Saint Catherine of Siena Parish

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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

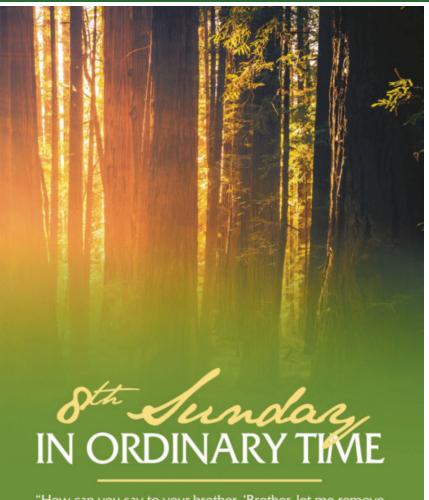
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OUR MISSION STATEMENT

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, FEBRUARY 27, 2022



"How can you say to your brother, 'Brother, let me remove that splinter in your eye,' when you do not even notice the wooden beam in your own eye?" - Lk 6:42a

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass @2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.





LITURGICAL MINISTERS

TUESDAY, MARCH 1-6:30 PM

Sacristan

Sr. C. Gretka Lector J. Piggott Cross Bearer

C. Peters

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2—12:00 PM

Sacristan

M.A. Cole Lector 1 Lector 2 S. LaBo R. Sporman EM of Holy Communion

D. Knox, J. Stanolis

Cross Bearer D. Velasquez

SATURDAY, MARCH 5-5:00 PM

Sacristan J. Stanolis Lector 1 Lector 2 R. Sporman D. Stanolis EM of Holy Communion J. Bailey, T. Sullivan Ministers of Hospitality M. Knox, C. Peters, M. Windy

Cross Bearer D. Knox Candle Bearers Needed

SUNDAY, MARCH 6-8:30 AM

Sacristan Y. Neil Lector 1 Lector 2 H. Gill R. Maier EM of Holy Communion S. Rajewski, R. Rivard Ministers of Hospitality T. Buchalski, B. & D. Callaghan Cross Bearer B. Collier Candle Bearers R. & S. Collier

SUNDAY, MARCH 6—11:00 AM Sacristan

Sr. C. Gretka Lector 1 Lector 2 A. Herm P. Lucke EM of Holy Communion M.A. Cole, D. Maxson Ministers of Hospitality J. & P. Kwapiszewski, D. Rivet Cross Bearer M. Cole

Candle Bearers C. & S. Weigand



WEEKLY PARISH SCHEDULE	&
SCRIPTURE READINGS	
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 27	

8th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sir 27:4-7/Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16 [cf. 2a]/1 Cor 15:54-58/Lk 6:39-45

8:30 AM	+	Mass-For the intentions of our parish
		homebound
9:30 AM		CGS / Faith Formation
11:00 AM	+	Mass-For the intention of the Saint Catherine
		of Siena Parish Family
12:00 PM		Youth Ministry

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 28

1 Pt 1:3-9/Ps 111:1-2, 5-6, 9 and 10c/Mk 10:17-27

TUESDAY, MARCH 1

1 Pt 1:10-16/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Mk 10:28-31 6:30 PM † Mass

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2

 Ash Wednesday

 JI 2:12-18/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14 and 17/2 Cor 5:20—6:2/Mt 6:1-6,

 16-18

 12:00 PM
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 Mass

 6:30 PM
 Liturgy of the Word with Distribution of Ashes

THURSDAY, MARCH 3

Dt 30:15-20/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 9:22-25 6:30 PM Choir

FRIDAY, MARCH 4

Is 58:1-9a/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19/Mt 9:14-15 7:00 PM—11:30 PM Christian Coffee House

SATURDAY, MARCH 5

Is 58:9b-14/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 5:27-32 5:00 PM † Vigil Mass-For the intention of Sharon Smillie-Callahan

SUNDAY, MARCH 6

Ist Sunday of LentDt 26:4-10/Ps 91:1-2, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15 [cf. 15b]/Rom 10:8-13/Lk 4:1-138:30 AM†Mass-For the intentions of the Saint Catherine
of Siena Parish Family9:30 AMCGS / Faith Formation9:40AMCatechism 10111:00 AM†Mass12:00 PMYouth Ministry

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for our homebound and sick, including Monty Biskup, Larry R. Duchane, Sally Duchane, Betty Gladden, Debra Lijewski, Rita Korinek, William Korinek, Helen Loughner, Terry Stevens and Laurie Watts.

