

January 16, 2022



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But one and the same Spirit produces all of these (gifts), distributing them individually to each person as they wish. 1 Cor 12:11





Dear Friends,

Well, our parishes have taken down and put away our precious Christmas decorations. Christmas ended last weekend celebrating the Baptism of the Lord.

It was wonderful to have Lucas Cutter's baptism during the 8:45 mass! What a precious gift not only to his family but to all of us! His faith filled family is an inspiration and a testimony to ourselves why our communal family is so important!



I'll share a few other pictures.



Even as our liturgical season moves on...



...so does Santa's clothes at the dry cleaners!

Ordinary Time.

Well, the new church year began on November 28, 2021 with our First Sunday of Advent. The Advent Season moved us four weeks later into our Christmas/ Epiphany Season. As mentioned above, the Christmas Season officially ended with the Baptism of Jesus.



Now, we go forth in what is referred to as Ordinary Time. It is the longest of all church seasons. It doesn't happen continuously as it is interrupted on March 2nd when Ash Wednesday begins our Lenten pilgrimage.

As quoted from the ORDO, the Order of Prayer in the Liturgy of the Hours and Celebration of the Eucharist, "Besides the times of the year that have their own distinctive character, there remains in the yearly cycle thirty-three or thirty-four weeks in which no particular aspect of the mystery of Christ is celebrated, but rather the mystery of Christ itself is honored in its fullness, especially on Sundays. This period is known as Ordinary Time" (Universal Norms,43)

So, even though we find ourselves in Ordinary Time it nonetheless calls us by our Baptism, to be extraordinary sisters and brothers of Jesus in acknowledging our awareness of His life and movement with each and every one of us! Remember last weekend hearing You are wonderfully made? You are my beloved? I hope so and now, we take that awareness as we continue to marvel in the profound love the Lord has for each and every one of us!

Let us continue to gather in prayer with one another. Let us continue to be fed by the very bread of life, Jesus Christ. Let us nourish our physical and spiritual lives that we go forth proclaiming the goodness of the Lord.

So, onward in Ordinary Time and with a resolve to be vibrant disciples loving one another as He loves us!

Blessings,
Father Rob



Our 2021 / 2022 CMA Responsibility is: **\$122,979**
 Our progress as of January 10th is: **220 Donors;**
\$95,553 Total Pledged; 77.70% of our goal
\$27,426 remaining responsibility

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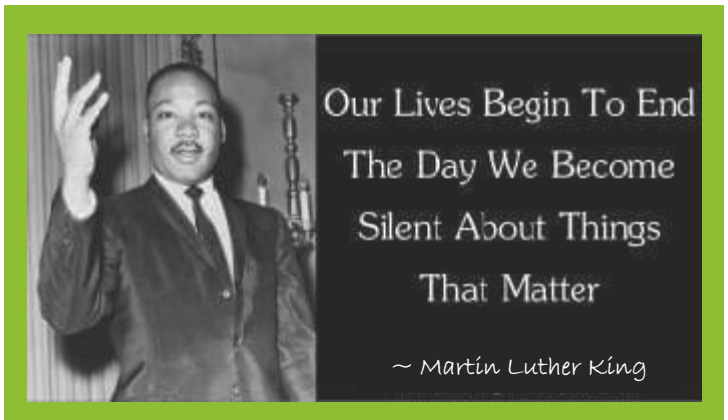
We thank all those who have given!

We are hopeful in 2022 that the other 761 families of St. Catherine of Siena will prayerfully consider making a contribution. Your pledge is important and will help us to avoid paying any shortage for our parish savings.

Ways to Donate:

- 1) Go to www.dor.org/cma - please note: Church #277, St. Catherine of Siena, Mendon
- 2) Go to <https://saintcath.org/catholic-ministries-appeal-2021>
- 3) Using donation envelopes located at the Information Table or Parish Office.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to give the parish office a call at 585-624-4990



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A Prayer for Reconciliation for Ourselves and Our Leaders

Submitted by Anna K. from Arizona

Dear God,

Since the beginning You've created each of us, in Your image. And You are for us. All of us. Today it feels like a chasm between where this nation is, and where You long for us to be. We stand before You in the gap and implore You to bridge the divide.

