



St. Robert Bellarmine First Communion

April 24th, 2022

Olivia Aliano

Anson Bamburg

Josephine Basye

Dominic Belitz

Kara Bencker

Madeline Brink

Edison Broski

Aden Brown

Joseph Dechant

Drew Foxhoven

Jackson Francoeur

Ellen Gargano

Kian Geolingo

Juliana Gomez

Emma Gonzales-Yuil

Abigail Green

Joseph Griesman

Cameron Gust

Giada Gutsell

Quinn Haley

Josephine Hamrick

Carl Heine

Matthew Heithoff

Roman Hernandez

Samuel Herout

Isabelle Howell

Killian Howell

George Huse

Lucy Hussey

McKenna Johanek

Jacey Johns

Brooks Kennedy

Joshua Kenney

Erica Knight

Grayson Kotera

Elaina Krebs

Ethan Labs

Samuel Lang

Verona Lenagh

Beck Litel

Lucille Loughrey

Dean Lucas

Micky Mahoney

Finn Majorek

Anna Martin

Logan McKeone

Miriam Meyer

Matthew Nguyen

Estelle Olechoski

Drake Olsen

Jackson Pietro

Catherine Pinker

Theodore Potthoff

Susanna Prescott

Liam Price

Jameson Raabe

Emmett Risdon

Audrie Ritter

Cynthia Rodriguez

Camden Rohrig

Mary Ruch

Hope Ryland

Alayna Seefus

Mary Ann Shehan

Holden Smith

John Snere

Bailey Stevens

Stella Stokes

Victoria Trausch

Miller Vrbicky

Adelynn Waechter

Charles Wellsandt

Patrick Wellwood

Theodore Wellwood

Nathan West

Christian Winans

Samuel Witt

PARISH OFFICE

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402-333-8989

Hours: 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM Mon -Thurs
8:00 AM to 12:00 PM - Friday

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

402-333-1959

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Lauren Mohatt

Bulletin Deadline:

Tuesday by 12:00 PM

Send Items to: bulletins@stroberts.com
& barbb@stroberts.com

Parish Registrations:

Register in Parish Office/stroberts.com

HELPFUL INFORMATION**Priests**

Rev. Dave Reeson, Pastor
Rev. Mark McKercher, Associate Pastor
Rev. Andy Alexander, S.J.,
Weekend Celebrant
Rev. Rob Scheibhofer,
Weekend Celebrant
Rev. Harold Buse, In Residence

Deacons

Michael Fletcher
Joe Laird
Dick Petersen

Mass Schedule

Saturday: 8:30 AM, 5:30 PM
Sunday: 7:00 AM, 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM,
11:00 AM, 12:30 PM
Daily: 6:30 AM, 8:30 AM, 5:30 PM

Live Webcasts www.stroberts.com

Sunday Masses 9:30 AM, Daily 8:30 AM
Rosary - Mon-Sat 8:09 AM, Sun 9:09 AM
Following Mass on:
Tuesday ~ Mary of Perpetual Help Novena
Friday ~ Parish Chaplet to Divine Mercy

Liturgy of Hours

Daily: 6:00 AM

Reconciliation

Saturday: 4:00-5:30 PM &
7:30-8:30 PM
Thursday:
(Before First Fridays)
4:30-5:30 PM, 7:00-8:00 PM

Baptisms

Sundays: 1:30 PM
Make arrangements with
Parish Office 402-333-8989

Marriages

Date needs to be set at least
six months before the wedding.

Sick Calls

Communion Calls will be made
to those confined to home.
Please notify the parish office
of a serious illness and hospi-
tal confinement. Priests will
visit hospitalized parish mem-
bers.

DEVOTION

"Can you not watch with me for one hour?" (Matt 26:40) **Adorers are needed!**
Please contact the Perpetual Adoration Captains if you can sign up for an hour.

Sunday Joann Holtz jholtz6@cox.net 402-630-2702

Monday Jenni & Dan Owens dowensfamily@gmail.com 402-330-1993

Tuesday Suzie Lawler suzielawler@cox.net 402-492-9749

Wednesday Theresa Howell theresahowell@cox.net 402-334-9634

Thursday Beth Jareske 2jareskes@cox.net 402-431-0505

Friday Kate Brennan 402-333-6086

Saturday Jan Brannen jsb505@cox.net 402-334-9533

Perpetual Adoration 24 hours in the Adoration Chapel

Nocturnal Adoration

10:00 PM-6:15 AM starting on Saturday, before the first Sunday of the month.

