



ST. CATHERINE

OF SIENA ST. LUCY

MAY 1, 2022

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER



PASTORAL TEAM

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

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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,

Throughout the Easter Season, the first reading at our masses is taken from the Acts of the Apostles. The Acts of the Apostles consists of the written history of the Church at its inception, immediately after the resurrection of our Lord. It is in the Acts of the Apostles that we are first introduced to Saul of Tarsus, whom we more familiarly known as St. Paul. He is considered the great apostle to the Gentiles.

Originally, Saul was a Jew and a persecutor of Christians until his encounter with the Lord Jesus. He was thrown to the ground, was blinded and, as the story goes, spoke directly to the Lord. "Jesus asked him: Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me?" (Interestingly, most people think that Saul was thrown from his horse, although there is no evidence of this.) In the passage from the Acts of the Apostles that we hear today, Saul's conversion to the Faith had already happened. His former zeal to persecute Christians had been transformed into an even greater zeal to preach the Good News of Jesus to everyone he encountered. We seldom hear of such dramatic, 180-degree turns in people's lives. When such a transformation takes place, we tend to sit up and take notice all the more. Though there are few stories that hold the drama and capture the attention as the story of St. Paul's conversion, the stories do exist. For example, throughout the world there are men and women who have recently received the Easter Sacraments, making significant changes in what they believe, and subsequently, in their self-identities, as they relate to what they now believe.

As a priest, I am privileged to be welcomed into the lives of individuals at their most joyful and most sorrowful times, and at moments of upheaval and confusion. What I have learned is that these are usually grace-filled times. In fact, I think of them as threshold moments. They can feel larger than life, and in these big moments (whether they last a day, a week or several months) people often begin see their world with new eyes. These are times when people may question who they are and what they thought they knew or believed. These are also times when people's self-identities and beliefs may be strengthened and re-affirmed, and only completely unreflective individuals remain relatively unchanged. These types of events happen every day to people all around us, and when they happen, they do not typically happen in a vacuum. When we least expect it, you and I will become witnesses to these events and will have the holy privilege to accompany these others at such pivotal moments of life, if only fleetingly. It is our sacred responsibility to be prepared to play our roles. Really, it only requires a measure of kindness, compassion and understanding—a bit of warmth when one is feeling so cold, alone, confused, frightened or uncertain. These are the more ordinary stories about people who may have their faith shaken, who may be encountering the Lord in a new way, and who may be at the onset of making some extraordinary changes in their lives. These, too, are the Acts of modern-day Apostles, if you will. They will not be chronicled in the Scriptures, but for those of us who have encountered such individuals, we have been humbled by their stories of faith and in them, have experienced our own renewed faith and hope.

Of course, on occasion, you and I are not the witnesses, but the Sauls whose lives have been upended, and likewise, we hope that there will be others to accompany us into our new way of being.


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

Women's Ministry: Shelby Boblick

HUMAN CONCERNS COMMISSION**Peace & Justice Committee:**

Kevin Morgan

ADULT EDUCATION COMMISSION

Baptism Com.: Rev. John McGivern

St. Catherine/St. Lucy School:

School Board Chair: Natasha Lee

Fundraising Committee:

Pat Nelson, and Cynthia Weaver

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

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.

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 Parish Office during the week



First Eucharist

Omo Okoeguale is receiving First Communion at St. Catherine of Siena—St. Lucy during Mass this morning. Let's all receive her with open arms.

May God's light guide you, may His words bless you, and may His bread heal you on your First Holy Communion. Congratulations and blessings to you, Omo and all of your family.



The 500 Club Certificates

This fundraiser continues through June 26th with weekly drawings involving all the certificates that have been purchased throughout the season, even those that have already won a prize. Certificates can be purchased at any time, raising funds for the parish and making an opportunity for you, or whoever you may choose to gift with a certificate, to win the weekly prize of \$35. We will have one more special drawing for \$500 instead of \$35 in June.

500 Club information and purchase forms are available in the gathering area of church and in the Parish Office. Applications and payment using a check or cash may be mailed to the parish or put into the collection basket at Mass. To make a purchase with a credit card, use Give Central at

<https://www.givecentral.org/location/364/event/8132>.

Thank you for your support of the parish through this fundraising program. Peace, wellness, and prayers.

~The Fundraising Committee

500 CLUB WINNER

\$ 35.00

May 1, 2021

KATHLEEN NOVY,

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FOODFIRST SUNDAY TODAY

Please leave your non-perishable goods in the back of the church. Thank you!