"Bring them here to me," (Matt 14:18) You said of things that were inadequate on their own as You walked this broken world. But specifically, we lay the leaders of Your church, and the leaders of this country, at Your feet. We need your wisdom, we need Your help. Where thoughts are not Your thoughts, align them with Your own. Where ways are not Your ways, guide them to be Yours. Where other kingdoms are in the way, let Your Kingdom come. To this city. To this state. To this country. Until justice rolls down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream (Amos 5:24)

We don't know what to do, but our eyes are on You (Chron. 20:12).

Amen.

FEBRUARY ROSARY

Wednesday, February 2nd at 7:00 PM

Deacon Jim Carra invites you to join him in the Chapel to pray the Rosary & Benediction.

(Will no longer be available via LiveStream)

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"The Dastardly Dr. Devereaux!"



Show dates are February 4, 5, 11, 12, 18, 19.

Show time is 8:00 p.m.

NEW THIS YEAR: Matinee at 1pm on the 12th!

Live theatre is a great opportunity to spend time together with family and friends and see parish members perform on stage. (Rumor has it that Father Rob will be in the show.....maybe even taking confessions.)

You may want to share in some of the traditions others have set up over the years; invite a group to fill a reserved table or two (or more). Have dinner at a local restaurant, and then come relax and let us entertain you, or invite family and friends to join you at a reserved table or two and bring your own appetizers to enjoy throughout the show. (Libations are available for a slight donation..... and, of course, there's popcorn!) Better yet, start your own traditions! But you need to reserve tickets soon! Proceeds benefit St. Catherine's charities.

To order & pay for your reserved-seat tickets, go to mscptheater.org, or call Patrick Ashley at 585-257-8809. Covid precautions taken: mask required, hand sanitizer provided, social distancing encouraged).

The CHOSEN: A Show Series continued
Wednesday Evenings— 7:00pm;
Transfiguration—Education Center—Upper Level

February 2—Series 1; Episode 8: I Am He
February 9—Series 2; Episode 1: Thunder
February 16—Series 2; Episode 2: I Saw You
March 2—Series 2; Episode 3: Matthew 4:24
March 9—Series 2; Episode 4: The Perfect Opportunity
March 23—Series 2; Episode 5: Spirit
March 30—Series 2; Episode 6: Unlawful
April 6—Series 2; Episode 7: Reckoning
April 13—Series 2; Episode 8: Beyond Mountains

This Series tells the Gospel story from the perspective of the people who followed Jesus from the moment they first meet him & as their deepening encounter with him radically changes their lives. It is beautifully done! All are invited to watch an episode and enjoy conversation in small groups.

For planning purposes, RSVP to Meg Kastner,
Meg.Kastner@dor.org

If you have not seen the first 7 Episodes of Series 1, You can download App for "The Chosen" to catch up.

The
CHOSEN

**You think you know
him?**



Couples Weekend Retreat Feb. 18-20, 2022
"Eucharist, God's Gift To His People"

2022 Retreat Theme at
Notre Dame Retreat House

Jesus Reaches out to all of us . . . It is up to us to accept this gift and then go live what we have received.

Join other couples as Notre Dame Retreat Team lead you through a weekend of listening, sharing, and building friendships. Come, join us at the Table—all are welcome! For more information:

Visit <https://notredameretreat.org> or call Notre Dame Retreat House at 585-394-5700.