Mary of Perpetual Help Novena Tuesday after the 8:30 AM Mass

Divine Mercy Fridays after 8:30 AM Mass

Rosary Mon-Sat at 8:05 AM Sundays at 7:40 AM, 9:10 AM, 10:40 AM, 7:00 PM

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

April 24, 2022

Sunday: Acts 5:12-16/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 [1]/Rv 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19/Jn 20:19-31

Monday: 1 Pt 5:5b-14/Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17/Mk 16:15-20

Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/Jn 3:7b-15

Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 3:16-21

Thursday: Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20/Jn 3:31-36

Friday: Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Jn 6:1-15

Saturday: Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19/Jn 6:16-21

Next Sunday: Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13 [2a]/Rv 5:11-14/Jn 21:1-19 or 21:1-14

PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Patty Cavanaugh, Mary Jankowski, Rita, Duane Chamberlain, Gene Bolz, Jan Ohlinger, Linda Wilson, Jennifer Campbell, Kay Chelberg, Ed Kacirek, Lugi Montoya, Sharon Aschoff, Marcia, Bob R., Nick Camero, Pattie Ries, J.S.K., Benedetta M., Sr. M. Joseph, M.C., Kerri, Cory C. (military), Carol K., Bob, Mary Kuhse, Maryanna, Madeline Starr, Tom Selzle, Doug, Norma, M. Brooks, Drake, Stephen, Mary Mornin, John Kresl, Marilyn Montoya, Lindsey Schultz, Fran B., Matt N., John P., Barb Frans, Pat H., John F., Michael V., Baby Brock, Pat L., Lisa C., Al H., Irene D., Ilene Mann, Carol K., Doug H., Crystal L., Danielle & babies, Marilyn, Easton R., Marjorie K Joe, Dawn A., Larry R., Geri, Susan Harr, Charlotte G., Chris Wheeler, Cheryl Galvin, Jim Hyland, Belinda Bauer, Dee Fell, Joe Gollobit, Midge Stanley, J., Melissa, Maureen, Kelly, and everyone in need of our prayers. Call the Parish Office 402-333-8989 by **Tuesday at noon** to place names on the prayer list for the following Sunday.

OUR DECEASED

Steven Smith, Sr.

SERRA ALTAR SERVER AWARDS



Congratulations to these students who received the Serra Altar Server Awards! St. Robert's is so proud of Michael Lighthart, Tommy Forbes, Audrey Morey, Caroline Egermayer, Mariah Schmidt, and Natalie Slater (not pictured.) Well done! Thanks to Kathleen Lighthart for taking this great photo!

MASS INTENTIONS

(AND CELEBRANTS)

