

**October 22, 2017**  
**Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time**



**ST. CATHERINE**

**OF SIENA ST. LUCY**

**PASTORAL TEAM**

**Rev. George Omwando, Pastor**  
**Rev. John J. Carolan, Pastor Emeritus**  
**Ms. Gail Rohmann, Music Director**  
**Sr. Marion Cypser, RSM, School Co-Principal &**  
**Mrs. Sharon Leamy, School Co-Principal**  
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**Ms. Patricia Pomykalski, Business Manager**  
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**Hours:** 8:30 AM-8:00 PM—Monday, & Thursdays  
Tuesday, Wednesday, & Fridays: 8:30 AM—4:30 PM  
Saturday 9:00 AM—4:30 PM; Sunday 8:30 AM—12:00 PM  
**School -** 27 Washington Blvd.; Oak Park, IL 60302  
**Telephone:** 708-386-5286

**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,

We are getting toward the end of our Ordinary Time in our Church, and the weather is also changing as it is getting relatively chilly every day. I have never been fond of the cold weather; however, I do love the changes in the different seasons that we go through. Sometimes, I feel sad as summer is coming to an end but there is one thing that makes me hopeful; that another summer will come and different seasons of the year bring different enthusiasms.

And now that everyone is very busy with Fall activities, our community is also getting busy and there are few items that I want to highlight. First, our annual **All Hallows Eve Bake Sale** is approaching (October 28 & 29), and the fundraising committee is requesting for your full participation. They ask that you bake something with a Halloween theme and bring it to Maguire hall for sale (as the letter that some of you may have received in your mail boxes had explained). All the fundraising projects or social events run throughout the year benefit the community directly. It is because of their effort that has made our projects to be successful. We wish to thank the fundraising committee team members for their hard work and dedication to our parish.

The month of November is **National Black Catholic History Month**, and in commemoration of it, the parish community is welcoming Dr. Vanessa White who is going to speak about African-American Catholic as an “*Authentically Black and Truly Catholic*”. This event is critical and I am asking everyone to come on the night of November 9th to listen to her speech as it is related to the process currently being undertaken in the entire Archdiocese of Chicago, the **RENEW MY CHURCH INITIATIVE**.

**Our 60th Christmas Bazaar and Luncheon** is getting very close too. This event is one of our great fundraising tools but also demanding in terms of execution. It is a great event in the sense that the money that is received is used for budget planning. I encourage you to read our bulletin carefully and find out how you can help.

Finally, I am very happy to let you know that because of your generosity we have exceeded this year’s goal of our *Catholic Annual Appeal*. Despite of our small numbers of people that attend mass regularly, we have exceeded our Annual Catholic appeal by almost \$7000. This amount will be given back to the our parish. I also encourage you to continue fulfilling your pledges on the **TEACH WHO CHRIST IS** campaign.

May God bless you.

*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.



# Mass Intentions for the Week

**Mon. October 23**

8:30 † **Geri Ernst**  
By: Evie Stockinger

**Tue. October 24**

8:30 † **Thomas Gelderman**  
By: Tom and Pat Nelson

**Wed. October 25**

8:30 † **Lionel Thymes, Jr.**  
By: Grace Bishop

**Fri. October 27**

8:30 † **Aline Darang**  
By: Michelle Darang-Coleman

**Sat. October 28**

9:00 † **Joseph-Thomas**  
By: Michelle Darang-Coleman  
5:00 † **Deceased Members of the Yee Family**

**Sun. October 29**

8:30 **FOR THE PEOPLE OF OUR PARISH**  
8:30 † **Dianne Dakas**  
By: Elaine Podraza  
10:30 † **Paulette Dutel-Bredy**  
By: The Vincent Family

## Our Parish Stewardship St. Catherine-St. Lucy Church



October 15, 2017	\$ 3,817.00
On-Line GiveCentral	\$ 852.00
Weekly Budget	\$ 7,308.00
<b>DEFICIT</b>	\$ -2,639.00

Online donations can be made to St. Catherine-St. Lucy Parish at [www.givecentral.org](http://www.givecentral.org)

Thanks for your continued financial support!

