

SAINT CATHERINE OF SIENA-SAINT LUCY AND SAINT GILES PARISH



“If you have faith the size of a mustard seed,
you would say to this mulberry tree,
‘Be uprooted and planted in the sea,’
and it would obey you.”

--Luke 17:6

OCTOBER 2, 2022 • Twenty-seven Sunday in Ordinary Time

ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA - ST. LUCY CHURCH
38 NORTH AUSTIN BOULEVARD, OAK PARK

DAILY MASSES THIS WEEK: Tuesday and Wednesday at 8:30 am

WEEKEND MASSES: Saturday at 5:00 pm (Confession prior to Mass, 4:00 to 4:30 pm); and Sunday at 9:00 am

ST. GILES CHURCH
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DAILY MASSES THIS WEEK: Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 6:30 am; Tuesday and Thursday at 8:30 am;
Saturday at 8:00 am (Confession following Mass, 8:30 am to 9:00 am)

WEEKEND MASSES: Saturday at 4:30 pm and Sunday at 8:00 am and 10:30 am

Fr. Carl's Corner



The past few years could be described in so many different ways – challenging, painful, frightening, heartbreaking and surreal. On a more positive note, they could also be described with the words compassion, hope, gratitude, kindness and resiliency. Covid and societal issues have resulted in a wide range of experiences and life-changing events for each of us. In the midst of the pandemic, we felt isolated and alone. So many wonderful people reached out to help wherever they could. We offered prayers and became vitally aware of what was really important in our lives. And, while there was a long period of time when we couldn't gather to worship, our Parish Family was always here for us. Members of our faith community never stopped being strong, loving and supportive.

With the pews filling up again, with familiar faces smiling back at me, and with the blessing of shared communion, I am more than ready to look forward with faith. Our new normal is working out well, and my hope and prayer is that we can get ourselves back on track in all ways as we hear the Gospel, sing His praises and spread the Good News.

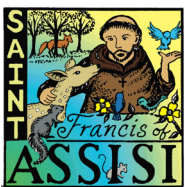
It is an honor and privilege but also an increased responsibility to be the "Chief Steward" of our newly unified parish. You can imagine, with our facilities and grounds and with expenses everywhere increasing, we're challenged to continue to do our best to meet our operating needs. For those of you who contribute to the offertory online through GiveCentral, thank you! Going online and using GiveCentral provides us with the security and information to plan for the future. For those who prefer to use the weekly envelopes, please know we are extremely grateful for your generosity as well.

In preparation for the coming year, we will conduct an offertory appeal the weekend of October 22–23, and we ask that you prayerfully consider how you can increase – or begin – your donations toward the health and well-being of our parish as we build our new reality. More to come on this important topic. Until then, God bless you for your dedication and financial support!

With you a Christian. For you a priest.

Fr. Carl

St. Catherine of Siena-St. Lucy and St. Giles Pet Blessing on the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi



Calling all creatures, great and small!

Bring your animal friends to the annual blessing of pets!

Tuesday, October 4, the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi

4:00 p.m. in the Church Courtyard on the St. Giles Campus

Fur or feathers, scales or gills – let us celebrate creation together!

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Spiritual Life & Worship

ST. GILES CHURCH MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Monday, October 3

6:30 — † The Deceased of the Parish

Tuesday, October 4

Saint Francis of Assisi

8:30 — † Isaac Shaker

Wednesday, October 5

6:30 — † Herman Keller

Thursday, October 6

8:30 — † Owen Petrzelka

† Andrew Locke

Friday, October 7

Our Lady of the Rosary

6:30 — † Mary L. Kessler

† Gene Lizak

† Margaret Mary Daley McGurn

Saturday, October 8

8:00 — † D. Robert Bresnahan

12:30 — Wedding: Pina Merola and Angelo Ramondi

4:30 — † Elianore and Andy Sikowski

† Stanley and Sue Niezgoda

† Tilly Knowles

Sunday, October 9

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

*8:00 — † All Saint Giles Parishioners and Benefactors

10:30 — † Louise Cafasso

**This Mass will be live-streamed from the St. Giles website,
stgilesparish.org.*

ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA-ST. LUCY CHURCH MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Tuesday, October 4

Saint Francis of Assisi

8:30 — † Carlos Mazon

by Rachel Faulman

Wednesday, October 5

8:30 — † Luke Podraza

by Elaine and Jim Podraza

Saturday, October 8

5:00 — † For the People of the Parish

Sunday, October 9

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

*9:00 — † Leon Williams

by Donna Kanapes

**This Mass will be live-streamed. Please email
parish@stcatherinestlucy.org to request the link to the
livestream.*



*Welcome
our new friends*

We are very pleased
to welcome
the following new parishioners:

Thomas and Magdalena Schenone, Kevin Alexander,
Kathleen Cowan and Daniel Raker, Theresa
Velazquez and Charles Adams.

We Pray For . . .

