



ST. CATHERINE

OF SIENA ST. LUCY

MAY 8, 2022

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



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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

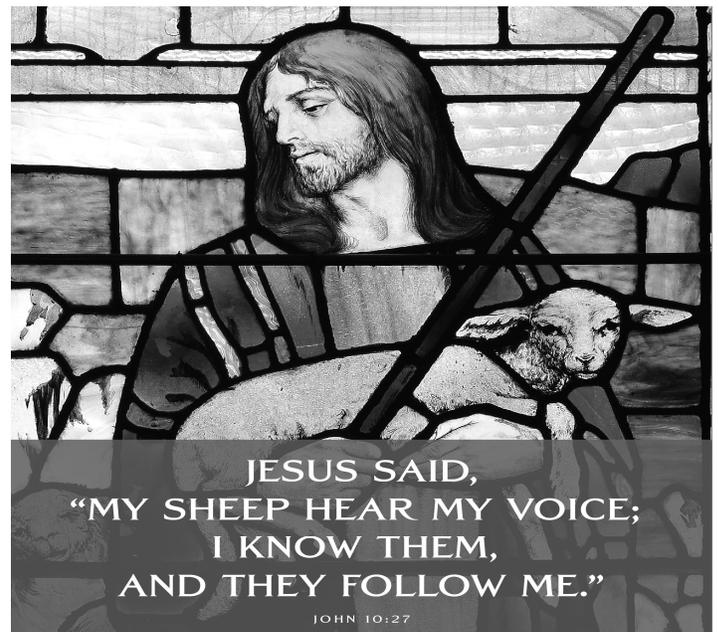
Sacrament of Reconciliation

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)



Dear St. Catherine of Siena – St. Lucy Community:

As of July 1st St. Giles and St. Catherine – St. Lucy will be united as one parish. Many are wondering, what will this mean and what changes will take place. These are valid and good questions. However, there are no clear answers at this time. One thing is certain, ***the doors of St. Catherine-St. Lucy Church will remain open.*** What will the Mass schedule be, how many Masses per week, are questions that cannot be answered right now. The unification may officially begin July 1st, but the next phase of **Building a New Reality** will just begin. This process will take time.

For now, the next step for us will be to create a unification team. This team will be made up of five members from each community. Their goal will be to look at the challenges and opportunities before us to help answer questions that are being asked. This team will also assist us moving forward into a new reality as we become more viable members of the body of Christ within our unified community.

Even though our four Oak Park Parishes have been separated into two parishes, we still have a vision of working together as a larger community in three important areas of shared ministry. We hope to build a strong Religious Education Program for all our families and the children of our wider community as well as work on a shared youth ministry and create an Evangelization team and ministry. I hope this information helps calm any uncertainty and concerns for now.

In closing, I want to thank the members of the parish council for their guidance and leadership during this time. Also, a sincere word of gratitude to Fr. John McGivern, presently Administrator of St. Catherine- St. Lucy parish. He has been a steady and calm presence in this time of transition as we work through the RMC process. Henri Nouwen once said, "Our life is a short opportunity to say yes to God's love." What a beautiful quote to remember as we face the challenges set before us and unify as the family of God working together and growing in faith, hope and love.

In closing, happy Mother's Day to all of our moms, mother's to be and those who mother others in supportive and caring ways. And congratulations to Kevin Morgan who will be ordained a Deacon next Saturday Morning! What a wonderful gift to the community, especially now as we build a new reality. Have a safe and blessed week ahead.

Fr. Carl (pastor in- waiting)



Fr. Carl Morello
St. Giles Parish
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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.

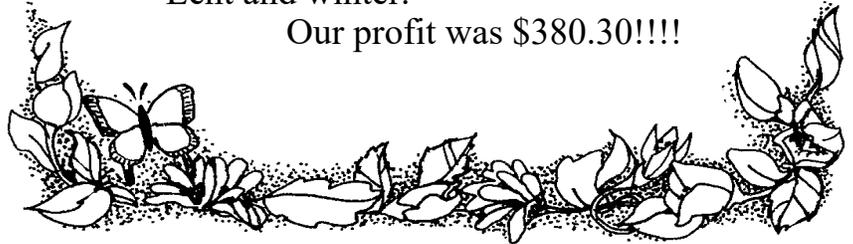
Newcomers: Please fill out a registration form after Mass, or come by the Parish Office during the week



EASTER FLOWER SALE THANK YOU

A big thank you to all who purchased plants at the sale and to the many hands that helped make it happen. It was a nice sign of Spring and the color and fragrance gave us all a lift out of Lent and winter.

