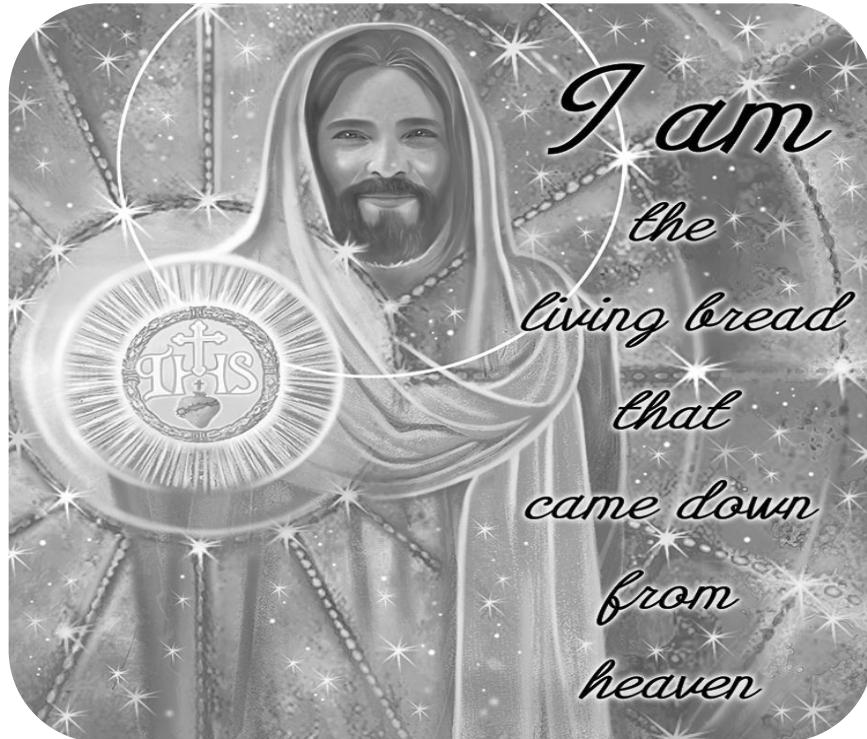


June 18, 2017

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ



ST. CATHERINE

OF SIENA ST. LUCY

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WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday Masses:

*Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday - 8:30am
Word Service with Communion, Thursday, 8:30am*

Weekend Masses:

*Saturday Morning - 9:00am
Saturday Evening - 5:00pm
Sunday Morning - 8:30 & 10:30am*

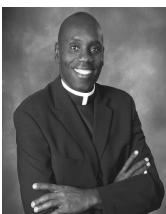
Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday at 4:00 PM to 4:30 PM; or by appointment.

Baptisms

Baptism of infants and young children is celebrated on the 2nd and 3rd weekends of the month. Parents are asked to attend a Baptism preparation session/class prior to the ceremony. Please call the rectory to register for the preparation and set a baptismal date.

Thoughts From Our Pastor



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Today we celebrate another important feast, the Most Holy Body and Blood of Jesus Christ. The body of Christ brings us together daily as our community. This feast is also known as the Solemnity of Corpus Christi, which translated from Latin means "Body of Christ."

This solemnity originated in France during the mid-thirteenth century and was extended to the whole Church by Pope Urban IV in 1264. The primary purpose of this feast is to focus our attention on two manifestations of the Body of Christ: the Holy Eucharist and the Church. The opening prayer at Mass calls our attention to Jesus' suffering and death and our worship of Him, especially in the Eucharist.

At every Mass our attention is called to the Eucharist and the Real Presence of Christ in it. The secondary focus of this feast is upon the Body of Christ as it is present in the Church. The Church is called the Body of Christ because of the intimate communion which Jesus shares with his disciples. He expresses this in the Gospels by using the metaphor of a body in which He is the head. This image helps keep in focus both the unity and the diversity of the Church.

The Feast of Corpus Christi is sometimes used as an opportunity for public Eucharistic processions which serve as a sign of common faith and adoration. Our worship of Jesus in His Body and Blood calls us to offer to God our Father a pledge of undivided love and an offering of ourselves to the service of others.

It is important to note that the Mass not only provides us with the opportunity of offering the sacrificial gift of Jesus to God but also the opportunity to offer the gift of ourselves, our obedience, and our love to God, together with the perfect gift which Jesus offers. All of us want to offer to God the gift of ourselves as a suitable and beautiful gift in return for all He has given us. All of us, deep down, I think, desire to worship and thank God, and to make atonement for our sins in a worthy and acceptable manner. Yet, we may feel that we don't have a suitable or worthy gift to return to God, especially in regard to the gift of ourselves, sinful creatures that we are. That's why God has provided us with the sacrificial gift of Jesus, with His holiness and perfect love. By itself, our gift to God seems to count for little; but when we offer ourselves to God in and through and with Jesus, our gift and sacrifice becomes truly pleasing and acceptable.

