

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,

Recently I read an article written by a laywoman who has spent several years as a pastoral associate in a parish. She has four grown children, three of whom no longer practice the faith. She wrote about their reasons. Expectedly, one of the factors was the lack of trust in Church leadership because of the sexual abuse crisis. But, that wasn't the number one reason. Apparently they expressed the fact that they had felt that they were spoon-fed religion from the time they were young and expected to attend Mass and receive the Sacraments whether or not they personally believed what they were being taught. As they grew older they realized that they had not internalized what they had been taught. This woman is not alone in having children who no longer believe what she believes. They have become part of the "nones" who are a growing number of people who don't practice any religion and who often have no faith in God.

I sometimes wonder if so many in recent generations have become "nones" because they see no need for God and may actually see themselves as gods. It's understandable in the culture in which we live with all of the advances in technology and the sciences which give people the impression that they are pretty much in control of the world in which they live. After all, if you live in a country where your tax-funded space program can, after an eight month journey, land an apparatus on another planet and then launch a drone to explore miles of alien terrain, you might well think that you and your fellow human beings might be pretty much like gods yourselves. With such great accomplishments we may easily forget our limitations especially in the area of human relationships which is witnessed by the violence and war still so present on the face of the earth.

This weekend's Feast of the Trinity reminds us that there is indeed a God who is beyond but also very close to us. The very real, accessible and feeling human being, Jesus of Nazareth, revealed himself to those who knew him as this God in the flesh and he revealed to us the loving Father who created us all and the Holy Spirit that inspires and guides us. May this weekend by an opportunity for us to reconnect with this loving God who not only brought us into being but who gives us purpose in life.

Father Plante

CHURCH SUPPORT

ST. CATHERINE

SUNDAY, MAY 23rd.....\$1,413.00

ST. FRANCIS

SUNDAY, MAY 23rd.....\$2,459.00

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Mass Intentions

ST. FRANCIS

SATURDAY, MAY 29

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

SUNDAY, MAY 30

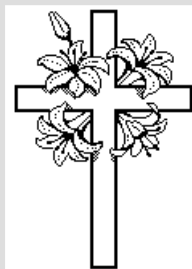
11:00pm Jim Lawton & family

SATURDAY, JUNE 5

4:30pm Deceased members of the Taft & McKenna family (req. by Gene & Mary McKenna)

SUNDAY, JUNE 6

11:00pm Paula Arnold (1st anniv., req by David & Donna Gauthier)



ST CATHERINE

SUNDAY, MAY 30

7:30am Norman Furtado (8th anniv.)

9:30am Deceased members of the Mercurio family

SUNDAY, JUNE 6

7:30am Deceased pastors & priests who served at St. Catherine

9:30am Robert (12th anniv.) & Claire Hamel (1st anniv.) (req. by 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 30, 2021

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
 Monday: Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 [6]/Lk 1:39-56
 Tuesday: Tb 2:9-14/Ps 112:1-2, 7-8, 9 [cf. 7c]/Mk 12:13-17
 Wednesday: Tb 3:1-11a, 16-17a/Ps 25:2-3, 4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9 [1]/Mk 12:18-27
 Thursday: Tb 6:10-11; 7:1bcde, 9-17; 8:4-9a/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [cf. 1a]/Mk 12:28-34
 Friday: Tb 11:5-17/Ps 146:1b-2, 6c-7, 8-9a, 9bc-10 [1b]/Mk 12:35-37
 Saturday: Tb 12:1, 5-15, 20/Tb 13:2, 6efgh, 7, 8 [1b]/Mk 12:38-44
 Next Sunday: Ex 24:3-8/Ps 116:12-13, 15-16, 17-18 [13]/Heb 9:11-15/Mk 14:12-16, 22-26

THOUGHTS FROM A TRUSTEE:

Dear Parishioners,

In a few short weeks both St. Francis and St. Catherine churches will celebrate their last scheduled masses. Yes, celebrate! Usually, that word is associated with happy and good times and it will still as we continue to share the Eucharist no matter where we choose to worship. Many of you have committed yourselves to your respected churches for so long: working on committees, those spaghetti suppers, and steak fry's or devoutly attending mass. After all those years, it may be difficult to find a new "home". Yes, it will be a sad time but let us keep faithful to our beliefs as we continue to celebrate our new happy and good times.

More importantly, both parishes have been blessed with apostolic leadership for many years, recently Fr. Plante who has guided us through a difficult period. May God bless Father Plante on his retirement. And may God bless St. Francis and St. Catherine parishes.

*Celebrating!
 Bob Gauthier*

PRAYER PUPS BY JEFFREY SMITH



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



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@ssrci.com**

GARDEN MINISTRY

Did you know you can be a part of the **St. Rose and Clement Garden Ministry** without ever getting your hands dirty?



While we are wrist deep in soil we still need help and support!! We have loads of tasks which do not require ever getting your hands dirty or ruining your manicures!! We need volunteers who can help us with our **social media presence, communication, and planning and coordinating social events** (always involving fresh food and fun!).

Once we begin to harvest we will also need folks to **organize, set-up and staff the After Mass Farmer's Markets**. The Farmer's Markets were started last year to raise money for the Mother Teresa Ministry's grab and go meals. They also proved to be a great way to share the garden's produce with parishioners. While we are encouraging collaboration with the Mother Teresa group we are also looking for new people to get involved.

For those of you interested in gardening...no experience is necessary. As part of our Ministry we are planning on presenting learning opportunities regarding different aspects of gardening. Being part of the group encourages the exchange of knowledge and experience.

**For more information or questions
 email roseandclementgarden@gmail.com.**

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