SAVE THE DATE

On **Sunday, May 15th**, immediately following our 9 am Mass, the parish will host a reception to celebrate **Kevin and Marci Morgan** as Kevin will be a new Deacon!!!

Mark your calendars to join us as we celebrate this milestone in the 6 year journey to become a Deacon.

Light refreshments will be served. If you would like to help with any part of the festivities, please contact any PPC member or Amanda in the office.

Will you please give us a hand?

We need **help** with livestreaming our services.

If you can plug in a computer and hit a 'start' button, you are qualified to help. Please stop and talk to Kevin Morgan or Madonna Sloan. We'd like to get 2 or 3 people so this would be a rotating task and not fall to one or 2 people.

Virtual Crop Walk

CROP Walk: Hunger Walkathon West is again a virtual walk this year.

TODAY: Sunday, May 1, 2022.

As always, 25% of funds raised go to local food pantries in Austin, Oak Park, and Forest Park. If you wish to donate, please do one of the following.

1. Send a check made out to CWS/ CROP to: Bill Cragg, 317 N. Taylor Ave., Oak Park, IL 60302
 2. Go into your computer browser and type in: hwwcrop
- At this Hunger Walkathon West website:

- a. Go to DONATE
- b. Find Team St. Catherine—St. Lucy
- c. Click on this
- d. Go to make donation under St. Catherine-St. Lucy, follow prompts to donate using your Credit Card.

Bill Cragg
CROP Walk Team Leader



Mass Intentions for the Week

Tue. May 3

- † **Joan Walsh**
By: Tom and Pat Nelson
- † **Patricia Hargadon**
By: Jim Hargadon

Wed. May 4

- 8:30 † **Luke Podraza**
By: Jim and Elaine Podraza

Sat. May 7

- 5:00 † **Jeanette Cannon**
By: Jim Hargadon
- † **Annie Smith**
By: Evie Stockinger
- † **Lily May Williams**
By: Evie Stockinger

Sun. May 8—MOTHER'S DAY

- 9:00 **FOR THE PEOPLE OF OUR PARISH**
- † **Arlene Biancalana**
By: Tom and Pat Nelson
 - † **Harry and Gladys Michaels**
By: The Vincent Family
 - † **Gail Rohmann**
By: Jim Hargadon

Today's Readings

First Reading — Brought before the Sanhedrin, the apostles give witness to Jesus Christ.

(Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41).

Psalm — I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me (Psalm 30).

Second Reading — In his vision John sees all in heaven and on earth give honor and glory to the one on the throne and to the Lamb (Revelation 5:11-14).

Gospel — Jesus appears to the disciples by the sea of Tiberias (John 21:1-19 [1-14]).

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Saints and Special Observances

- Sunday: Third Sunday of Easter
- Monday: St. Athanasius
- Tuesday: Ss. Philip and James
- Thursday: National Day of Prayer; Cinco de Mayo
- Friday: First Friday
- Saturday: First Saturday

Our Parish Stewardship

St. Catherine-St. Lucy Church



April 24, 2022	\$ 1,687.00
On-Line GiveCentral	\$ 1,068.00
Weekly Budget	\$ 7,308.00
DEFICIT	\$ -4,553.00

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

Readings for the Week

- Monday: Acts 6:8-15; Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30; Jn 6:22-29
- Tuesday: 1 Cor 15:1-8; Ps 19:2-5; Jn 14:6-14
- Wednesday: Acts 8:1b-8; Ps 66:1-3a, 4-7a; Jn 6:35-40
- Thursday: Acts 8:26-40; Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20; Jn 6:44-51
- Friday: Acts 9:1-20; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Jn 6:52-59
- Saturday: Acts 9:31-42; Ps 116:12-17; Jn 6:60-69
- Sunday: Acts 13:14, 43-52; Ps 100:1-3, 5; Rv 7:9, 14b-17; Jn 10:27-30

LITURGICAL MINISTERS — APRIL 2022

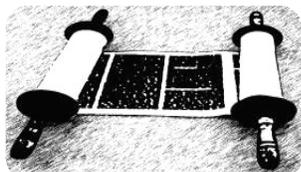
	Lector	Communion Minister
<u>April 30/ May 1</u>		
Sat	Christine Wedekind	Lessie Dean
Sun	Mary Jane O'Brien	Mary Howard



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**

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



MAY 8, 2022
FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

First Reading: Acts 13:14, 43-52

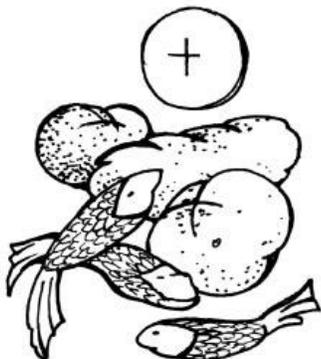
None of the reading at liturgy during the seven-week Easter Season are from the Old Testament. In its place, we read from the Acts of the Apostles to show how the Easter Message spread far and wide to all parts of the Mediterranean world. Today, Paul and Barnabas are preaching in what is now central Turkey.