May God bless you always.

Rev. George O. Omwando

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

WE THE PARISHIONERS OF ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA-ST. LUCY PARISH, SEEK TO DEEPEN OUR RELATIONSHIPS WITH GOD AND TO CELEBRATE GOD'S PRESENCE IN WORD AND SACRAMENT. BY ACCEPTING ALL INTO OUR FAMILY WE SEEK UNITY IN CHRIST AND SEEK TO PROCLAIM HIS GOOD NEWS IN THE DISCIPLESHIP OF OUR LIVES.

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS:

Parish Pastoral Council

Madonna Sloan and Joyce Wade,
Co-Chairs

Parish Finance Council

John McGuire

Spiritual Life Commission

Faith & Fellowship:

Connie Rakitan

Liturgy Committee:

Cantors: Gail Rohmann

Celebration Choir: Gail Rohmann

Praise Choir: Julius White

Greeters & Ushers: Jim Lewis

Ministers of the Eucharist:

Jeanne Visteen

Ministers of the Word:

Jeanne Visteen

Servers: TBA

Ministers of Care: Shelby Boblick

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA): Fr. George O. Omwando

Women's Ministry: Shelby Boblick

Human Concerns Commission

Peace & Justice Committee:

Mary and Martin Senica

Transportation Committee:

Tom Farwell

Education Commission

Baptism Com.: Fr. G. Omwando

Bible Study: Russ McCaughey

Religious Education of Children:

Christine Wedekind

St. Catherine/St. Lucy School:

School Board Chair: Natasha Lee

Parish Development & Services Commission

Collection Counters: Carol Kallok

Facilities Committee: Kevin Kell,

Amanda Pomareda

Fundraising Committee:

Pat Nelson / Cynthia Weaver

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Weddings - Please contact a parish priest to set a wedding date. Allow at least 6 months for preparation.

RCIA

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a sacramental process, celebrated in the midst of this Faith Community. This process assists adults, as well as children over the age of 7, in learning about the Catholic Faith. Through its witness, worship, service, and teaching our Faith Community offers the invitation and support necessary for initiation into the Catholic Church.

Ministry to the Sick, Hospitalized and Shut—Ins

Please notify the Parish Office so that we can visit and minister to your confined loved-ones.

Newcomers

Please fill out a registration form after Mass, or come by the Rectory Office during the week.



Father's Day

On this day, we celebrate Fathers and thank them for their love. Fatherhood is a gift from God and we pray that all fathers follow the example of Joseph, husband of Mary and patron saint of fathers.

Father

Blessed is the man
Who trusts in the
Lord and has made
The Lord his hope and
Confidence

—Jeremiah 17:7

June 18, 2017

Trust in Jesus

Today's feast celebrates another central mystery of our faith—the mystery of the Eucharist. Like the mystery of the Trinity, the real presence of the Body and Blood of Christ in the Eucharist can never be fully understood, but can only be believed. Just as the Israelites in the desert were invited to put their trust in God's word to them, we are invited to trust wholly in the word of Jesus.

In today's Gospel Jesus promises to give us a share in his very own flesh and blood, and a share in eternal life besides. We are called to take him at his word and open our hearts to receive true nourishment and life from our participation in the Eucharist.



Parish Calendar

Monday, June 19

4:00 - 9:00 PM - Voice Lessons - CH

Tuesday, June 20

9:30 AM - Bible Study - RRT

10AM - Fundraising Committee Mtg. - RD

10:00AM - 3PM - Voice Lessons - CH

7:30-9PM - Praise Choir Rehearsal - MMR

Wednesday, June 21

11:00AM - 1:00PM - Organ Lesson - CH

7:30-9PM Celebration Choir -CH

Thursday, June 22

11:00 AM - Quilting Ladies - RD

4:00-8:00 PM - Voice Lessons - CH

6:00-8:00 PM - AA - RD

Save the Date

Tuesday, July 18
White Sox Outing - OS

Saturday, August 5
Donut Day - OS

Thursday, August 24
Night at the Races - OS

Facility Requests Forms for our 2017-2018 Calendar

We are asking all parish organizational leaders and chair persons whose events are placed into our *St. Catherine-St. Lucy Facility Calendar* to please submit their 2017-2018 events and activities in writing on our Facility Request Form to the rectory no later than **Monday, June 26, 2017**. You can also find these forms at the Rectory. If you have any questions, please call Amanda at 708-386-8077 during office hours. Thanks!