Our profit was \$380.30!!!!



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

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 ★ **500 CLUB WINNER** ★
 ★ \$ 35.00 ★
 ★ May 8, 2021 ★
 ★ **ALEX MERCHEN,** ★
 ★ # 55 ★
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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.

A FORETASTE OF PARADISE

Throughout Easter Time, the Church rejoices with Jesus, risen from the dead. Our readings on this Fourth Sunday of Easter celebrate our instinct to come together in joy, worshipping in church. While private prayer nourishes our individual relationship with the Lord, community prayer is a foretaste of paradise. The book of Revelation depicts a "great multitude" worshipping God "day and night in his temple." Our churches on Easter Sunday often reflect this happy multitude, filling the pews to bursting. Four Sundays into the festive season, we are encouraged to keep praising God together. In the Acts of the Apostles, Paul and Barnabas demonstrate their instinct to worship with their faith community each Sabbath, dutifully taking their seats in the synagogue. In the Gospel, Jesus calls us his sheep and reminds us why coming together as a flock is so important: uniting in community, we imitate the unity of God. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.



Mass Intentions for the Week

Tue. May 10

8:30 † **Jim Marshall**
 By: Bob Nix
 † **David Grayson**
 By: Jim Hargadon

Wed. May 11

8:30 † **Luke Podraza**
 By: Jim and Elaine Podraza
 † **Josephine Hargadon**
 By: Jim Hargadon

Sat. May 14

5:00 † **Sally Kellerman**
 By: Tom and Pat Nelson

Sun. May 15

9:00 † **FOR THE PEOPLE OF OUR PARISH**
 † **Alexandre Vincent**
 By: The Vincent Family
 † **Sylvia May**
 By: Tom and Pat Nelson
 † **Rev. John Carolan**
 By: Jim Hargadon

Today's Readings

First Reading — The Jews angrily reject Paul and Barnabas' preaching. They then turn their energies to the Gentiles (Acts 13:14, 43-52).

Psalm — We are his people, the sheep of his flock (Psalm 100).

Second Reading — John envisions a great white-robed multitude standing before the throne and before the Lamb. (Revelation 7:9, 14b-17).

Gospel — My sheep hear my voice; they follow me. I give them eternal life (John 10:27-30).

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JOB DESCRIPTION

Do not feel totally, personally, irrevocably responsible for everything . . . That's my job. —God

Saints and Special Observances

Sunday: Fourth Sunday of Easter; Mother's Day; World Day of Prayer for Vocations
 Tuesday: St. Damien de Veuster; St. John of Avila
 Thursday: Ss. Nereus and Achilleus; St. Pancras
 Friday: Our Lady of Fatima
 Saturday: St. Matthias

SAVE THE DATE

Next **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 their journey to become a Deacon.

Light refreshments will be served.

Readings for the Week

Monday: Acts 11:1-18; Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4; Jn 10:1-10
 Tuesday: Acts 11:19-26; Ps 87:1b-7; Jn 10:22-30
 Wednesday: Acts 12:24 — 13:5a; Ps 67:2-3, 5-6, 8; Jn 12:44-50
 Thursday: Acts 13:13-25; Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25, 27; Jn 13:16-20
 Friday: Acts 13:26-33; Ps 2:6-11ab; Jn 14:1-6
 Saturday: Acts 1:15-17; Ps 113:1-8; Jn 15:9-17
 Sunday: Acts 14:21-27; Ps 145:8-13; Rv 21:1-5a; Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35

LITURGICAL MINISTERS—MAY 2022

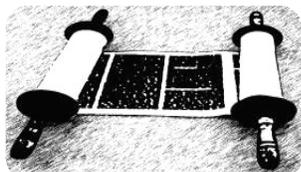
<u>May 7-8</u>	<u>Lector</u>	<u>Communion Min</u>
Sat Sun	Frank Pond Christine Diaz	Pat Koko Annie Rowan
<u>May 14-15</u>		
Sat Sun	Christine Wedekind Bill Holmes	Lessie Dean Kathy Mortell
<u>May 21-22</u>		
Sat Sun	Paul Knight Kevin Morgan	Pat Koko Diana Cameron
<u>May 28-29</u>		
Sat Sun	Christine Wedekind Renee Smith-Quinn	Lessie Dean Fannie Cooper



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 15, 2022

First Reading: Acts 14:21-27
The Acts of the Apostles shows how the Easter message spread to all parts of the Mediterranean world. Today we hear a travelogue of part of one of Paul's missionary journeys that took him to modern-day Turkey, The mountainous terrain there made travel difficult and dangerous. The situation was made even worse because of the constant threat of robbers, flash floods and wild animals.