## Today's Readings

**First Reading** — The Lord said to Cyrus, his anointed, "I am the Lord, there is no other" (Isaiah 45:1, 4-6).

**Psalm** — Give the Lord glory and honor (Psalm 96).

**Second Reading** — Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy to the church of the Thessalonians: We thank God always for all of you (1 Thessalonians 1:1-5b).

**Gospel** — Give to Caesar what is Caesar's, and to God what is God's (Matthew 22:15-21).

The English translation of the Psalm Responses from Lectionary for Mass. © 1969, 1981, 1997, International Commission on English in the Liturgy Corporation. All rights reserved.

## Readings for the Week

Monday: Rom 4:20-25; Lk 1:69-75; Lk 12:13-21  
 Tuesday: Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21; Ps 40:7-10, 17; Lk 12:35-38  
 Wednesday: Rom 6:12-18; Ps 124:1b-8; Lk 12:39-48  
 Thursday: Rom 6:19-23; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 12:49-53  
 Friday: Rom 7:18-25a; Ps 119:66, 68, 76-77, 93-94; Lk 12:54-59  
 Saturday: Eph 2:19-22; Ps 19:2-5; Lk 6:12-16  
 Sunday: Ex 22:20-26; Ps 18:2-4, 47, 51; 1 Thes 1:5c-10; Mt 22:34-40

## Saints and Special Observances

Sunday: Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time;  
World Mission Day  
Monday: St. John of Capistrano  
Tuesday: St. Anthony Mary Claret  
Saturday: Ss. Simon and Jude

## LITURGICAL MINISTERS

### OCTOBER 29, 2017

**5:00 PM**                      **8:30 AM**                      **10:30 AM**

#### Altar Servers

Michael Giometti	Tom Frank	Mireille Lozes
Mark Thomas	Kevin Morgan	Ian Elsen

#### Ministers of the Word

Frank Pond	Wrenetha Julion	Kim McGuire
Dan Brown	Shirley Jones	Terry Sullivan

#### Ministers of the Eucharist

<b>Dan Brown</b>	<b>Elaine Podraza</b>	<b>Diana Cameron</b>
Carol Brown	Ginny Jones	Bill Holmes
Jack Kernan	Walter Washington	Pat Long
Pat Koko	Kathy Mortell	Bern Wheel
	Fannie Cooper	Marie Wheel
	Marge Massarello	Shelby Boblick

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.

## OCTOBER 29, 2017– 30<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### First Reading: Exodus 22:20-26

The book of Exodus recounts how the Jews escaped from slavery in Egypt and made a covenant with God at Mount Sinai. While we're familiar with the 10 Commandments as part of this covenant, God also included other laws. Note that many of them deal with how we treat other people.

### Second Reading 1 Thessalonians 1:5-10

Some geography will help us appreciate this reading. Macedonia was a Roman province in northern Greece in which the city of Thessalonica was located. Achaia was the province in southern Greece to which Paul journeyed after preaching to the Thessalonians. In this, his first letter to the Thessalonians, Paul reports that, on his journey, he learned that their exemplary faith was already known and talked about throughout Greece.



### Bible Study - Tuesdays 9:30 AM

Please consider in joining us every Tuesday at 9:30 AM only for Bible Study in 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.

## The Parish Pastoral Council Needs You !!

Share your talents and abilities for the parish by joining the Parish Pastoral Council (PPC)! The PPC is an advisory group that meets with Father George, 8 (eight) times a year. We listen to what Father has been dealing with, discuss parish needs and share with him our various perspectives. No special skills needed; simply a genuine concern about our parish.

If you might be interested, please call Fr. George at 708-386-8077 or Madonna Sloan at 773-921-4246.



