

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 there has been a lot of discussion in some Catholic circles about the worthiness of certain public officials to receive Holy Communion especially when their actions in the public square directly contradict the clear and constant teaching of the Church on matters of moral teaching. Ultimately this question is going to have to be answered by the Bishops who will have to study the problem from all angles but I would say that the rest of us should be careful not to pass judgment on anyone, especially when we don't know all of the facts or what may have transpired in conversations between individuals and their bishops.

What I would say is that each of us should take seriously our own worthiness to receive the Sacrament. In his First letter to the Corinthians, (1 Cor. 11: 23-27), St. Paul urges each recipient to closely examine their own hearts as they present themselves for Communion. This is important for we live in a time when, according to the polls, at least half and probably more than half of all Catholics do not believe in the real presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. Paul recounted what he had received from those who had gone before him in faith that Jesus was very clear when he instituted the Sacrament of the Eucharist. He proclaimed the bread to be his body and the

wine to be the new covenant in his blood. So, when we come forward to receive Holy Communion we should do so with the ultimate respect and faith that this truly is the Body and Blood of Jesus. Should we have any reservation or doubt, we should refrain from partaking. We should avoid allowing the reception of Holy Communion to become routine or to step forward and receive just because everyone else in the pew is getting up. We should put forward our hands or tongues in a reverential but not "showy" manner to give respect to the Lord we are receiving and not to make a display for our neighbor. Finally, we should receive Holy Communion only if we are consciously making every effort to remain connected to the body of the Church and seeking to live in unity with our fellow Catholics and to live by the teachings of our Church which are not personal opinion but what Jesus himself passed on for the Church as a guide for the ages.

Examining ourselves and reminding ourselves of the seriousness of what we do when we present ourselves for Holy Communion is especially appropriate on this weekend when we celebrate Corpus Christi, the Feast of the Body and Blood of the Lord. It is a time to reflect and rekindle our faith in this very important Sacrament that Jesus left behind for us.

Father Plante

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 **Mass Intentions**

ST. FRANCIS

SATURDAY, JUNE 5

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

SUNDAY, JUNE 6

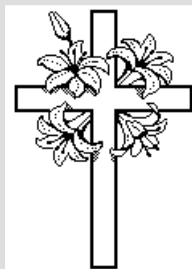
11:00pm Paula Arnold (1st anniv., req by David & Donna Gauthier)

SATURDAY, JUNE 12

4:30pm Ken Habershaw (memorial)

SUNDAY, JUNE 13

11:00pm Joan Croft & Thomas Croft (req. by Gerry & family)



ST CATHERINE

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)

SATURDAY, JUNE 12

11:00am Memorial Mass for Ray O'Connell

SUNDAY, JUNE 13

7:30am Nicola & Connie Romano

9:30am Diamond & Cecelia Santilli



Readings for the Week of June 6, 2021

Sunday: Ex 24:3-8/Ps 116:12-13, 15-16, 17-18 [13]/
 Heb 9:11-15/Mk 14:12-16, 22-26
 Monday: 2 Cor 1:1-7/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [9]/Mt
 5:1-12
 Tuesday: 2 Cor 1:18-22/Ps 119:129, 130, 131, 132,
 133, 135 [135a]/Mt 5:13-16
 Wednesday: 2 Cor 3:4-11/Ps 99:5, 6, 7, 8, 9 [cf. 9c]/Mt
 5:17-19
 Thursday: 2 Cor 3:15—4:1, 3-6/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-
 12, 13-14 [cf. 10b]/Mt 5:20-26
 Friday: Hos 11:1, 3-4, 8c-9/Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 [3]/Eph
 3:8-12, 14-19/Jn 19:31-37
 Saturday: 2 Cor 5:14-21/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12
 [8a]/Lk 2:41-51
 Next Sunday: Ez 17:22-24/Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16 [cf.
 2a]/2 Cor 5:6-10/Mk 4:26-34

**Final Regularly Scheduled
 Masses at
 St. Catherine & St. Francis**

The final Masses at our two churches will be celebrated on the weekend of **June 26/27**. The vigil Mass will be celebrated at **St. Francis at 4:30pm on Saturday**. The **Sunday morning** Masses will be celebrated at **9:00am at St. Catherine**, (Fathers Friedrichs and O'Hara will concelebrate) and at **11:00am at St. Francis**, (Father Kiley will concelebrate). A light, Covid friendly coffee an' will follow the morning Masses. Please note that at St. Catherine there will be **no** 7:30am or 9:30am Mass on the 27th.



PARISH REGISTRATION

All parishioners of St. Catherine and St. Francis are kindly reminded to fill out registration forms for SS Rose & Clement parish that you received in the mail this week. If you did not receive a mailing, you may pick up a form in the back of the churches. Please fill out the form as completely as possible and either mail back to SS Rose & Clement or place them in the collection baskets in our churches. You may continue to use your current budget envelopes until you receive new ones from SS Rose & Clement. If you are planning to join a parish other than SS Rose & Clement, please contact that parish to register.



SS. ROSE & CLEMENT NEWS



NIGHT OF PRAYER: Please join us for a night of prayer on **Monday, June 7th at Prayer 7:00pm** at SS. Rose and Clement Church as we approach the merger of St. Catherine's and St. Francis' with SS Rose and Clement. Let's pray and work together for a successful new beginning.

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.

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