Second Reading: Revelation 7:9, 14-17

The book of Revelation was not intended to predict actual people and events in future times. The author was concerned only about people and events in his own time and was given no privileged information about the future. In today's passage, the author encourages people of that time by presenting a vision of God's people enjoying heavenly life.

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.



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Praying for the Sick In Our Parish



Coletta Ali, Phyllis Baker, Jane Baker, Mary Barrett, Danita Bowie, Katherine Fisher, Carol Frank, Don Gimbel, Bill Holmes, Phillip Jones, Donna Kanapes, Patrick King, Paul Koko, Kathleen Kroker, Rosie Julion, Jake Lofgren, Carole Sheehan, Joann Taylor, and Meg Welch

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

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.



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 offers the Sacrament of Reconciliation weekly before the Saturday evening mass.

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

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School Scoop

..# Summer Camp - The program will run from June 20-July 29, 2022. Classroom sessions are Mondays through Thursdays, 8:30-11:30am. Contact the School Office for more info.

..# If you have not yet **registered for next school year**, you will be getting a call soon from Mrs. Cooper. Let her know of any problems you may be having or anything we can do for you.

Order of Deacon Event

Congratulations to **Kevin Morgan**. On May 14th, Cardinal Blase Cupich will ordain him to the **Order of Deacon** at Holy Name Cathedral in Chicago. He will be one of twenty men to be ordained as deacons.

Kevin has journeyed through four years of preparation for this day, attending academic classes, formation programs, engaging in extensive theological reflection sessions, retreats, regular spiritual direction, as well as being involved in many liturgical practica and pastoral field education experiences, including an eleven-month internship.

“What or who is a deacon?”

Deacons are ordained to baptize, proclaim the Gospel and preach, assist at the Eucharist, witness marriages, officiate at wakes and funeral services, etc.

And since most deacons work full-time outside the Church, deacons in their workplace (and in the world) are sacramental signs and icons of Christ the Servant visible in the community.

Please keep in your prayers **Kevin Morgan**, all candidates who will be ordained, their wives and families, and all those in formation, that they might continue to answer God's call in their lives.



Food for Thought

The Rising

At nightfall, weeping enters in,
 but with the dawn, rejoicing.
 Hear, O Lord, and have pity on me;
 O Lord, be my helper.
 You changed my mourning into dancing;
 O Lord, my God,
 forever will I give you thanks.
 (Psalm 30:11-13)

Thus says the psalmist: mourning into dancing.
 We entered Holy Week fully prepared
 to live the pain, the horror, the sacrifice
 endured by Jesus in his final,
 crushing days.
 The stability of our faith,
 the sincerity of our love,
 help us emerge from the depths of darkness
 into the brightness and joy of Easter morn.
 The Candle of Sacrifice is still aflame
 on Calvary.

The Easter story of the terrified women
 at the tomb is about coming to faith,
 and about the mysterious transformation
 we refer to as The Resurrection.
 The Risen Christ is the crucified Jesus.
 The two realities—crucified and risen—
 affirm that by his suffering and death,
 on the cross, he fulfilled the law
 and the Prophets.
 Easter means he's alive,
 and by his death has won
 forgiveness for sins
 And freedom from death.
 Faith dawns, and we see the Lord
 everywhere.

5/1/22. Tom Lynch
 Source: NCR, Pat Marrin



Next Weekend there will be a Second Collection for



Mother's Day

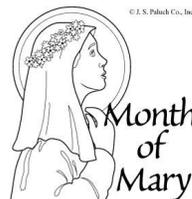
Whether they're young or elderly,
 new mothers or grandmothers, you
 are providing them with food, coun-
 seling, and shelter.
 Nearly 60 percent of the people who
 seek help from Catholic Charities are
 women, most of them mothers and
 grandmothers.

From helping pregnant mothers
 deliver and care for healthy babies to
 supporting aging mothers and grand-
 mothers, Catholic Charities offers a
 full range of services to mothers
 throughout the entire cycle of life.

Friday Night Rosary on ZOOM

During this month of *May...month of
 Mary*, we continue to have the Friday
 night rosary.

