



ST. CATHERINE

OF SIENA ST. LUCY

JUNE 26, 2022

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



PASTORAL TEAM

Rev. John McGivern, Administrator

Deacon Kevin Morgan

Mrs. Sharon Leamy, Principal

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Hours:

Monday - Friday 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM

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

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Telephone: 708-386-5286

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday Masses:

Tuesday, and Wednesday - 8:30 AM - Main Church
NO Thursday Mass

At. St. Edmund: Monday, Friday - 8:30 AM

Weekend Masses:

Saturday Evening - 5:00 PM

Sunday Morning - 9:00 AM

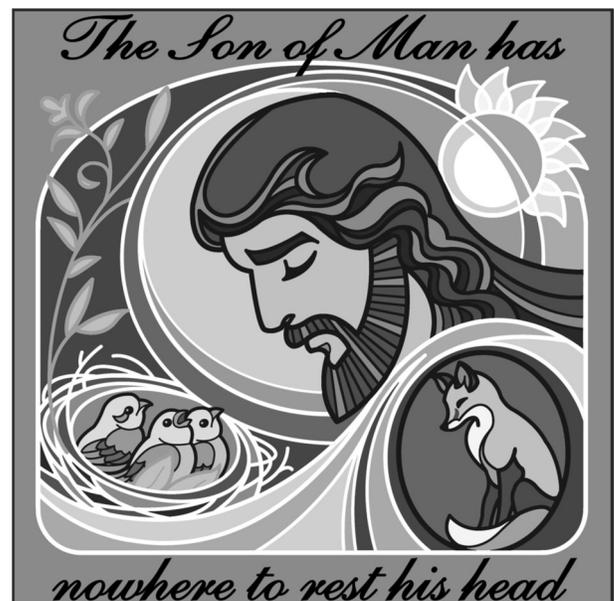
Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday at 4:00 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.



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A note from Fr. Carl

Dear Community Members of St. Giles and St. Catherine-St. Lucy,

Here are some things you should know...

As July 1 quickly approaches and our parishes officially unite as one, for the most part, things will remain the same with a few exceptions. First, our bulletins will become one source of information. We have been working with J.S. Paluch Co., who currently provides both bulletins, to expand and create one new bulletin. Until our unified community decides on a new name for our new identity, the bulletin will be called **St. Catherine of Siena-St. Lucy and St. Giles Parish Bulletin**.

More information will be coming out in July about the naming process. The names of all our church buildings will remain the same. It is the new community formed that takes on a new name. Again, more information will be shared when available and all will have the opportunity to be part of that process.

Also, Matt Brophy, our Operations Director, and Rachel Faulman, my Administrative Assistant, are working together with the office staff and volunteers at St. Catherine-St. Lucy to determine how best to handle calls and business as our parishes become one. Having designated office hours and forwarding calls to the St. Giles receptionists during already existing office hours are items being discussed and decided on as we want to be sure anyone who calls St. Catherine-St. Lucy has their call answered.

At our last unification meeting on June 20, a plan was made to have *Mass Meet and Greets* at both church sites. On the weekend of July 9-10, folks from St. Giles are invited to attend a Mass at St. Catherine-St. Lucy and say hello after Mass to folks there. On July 16-17, St. Catherine-St. Lucy folks will be invited to attend Mass at St. Giles with time for greeting after Mass in the gathering space. Please keep these dates in mind. And, you don't have to wait to attend Mass at either church. In any case, I ask all to be aware of anyone new walking through any of our doors. Let's not forget the importance of a smile and the words, ***Hello, Welcome!!***

To all, BE AWARE!! I have had my e-mail "spoofed" several times now by scammers. The message is sent to those in my contact list, and it sounds as if it is legitimately from me. You are asked to purchase gift cards to help with an urgent matter... and then send the card numbers to "me." Please do not do this, it is a scam! If you look closely at the actual email address sending the request, you will see that it is not my email address of frcarl@stgilesparish.org. Several people have had the good sense to check with me and alert me to what is happening. I wanted to give everyone a heads up.

Finally, this week Monday through Thursday (June 27 - 30), I will be away at our Archdiocesan Priests Convocation with Cardinal Cupich. This is a time for fraternity, prayer, speaker presentations and Mass together as a presbyterate. The theme is Christ, the light of hope in our hurting world. Please pray for the success of our convocation which takes place every four years. Fr. Tom and Fr. Ed will handle the weekday Masses at St. Giles. At St. Catherine-St. Lucy, Deacon Kevin will do a communion service on Tuesday, June 28, with Mass on Wednesday, June 29, at 8:30 a.m. as usual.

