

ST. CATHERINE



OF SIENA ST. LUCY

JANUARY 30, 2022
FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



PASTORAL TEAM

Rev. John McGivern, Administrator

Mrs. Sharon Leamy, Principal

Mr. Julius White, Praise Choir Director

SUPPORT STAFF

Ms. Patricia Pomykalski, Business Manager

Mr. Ludwig Weiss, School Operations Director

Mrs. Amanda Pomareda, Office Manager

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Hours: 8:30 AM-4:30 PM—Monday through Friday

Saturday 9:00AM—4:30PM; **Sunday** 8:30 AM—12:00 PM

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Telephone: 708-386-5286

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday Masses:

Tuesday, and Wednesday- 8:30am - Main Church

NO Thursday Mass

At. St. Edmunds: Monday, Friday- 8:30am

Weekend Masses:

Saturday Evening - 5:00 pm

Sunday Morning - 9:00 am

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. (cont'd in pg.2)



Thoughts From Rev. John W. McGivern, Administrator

Dear Parishioners,

From January 18 – 25, Christian Churches throughout the world observed the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. Most Christians are unfamiliar with it. It isn't a headline-grabbing kind of week, although even considering the possibility that all Christian denominations might one day unite, is a bold, albeit necessary consideration. It is a bold consideration because the history of Christianity has rarely experienced complete unity. It is necessary because our Lord Jesus has exhorted all faithful people to strive for the unity that he shares with his heavenly Father.

Of course, you and I need not look beyond our own wonderful worship community to realize that unity is hard to achieve, even amid people who choose to express their faith within the same Christian tradition. Imagine the difficulty, then, to envision unity among people from all the Christian religions.

Here is a question for you; it is one about which I've given some thought: Must the diversity among Christian believers only be understood in terms of separation? It is my belief and my experience that unity among people happens when we share our hopes and dreams, struggles, pains, and joys with one another. When we do this, we experience our shared humanity, and we do so without ever compromising our diversity which makes us uniquely ourselves. With the realization that unity among people happens with our differences notwithstanding, with even an appreciation for our diversity, then the language of division becomes irrelevant, or far less important. From such a perspective, perhaps we can begin to imagine a future unity among Christians. Oh, I know that there are some large obstacles to that future, but we must begin somewhere, and doing so in the midst of our shared human experiences seems to me the perfect, really, the only place to start.

Fr. John McGivern

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

Liturgy Committee:

Chair: Phil Kroker
Vice-Chair: Joyce Wade
Secretary: Andrea Legatzky
Celebration Choir: TBA
Praise Choir: Julius White
Greeters & Ushers: Jim Lewis

PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

Juan Perez

SPIRITUAL LIFE COMMISSION

Faith & Fellowship: Connie Rakitan

Ministers of the Eucharist & Ministers of the Word:

Jeanne Visteen

Servers: Kathy Paoli

Ministers of Care: Rev. John McGivern

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA):

Kevin Morgan

Women's Ministry: Shelby Boblick

HUMAN CONCERNS COMMISSION

Peace & Justice Committee: Kevin Morgan

ADULT EDUCATION COMMISSION

Baptism Com.: Rev. John McGivern

Religious Education of Children: Janet Bennick 's

St. Edmunds Rel. Ed. Coordinator

St. Catherine/St. Lucy School:

School Board Chair: Natasha Lee

PARISH DEVELOPMENT & SERVICES COMMISSION

Facilities Com. Jim Podraza, Amanda Pomareda

Fundraising Committee:

Pat Nelson / Cynthia Weaver

Weddings: Please contact Fr. John McGivern to set a wedding date. Allow at least 6 months in advance 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.

Ministry to the Sick, Hospitalized and Shut-In

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

Funerals:

Please call the Rectory to set-up arrangements with the Christian Burial Mass.