Monday April 25th

6:30 am† Bob Allgair *Fr. Rob*

8:30 am† Attilio Rindone *Fr. Harry*

5:30 pm† Leonard and Angie Slovinski
Fr. Mark

Tuesday April 26th

6:30 am† Pauline Bennett *Fr. Harry*
Anniversary

8:30 am† Patricia Heneghan *Fr. Dave*
Unit Mass

5:30 pm† Megan Boever *Fr. Rob*

Wednesday April 27th

6:30 am† Mike Daeges *Fr. Mark*

8:30 am† Brad Farmer *Fr. Harry*
Unit Mass

5:30 pm† Paul Floersch *Fr. Dave*

Thursday April 28th

6:30 am† Mary Ann Horkan *Fr. Rob*

8:30 am† Ervin Wordekemper *Fr. Mark*
Anniversary
All School Mass

5:30 pm† Pat McDermott *Fr. Dave*

Friday April 29th

6:30 am† Erma Mazour *Fr. Dave*

8:30 am † Thomas Conry *Fr. Mark*
Unit Mass

No 5:30 p.m. Mass due to wedding

Saturday April 30th

8:30 am† William Wunderlich *Fr. Mark*
Anniversary

4:00 pm - 5:30 p.m. Confessions

3rd Sunday of Easter

5:30 pm† Bob Vacek *Fr. Harry*

7:30 pm - 8:30 pm Confessions

Sunday May 1st

7:00 am† Gayle Ross *Fr. Dave*

8:00 am† Bob Way *Fr. Dave*

9:30 am† Deceased Members of the

Ed & Clara Pinger Family *Fr. Mark*

11:00 am People of St. Robert's *Fr. Mark*

12:30 pm† Bernie Stock *Fr. Harry*

A WORD

Answering the Call

One does not safely say no to God. We may “fudge” our “yes” through excuses, procrastination, or rationalizations—which may seem acceptable to us but are not so with God. Nevertheless, His mercy pursues us like the “Hound of Heaven,” multiplying new invitations and fresh opportunities to say “yes” to Him. When we say no to God, or qualify our “yes,” God does not move, but we do. We create a distance, which leads to a lack of fruitfulness in life and in prayer. *But the Master has need of you!*

There is a great spiritual hunger in the world, even in our parish. Many experience loneliness, sadness, or simply a deep longing for God; and often there is no one to assist. Many hedge their “yes” to God through lack of commitment or laziness but also sometimes from fear—fear of losing control or fear of what God might ask of them. Or it could be like Abraham in the Old Testament whom God asked to leave his homeland and travel to a new country: we fear what we might be asked to leave behind. Furthermore, there could be areas of darkness within ourselves that we have grown used to that we unconsciously resist letting go. *But the Master has need of you!*

Not everyone is called to be Abraham. More often, He is asking us is to continue doing what we are already doing, but to do it with all the love, attention to the present, and with as much calm and peaceful demeanor as we can muster. It is to radiate Jesus in all the little things we do, in all those small and passing interactions with others, and to find great joy in living our “yes” to Him. How often we want it both ways—my will be done and “Thy will be done.” *But the Master has need of you!*

God has a great need for workers, yet there are so few. *“When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them...Then he said to his disciples, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few...” (Matt 9:36-37).* For many of us, beyond the definitive and universal call to holiness, there is a further call to go outside of ourselves in service to others, a broader invitation to say “yes” to God. This can be an intense prayer and intercession for others—the Holy Spirit will lead our hearts in this calling. The other direction is to respond, in word or in deed, to the need for a visible sharing of Christ. A warm smile, a few moments to listen to someone, or a ministry to those in need—physically, spiritually, or otherwise. *Do not be afraid, the Master has need of you!*

SCHOOL NEWS





**ST. ROBERT BELLARMINI
SCHOOL ADMISSIONS**

Enroll Now!

St. Robert is welcoming new students in all grades for the 2022-2023 school year! St. Robert students live their faith, practice service, achieve excellence and become leaders of all to Christ. Please call or email Assistant Principal Patricia Ahlgren to schedule a tour.

School Office • 402.334.1929
Patricia Ahlgren • pahlgren@stroberts.com

Tuition assistance available.





**WE ARE
HIRING**

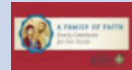
We are hiring for two positions for the 2022-23 School Year:

- **Teacher Assistants**
(Full and Part-time)

Please email Pattie Ahlgren, Assistant Principal at pahlgren@stroberts.com with your letter of interest & resume.

Thank you!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



April 24th - 1st Communion Mass 3:00 p.m.

April 27th - Mary Crowning 5:30 p.m. Mass and End of Year Pizza Party

?s about Religious Education, Cheryl Erker cerker@stroberts.com



We learned about the Sacrament of Holy Orders in the FRE Workshop.

Thanks to Fr. Mark and Deacon Joe for sharing their vocation stories!



YOUTH MINISTRY

SENIOR BREAKFAST! Calling all high school seniors! You and your family are invited to join us for the 2022 Senior Breakfast on **Sunday, May 15th**. Attend 9:30 am Mass with your family, and then join us in the Mainelli Center for a pancake breakfast. Send in your RSVP number, info on your future plans, and photos that will be used in our graduate slideshow (baby photo + senior photo). Contact Lauren at lmohatt@stroberts.com for more information. See you there!

PARISH INFORMATION

LADIES GUILD

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Join the St. Robert's Prayer Shawl Ministry on Tuesdays in MR3 at 1:00 p.m. All levels of knitting & crocheting are welcome. Parishioners, RCIA, St. Paul VI mothers, hospice, homeless, & more receive our hand made items. If you know someone who's going through rough times & want to give them a prayer shawl, or have ? s, call Rita Wolfe at 402-812-0016. Donations are needed & can be left in or by the marked basket in the left side of the coat closet.