My heartfelt gratitude to Fr. John McGivern, who has been administrator of St. Catherine-St. Lucy. I ask that you hold Fr. McGivern in prayer as his role here and as Pastor of St. Edmund comes to a close. He, like all of us in different ways, will begin a new chapter in his life. As this unification process brings about changes, challenges and new opportunities, I'd like to share this verse from a prayer called, A Covenant Prayer, a Psalm of Trust. We prayed it at our joint Unification Team meeting last week.

"Blessed be the God who unites two streams to form one active current together, enriching the lives of all on whom our fullness overflows.

Blessed be the God who sinks deep roots in us as the new creation of church taking the best of what has been for the seeds of what will be."

And with the Spirit to guide us let us say, AMEN!

Have a blessed week ahead.

With you a Christian. For you a priest.

Fr. Carl

Mass Intentions for the Week

- Tue. June 28**
8:30 † **Luke Podraza**
 By: Elaine and Jim Podraza
- Wed. June 29**
8:30 † **Jim Marshall**
 By: Bob Nix
- Sat. July 2**
5:00 † **Mimi Reinhard**
 By: Tom and Pat Nelson
- Sun. July 3**
9:00 † **Donald Tittle**
 By: Tom and Pat Nelson
- † **Georgine Mullen**
 By: Marci and Kevin Morgan

Praying for the Sick In Our Parish



Coletta Ali, Phyllis Baker, Jane Baker, Marge Bowers, Danita Bowie, Katherine Fisher, Carol Frank, Bill Holmes, Phillip Jones, Donna Kanapes, Patrick King, Paul Koko, Hardie Kressler, Kathleen Kroker, Rosie Julion, Jake Lofgren, Carole Sheehan, Joann Taylor, and LaNedra Vaughn.

The name of your close relative will remain on this list for four weeks. We ask that you contact the Parish Office to provide us with an update to have a name remain on the list. If you wish to include a name of a sick member of your family here, please contact Rachel Faulman at 708-386-8077 or parish@stcatherinestlucy.org. Thank you.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS—JUNE 2022

June 25-26		
Sat	Frank Pond	Lessie Dean
Sun	Bill Holmes	Mary Howard



Faith & Fellowship

Our Litany of Gratitude

Covid, Renew My Church, and our pastor's departure had us pretty worried. Enter Father John McGivern. He listened carefully and lovingly when we explained Faith & Fellowship to him... encouraged us to keep on doing our thing... added us to the parish "Give Central" web page... spruced up our digital logo... announced our need for Catechists which recruited a volunteer from St. Edmund's... spoke to Fr. Carl on our behalf... expressed friendship and support...and now we're not worried.

So *thank you*, Father John, God bless you, and as we say at all our meetings, *Shalom to our friend*.

Communion Visits & Anointing of the Sick

Please contact the Parish Office at 708-386-8077, or at parish@stcatherinestlucy.org, 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 location.

The 500 Club Certificates

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THIS IS THE FINAL WEEKEND OF THE 2021-2022 SEASON OF THE 500 CLUB. THROUGH YOUR GENEROUS PARTICIPATION WE HAVE RAISED ALMOST \$8000 DURING THIS SEASON TO BE USED TOWARD GENERAL OPERATING EXPENSES OF THE PARISH. DURING THE 29 SEASONS OF THE 500 CLUB WE HAVE RAISED ALMOST \$189,000 TO BE USED FOR SPECIFIC PROJECTS IN THE CHURCH, RECTORY, AND MAGUIRE HALL ALONG WITH GENERAL OPERATING EXPENSES. WE HAVE ALL BENEFITTED FROM THE FUN AND CONSISTENCY OF THIS PARISH FUNDRAISER. THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT AND PARTICIPATION!!!

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A Summer 2022 Series for All

“The God that we were brought up on is not big enough to be God. To be both religious and spiritual, modernity must be able to absorb the notion of a cosmic and evolving God. This notion redefines the place and purpose of humanity itself. The old notions of who is in charge, who is superior and whose theology is paramount is in a state of flux. Unless, or until, this new vision comes into play, directs our hearts, guides our business, underlies our technology, the world itself is not ready to understand or survive the horizon of Newness on which it stands.”

--Joan Chittister

On 6 Thursdays, we will meet outdoors in the back yard of the Vernon Family at

7 Elizabeth Court, Oak Park, IL.

We will share rituals, reflections, contemplative prayer and meditation, prayerful sacred movement, and some inspiration from important thinkers, like the Dalai Lama, Desmond Tutu, and Joan Chittister. Our structure will reflect “The Eight Pillars of Joy” from the 2016 Book of Joy co-authored by the Dalai Lama and Desmond Tutu.