Newcomers

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

Mass Intentions for the Week

Tue. February 1

8:30 † **Jim Marshall**
By: Bob Nix

Wed. February 2

8:30 † **Hana St. Juliana**
By: Donna Kanapes
† **Luke Podraza**
By: Elaine and Jim Podraza

Sat. February 5

5:00 † **Vicente Yee-Canama**
By: The Yee Family
† **Ann Protz**
By: Thom and Sue Schouten

Sun. February

9:00 † **FOR THE PEOPLE OF OUR PARISH**
† **Georgine Mullen**
By: Tom Farwell
† **Donna Konecki** (25TH ANN. OF DEATH)
By: The Konecki Family

Readings for the Week

Monday: 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13; Ps 3:2-7;
Mk 5:1-20
Tuesday: 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30 — 19:3;
Ps 86:1-6; Mk 5:21-43
Wednesday: Mal 3:1-4; Ps 24:7-10; Heb 2:14-18;
Lk 2:22-40 [22-32]
Thursday: 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12; 1 Chr 29:10-12;
Mk 6:7-13
Friday: Sir 47:2-11; Ps 18:31, 47, 50, 51; Mk 6:14-29
Saturday: 1 Kgs 3:4-13; Ps 119:9-14; Mk 6:30-34
Sunday: Is 6:1-2a, 3-8; Ps 138:1-5, 7-8;
1 Cor 15:1-11 [3-8, 11]; Lk 5:1-

Saints and Special Observances

Sunday: Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time;
Catholic Schools Week
Monday: St. John Bosco
Tuesday: Lunar New Year 4720
Wednesday: The Presentation of the Lord;
World Day for Consecrated Life;
Groundhog Day
Thursday: St. Blaise; St. Ansgar; Blessing of Throats
Friday: First Friday
Saturday: St. Agatha; First Saturday

Our Parish Stewardship

St. Catherine-St. Lucy Church



January 23, 2022	\$ 1,915.00
On-Line GiveCentral	\$ 863.00
Weekly Budget	\$ <u>7,308.00</u>
DEFICIT	\$ -4,530.00

Online donations can be made to St. Catherine-St. Lucy Parish at: www.givecentral.org
Thanks for your continued financial support!

Today's Readings

First Reading — God appoints Jeremiah as prophet to the nations (Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19).

Psalm — I will sing of your salvation (Psalm 71).

Second Reading — Love with its many facets is the most important of the virtues (1 Corinthians 12:31 — 13:13 [13:4-13]).

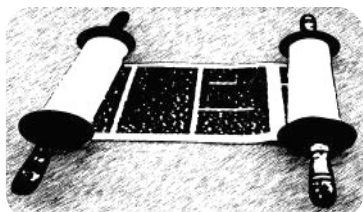
Gospel — When Jesus claims his salvific mission is for all people, not just the Jews, he is expelled by the enraged members of the Nazarean synagogue (Luke 4:21-30).

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LITURGICAL MINISTERS—FEB. 2022

<u>Feb. 5-6</u>	<u>Lector</u>	<u>Communion Min</u>
Sat Sun (AAH) 10 AM	Frank Pond Renee Smith-Quinn	Pat Koko Diana Cameron Jeanne Visteen
<u>Feb. 12-13</u>		
Sat Sun	Christine Wedekind Kevin Morgan	Lessie Dean Diana Cameron
<u>Feb. 19-20</u>		
Sat Sun	Paul Knight Marcie Morgan	Pat Koko Mary Howard
<u>Feb. 26-27</u>		
Sat Sun	Frank Pond Pat Nelson	Lessie Dean Kathy Mortell

1st & 2nd Readings for the upcoming Sunday are offered to help all of us.



FEBRUARY 6 2022—

5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Isaiah 6: 1-8

The prophet Isaiah lived about 750 years before Christ. His enthusiastic response to God's call led to a prophetic career that lasted over 40 years. In this brief passage, we find not only the source for the "Holy, Holy" in the Mass, but also the prayer before reading the Gospel (asking God to cleanse one's lips), and finally the refrain from a frequently used contemporary hymn.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15: 1-11

We continue our reading from Paul's first letter to the Corinthians. Some members of the community had questioned the bodily resurrection of Jesus, and our own resurrection as well. This passage is Paul's response. It pre-dates the Gospels and is the oldest written record of the Church's core tradition about Christ's resurrection.



Update Personal Info

Please DO NOT FORGET to update us with your new phone numbers, e-mail address, or any other change of status. Please contact Amanda at 708-386-8077 or via e-mail at: apomaredascsoffice@comcast.net



Praying for the Sick In Our Parish

Coletta Ali, Danita Bowie, Jeanette Cannon, Judy DesLauriers, Katherine Fisher, Bill Holmes, Phillip Jones, Donna Kanapes, Paul Koko, Hardie Kressler, Kathleen Kroker, Marilyn McFall, Victoria Olvera, Raul Perez, Nbil Sabeil, Shelley Sandow, Joann Taylor, LaNedra Vaughn, and Howard Visteen.

