



Saint Catherine of Siena Parish — of Bay City —

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday - Thursday

8:30 AM - 4:00 PM

Closed for lunch from

12:00 - 1:00 PM

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday

5:00 PM

Sunday

8:30 AM | 11:00 AM

Tuesday

6:30 PM

Wednesday

12:00 PM

RECONCILIATION

Saturday

4:15 PM and by appointment.

PARISH STAFF

Sister Christine A. Gretka

Director of Parish Life

Rev. James Wm. Bessert

Sacramental Minister

Kim Germain

Parish Secretary/Receptionist

Lori Marsh

Director of Faith Formation

James Rabideau

Music Minister

Joseph Stanolis

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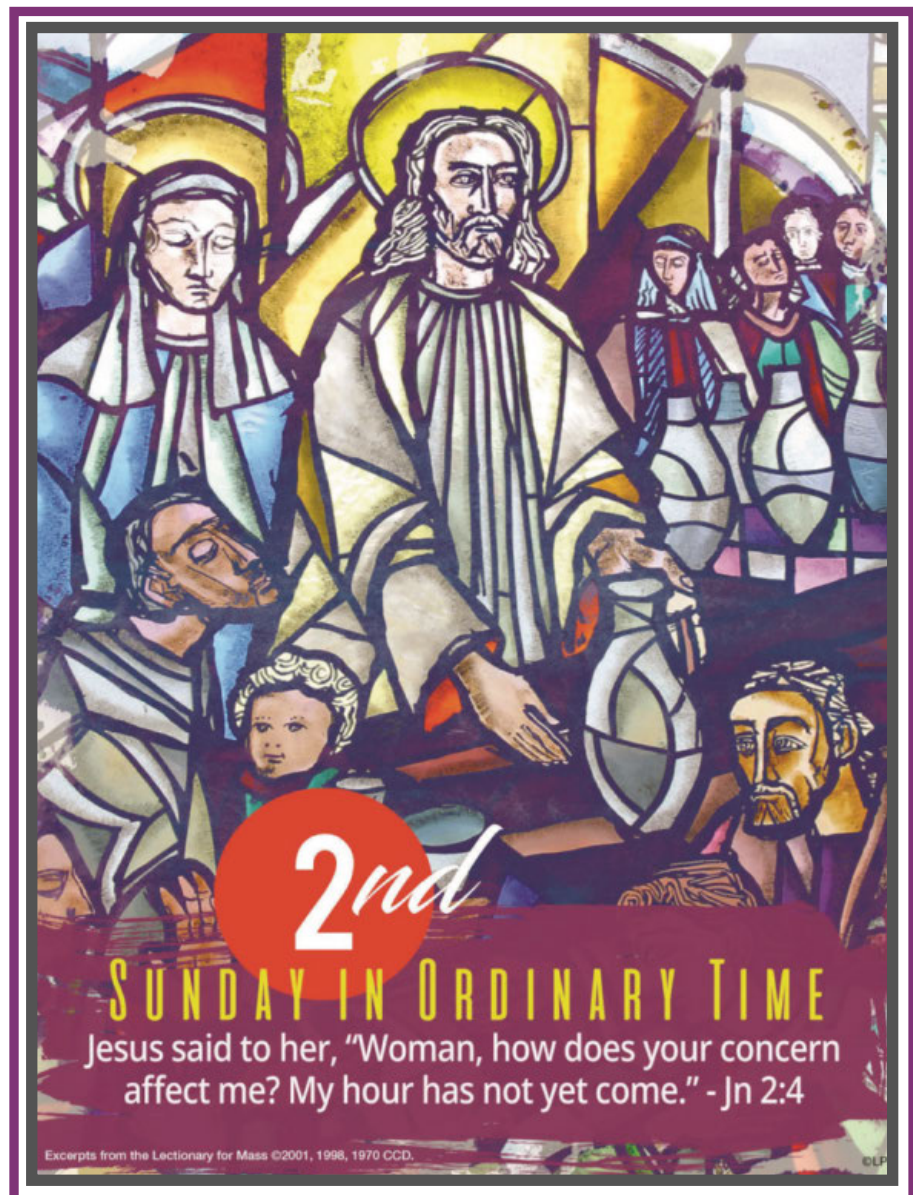
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OUR MISSION STATEMENT