This Weekend still on Sale:

RAFFLE Tickets for Cross Town Cubs/White Sox Game
Raffle is TODAY
Cost per chance is \$10.00

Raffle tickets are still on sale after all masses, until today. The Raffle will be after the 10:30 AM mass. THE GAME IS JULY 25th

Take me out to the Ballgame!

*Chicago White Sox vs.
Los Angeles Dodgers*



Tuesday, July 18

Game Time - 7:10 p.m.

Cost - \$24 each

Tickets for the White Sox Game are still being sold today!

500 Club Certificates

Certificates are \$25 each and will be included in every weekly drawing from now through October 22nd, 2017. The prize each week is \$25 except for three weeks when the prize is \$500. If we sell all 500 certificates, there will be a 4th drawing for \$500. Purchase forms are available in the back of church and at the rectory. Thank you!!!

-The Fundraising Committee



500 CLUB WINNERS

\$ 25.00

June 18, 2017

**Robert E. Byrne,
35**





Mass Intentions for the Week

Mon. June 19

8:30 † Naomi Jackson Petty
By: Grace Bishop

Tue. June 20

8:30 † Corazon Gaetos
By: Ministry of Care

Wed. June 21

8:30 † Kenneth King
By: Ministry of Care

Fri. June 23

† Marie Stockinger
By: Evie Stockinger

Sat. June 24

9:00 † Theresa Bradford
By: Ministry of Care

5:00 † Ruth Connery
By: The Koko Family

Sun. June 25

8:30 FOR THE PEOPLE OF OUR PARISH

8:30 † Lido Paoli
By: Tom and Carol Frank

10:30 † Dorothy Grundin
By: Tom and Pat Nelson

Readings for the Week

Monday: 2 Cor 6:1-10; Ps 98:1, 2b, 3-4; Mt 5:38-42

Tuesday: 2 Cor 8:1-9; Ps 146:2, 5-9a; Mt 5:43-48

Wednesday: 2 Cor 9:6-11; Ps 112:1bc-4, 9;

Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday: 2 Cor 11:1-11; Ps 111:1b-4, 7-8; Mt 6:7-15

Friday: Dt 7:6-11; Ps 103:1-4, 6-8, 10;

1 Jn 4:7-16; Mt 11:25-30

Saturday: Vigil: Jer 1:4-10; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17;

1 Pt 1:8-12; Lk 1:5-17

Day: Is 49:1-6; Ps 139:1-3, 13-15;

Acts 13:22-26; Lk 1:57-66, 80

Sunday: Jer 20:10-13; Ps 69:8-10, 14, 17, 33-35;

Rom 5:12-15; Mt 10:26-33

Saints and Special Observances

Sunday: The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ;
Father's Day

Monday: Eleventh Week in Ordinary Time;
St. Romuald

Wednesday: St. Aloysius Gonzaga; Summer begins

Thursday: St. Paulinus of Nola;

Ss. John Fisher and Thomas More

Friday: The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

Saturday: The Nativity of St. John the Baptist

Our Parish Stewardship St. Catherine-St. Lucy Church



Due to the bulletin early deadlines our stewardship reports for the weeks of June 4, 11 and 18, will be shown in the bulletin of June 25, 2017.

Thanks for your understanding!

Today's Readings

First Reading — Never forget the Lord your God, who brought you out of slavery and fed you with manna in the desert (Deuteronomy 8:2-3, 14b-16a).

Psalm — Praise the Lord, Jerusalem (Psalm 147).

Second Reading — Because the loaf of bread is one, we who partake of it, though we are many, are one body (1 Corinthians 10:16-17).

Gospel — Jesus said to the crowds, “I am the living bread; whoever eats this bread

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LITURGICAL MINISTERS

JUNE 25, 2017

5:00 PM

8:30 AM

10:30 AM

Altar Servers

Michael Giometti Martin Senica
Debra Lomax Steve Legatzke

Michelle and
Leslie Agbefé

Ministers of the Word

McLane Lomax	Peter Barber	David Geffe
Debra Lomax	Jeanette Cannon	Bill Sullivan, Jr.