June 30 – Perspective & Humility

July 14 – Humor & Acceptance

July 28 – Forgiveness

Aug. 4 – Gratitude

Aug. 11 – Compassion

Aug. 25 – Generosity

We’ll offer just one session each listed Thursday from 1:30 to 3:00 p.m. We meet in-person only. (There is no Zoom capacity.) No need to attend every session. Join as your schedule permits. No need to register in advance. We will be outside, but a restroom is available. Chairs will be provided. Bring your own beverage. Dress for the weather, and we’ll proceed if at all possible. Past sessions have been held in light rain with meaningful results.

Sessions will be co-facilitated by Shelby Boblick, on behalf of The Well Spirituality Center, and Br. Joseph Kilikevics, OP, on behalf of The Shem Center for Interfaith Spirituality

Parking: Please park on Kenilworth Ave or on Forest Ave. and walk ½ block to 7 Elizabeth Court. Carpooling is encouraged.

Entrance: Please enter the yard using the left sidewalk. It leads to the backyard, which is handicapped accessible. The driveway is shared and must be kept open for cars for both families.



Questions? Call Shelby Boblick at 630-240-2765 or Christine Vernon at 708-212-0645.

Summer Series: Theology on the Green



We are excited to announce our lineup for our Summer Series. With a focus on Discipleship, we will visit 3 of our parish green spaces for inspiration from 3 local speakers. For each evening, please bring your own lawn chair and beverage. In case of rain, our alternate space will be the Parish Church.

On July 12 we will begin under the canopy at St. Giles Parish located at 1045 Columbian. Oak Park’s newest Associate Pastor, Fr. Robert Carlton, will share some of his journey as a Disciple of Christ leading to his call to priesthood. A great opportunity to meet and greet!

On July 19, Dominican Sister of Sinsinawa, Roberta Popara, OP, will lead us in a reflection on discipleship through the biblical lives of Mary Magdalene (Feast day: July 22nd), Prisca & Aquila (co-workers with St. Paul) and if time allows, the two on the Road to Emmaus. Those close to Jesus and early disciples continue to teach us what it means to proclaim the good news with our lives. Sr. Roberta returned to the area in 2019 after more than 15 years of retreat ministry in south Florida and is a member of Ascension’s Life Long Learning and Adult Faith Formation Committee as well as a “Voices of Ascension” preacher. Sr. Roberta will be on the Parish Green at St. Edmund Parish.

On July 26 at Ascension’s Parish Green, Fr. Joshua Peters, SJ, will share on Ignatian Spirituality and about the ministry of Christ the King College Prep School (CTK) on Chicago’s West Side. “Finding God in All Things” is the work of every disciple. Fr. Joshua is the Director of Mission and Identity at CTK and looks forward to sharing his story of changing the lives of young people through grace and generosity of spirit.

All evenings begin at 7:30 and end between 8:30 and 9:00 PM. See you there!

Lifelong Learning and Adult Faith Formation Committee (LLAFFC)

“No one who sets a hand to the plow and looks to what was left behind is fit for the kingdom of God.”

— Luke 9:62

Be a sign of mercy.

I SHOULD NO LONGER SAY THAT I HAVE NEIGHBORS TO HELP, BUT THAT I MUST MYSELF BE A NEIGHBOR TO OTHERS.

—POPE FRANCIS, *FRATELLI TUTTI*, NO. 81

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A Concrete Sign of Mercy

The year 2020 united the whole world in suffering as the COVID-19 pandemic took millions of lives and created widespread economic hardship due to the closure of nonessential businesses. In Lebanon, the hardship of the pandemic was compounded by a catastrophic explosion of a warehouse at the port in Beirut on August 4, 2020. The blast killed more than 200 people and injured and displaced thousands more.

With funds collected through the Peter's Pence Collection, the Holy Father provided an immediate response of €250,000 to the Church in Lebanon, which made medical care, temporary shelter, and other basic needs available to victims through the efforts of Caritas Lebanon, Caritas Internationalis, and sister organizations of Caritas. Donations to the Peter's Pence Collection support not only the activities of the Roman Curia that assist the pope in the exercise of his ministry but also

How You Can Help

PRAY

Pray for the Holy Father, for those he reaches out to serve in compassion, and for the ongoing activities of the Holy See, all of which will benefit from the Peter's Pence Collection.

SHARE

Share this bulletin insert with anyone who might be interested.

GIVE

Give generously to this collection as a sign of mercy to those who suffer around the globe and in support of the ongoing work of the Holy See. By doing so, you help build up the Church so that it can continue to minister to all for generations to come.

solidarity projects that help those most in need, such as emergency relief to the people of Lebanon.