BLOOD DRIVE



Did you know that donating blood can save up to 3 lives? Make a difference! The next St. Robert's Blood Drive is on Sunday, May 15, from 7:30am to 1:00pm in the Mainelli Center. To schedule - www.redcrossblood.org, (search sponsor code STROBERT) or contact Marie Kozel via text/phone at 402-680-0182. Walk in donors will be accepted the day of the Drive if the drive does not fill.

DONUT SUNDAY NEXT WEEK!

Please join us in the Mainelli Ctr. **next Sunday, May 1**, after the 7, 8, 9:30, 11 o'clock Masses, for donuts, beverages, & fellowship.

JOY OF GIVING

JOY OF GIVING
St. Robert Bellarmine

All proceeds to the 2022 Joy of Giving will be allocated to the St. Robert Bellarmine School - Inclusion Program.

2022 JOY OF GIVING

SAVE the DATE | MAY 18, 2022 · 12:00 a.m. — 11:59 p.m.
OMAHA.IGIVECATHOLICTOGETHER.ORG

JOIN OUR DAY OF GIVING!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



JUAN DIEGO FOOD PANTRY

St. Robert's parish provides the Catholic Charities/**Juan Diego Food Pantry** at 31st and Q in Omaha with most of its non-perishable food items. Cereal, rice, pasta, maseca flour, cooking oil, soup, peanut butter, canned fruits and vegetables, bar soap, shampoo, deodorant, baggies, etc., are most beneficial. **Please take a sack this weekend** and return it filled with such items next weekend by 12:30 p.m., Sunday, May 1st.

PRO LIFE ART & ESSAY CONTEST WINNERS

Congratulations to these 2022 St. Robert's contest winners. Thanks to all who participated. There were so many excellent submissions that it was difficult selecting winners.

ESSAY CONTEST WINNERS

8th grade - 1st place-Audrey Morey, 2nd place-Martha Mullen, 3rd place-Natalie Slater, 4th place-Ella Howell

7th grade - 1st place-Ava Morey, 2nd place-Meghan Kelsey, 3rd place-Teresa Owens, 4th place-Zelie Floersch

ART CONTEST WINNERS

6th grade - 1st place-Veronica Wade, 2nd place-Maya Freyer, 3rd place-Estelle McIntosh, 4th place-Maddie Zemann

5th grade - 1st place-Emma Ferguson, 2nd place-Kara Kelsie, 3rd place-Cora Vondra, 4th place-Ruby Mausbach

4th grade - 1st place-Nolan Freyer, 2nd place-Tenley Krebs, 3rd place-Lily Mikluscak, 4th place-Lucy Howell

3rd grade - 1st place-Jane Miller, 2nd place-Lauren Kelsey, 3rd place-Molly Hervert, 4th place-Max Cunard

2nd grade - 1st place-Kara Bencker, 2nd place-Teddy Wellwood, 3rd place-Jamie Raabe, 4th place-Laney Krebs

1st grade - 1st place-Amelia Vice, 2nd place-Gracie Wahlmeier, 3rd place-Claire Pohl, 4th place-Hutch Rudman

Kindergarten - 1st place-Clara Bogard, 2nd place-Grace Guitierrez, 3rd place-Margaret Kennison, 4th place-Luca Fanciullo

EPS ROSE DRIVE

Mother's Day Rose Drive to Benefit Essential Pregnancy Services (EPS) Essential Pregnancy Service's Mother's Day Rose Drive will take place Mother's Day weekend, May 7/8. The Knights of Columbus will be handing out roses after all Masses in exchange for a suggested \$5 donation per rose in support of EPS. Please consider supporting EPS in their efforts to provide life-affirming pregnancy options and free services for women facing unplanned and under-supported pregnancies. Thank you for your support!



PASTORAL MINISTRY

SAFE ENVIRONMENT

Please remember **ALL** adult St. Robert's volunteers are required to be Safe Environment Certified. Sign up at this link, check your status, or review documents about these policies and the laws in our State.

<https://omaha.cmgconnect.org>

Upcoming scheduled trainings at St. Robert's Mainelli Center

- Monday, May 9 – 2:00 p.m. Monday,
- Monday, June 6 - 1:00 p.m.
- Monday, July 11 - 2:00 p.m.
- Monday, August 8 - 3:00 p..