## Praying for the Sick In Our Parish

Coletta Ali, Gregory Ballew, Ernestine Bishop, Rev. John Carolan, Myriam Claude, Lillian Czaplicki, Louis Dieguez, Normantha Evans, Anita Evenson, Lorri Fisk, Ben Hapka, Phillip Jones, Donna Kanapes, Paul Koko, Kate Kroker, Ron Page, Albert Parker, Charles Powell, Jr., Carlton Shanks, Kate Shoevlin, Sue Vanek, and Diane Ward

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.



## Trinity H.S. Open House in River Forest

Will take place on Sunday, October 29th, Noon.

### Trinity's 8th Grade Entrance Exam

Will take place on Saturday, December 2nd, 8:00 AM. Registration open online on November 19th.

**Call 708-453-8342 for information**

27 W. Washington Blvd.  
Oak Park, IL 60302

708-386-5286

## School News



..#On Friday October 27, our 8th Grade will sponsor the 1st Annual Family Basketball Challenge! The students will play against their parents. There is a \$5 entrance fee per family. Cheering fans are welcome. Refreshments will be served. The fun starts at 7:30pm.

..#Our annual candy fundraiser has kicked off this month. We're selling World's Finest Chocolate for \$1 per bar. Please contact the school office at 708-386-5286 if you are interested in buying a supply. You can never have too much chocolate!

..#The school's website is getting a new look, thanks to the hard work of Lisa Rieger and Mary Sim. It should be up and running by the beginning of November.

..#Our little ones will be in costume on Halloween. Visitors are welcome to "Trick or Treat" with them!

..#The students will be celebrating All Souls Day on Thursday, November 2, at 8:30am Mass.

## Remember a Loved One

We have the 2018 Mass book available. Mass intentions are only \$10.00.

Please come to the Rectory to request your Masses. Remember your loved ones or any other special occasion.

## An Invitation

A well organized **Boy Scout Troop** meets at Brooks Middle School in Oak Park on Thursday evenings from 7:30-9:00 PM. Boys aged 11-13 are most welcome to join. This is a full uniformed Troop—no jeans. We also will have a brief review of food borne diseases, related to the Cooking Merit Badge, and selections from the First Aid Merit Badge. Brooks Middle School is located at 900 W. Washington Blvd. in Oak Park. Call 708-456-0730 for more details. There are annual dues — we sell nothing.

St. Catherine of Siena-St. Lucy Parish  
**Christmas Bazaar**  
**Season of Light**  
 Friday, November 10 and Saturday, November 11  
 Luncheon – Saturday, November 11<sup>th</sup>

Here's what you can do to help make this year's bazaar successful and fun:  
Please include your name and intended booth for all your most welcome donations. Questions? Please call Cynthia at 773-379-6326 or Jeanette at 708-771-0626

Donate	Booth	Notes	Delivery Date/Where
Decorative items, household items, costume jewelry, etc.	<b>White Elephant</b>	Items you no longer use that are in very good condition	<b>Before October 28th (Sat) Rectory</b>
Inexpensive toys (\$1 and up) or cash donations to be used to purchase toys for the booth that have been popular in past years.	<b>Toy Booth</b>	Please write "Carol Frank" on your cash donation envelope.	<b>Before October 28th (Sat) Rectory</b>
New items valued between \$25-\$75. Theme baskets of consumables (food, wine, restaurant gift certificates) have been very popular.	<b>Silent Auction</b>	Please provide a list of items and the value of the donation along with your name. Arrange items in your container (if there is one) so bidders can see everything.	<b>Before November 4<sup>th</sup> (Sat) Rectory</b>
New household items, toys, and retail gift cards.	<b>Jar Raffle</b>	Please mark donation for Jar Raffle.	<b>Before October 28th (Sat) Rectory</b>
New items. Fannie May Candy has been popular or small new decorative items.	<b>Raffle of the Day (Pick a Prize)</b>	Please mark donation for Raffle of the Day	<b>Before November 4<sup>th</sup> (Sat) Rectory</b>
Homemade cookies, chocolate covered pretzels, cupcakes & candy are popular, particularly on Friday when the children shop. Saturday, breads and other baked goods are most welcome. We would love to include some gluten free items.	<b>Bakery</b>	Friday items are for our school students looking for something small & sweet to eat! Saturday is for the general public and luncheon attendees Please bring to Maguire Hall.	<b>November 10<sup>th</sup> (Fri.) 8:00 to 11:00. November 11<sup>th</sup> (Sat.) 8:30 to 10:00 Maguire Hall</b>