Please join us for the Rosary from the
 comfort of your home.



Friday night Rosary
 @7:00 pm
 Zoom Meeting
 Time: This is a
 recurring meet-
 ing

Meeting ID: 865 8895 7490
 Passcode: 634955

Hopefully, we will see you there!

Kevin Morgan

FAITH & FELLOWSHIP

An Invitation to the "Big Shebang"



*Faith & Fellowship has managed to survive and thrive during
 the challenges of Covid, Renew My Church, and the routine ups
 and downs of life. Our parish's love and support has played a
 huge part in making that happen! Please come celebrate with us
 on Wednesday, May 11 - 7 pm Mass followed by dinner. RSVP is
 a must - faith_fellowship@hotmail.com or 708/383-9276.*



ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA ST. LUCY

Raise a slice
 FOR A
**GOOD
 CAUSE**

ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA ST. LUCY PARISH

DATE
 Wednesday, May 25, 2022

LOCATION
 Loui Malnati's Oak Park
 1038 Lake Street
 708-358-0800

FOR QUESTIONS
 Please contact Jeanne Visteen
 708-828-4272
 jvisteen@yahoo.com

Lou Malnati's will donate 20% of total sales to our organization (20% based on pretax purchase,
 excluding alcohol) from every order received from Dine-IN, Carryout or Delivery (within zone).
 Make sure to mention the flyer or fundraiser during your phone order.

*** Includes Online and app ordering. Use code: FUNDSCS22 ***

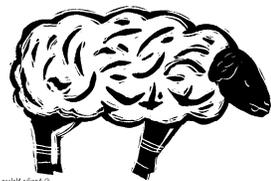
Ascension's Parish Center
Meeting Christ in Prayer
 An 8-Week Life-Enriching Experience Based on
 the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius

- ..# Enrich your prayer life
- ..# Learn new ways of praying
- ..# Meet Christ anew through Scripture and reflection
- ..# Experience a prayer model based on St. Ignatius of Loyola's Spiritual Exercises
- ..# Feel supported in the Christian life in a new way
- ..# Become more aware of God's presence in your daily life.

Donna Ioppolo, a spiritual director in the Ignatian tradition, will facilitate this 8-week seminar at **Ascension's Parish Center Dining Room from 7:30 pm – 9:00 pm** on the following dates: **May 3, May 10, May 24, May 31, June 7, June 14, and June 21.** No Meeting on May 17.

Registration is required. There will be a \$25 fee to cover the cost of program materials. There is an understanding of commitment to attend all 8 sessions. To register, please email llaffe@ascensionoakpark.com and put "Meeting Christ in Prayer" in Subject line.

This event is open to all Oak Park parishes.



"Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power and riches, wisdom and strength, honor and glory and blessing."

— Revelation 5:12

The Well Spirituality Center 1515 W. Ogden Ave,
 La Grange Park, IL 60526
 708 482-5048 | thewell@csjoseph.org



Presents:

Boundless Compassion Retreat
 Sunday, May 1, 7 PM through
 Thursday, May 5, 4 PM (CST)

"Compassion is a necessity, not a luxury. Without it, humanity cannot survive." --Dalai Lama



Based on Joyce Rupp's book, Boundless Compassion, this retreat's presentations, discussions, reflection and prayer time will foster space for you to commit to be a compassionate presence in a troubled world. Facilitated by Mary Dean Pfahler, SND.

Vocations

Living our Call as School Sisters of Notre Dame— Transformative Education

The School Sisters of Notre Dame (SSND) invite women ages 18-45 to an online presentation **Tuesday, May 3 at 7 p.m. CST** to learn more about SSND and their educational vision as it relates to ministries around the globe. Hear from sisters native to Canada, Peru, Hungary, Kenya, Guam, Kenya, Nigeria and the USA as they speak about service in their homelands and beyond. Learn more and register for the Zoom link at ssnd.org/events/5-3-22.

Available Job Position at St. Luke— St. Bernardine Parish

St. Luke and St. Bernardine Parish is seeking to fill the position of Communication Coordinator. This is a professional-level position that writes, edits and manages the parish's bulletin, newsletter, website and other communication media. For more information please contact the parish Operations Director at: dellamdesonia@stlstbparish.org.

Prayer of the Week

May your people exult
 for ever, O God,
 in renewed youthfulness
 of spirit, so that, rejoicing now
 in the restored glory of our adoption,
 we may look forward in confident hope
 to the rejoicing of the day of resurrection.
 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

Holiest Flower

Mary is the lily in God's garden.

—St. Bridget of Sweden