?s Debbie at dmarcil@stroberts.com or 402-333-8989.



Grieving the death of a spouse?
Or do you know someone who is?

GRIEF SHARE

Your life has changed forever. The daily emotions and challenges can seem too hard to bear.

Find help at a Loss of a Spouse seminar.

You'll hear:

- Practical advice from others who've been there.
- What to expect in your grief.
- How to cope with life without your spouse.
- Why it won't always hurt this much.

LOSS OF A SPOUSE

Please join us for this encouraging seminar.

Monday, May 9
6:00 – 8:00 p.m.
Mainelli Center



To register -
www.griefshare.org

PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

Second Sunday of Easter -- April 24, 2022 - Divine Mercy Sunday

"As the Father has sent Me, so I send you." Do you have an interest to share the Lord's saving mission as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Call Fr. Andy Roza at 402-557-5575 or email ajroza@archomaha.org

PRO LIFE

Pro-Life Holy Hour: As the pro-life movement eagerly awaits a decision from the United States Supreme Court in the *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization* case that could lead to *Roe v. Wade* being overturned, U.S. bishops have joined with faith leaders from across the country to lead Christians in prayer for an end to abortion. We are answering this call every Sunday from 6:30-7:30pm praying for an end to abortion, for families, for an end to war, poverty, homelessness and ALL Life Issues. Please pass the word along to family and friends and join us in prayer.

St. Robert's is very excited to join **Life Runners**, the largest pro-life team in the nation with over 18,000 teammates across 41 nations and 3,194 cities. (Running is NOT required). To learn more and join our growing team, see <https://www.liferunners.org> to join our parish chapter, "St. Robert's Church". Be sure to order a "Remember the Unborn" jersey to wear the first Wednesday of every month. Contact Lindsay Harm 402-208-3812 if you have any ?s.

PARISH COUNCIL

We are expecting to have vacancies on the Parish Council for the 2022-2023 session. The Parish Council is a consultative body of parishioners who use their collective experience to assist the pastor with vision & direction for the parish. It collaborates with various boards, committees, & groups to carry out the work of our parish. Parish Council members serve three-year terms, commit to at least four annual meetings, and provide other parish-related work as needed. Additional time is required for those accepting officer positions. If you'd like to be considered for the Parish Council or have ?s, please contact Brian Maher at bmaher1@cox.net.

BELLA FESTA

Bella Festa Tithe Donation Taking Applications for 2022

Since 2005, Bella Festa/Shine has donated 10% of their annual event net proceeds to a nonprofit organization with a connection to St. Robert Bellarmine Parish. The Parish Council reviews each application submitted and makes recommendations to the pastor. To date, over \$300,000 has been awarded to over 30 organizations! We are currently taking applications for the tithe from Bella Festa 2022 from April 7th through April 28th. Please submit a letter sharing about your organization, the need, how you are connected to St. Robert Bellarmine Parish, and the Archdiocese of Omaha. Recipient will be notified by May of 2022. Submit your information to Kelly Vazquez ~ kellyvazquez@stroberts.com. ?s 402-333-8989.



CONGRATULATIONS!



Adler Kreiner, Eagle Scout

Adler Kreiner is a 14 yr. old St. Robert's 8th grader. He began Cub Scouts here in 1st grade & has been a Boy Scout for 3 yrs. in Troop 408 at St. Wenceslaus. This was his Eagle Scout Project that took 107 total hours to complete! He chose it because he had noticed the severe overcrowding in the trophy cases & wanted to do something for his school. Adler will go to Scout summer camp to help out with the new guys & is going to Skutt this fall. He passed his Board of Review and achieved the Eagle Scout rank on March 30th. Well done, Adler!

WEEKLY OFFERING

<u>St. Robert Bellarmine Weekly Offertory</u>	<u>4/17/2022</u>
Budgeted for the Week	\$105,047
Sunday Offering Received	\$89,175
Weekly Variance - positive or (negative)	(\$15,872)
Budgeted Year-To-Date (YTD)	\$2,067,395
YTD Received	\$2,144,144
YTD Variance - positive or (negative)	\$76,749



“He is risen! Death could not hold him. Rejoice in the resurrection of Jesus Christ!” -Matthew 28

Questions? Contact Kelly Vazquez (Stewardship & Development) kellyvazquez@strobarts.com or Patrick Flanery (Business Office) business@strobarts.com or call 402-333-8989.