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 parish office during office hours. Thanks

Communion & Anointing of the Sick

Our Communion Ministers are ready to go into personal visits again after COVID restrictions have lifted.

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.

2022 Mass Book Open

If you have a loved one who is ill or has passed away ... or any special occasion or petition you'd like to bring before the Lord ... consider this offering your prayers at a Mass.

Our books are open for personal intentions for the 2022 year.

Parish Calendars

We still have the new Parish 2022 Calendars. They are available in the gathering area and the Washington Blvd. exit after all Masses.

27 W. Washington Blvd.
Oak Park, IL 60302
708-386-5286



School Scoop

- ..# 1/30 – Catholic Schools Week begins.
- ..# Students in Kindergarten through Grade 8 will take Round 2 of their I-Ready diagnostic tests next week. They have all been working hard, and we anticipate seeing good growth.
- ..# Graduation Pictures for 8th Grade are Monday, January 31.
- ..# Students in Preschool-Grade 6 will receive another delivery from Bernie's Books this month, meant for their home library.
- ..# As a reminder, if your child is out for three or more days with an illness, please provide a doctor's note upon return. If you have kept your child home due to a possible exposure, results of a negative test are required.



Sacrament of Reconciliation Confessions 4:00— 4:30 PM Church

Every Saturday from 4:00—4:30 PM
St. Catherine of Siena —St. Lucy Parish is again offering the Sacrament of Reconciliation weekly before the Saturday evening mass.

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Prayer of the Week

Grant us, Lord our God, that we may honor you with all our mind, and love everyone in truth of heart. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.





FAITH & FELLOWSHIP

Meeting Parts - #2

Faith Sharing - In a separate section of the meeting room, a circle of chairs incorporates a cloth-covered table with a plant, a candle, and a Bible. The leader presents a symbol – today, a large bowl of fruit – and leads the group to see in it a particular theme, in this case abundance. We talk about our experiences of abundance: Eric mentions receiving his monthly SSDI allowance; Spring recalls the church potluck meals; Ray John describes his Dad's birthday party. We see that this abundance comes from God, whose love and mercy are so plentiful. The Scripture is read: praise and thanksgiving for this extravagance, and the leader then blesses each person in turn. Prayers of petition and gratitude are spoken, then a hymn, the Lord's Prayer (in various languages according to the group's members), and a rousing hand-clapping "Amen." Someone says, "And let the celebration continue!"

Next week, it shall!



We recommend online giving as a safe, convenient, and easy way to make gifts -- whether it's for your Sunday offering or a one-time gift such as for special collections.

GiveCentral 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.

You can go directly to our website: www.stcatherinestlucy.org and under Steward and giving tab you will be able to find the link to **GiveCentral**

Pray For Our Deceased



Georgine Mullen

RIP 1/13/22

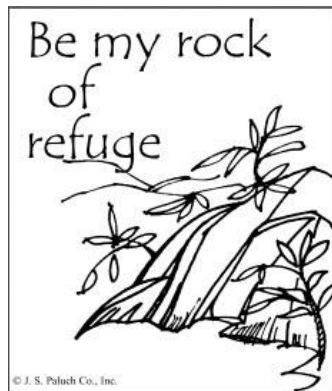
May she rest in peace!

Georgine was a faith-filled parishioner of St. Edmund's Parish. She warmed the hearts of many with her joy for life.

Georgine was the daughter of our faith-filled, dear parishioners, Tom and Carol Frank.

We lift her up with our prayers while we embrace her extended family with a powerful promise of beauty even in our darkest moments.

May the angels lead her into Paradise



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Grief Support Group

St. Giles Parish—

Mc Donough Hall

1101 Columbian Avenue, Oak Park

Now - April 6, 2022

St. Giles Parish, McDonough Hall

GriefShare is a special weekly seminar and support group designed to help you rebuild your life after losing a loved one. Our group is led by caring people who have experienced grief and want to help you through difficult days ahead.