Email: office@scsparish.com or call: (989)684-1203 Prayer Line: call or text Janet Dine (989)493-4546

STEWARDSHIP

FEBRUARY 13, 2022

\$12,171.00

FISCAL YEAR TO DATE \$385,330.44

BUDGETED YEAR TO DATE \$377,570.00

FEBRUARY 20, 2022

Information will be posted in next weekend's bulletin

FEBRUARY 27, 2022



Our parish is grateful for your continued support.

PASTORAL PONDERINGS

This weekend we celebrate the Eighth Sunday in The Gospel account is a Ordinary Time. continuation of Luke's "sermon the on plain" (following upon what we heard the past two Sundays). I must say that Jesus certainly had a good understanding of human nature. In today's Gospel, he begins by asking the disciples two questions: "Can a blind person guide a blind person? Will not both fall into a pit?" Of course, the answer to the first is "no" and the second is "yes." Isn't Jesus stating the obvious? He follows these rhetorical questions with a series of one-liners. Then he tells a parable about a tree. The message is clear: "A good tree does not bear rotten fruit, nor does a rotten tree bear good fruit." Jesus is speaking about integrity of mind, heart, and actions. Mature discipleship has no room for blindness, ineffective guidance, inaccurate teaching, quick judgments, or self-righteousness. A disciple needs to look deeply within one's own heart before teaching, preaching, or directing others. As disciples, we need to recognize our blindness and shortcomings before helping others address and overcome their own. Building upon last week's message to love as our God loves – God, who is kind and merciful, - a disciple of Jesus needs to "bear good fruit." When he or she does so, people will respect their words and possibly, because of their actions that coincide with them, be drawn closer to Christ. Let us center on our hearts this week and assess their "spiritual condition" with a firm intention to address what we need do to become more authentic disciples of Christ Jesus. This would be a good exercise as we prepare to enter into the Lenten Season which begins this coming Wednesday.

On Ash Wednesday, there are two opportunities to attend liturgy: Mass at 12:00 Noon and Liturgy of the Word at 6:30 PM. Both liturgies include the distribution of ashes. Please join us if you are able. Little Black books (and purple books for children) are available for your spiritual enrichment this Lenten Season in the Gathering Space of the church. Please note the pages in today's bulletin outlining all the opportunities for Mass, prayer, the sacrament of Reconciliation, etc. that are available this Lenten Season.

Please note that during Lent, the side door of church will be open from 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM Monday through Thursday and 9:00 AM – 12:00 Noon on Friday. The Worship Commission desired to provide an opportunity, in chapel or church, for some quiet time of prayer for those who wish to come out during the day. Booklets with the Stations of the Cross, bibles, and other materials, will be available near the chapel entrance.

One last note: please read the materials on the upcoming parish gatherings for the Synod for a Synodal Church on the special flyer in today's bulletin.

Blessings on your upcoming Lenten journey! Sister Chris Gretka, CSJ



As of February 17th we have received 75% of our pledges for a total of \$73,405.80.

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

PARISH MINISTRY NOTES SAVE THE DATE

The SERVV Sale will return to Saint Catherine of Siena Parish on the weekend of March 19th and 20th. SERRV International is a fair trade organization that works to empower artisans and farmers worldwide by selling their beautiful handcrafts. By shopping the sale you help them build better lives for themselves and their families.

INCLEMENT WEATHER

When Delta College is closed due to inclement weather the Saint Catherine of Siena Parish Office will be closed. Mass and all other events will also be cancelled. When the Bay City Schools and/or Bangor Schools are closed, please check TV5 and 25NBC for possible parish meeting cancellations.

COMMUNITY EVENTS KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS #4012 EVENTS

Breakfast will be served from on Sunday, March 6th from 8AM- 1PM. Adults \$8.00 children under 12 \$4.00. Proceeds to "Helping Hands of Munger".

Fish Fry's will be held on Friday March 4, March 25 and April 15 from noon to 6PM or sold out. Menu includes perch, cod, baked potato, potato salad, coleslaw, baked beans, bread and dessert. Adults \$15; 12 and under \$7. Take out only.