CONSIDER ONLINE GIVING!

Tired of writing checks? Donate easily online through the Parish website <https://www.strobarts.com/> and click on the large **green Online Giving** button on the right side of the home page. In a few easy steps you can set up automatic recurring contributions or make a one-time donation to a special cause. **Need help? Patrick can do this for you! Please click on the link and get this done now!** <https://www.myowngiving.com/Default.aspx?cid=1100> For more information, please contact Patrick Flanery at the Parish Office ~ business@strobarts.com or 402-333-8989.

SOUP & TRIVIA WITH FR. HARRY!

Play Trivia and enjoy Fr. Harry's famous tortellini soup on Wednesday, April 27th, at 11:30 in the Mainelli Center! Cost is \$35pp and includes full lunch followed by a fun afternoon of Trivia with snacks and prizes.



Reserve your spot: <https://one.bidpal.net/srbellafesta2022/browse/fixPrice>

More info: kellyvazquez@strobarts.com or 402-333-8989.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Monday, April 25, 2022

- 12:30 p.m. Shirley's Bible Study, CR
- 1:00 p.m. Mah Jongg, MR3
- 6:30 p.m. GriefShare, CR
- 7:00 p.m. V2 Ministries, MR3

Tuesday, April 26, 2022

- 1:00 p.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry, MR3
- 4:30 p.m. Kindermusik, M1
- 6:00 p.m. ELA staff training, Mainelli Center
- 6:00 p.m. Team Omaha Taekwondo, WGYM
- 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts, CAF

Wednesday, April 27, 2022

- 9:15 a.m. Kindermusik, MR1 & MR2
- 11:30 p.m. Lunch & Trivia w/Fr. Harry, Mainelli Center
- 6:00 p.m. Religious Ed
- 6:30 p.m. Youth Group, CR
- 6:30 p.m. K of C Officer Meeting, MR4

Thursday, April 28, 2022

- 7:00 a.m. Catholic Business Group, CR
- 9:30 a.m. Kindermusik, MR1 & MR2
- 5:00 p.m. Kindermusik, MR1 & MR2
- 6:00 p.m. Team Omaha Taekwondo, WGYM
- 7:30 p.m. AA Meeting, MR3

Friday, April 29, 2022

- 9:00 a.m. Moms of Faith, MR3
- 9:30 a.m. Kindermusik, MR2

Saturday, April 30, 2022

- 8:00 a.m. Miller shower, CR
- 9:30 a.m. Kindermusik, MR1 and MR2
- 1:00 p.m. Eby Celebration of Life, Mainelli Center
- 3:00 p.m. Robotics, CAF

Sunday, May 1, 2022

- 7:00 a.m. Donut Sunday, Mainelli Center
- 2:00 p.m. Eagle Court Honor Troop 444, MC
- 6:00 p.m. CP Swim Parent Association, MC

GRANDFRIENDS REUNITE!

All those age & older are invited to meet for fellowship & lunch. Once there are commitments from several people, an announcement of the next meeting will be published in the bulletin. Meetings are held on the 2nd Mon. of each month at 11:30 a.m. & a different host chooses a restaurant & makes the reservations. Each meeting begins with introductions & announcement of birthdays of the month. All past members plus potential members are asked to call & express your interest. ?s Sue & Dennis Bristol 402-614-7096.

DAILY PRAYER THIS WEEK



This is a wonderful week to pray in joy at God's merciful love for us, and for the unending forgiveness we are offered. We know we have done nothing to deserve that forgiveness and that we cannot earn it, and yet it is ours, if only we can accept it.

Over and over this week, we are invited to place our trust in God. The ever-human disciples didn't always put aside their fears, and neither do we. We can imagine the terrified followers of Jesus hiding behind locked doors until he appears in their midst, inviting them not to be afraid.

This might be a good week to spend time with Jesus looking at the fears in our own lives which keep us locked up away from others. We can ask Jesus for the courage to trust in him. What would it cost us to let go of the fears that smother our lives? Our challenge might be to give up enough control in our lives to simply ask God for help and a growing trust.

What would it mean for our lives and for the relationships in our lives if we were willing to let go of "the way we have always done things" and to beg Jesus for help? Our lives can change. We have a standing offer from God to fall into his forgiving embrace.