In commemoration of November as National Black Catholic History Month St. Catherine of Siena – St. Lucy Parish, 38 N. Austin Blvd., Oak Park, IL welcomes everyone to hear *Dr. C. Vanessa White* speak about African-American Catholics as **“Authentically Black and Truly Catholic.”**



At Catholic Theological Union, Dr. White is Assistant Professor of Spirituality and Ministry Director of the Master of Arts in Pastoral Studies and the Master of Arts in Specialized Ministries as well as the Director of the Certificate in Pastoral Studies. Dr. White is extensively published and a sought-after presenter.

St. Catherine of Siena – St. Lucy Praise Choir will open the evening with songs in the African-American tradition under the direction of Dr. Julius White.

**Thursday, Nov. 9, 2017 at 7:30 p.m.**

**Advance registration is not required. A minimum free-will donation of \$10 per person is appreciated.**

The church is accessible by ramp, and assistive listening devices are available. Questions? Call the Rectory at 708-386-8077

**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*

**Update Personal Info**

We are asking you to please update us with your cell phone number and e-mail address. Many people have cancelled their landlines and have not given us their new number. Please contact Amanda at 708-386-8077 or [apomaredascsoffice@comcast.net](mailto:apomaredascsoffice@comcast.net)

**St. Catherine of Siena - St. Lucy  
60th Anniversary — Christmas Bazaar**

Friday, November 10, 2017; Noon - 6 pm  
Saturday, November 11, 2017; 10 am - 4 pm

*Luncheon served at 1 pm on Saturday*  
Luncheon: Adults \$18; Children 12 & under \$11  
In Maguire Hall: 28 North Austin Blvd. - Oak Park, Il.



**BOOTHS:**

- New Toys \$1.00 and up
- Baked Goods
- White Elephant Items
- "RBC Jewelry" by *Pat Koko*
- Candles by "Bright Endeavors" (Sat. only)
- Handmade Crafts by SCC - OPRF, Lifelong Learning Center (Sat. only)

***Silent Auction 10am—2:15pm on SAT ONLY***

**RAFFLES:**

- Big Raffle - Tickets \$2.00 or 6 for \$10
- \* Handmade Quilt      \* Samsung Galaxy Tablet
- \* Madeline" & Friends Furnished Doll House (with dolls)
- \* Art Glass Piece      \* \$250

Jar Raffle - Tickets \$.25 or 5 for \$1.00 Pick a Prize Raffle - Tickets \$.50 each

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**\*\*\* RESERVATIONS \*\*\* Return by 11/4/17**

\_\_\_\_\_ Number of ADULT Luncheons @ \$18.00 each  
\_\_\_\_\_ Number of CHILD Luncheons -- age 12 & under @ \$11.00 each

**Enclosed is:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for Luncheon Reservations  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ for Raffle Tickets @ \$2.00 each/6 for \$10  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Donation  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ TOTAL (checks payable to St Catherine/St Lucy Parish)

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

*Credit Cards Accepted (No American Express) Handicapped Accessible. Info call 708-386-8077*

**PLEASE PRINT**

Your Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

RESERVATIONS FOR: (make sure to include yourself!)

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- 2. \_\_\_\_\_ 7. \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. \_\_\_\_\_ 8. \_\_\_\_\_
- 4. \_\_\_\_\_ 9. \_\_\_\_\_
- 5. \_\_\_\_\_ 10. \_\_\_\_\_

**REMEMBER:** Discount if you reserve for 8 or more AND payment & names provided at one time.  
Discounted to \$17.00 Adult, \$10.00 Child