Evelyn Martinez, Bev Narus, Diane Neicheril, Steve O'Connell, Andréa Olds, Tom Plakut, David Pleskatchek, Ron & Trudy Ranallo, Don Richards, Margaret Schmidt, Sr. Mary Ann Schmidt, Doug Scott, Carmel Stage, Bill Steger, David Teufel, Larry Teufel, Nancy & Eduardo V, Kathy Zambo

## Consider Becoming a Reading Tutor

If you enjoy working with children and are looking for a way to make a lasting difference in a child's life, this could be the perfect volunteer opportunity. The Ignatian Volunteer Corp, affiliated with the Jesuit order, is seeking volunteers who are willing to give two hours a week during the school day to help struggling students learn to read. Each tutor works one-on-one with the same students throughout the school year so meaningful relationships can develop. Volunteer tutors are needed at Seton Catholic Schools in Milwaukee, beginning in September 2021. Tutors volunteer at St. Catherine (our school) and at St. Rafael – 2 campuses (S. 31st Street and S. 32nd Street). Training and learning modules give volunteers the support they need to succeed. If you'd like to learn more, contact Kathleen Mantz at [kathleen.mantz@gmail.com](mailto:kathleen.mantz@gmail.com)

## Senior Ministry

It is important to expect change—to recognize that life is constantly moving and evolving. When we realize that change is inevitable, it is less able to sneak up on us. Things are not so scary when we know they are coming. We can plan for the change, prepare for it and take the necessary steps to adapt. Change does not determine the direction of our lives, but how we choose to handle change does. No matter what change we experience, the way we navigate through it will forever affect our satisfaction with life. *Robert Best*

## Sustainability Tip

Annually, we produce 262 million tons of municipal solid waste. The average American throws out 81 pounds of clothing annually, while 70% of the population around the world re-uses old clothes, including shoes. Don't throw out your gently used clothing and shoes when you are done with them - donate them. Read more at <https://unds2orgs.com/environmental-sustainability-5-summer-ideas/>

## Facing Racism

Fill us with courage that we might seek to heal wounds, build bridges, forgive and be forgiven, and establish peace and equality for all in our communities. -

*Excerpt from Catholic Charities Prayers for Healing*

## Book Club . . .

is reading "The Wonder Boy of Whistle Stop" by Fannie Flagg and will meet in the rectory, Thursday, July 8, at 6:30 pm. New book club members are always welcome to join at any time.

## Recovery Groups-All groups meet in the Community Ctr.

AA: Sunday 11:00 am      AAA: Thursday 7:00 pm  
Tuesday 6:30 pm  
Friday 6:30 pm

## We Celebrate at Our Outdoor Mass

Today, we celebrate our faith community at Mass outside the church building--where we are called to live our faith each day!

## What Detours Have You Taken on Your Journey?

And have those detours opened new opportunities for personal and/or spiritual growth? Consider these questions for the next issue of **Reflections of Faith**. The theme of "Journey" offers opportunities to reflect on the many and varied aspects of your life. Send your articles to [secretary@saintcatherine.org](mailto:secretary@saintcatherine.org)

## June's Centennial Trivia Question

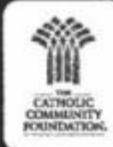
When was the present St. Catherine Church building constructed? (Hint: check the cornerstone.) The Centennial will not only celebrate our past, but more importantly, our future. What are your hopes for the future of St. Catherine Parish? Send your ideas to [secretary@saintcatherine.org](mailto:secretary@saintcatherine.org) - subject: Centennial.

## Introducing Eras Senior Network

Many of us remember the services offered by Interfaith for Older Adults. The new non-profit serving older adults is called Eras Senior Network. It provides services and programs designed to help seniors (ages 55 and over) thrive in every area of their life. Services include weekly phone calls, delivery of weekly food pantry stock boxes, transportation to medical appointments, grocery shopping and seasonal yard cleanup. Eras provides these services at no charge to the client. Community volunteers of all ages provide supportive services to seniors in Milwaukee County and Waukesha County. Check the Eras Senior Network website or the Milwaukee phone # - 488-6500.



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We're celebrating our 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary by giving your parish the opportunity to win one of five special **\$20,000 awards!**

Submit an idea to your pastor/administrator/parish director for something outside your normal budget or current programs. What's on your parish "wish list"?

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**Eucharistic Liturgies** are celebrated on Sundays at 9:00 am. Weekday Mass is at 8:30 am in church, T & F; at St. Sebastian, 8:30 am, M.

For an **Infant's Baptism**, contact the parish office during the prenatal time to begin preparation.

Those discerning a call to **Marriage** should contact the parish office at least six months prior to the wedding date.

For **Non-Infant Baptisms, First Communion, First Reconciliation, Confirmation and Information about the Catholic Church**, call the parish office.

**Confessions/Reconciliation** –Schedule with Fr. Peter Patrick at 445-5115 for an appointment.

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