(Notre Dame Retreat House, 5151 Foster Rd., Canandaigua, NY)

FOR A SYNODAL CHURCH

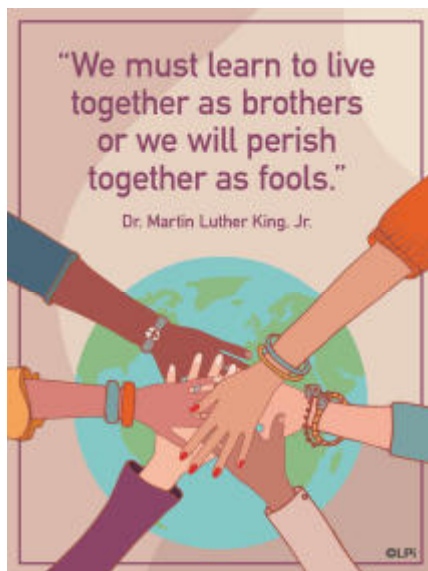
Pope Francis has called for the entire Church to enter a General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops from October 2021 through October 2023.

The basic question of this Synodal Process is “How does the ‘journey together’ which takes place today on different levels from the local level to the universal level, allow the church to proclaim the Gospel in accordance with the mission entrusted to her?”

A synodal church, in announcing the gospel, journeys together, so this Synod wants to know “How is this ‘journey together’ happening today in your parish, in your Diocese, in the Global Church?”

“The challenge of Synodality”, Pope Francis says, “what the Lord is asking of us is already in some sense present in the very world ‘Synod’. Journeying together—laity, pastors, the Bishop of Rome—is an easy concept to put into words, but not so easy to put into practice.”

You are invited to participate in this journey by going to our Parish website: www.saintcath.org; on the Home Page find the **CLICK HERE** box and **CLICK**. There you will find ways to participate.



BOTTLES AND CANS FOR THE GOOD SAMARITAN FUND



The Social Justice Ministry will be collecting your Bottles and Cans the next two weekends —January 22/23; 29/30 to benefit St. Catherine’s **Good Samaritan Fund**. As you come to Mass on those weekends, you can deposit your “empties” in the truck parked in front of Church. We earn 6 cents per can and bottle that contributes directly to the Good Samaritan Fund, so bring all you’ve got! Thank you for your support!



STAR LIGHTS:

Who are you thankful for?

Have you experienced a special kindness?

Have you noticed someone who has gone the extra mile?

If so, maybe that person deserves to be recognized as a “*star of St. Catherine’s*.” If you know someone who is a STAR LIGHT, tell us about it. It’s easy... visit: www.saintcath.org (look under the “About” tab) to submit an online nomination or send a note via collection basket, Parish Office or email Karen at familyz4@rochester.rr.com.

Write your nomination today!

Contemporary Conversations Book Group

A new program that provides a forum to talk about books written by contemporary authors begins at Mercy Spirituality Center in February. These books tie-in to Christianity in the 21st Century through a variety of topics. Participants will be encouraged to share their thoughts and ideas in a moderated and civil discussion where a variety of opinions are welcome.

All sessions will be from 10am—11:30am on Wednesdays via ZOOM. Participants are responsible for obtaining their own book and reading it before each session.

The first session will discuss Sr. Joan Chittister’s book: “The Time is Now—A Call to Uncommon Courage”. Sr. Joan offers a compelling vision to combat complacency and propel the reader toward creating a world of justice, freedom, peace and empowerment.

Facilitator: Jane Sutter Brandt
 Date: Wednesday, February 9
 Time: 10 am—11:30am via ZOOM
 Fee: \$20
 Registration: Mercy Spirituality Center
 585-473-6893



Mass Intentions

Legend: S = St. Catherine of Siena; T = Transfiguration

Sunday, January 16, 2022—2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time

***Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 [3]/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11

T-8:45 am Mass: Tom Tripp by Noreen Incavo

S-10:45am Mass: Msgr. Schnacky by Helen Dunn

Monday, January 17, 2022—The Most Holy Name of Jesus

***1 Sm 15:16-23/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mk 2:18-22

T-6:45 am Mass: For Our Health Care Workers & First Responders

Tuesday, January 18, 2022

***1 Sm 16:1-13/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 27-28/Mk 2:23-28

S-9:00 am Mass: For the intentions of Debbie Alloco

7:00 pm MSC Players—MSCC

Wednesday, January 19, 2022

***1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10/Mk 3:1-6

T-6:45am Mass: Kevin Leonard by Mark & Cathy Klingensmith

5:00 pm Spiritual Group—Teen Room

7:00 pm Rosary & Benediction—Chapel

Thursday, January 20, 2022

***1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Ps 56:2-3, 9-10, 10b-11, 12-13/Mk 3:7-12

S-9:00 am Mass: For the intentions of Diane Kannel

7:00 pm MSC Players—MSCC

7:00 pm Bell Choir Practice—Church

Friday, January 21, 2022

*** 1 Sm 24:3-21/Ps 57:2, 3-4, 6 and 11/Mk 3:13-19

T&S—No Service

Saturday, January 22, 2022

***2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27/Ps 80:2-3, 5-7/Mk 3:20-21

T-4:00 pm: Pat Slimmer by Barb & Terry Finegan

S-5:30 pm: Ron Anderson & Joy Mulhern by Nancy P. & John N.

Sunday, January 23, 2022—3rd Sunday of Ordinary time

***Neh 8:2-4a,5-6, 8-10/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/1Cor 12:12-30/

Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

T-8:45 am Mass: Eileen Mountan by Mary, Judy, Joanne & Lee

S-10:45am Mass: Robert Gruber, Jr. by The Gruber Family

Patti Ranney-Petersen by Jim & Nancy Johnstone

2021-2022 Stewardship of Treasure

	Actual	Budget	Var
Christmas	\$15,264	\$19,800	(\$4,536)
7/1/21—1/9/22	\$309,249	\$310,728	(\$1,479)

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!



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Victim Assistance Coordinator:

Deborah A. Housel

585-328-3228, ext. 1555

Toll-free:

1-800-388-7177, ext. 1555

or by e-mail to victimassistance@dor.org

Earth Angels Prayer Ministry



Although our Earth Angels Ministry has not been meeting each week after 10:45am Mass during this pandemic time, your prayer requests are still welcome.

You can submit them on our Website: <https://saintcath.org/earth-angels> OR you can still drop your request in the Collection Baskets when you come to Church. Every request is confidential. You do not need to sign your name if you do not wish. Each request is prayed for individually.

Earth Angel Prayer Request

Contact Us!

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 Sunday 10:45am
 Tuesday & Thursday 9am
Reconciliation: Saturday by appointment



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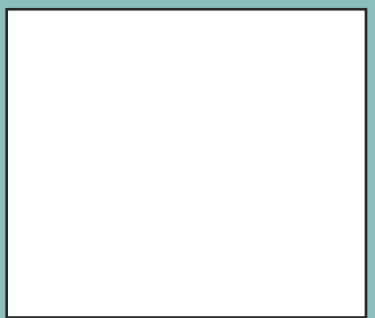
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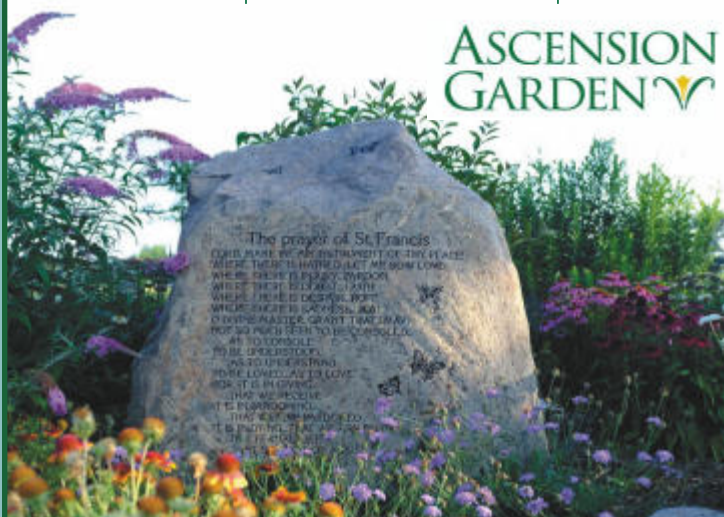
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