Ministers of the Eucharist

Dan Brown	W. Washington	Diana Cameron
Carol Brown	Ginny Jones	Mary Howard
Susan Kumler	R. Smith-Quinn	Marie Wheel
Pat Koko	Kathy Mortell	Bern Wheel
	Marjorie Fields	Kim McGuire
	Kevin Kell	Bill Holmes

1st & 2nd Readings for the Upcoming Sunday are offered. Their sole purpose is to help us all of us "receive" and "hear" the word of God.

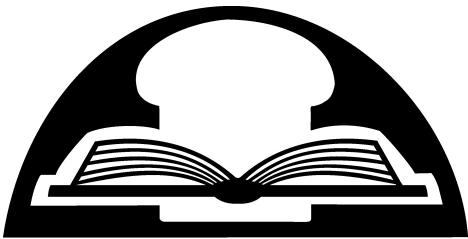
JUNE 25, 2017 - 12TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Deuteronomy 8:2-3, 14-16

The events in today's reading take place as the Israelites are camped on the shore of the Jordan River ready to enter the Promise Land. In this farewell speech, Moses makes it clear that when they settle in their new land they must never forget all the wonderful things God did for them during their forty years in the desert.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 10: 16-17

The Jewish people believed that when they sacrificed an animal to God and then ate a portion of the sacrifice themselves, they were in communion with God to whom they had given the other portion. Applying this to the Eucharist, Paul reminds us that when we receive Holy Communion, we become one with the sacrifice of Jesus on the cross.



The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

Not by bread alone does one live, but by every word that comes forth from the mouth of the LORD.

—Deuteronomy 8:3b



Bible Study - Tuesdays 9:30 AM

Please consider in joining us every Tuesday at 9:30 AM only for Bible Study at the Rectory. If you are trying to find answers to your daily life questions, or are willing to have an hour of peace and knowledge about our religion, please come. It is totally free.

Communion & Anointing of the Sick

Please call the Rectory at 708-386-8077 to let us know if you or a member of your family is in need of the sacrament of anointing of the sick or would like to have Holy Communion brought to your house or nursing home or both.

Praying for the Sick In Our Parish

Karla Alegria, Coletta Ali, Fr. John Carolan, Myriam Claude, Louis Dieguez, Raymond Doelker, Beverly Ellis, Anita Evenson, Tom Frank, Katherine Gradnik, Marcus Hall, Joe Hargadon, Phillip Jones, Donna Kanapes, Paul Koko, Kate Kroker, William Medor, Eileen Nauss, Scarlett Evans-Perez, Raul Perez, and Carlton Shanks.

The name of your close relative will remain on this list for four weeks. After that, you will have to call us again to reinstate it into the list. If you wish to include a name of a sick member of your family here, please call Amanda at the rectory during office hours. Thank you.

Bequests

PLEASE consider remembering our parish in your will or trust. We have been blessed in the past by the generosity of so many parishioners and I am hopeful this will continue into the future.

-Father George

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School News

Another school year has ended, and we would like to thank you for your kindness and support.

We are truly blessed to be a part of the St. Catherine-St. Lucy Parish family.

School is closed for the summer and we are busy registering new students for the fall. The school office will be open **Monday-Thursday from 9am-1pm**.

Enjoy your summer!

Wedding Banns



*Danielle Barefield
and Murray DeWalt*

Next Weekend 2nd Collection

Peter's Pence Collection
Be a Witness of CHARITY

"A little mercy makes the world less cold and more just." —Pope Francis

Next weekend's collection is the way we as members of the Catholic Church unite ourselves to the concerns of the Holy Father. Donations to this collection support the charitable works of Pope Francis for the assistance of those most in need. Contributions to this collection provide assistance to victims of natural disaster, war, oppression, and disease.

Please give generously to this collection, as a witness of charity, and give hope to those who suffer around the globe.

Archdiocese of Chicago Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass

The annual Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass for 2017 will be held on Sunday, September 17 at 2:45 p.m. Cardinal Blase J. Cupich will preside over this special Mass where 500 couples will rejoice in their 50th wedding anniversary.

If you're married 50 years this year, or you were not able to come this past year and want to come next year, please keep this date free and keep an eye out for more information, coming soon!



Give Central allows our parish to provide its parishioners a safe and convenient way to make regular, automatic electronic contributions and can also be used for special events and other collections.

We understand that most transactions today are done electronically. We want to provide you with that same convenient option at church.