Second Reading: Revelation 21 : 1-5
Many people think that the book of Revelation gives secret information about future events, including the end of the world. But it was really intended to be a source of hope for Christians suffering persecution toward the end of the first century. The author vividly describes visions of how God will ultimately overcome all evil and bring all creation to its destiny,

MOTHER LOVE
There is only one pretty child in the world, and every mother has it.
—Chinese proverb



Thank You,
Mother.
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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.

Praying for the Sick In Our Parish



Coletta Ali, Phyllis Baker, Jane Baker, 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, LaNedra Vaughn 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 - Only about 12 openings left!! 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.



The Road to Emmaus with the Aramaic Jesus

Sunday's May 15, 2022, 10:00am to 1:00pm — a retreat on Zoom, with Brother Joseph Kilikevce, OP, foundering director of the Shem Center for Interfaith Spirituality, Oak Park, and Dr. Neil Douglas-Klotz, scholar of the Aramaic words of Jesus from ancient Biblical texts. He resides in Scotland.

Deeper meanings of the words of Jesus are revealed when the language he spoke guides our hearing and understanding. We will consider some moments from the latter part of Jesus' life that address some of the same challenges and desperate situations we face today. Viewed through the lens of his native Aramaic language, and with the sincerity of our own hearts, we can be empowered to "do the works that I have done—and greater." (John 14:12)

Pronunciations of selected Aramaic words of Jesus will be taught, English translations, chanting, praying with Holy Icons, spirited conversation between Br. Joseph and Neil, two longtime friends, and the stillness and silence evoked by Jesus' words. Neil will also share from his forthcoming new book, *Revelations of the Aramaic Jesus* (available in October 2022). <https://abwoon.org>

All are welcome. Your donation in any amount is appreciated and will be used to help this work continue.

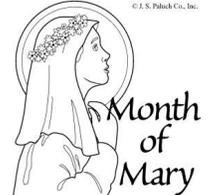
Please register via the link below. You will receive a confirmation email from AddEvent (events@addevent.com) with the Zoom details. (if needed, check your spam folder.) The confirmation email will also give a link for your donation. <https://evt.to/aguadgddw>

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 meeting



Meeting ID: 865 8895 7490
Passcode: 634955

Hopefully, we will see you there!

Kevin Morgan



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ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA ST. LUCY

Raise a slice
FOR A
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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
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jvisteen@yahoo.com

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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



PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Fourth Sunday of Easter
Almighty ever-living God,
lead us to a share in the joys of
heaven,
so that the humble flock may
reach
where the brave Shepherd has
gone before.
Who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

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:

The Majesty of John's Gospel

"My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish. No one can take them out of my hand." (John 10:27-28)

The Church of Christ was formed, when Jesus chose Peter to lead his flock, to feed his lambs and sheep, and Peter in his love of Jesus, took that faith-filled leap. John's final chapter serves to review basic themes from the lives of Jesus, and of his disciples (John 27):

The leadership of Peter's sharing vision;
The Church's international mission
to incorporate new members;
The centrality of forgiveness to heal,
and of reconciliation; the Eucharistic meal;
And the core mystery of the
crucified and risen Jesus.

John recounts the story of the disciples' fishing, and the stranger on the shore.

It was the final appearance of the Risen Lord. Their hearts and souls leapt in glorious accord; they knew it was Jesus.

Their mixed reaction describes the early Church's slow progress in coming to faith. From favored perches they recalled Jesus' loving and eventful life, and celebrated the Eucharist with Jesus present at the table.

John's gospel builds on early traditional Easter accounts which were very transitional: First reports of the empty tomb; women witnesses; Apostle skepticism; strange appearance stories with Jesus unrecognized.

He later meets them in the locked upper room, and sends them forth to teach repentance and forgiveness of sins. In a mind-bending stance, believers embrace the presence of the crucified and risen Jesus before them.

Faith runs throughout John's gospel. He saw the apostles recognize what the resurrection will reveal. Believers will be blessed with the Holy Spirit's Seal. Jesus is the Christ, Beloved Son of the Father, the Eternal Word, and the Savior of the world.

5/8/22. Tom Lynch

Sources: NCR columns by P. Marrin