Contact Us Today:

Wednesdays, 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM

To Be a Prophet

Today's readings show us what it is like to be a prophet. As Jeremiah recounts his call, God warns him that he will need strength & perseverance to withstand the hostility he will face from "Judah's kings and princes" and "its priests and people" (Jeremiah 1:18b). God also assures him that they "will not prevail over you, for I am with you" (1:19). The psalm reflects both of these struggles as well as deliverance from them ("salvation").

This is exactly what Jesus experiences in today's Gospel. After he claims that his own mission is the same as what Isaiah proclaimed, at first the people marvel at his "gracious words" (Luke 4:22). Soon, however, they become suspicious, skeptical, and hostile, even threatening to kill him. But just as God promised to deliver Jeremiah, so Jesus "passed through the midst of them and went away" (4:30).

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Food for Thought

A Legacy of Love

Finding light in the depths of darkness,
in seeming perpetuity,
comes with the dawn of recovery.
In conjuring incongruity,

we grieve but will grasp; we hurt but will heal.
Gail Rohmann's left again, this time for good,
but left much good with us.

Her vocal techniques made her choir believe
that singing can be fun, but just don't breathe.

Close to a quarter of her entire life
was dedicated to our church so magnificent,

and its people, so mellifluous.

She embraced the happy—handled the strife.
She shared eagerness, empathy, sensitivity, spirituality;

With her good works,
she had fixation

on the doctrine of salvation.

Gail's moving and majestic singing voice,
with those glorious and golden ringing tones,
embraced people with warm and soothing hugs.

The soft sweetness of its echo lingers...
just listen...listen.

For all that Gail leaves us,
we'll keep our memory lamps trimmed and burning,
and keep the love and laughter in our hearts fully churning.
Gail Ellen Rohmann—her legacy is love.

1/30/22. Tom Lynch

In Loving Memory

Gail E. Rohmann

January 22, 1959 — January 9, 2022

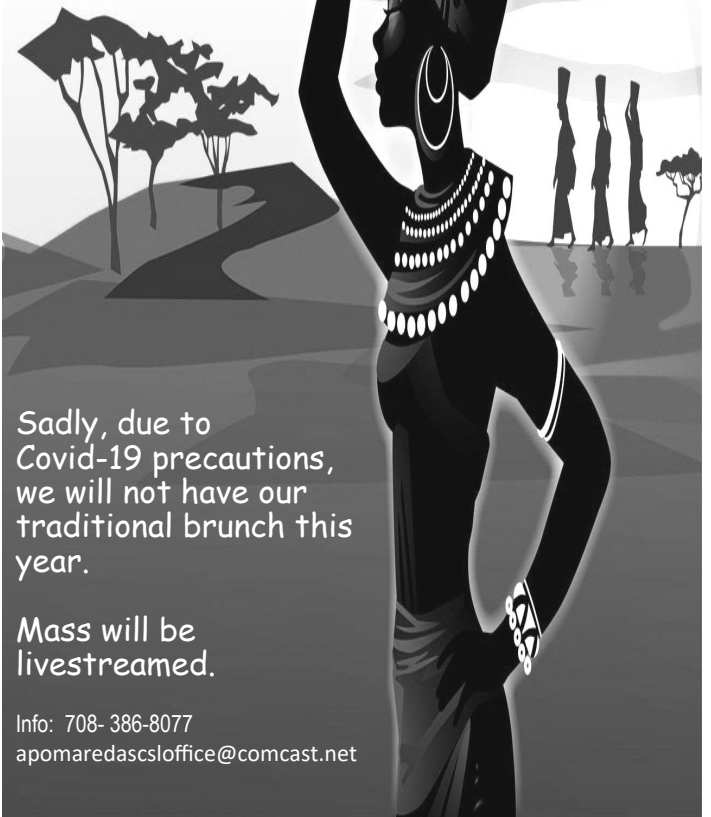
African American Heritage Celebration

**Akwaaba!
Welcome!**

Sunday, February 6th
10:00 am

**St. Catherine –
St. Lucy Church**

**38 N. Austin Blvd.,
Oak Park**



Sadly, due to
Covid-19 precautions,
we will not have our
traditional brunch this
year.

Mass will be
livestreamed.

Info: 708- 386-8077
apomaredascsoffice@comcast.net

2021 Statement of Contributions

Starting this week, you can **request** a list of your
Sunday contributions for the past year. Please call or
write to Amanda at 708-386-8077, via e-mail at:
apomaredascsoffice@comcast.net Thank you.