For more information on Peter's Pence, please visit the Vatican's Peter's Pence website: www.obolodisanpietro.va/en.html.

A Tradition of Support for the Holy Father

Support for such papal efforts is rooted in the scriptural message to take care of the poor and expresses unity with the Holy Father in two ways: through the ongoing activities of the Holy See and through the charitable works of the Holy Father on behalf of those most in need.



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Meet our Unification Team

In recent bulletins, we presented the bios of our Unification Team members. This week, we list the entire Team along with their contact information. The Team includes members from both St. Catherine-St Lucy and St. Giles. Check them out, get to know them, and if you have any questions or comments, reach out to them!



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Food for Thought
The Beloved Community

Flowing from its freshness and eloquence,
 Jesus Sermon on the Mount made good sense:
 An emphasis on love:
 The perfect standard of Christian life.
 With warmth, Jesus lit the candle to chase strife,
 and honor poetry's dove,
 as he proclaimed the eight Beatitudes.
 Jesus says he wants perfection moods.
 as their perfect Father above.

On the Great White Horse!
 We could be innocent and humble?
 But of course!
 Idealistic and peaceful?
 No remorse!
 Salt of the earth? Light of the world?
 Bless that Source!
 But—at what cost is the flag unfurled,
 for this *tour de force*?

Demands and sacrifices must be met:
 When lending money, don't expect the debt
 to be repaid.

Turn the other cheek; go the extra mile;
 Finish disagreements with a smile,
 lest they cascade.
 The toughest is to love your enemies,
 and pray for those who hurt you—as remedies,
 no sun, just shade.

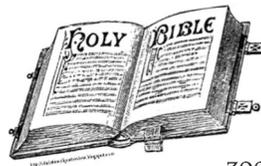
Who is this Jesus? And his disciples?
 Without money or shoes...true archetypals.
 Lambs considered odd.
 Sent to announce love and forgiveness,
 who could live and preach under that stress?
 Depends on the path trod.
 The most amazing possible gift:
 to be like God...loving good and bad—split shift.
 The Essence of God.

The Sermon on the Mount reflects the way
 humans will survive and rise up each day
 from self-destruction.
 The promise of a common connect,
 based on truth, justice and respect,
 to seek blessed unity,
 sharing our true nature, and reason for being,
 our real place in the web of life: seeing
 The Beloved Community.

Tom Lynch, 6/26/22

Sources: NCR: P Marrin;
 Gal. 5:13-18;
 Mark 5: 3-12 & 48

BIBLE STUDY



Beginning June 29, weekly Bible Study sessions will be offered on Wednesdays at 7:00 PM. It is **NOT** necessary or required you attend each week...Come when you can!!

The sessions will be offered in-person and via zoom. The sessions will be held at the St. Giles Parish Center Living Room at 1025 Columbian Avenue if you wish to join in-person.

In this summer session, we will be using the series **The Chosen** as a tool to help explore more deeply reality of Jesus as God and man. We'll be sending bible verses/chapters that will be referenced in the episode that we will be watching each week as well as questions to ponder and discuss together. Even if you've already watched **The Chosen** once (or twice...), it will be an opportunity to experience it more deeply.

If you do not have computer access to receive the bible chapters and aids, paper copies can be made available for pick up at the rectory. For information or questions, please contact Maria Samatas at 708-267-2086 or email her at: msamatas@me.com

For a little over a year, Father John McGivern has been the Administrator of St. Catherine- St. Lucy's while also being Pastor at St. Edmund's. As of July 1, 2022 he will be reassigned as part of the Renew My Church process. He will celebrate his final Sunday Liturgy at St. Edmund's on Sunday, June 26th at 11:00 AM. The St. Edmund's parish will sponsor a reception honoring him and his long term, loving service. They have invited all of the St. Catherine - St. Lucy community to join in this celebration to thank him for his service to us and to wish him well. Please see the invitation below.

Please note that everyone who would plan on attending the reception is asked to register so that they can gauge the amount of food needed. To register you can use the link in the invitation or call the St. Edmund's parish office at the number provided. Please join us in wishing him well and thanking him for his time and energy spent looking after our parish.



Join us for a special appreciation
 liturgy to honor our Administrator,
Fr. John Mc Givern.

*Sunday, June 26, 2022
 11am Mass
 at St. Edmund's*

*Reception on the lawn to
 follow*

R.S.V.P. by June 19 for the reception only. Either use this link:
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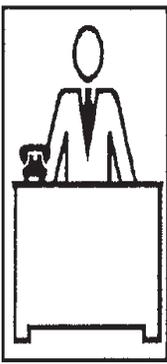
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