You can go directly to our website: www.stcatherinestlucy.org to be able to find the link to *GiveCentral*

Pro-Life

"We have treated the loss of our fetuses as a theoretical loss, a sad-but-necessary loss, as of civilians in wartime. We have not yet realized that the offspring lost are not the enemy's, nor our neighbor's, but our own. And it is not a loss of inert, amorphous tissue, but of a growing being unique in history."

—Frederica Mathewes-Green,
The Bitter Price of Choice

Apartment for Rent

Spacious two bedroom completely remodeled second floor apartment located within the St. Catherine—St. Lucy Parish campus in Oak Park.

All NEW appliances included! Washer and Dryer in the apartment. Walking distance from Blue & Green Train Lines, CTA, and Pace.

Call **708-386-8077** for a showing.

Want to Learn More about Renew My Church? Come to Renew my Church 101!

“Renew My Church 101” is a 90 minute informative presentation and discussion about what Renew My Church means for the Church in Chicago. If you want to learn more about why we are undertaking this initiative, the vision for what is to come, and how you can play an important role, plan to attend one of these sessions over the coming year! Dates and locations for the month of June is provided below, but more will be coming through the end of the year.

Thursday, June 22 from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. at St. Alphonsus (1429 West Wellington Avenue in Chicago)

Register by calling Gema Ramirez at 312.534.8215



June HIV Awareness Days

National HIV Testing Day is June 27. There are an estimated 50,000 new HIV infections in the U.S. every year. Some 20 to 25% of those persons living with HIV/AIDS DO NOT KNOW that they are infected with the virus and could be spreading it to others. The only way to know if you have the virus is to be tested. This national day of testing is an opportunity for people nationwide to learn their HIV status.

Know your status...get tested...and encourage others to be tested! Free and confidential or anonymous testing is available in a community near you. For more information, please call (312) 948-6500 or go to www.hivaidsservicesministry.org. Please pray for those living with HIV/AIDS and those affected by it.



Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, Corpus Christi.

On this day, we observe, in a special way, the miraculous gift of the Eucharist, the transubstantiation of ordinary bread and wine into the Divine flesh and blood of Our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Our journey of faith is strengthened and sustained, and we are united with the Lord—not just metaphorically, but physically, deeply, personally. The Eucharist, this Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, is the “great secret”—the greatest reason of all to be alive, to be present, to be called, to be Catholic: Jesus present to us in His Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity.

Thank you!! Rice Bowl

Catholic Relief Services would like to thank the generosity of the St. Catherine of Siena-St. Lucy community. The collected funds will go toward helping to promote the mission of CRS in the greater world.

We collected \$ 695.28.

Unless it extends the circle of its compassion to all living things, humanity will not itself find peace.

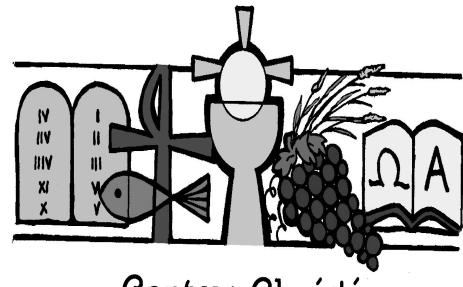
—Michael Nagler



Prayer for the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

O Lord Jesus Christ,
you have given us your
precious Body and Blood to
ber our meat and drink,
grant that through frequent
reception of you in the Holy
Eucharist, I may be
strengthened in mind and
body to do your holy will.

Jesus in the Blessed
Sacrament, have
mercy on us.
Amen



Corpus Christi

Treasures from our Tradition

At the heart of today’s solemnity is a eucharistic procession, held in many parishes, that calls to mind the procession of Holy Thursday, yet has a purpose different from the somber adoration in the night watch. In the late Middle Ages, a procession through the city with the Blessed Sacrament was an occasion of heartfelt joy and great emotion. In a time when people seldom approached the altar to receive Holy Communion, the procession through the streets, past homes and workplaces, was a vibrant reminder that Christ was with them as a dear companion and guide.

Every year on this day, a joyful procession winds through the streets of Rome from the Lateran cathedral. A few years ago, Pope John Paul II, deeply moved at the sight of the throng accompanying the sacred host, said that we ought to feel profoundly united with the faithful everywhere in the world at such a moment. “Before our mind’s eye all the Churches of the world, from East to West, from North to South, are present.” Originally this feast was on the Thursday after Trinity Sunday, but after the calendar reform of 1970, its title was expanded from “Corpus Christi” to “The Body and Blood of Christ” and in the United States it was moved to the Sunday after Trinity Sunday. Even though Easter season ended two weeks ago, this beautiful feast is aglow with Easter light.

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