

Saint Catherine of Siena Parish Saint Francis of Assisi Parish

St. Catherine of Siena

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday: 7:30am, 9:30am

St. Francis of Assisi

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Saturday: 4:30pm, Sunday 11:00am

CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 3:45pm-4:15pm



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**From the
Pastor's Desk**



Dear Parishioners,

As you probably have heard on the local news, last week Bishop Tobin announced that the current dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass on Sunday due to the pandemic will come to an end on June 6, the Feast of Corpus Christi, the Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ. It is a fitting day for this as it is the day on which we honor the Blessed Sacrament of Holy Eucharist which is at the heart of Catholic practice. In his letter Bishop Tobin recalls how it has traditionally been an obligation to attend Mass but he also speaks of the benefits of attending in person. While many of our parishioners have been able to avail themselves of the live-streaming of our Masses, they were not able to receive the Holy Eucharist in person and were not able to join together with their fellow parishioners in community fellowship.

I couldn't help but notice the importance of these factors last weekend. Father Messina and I had switched places on Sunday morning so that he could have the opportunity to address the congregations of St. Catherine and St. Francis. It gave me the opportunity to greet some of the people of SS Rose & Clement. Obviously, people have become more comfortable in attending Mass in person and are grateful that they can receive the Holy Eucharist in person. But now that we have been encouraged to once again process to and from the altar and to be able to greet people at the entrance of the church, I observed how important it was for people to gather together in person. Not only

did the parishioners of SS Rose & Clement greet me warmly but they were happy to see each other once again. I witnessed several people who had been missing each other for a while catching up on what had been going on and rekindling friendships and sharing joys and comforting each other in sorrows. How graced we are to be able to live in a country where we can freely gather together for worship, to receive the Sacraments and to support one another on the journey of faith. The benefits of attending Mass in person are even more important than just fulfilling an obligation.

Congratulations

This weekend, Saturday, May 22, one of our St. Francis parishioners, Laurent Valliere, was ordained a Deacon for the Diocese of Fall River Massachusetts. This is the latest leg on his journey to ordination to the Priesthood which will take place in the not too distant future. Larry grew up in St. Francis parish and after several years of teaching decided to pursue a vocation to the Priesthood. You may have seen him drop in at St. Francis or St. Catherine when on time off from the seminary. We wish him well as he begins his ministry of service as Deacon and pray for him as he continues his preparation for Priesthood.

Father Plante

CHURCH SUPPORT

ST. CATHERINE

SUNDAY, MAY 16th.....\$2,066.00

ST. FRANCIS

SUNDAY, MAY 16th.....\$2,182.00

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Mass Intentions

ST. FRANCIS

SATURDAY, MAY 22

4:30pm John & Stella Midura & Stephanie Midura
(req. by Bob & Kathy Midura)

SUNDAY, MAY 23

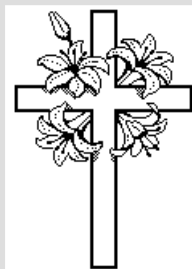
11:00pm Mary & Andrew McKeon & the Deceased
members of the McKeon family (memorial)

SATURDAY, MAY 29

4:30pm James McMahan (memorial, req. by family)

SUNDAY, MAY 30

11:00pm Jim Lawton



ST CATHERINE

SUNDAY, MAY 23

7:30am Nicola & Connie Romano (memorial)
9:30am Teresa Sprague (memorial)

SUNDAY, MAY 30

7:30am Norman Furtado (8th anniv.)
9:30am Deceased members of the Mercurio family

A Mass celebrating the life of **RAY O'CONNELL** will be held on **Saturday, June 12th at 11:00am** and is open to anyone who would like to attend.



Readings for the Week of May 23, 2021

Sunday: Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5/Ps 10:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30 [cf. 30]/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39
 Day: Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34 [cf. 30]/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Gal 5:16-25/Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 15:26-27; 16:12-15
 Monday: Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14/Ps 87:1-2, 3 and 5, 6-7/Jn 19:25-34
 Tuesday: Sir 35:1-12/Ps 50:5-6, 7-8, 14 and 23 [23b]/Mk 10:28-31
 Wednesday: Sir 36:1, 4-5a, 10-17/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13 [Sir 36:1b]/Mk 10:32-45
 Thursday: Sir 42:15-25/Ps 33:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [6a]/Mk 10:46-52
 Friday: Sir 44:1, 9-13/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b [cf. 4a]/Mk 11:11-26
 Saturday: Sir 51:12cd-20/Ps 19:8, 9, 19, 11 [9ab]/Mk 11:27-33
 Next Sunday: Dt 4:32-34, 39-40/Ps 33:4-5, 6, 9, 18-19, 20, 22 [12b]/Rom 8:14-17/Mt 28:16-20

SS. ROSE & CLEMENT NEWS

Spend one hour as Guardian of the Eucharist this First Friday, June 4th and the

FEAST OF THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS



We need guardians from 12:00noon to 7:00pm

Benediction and Evening Devotions will follow.

The sign up sheet is posted on the bulletin board in the vestibule of SSRC Church.

Call Patti at 739-0212 for more information.

Sacred Heart of Jesus, Source of All Good, I believe in You, I hope in You, I love You, I adore You, and I offer You my heart.

~St. Margaret Mary Alacoque



2021 CATHOLIC CHARITY APPEAL

ST. CATHERINE

\$24,945 of the Parish goal of \$20,900

ST. FRANCIS

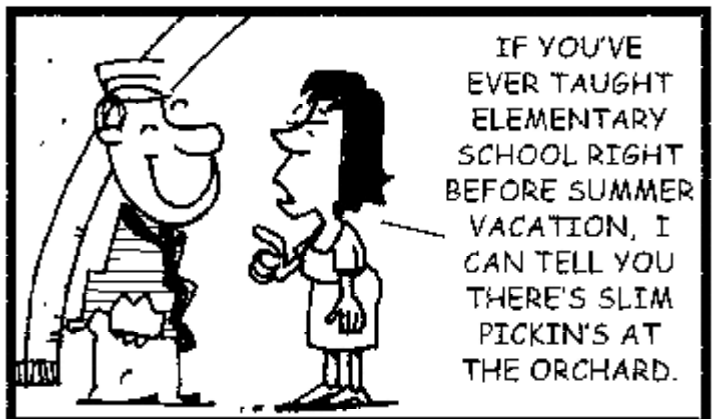
\$14,211 of the Parish goal of \$23,750



SS Rose & Clement Altar Servers

If you are in the third grade or older and have made your First Communion you are eligible to become an Altar Server at SS. Rose and Clement Church. Please have you parent/guardian contact the Office at 739-0212 or office@ssrcr.com

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