Dear Jesus, it feels impossible to believe that my life can change, that I can move out of this rut I am in. I know I don't always live my life feeling your love and being my best self. Help me to trust in you, to drop my defenses and to feel how deeply I am loved and forgiven by you. Give me the courage to feel it in my heart when you say, "Don't be afraid" and "Peace be with you." I so long for that peace in my life but it feels so far away sometimes. Help me to believe in you, to drive away the doubts and unbelief that harden my heart.

I know my life can change, if only I can say with all my heart, "I trust in you, Lord. I believe in your mercy and I know that with your help, my life can be healed."

<https://onlineministries.creighton.edu/CollaborativeMinistry/Prayer/C2-E-02.html>

ARBORETUM

It's spring on the St. Robert's campus! A dedicated group of volunteers helps maintain the St. Robert's Arboretum. We need others to join the group! No experience necessary, flexible, & benefits. Please call Kelly Vazquez in the Parish Office 402-333-8989 or Mary McCawley at 402-214-5704.



We especially need assistance on Sat., April 30th, 9:30-11:30am to install mulch in all the planting beds. It's a great stewardship activity. It's helpful to bring, shovel, rake and gloves, but not required.

SAINT OF THE DAY

St. Catherine of Siena

March 25, 1347 - April 29, 1380



The value Catherine makes central in her short life and which sounds clearly and consistently through her experience is complete surrender to Christ. What is most impressive about her is that she learns to view her surrender to her Lord as a goal to be reached through time.

She was the 23rd child of Jacopo and Lapa Benincasa and grew up as an intelligent, cheerful, and intensely religious person. Catherine disappointed her mother by cutting off her hair as a protest against being overly encouraged to improve her appearance in order to attract a husband. Her father ordered her to be left in peace, and she was given a room of her own for prayer and meditation.

She entered the Dominican Third Order at 18 and spent the next three years in seclusion, prayer, and austerity. Gradually, a group of followers gathered around her—men and women, priests and religious. An active public apostolate grew out of her contemplative life. Her letters, mostly for spiritual instruction and encouragement of her followers, began to take more and more note of public affairs. Opposition and slander resulted from her mixing fearlessly with the world and speaking with the candor and authority of one completely committed to Christ. She was cleared of all charges at the Dominican General Chapter of 1374.

Her public influence reached great heights because of her evident holiness, her membership in the Dominican Third Order, and the deep impression she made on the pope. She worked tirelessly for the crusade against the Turks and for peace between Florence and the pope.

In 1378, the Great Schism began, splitting the allegiance of Christendom between two, then three, popes and putting even saints on opposing sides. Catherine spent the last two years of her life in Rome, in prayer and pleading on behalf of the cause of Pope Urban VI and the unity of the Church. She offered herself as a victim for the Church in its agony. She died surrounded by her "children" and was canonized in 1461.

Catherine ranks high among the mystics and spiritual writers of the Church. In 1939, she and Francis of Assisi were declared copatrons of Italy. Pope Paul VI named her and Teresa of Avila doctors of the Church in 1970. Her spiritual testament is found in *The Dialogue*.

Reflection Though she lived her life in a faith experience and spirituality far different from that of our own time, Catherine of Siena stands as a companion with us on the Christian journey in her undivided effort to invite the Lord to take flesh in her own life. Events which might make us wince or chuckle or even yawn fill her biographies: a mystical experience at six, childhood betrothal to Christ, stories of harsh asceticism, her frequent ecstatic visions. Still, Catherine lived in an age which did not know the rapid change of 21st-century mobile America. The value of her life for us today lies in her recognition of holiness as a goal to be sought over the course of a lifetime.

Saint Catherine of Siena is a Patron Saint of Europe, Fire Prevention, and Italy.

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Who is St. Catherine of Siena?

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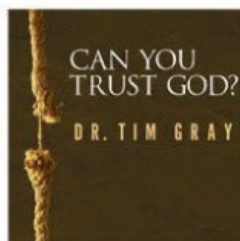
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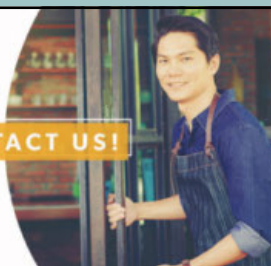
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