All meals will be held at the K of C Hall, 360 S. River Rd., Bay City.

DIOCESAN NEWS FIRST FRIDAYS

Join us for Mass on Friday, March 11 at 11AM followed by a meatless lunch at noon and an informal presentation by Bishop Gruss at the Cathedral of Mary of the Assumption, 615 Hoyt Ave., Saginaw. **Please note that this gathering will take place on the** *second* **Friday of March.** Registration is required only if you will attend the lunch and/or the informal presentation due to limited seating capacity and to allow for social distancing.

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.

Lent 2022

The Season of Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, March 2nd, and continues until the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday evening, April 14th.

Everyone is welcome and encouraged to experience parish life and prayer.

ASH WEDNESDAY—MARCH 2ND

12:00 Noon Mass 6:30 PM Liturgy of the Word with Distribution of Ashes

CATECHISM 101 with Sister Chris and Father Jim Sundays from 9:40 AM—10:15 AM

- March 6 The Sacrament of Reconciliation Celebrating God's Forgiveness
- March 20 Reconciliation-Coming Home To God
- April 3 Examine Your Conscience With The Ten Commandments

Come and learn more about the sacrament of Reconciliation and ask any question you may have.

PRAYER AND REFLECTION

Tuesdays:

- Faith Factor Book Club—March 8, March 22 and April 5 at 6:30 PM
- Mass at 6:30 PM

Wednesdays:

- Mass at 12:00 Noon
- Stations of the Cross—March 9 at 6:00 PM
- Lenten Evening Prayer— March 23 at 6:00 PM
- Taize Prayer—March 30 at 6:00 PM
- Lenten Evening Prayer—April 6 at 6:00 PM

Little Black Books are located in the gathering space of church for your daily reflection.



INDIVIDUAL PRAYER

The side door of church will be open from 9AM—1PM Monday thru Thursday and from 9AM—12 noon on Friday during the season of Lent. Those wishing to spend time in private prayer, either in the chapel or the church, are welcome to do so. Stations of the Cross booklets and other Lenten materials will be available for your spiritual enrichment.

SHADOW STATIONS OF THE CROSS

The Saint Catherine of Siena Parish Youth Ministry group presentsShadow Stations of the CrossSunday, April 10th at 3:00 PMBring a friend and plan to attend this moving presentation.

REGULATIONS FOR FAST AND ABSTINENCE

Ash Wednesday, March 2, 2022, and Good Friday, April 15, 2022, are days of fast and abstinence.

All Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence.

† FASTING is to be observed by all 18 years of age and older who have not yet celebrated their 59th birthday. On a fast day one full meal is allowed. Two other meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids, including milk and juices, are allowed.

+ ABSTINENCE is observed by all 14 years of age and older. On days of abstinence, no meat is allowed. Note that when health or ability to work would be seriously affected, the law does not oblige. When in doubt concerning fast and abstinence, the pastor or Director of Parish Life should be consulted.

Fasting, almsgiving, and prayer are the three traditional disciplines of Lent. The faithful should undertake these practices seriously in a spirit of penance and of preparation for baptism or of renewal of baptism at Easter.

ALMSGIVING

You are encouraged to participate in Operation Rice Bowl this Lent.

Rice Bowls are located near the church entrance for your use at home. Use your CRS Rice Bowl and Lenten Calendar each day to guide your prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Please place money saved by your sacrifices in your Rice Bowl at home or in the large basket at church. We ask that you please convert your Rice Bowl gifts into one check made payable to St. Catherine of Siena Parish with CRS Rice Bowl written in the memo line. Thank you.

AREA PARISHES SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saint Catherine of Siena Parish

Saturdays at 4:15 PM

All Saints Parish—St. James Church

Saturdays at 4:00 PM

Corpus Christi Parish

Saturdays at 3:30 PM

Our Lady of Czestochowa—St. Hyacinth Church

Saturdays 10:00 AM—12:00 Noon

Our Lady of Peace Parish

Ist Wednesday of the month at 9:30 AM and the Saturday of the same week at 3:00 PM

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Sunday, April 3rd at 2:00 PM

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