Saint Catherine of Siena Parish of Bay City is a welcoming and empowering community built on faith and centered around the celebration of the Eucharist, hearing and responding to the voices around us, providing for all spiritual and material needs as graciously as we can. We pray that our patron, Saint Catherine of Siena, will intercede for and assist us in fulfilling our mission.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 16, 2022



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LITURGICAL MINISTERS

TUESDAY, JAN. 18—6:30 PM

Sacristan

C. Peters

Lector

J. Piggott

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 19—12:00 PM

Sacristan

M.A. Cole

Lector

D. Velasquez

EM of Holy Communion

D. Knox

Cross Bearer

J. Stanolis

SATURDAY, JAN. 22—5:00 PM

Sacristan

C. Peters

Lector 1

J. Buda

Lector 2

S. LaBo

EM of Holy Communion

M. & D. Knox

Ministers of Hospitality

J. Solinski, M. & B. Windy

Cross Bearer

J. Stanolis

Candle Bearers

Needed

SUNDAY, JAN. 23—8:30 AM

Sacristan

Y. Neil

Lector 1

J. Penkala

Lector 2

J. Piggott

EM of Holy Communion

S. Rajewski, R. Rivard

Ministers of Hospitality

M. & N. Suchy, B. Walters

Cross Bearer

B. Collier

Candle Bearers

R. & S. Collier

SUNDAY, JAN. 23—11:00 AM

Sacristan

Sr. C. Gretka

Lector 1

A. Miller

Lector 2

C. Krawczyk-Miller

EM of Holy Communion

M.A. Cole, A. Herm

Ministers of Hospitality

J. & P. Kwapiszewski, C. Peters

Cross Bearer

M. Cole

Candle Bearers

A. & S. Miller

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for our homebound and sick, including Larry R. Duchane, Sally Duchane, Betty Gladden, Rita Korinek, William Korinek, Becky Kruzell, Helen Loughner, Charlene Miller, Robert Taylor, Terry Stevens and Laurie Watts.

Email: office@scsparish.com or call: (989)684-1203

Prayer Line: call or text Janet Dine (989)493-4546

WEEKLY PARISH SCHEDULE & SCRIPTURE READINGS

SUNDAY, JANUARY 16

2ND SUNDAY IN 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

8:30 AM

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Mass-For the intention of Fred Retlewski

11:00 AM

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Mass-For the intention of the Saint Catherine Parish Family

MONDAY, JANUARY 17

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

Saint Anthony, Abbot

TUESDAY, JANUARY 18

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

6:30 PM

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Mass-For the intention of Richard Talaga

7:15 PM

Pastoral Council Meeting

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 19

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

12:00 PM

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Mass

THURSDAY, JANUARY 20

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

3:00 PM

DMI Planning Meeting

6:30 PM

Choir

FRIDAY, JANUARY 21

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

Saint Agnes, Virgin and Martyr

March for Life January 21-23

7:00 PM—11:30 PM

Christian Coffee House

SATURDAY, JANUARY 22

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

5:00 PM

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Vigil Mass-For the intention of Lorrie Reid

SUNDAY, JANUARY 23

3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27/Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

8:30 AM

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Mass-For the intention of the Saint Catherine of Siena Parish Family

9:30 AM

CGS / Faith Formation

11:00 AM

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Mass-For the intention of our Parish

12:00 PM

Homebound

Youth Ministry

STEWARDSHIP

JANUARY 9, 2022

\$12,779.25

FISCAL YEAR-TO-DATE

\$348,079.69

BUDGETED YEAR-TO-DATE

\$310,940.00



As of December 29th we have received 65% of our pledges for a total of \$62,920.80 Thank you!

Please help us reach our goal of \$97,421.00

PASTORAL PONDERINGS

This weekend we celebrate the Second Sunday of Ordinary Time. You may wonder what happened to the first Sunday; there is none, but there is a First Week in Ordinary Time that began last Monday. The Feast of the Baptism of the Lord (which we celebrated last Sunday) ended the Christmas Season and then launched us into Ordinary Time. **Today's Gospel passage (from John) recounts the wedding feast at Cana where Jesus changed water into wine.** After his baptism in the Jordan River, Jesus began his public ministry. Until then, all we know about him from the age of twelve on is that he went down to Nazareth with Mary and Joseph *"and was obedient to them"* and *"advanced in wisdom and age and favor before God and man."* **Then, as a young man around the age of 30 he came to understand what God the Father expected of him, what his mission on this earth was, and how he would go about accomplishing it.** He then began his public ministry as an itinerant preacher, proclaiming the reign of God, calling disciples, healing the sick, and performing miracles (which John the Evangelist refers to as signs). **In today's Gospel account, when the wine ran short, the mother of Jesus turned to him, and informed him.** Mary must have been a bit perplexed by his response: *"How does your concern affect me? My hour has not yet come."* However, Mary says, *"Do whatever he tells you."* In using the words "my hour," Jesus is referring to the time of his glorification, the time when he will be manifested in all his glory, the time only the Father knows. **The culmination of this glory will be manifested on the cross. (John refers to the "glory of the cross.") His account of the Passion centers around this.)** John's Gospel is divided into the Book of Signs and the Book of Glory. The signs, especially the miraculous signs, are revelations of the "breaking through" of the reign of God into our world; each sign indicates some aspect of the identity of Jesus. Who Jesus is, as Lord of Glory, is ultimately revealed by his death on the cross, his resurrection, his ascension, and the sending of the Holy Spirit. Jesus knows that all of this is in the hands of the Father who sent the Son into the world. **What Jesus does at any point in time is in obedience to the Father (and to no one else).** John expresses the deep relationship between the Father and Jesus, his Son, throughout his Gospel. Today's account ends: *"Jesus did this as the beginning of his signs at Cana in Galilee and so revealed his glory, and his disciples began to believe in him."* As the disciples grew in their faith, we, too, grow in our faith. Just as they received signs, we receive signs. **What sign have you witnessed or experienced recently that deepened or strengthened your faith in God?** How has it changed you?

Blessings on your week!
Sister Chris Gretka, CSJ

From the Desk of Father Jim Bessert

As I have entered into this New Year of 2022, my heart is full of gratitude for so many and so much! I would simply like to take this opportunity to thank all of you who were so kind to remember me throughout the Christmas Season - with your cards, notes, gifts, goodies, prayers and hugs - they are all very much appreciated. In addition to my sincere thanks, please know that, I consider it both a privilege and pleasure, to be able to serve as the Sacramental Minister to this vibrant, caring parish community. Your warmth and many kindnesses are truly a testimony to who you truly are as Saint Catherine of Siena Parish!

PARISH & MINISTRY NOTES

We express heartfelt sympathy and offer prayers to the family of Marlene Peplinski who recently passed away. May Marlene now rest in the arms of our loving God and may God comfort her family and ease the loss they bear.

WELCOME

We extend a warm welcome to Paul Hardy who recently joined the St. Catherine of Siena Parish Community. We are happy that you are here!

NEWLY BAPTIZED

Raphael Joseph Rivard was welcomed into the Body of Christ through the waters of baptism on Sunday, January 9th. We congratulate Raphael's parents Zachary and Rachel on their commitment to raise him in the beliefs and traditions of the Catholic Church.

DIOCESAN NEWS

NOVENA FOR LIFE

From January 21st to 29th, the Diocese of Saginaw will celebrate "9 Days for Life." Faithful will gather at eight designated parishes across the Diocese to pray for and raise awareness of respect for all human life. The 9 Days for Life will open with the Knights of Columbus Novena for Life on January 21st at the Cathedral of Mary of the Assumption in Saginaw and then continue at seven additional designated parishes each day until the final day on January 29th at the Cathedral. **On January 24th the Novena for Life will be held at Saint Catherine of Siena Parish at 6:30 PM followed by Evening Prayer.** Please visit the diocesan website: www.saginaw.org for complete information.

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM

A preparation class for parents is required prior to Baptism. Please call Joe Stanolis or Sister Chris Gretka in the parish office for more information.

MARRIAGE

Please contact the parish office at least six months prior to wedding date to begin preparation.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please call the parish office if you would like to be strengthened by this sacrament.



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