Those who are hospitalized or homebound, including: Steven Acevedo, Patrick Ahearn, Coletta Ali, Jane Baker, Phyllis Baker, Danita Bowie, Herbert Breidenbach, Pete Buckingham, Phil Calabrese, Tiffany Church, Ray Cimmis, Steve Cizmar, Lucille Dalbis, Andrea Dickson, Wanda Farmer, Mike Fenske, Katherine Fisher, Carol Frank, Mary Ellen Frank, Jim Gallagher, Earl Gallermo, Sr. Regina Gallo, Grace Gryzlo Goodmanson, Deacon John Henricks, Bill Holmes, Phillip Jones, Rosie Julion, Donna Kanapes, Patrick King, Marie Koko, Paul Koko, Hardie Kressler, Kathleen Kroker, Kimberly Lester, Jake Lofgren, Gabriela Machado, Jim Madden, Virginia Madden, Carlotta Madonia, Mary Mamolella, Patricia McDonald, Sr. Louise Noesen, Matt O'Connell, Phyllis Pappas; Amelia Patterson, Bob Quane, Maureen Sansone, Mary and Paul Schleitwiler, Colleen Rowley Schramm, Carole Sheehan, Nina Stanley, Sarah Such, Phyllis Swanson, Joann Taylor, LaNedra Vaughn, Shirley Venerable, Meg Welch, Nancy Wesclitz, Fr. Leroy Wickowski.

(Names will be periodically removed from this listing in the bulletin and also from the list of recurring intercessions spoken at weekend Masses. Others have received a Prayer Shawl representing the prayers for healing by the Parish community. Please contact the parish office to include someone on this prayer list or to request inclusion in the weekend Mass intercessions, or to request a Prayer Shawl.)

And for those of our family members and parishioners who have died, especially Sean Varner, son of Kathy Varner, Daniel Denise, brother of Julie Denise, and Steve Pizzello, father of Leonora Pizzello Jany.

BAPTISMS in our Parish

*"Little ones, the Christian
Community welcomes you with great
joy into our family of faith."*



Liam Mateo Velazquez, Hector and Esther (Corral) Velazquez; **Sam Rose Saracco**, Marc and Kelly (Ferguson) Saracco; **Gloria Louisa Diaz**, Abraham and Kelly (Krocker) Diaz; **Joseph Anthony Madon**, Joseph and Gina (Fumagalli) Madon; **Luca Jonathan Cecero**, Jonathan and Monica (Germinario) Cecero; **Everett Geoffrey King**, Geoffrey and Valerie (Atria) King; **Margot Annette Jenero**, Anthony and Laura (Kujava) Jenero; **Grady Anthony Rogers**, Aisling Conroy and Evan Rogers.

WEDDING BANNES

- I Elizabeth Berton and Kevin Wheelock
- I Christina Carbonaro and Nick Cataudella
- III Pina Merola and Angelo Ramondi

Music Ministry



Choir Season is Back



The St. Catherine - St. Lucy *Celebration Choir*
and the St. Giles Adult Choir are joining voices.

Starting in October, the choir will sing
at the 10:30 am Mass at St. Giles on the first Sunday of the month and
at the 9:00 am Mass at St. Catherine - St. Lucy on the third Sunday of the month.

Rehearsals are on Wednesdays from 7:00 to 8:30 pm
in St. Giles Church, 1045 Columbian Avenue.

(Please use the Greenfield door)

For more information, call Sue Kaszynski at the Parish Center at **708-383-3430, ext. 423.**

The *Praise Choir*, led by Julius White,
sings at the 5:00 pm Mass at St. Catherine - St. Lucy
on the second and fourth Saturdays of the month.

Rehearsals are on Tuesdays at 7:00 pm
in Maguire Hall, 38 N. Austin Blvd., on the St. Catherine - St. Lucy Campus.

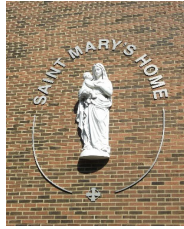
For more information, contact Julius White at 2459wq@gmail.com.

Instrumentalists are also needed. If you play an instrument and would like to play at Mass occasionally, please contact Sue Kaszynski at the Parish Center.

Parish Life

Second Collection this weekend for the Little Sisters of the Poor

This weekend, October 1-2, the Little Sisters of the Poor will visit our Parish to share their vocation of hospitality to the elderly. St. Mary's Home in Chicago is one of 167 Homes for the elderly poor operated by the Little Sisters in 31 countries around the world.



Acute and considerable continues to be their need for financial support. Virtually all of the current Residents of St. Mary's Home qualify for Medicaid, and a few receive meager pensions. But these modest funds cover, at best, about half of the annual expenses.

The Little Sisters have ministered to thousands of elders in Chicago for 145 years. Your support will enable them to continue their mission of caring for the neediest seniors of every race and religion in a spirit of reverence and of humble service. God bless you!

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October is Respect Life Month

The Respect Life Committee invites you to pray with us for a greater respect for life in our country and our world. We will be praying The Novena to Our Lady of the Rosary beginning September 28. There are two ways to pray: with daily email reminders or with a paper copy of the Novena. The paper copies will be in the vestibule of both Church sites on the weekends of September 18 and September 25.

We will have a Holy Hour for Life at 7:00 pm at St. Giles Church on Thursday, October 20. If you have any questions, please call Denise Hartney 708-203-7437 or email at dhartney14@gmail.com.

THE SENIOR CORNER

Here is an invitation to join us for a "Brown Bag Lunch" (bring your own lunch) at noon on Tuesday, October 18, in McDonough Hall. Beverages will be provided, but a pre-packaged dessert would be welcome to share. Our guest speaker will be Dr. Kristen Vealley, a primary care physician, who will present a program on cardiovascular care for seniors. There will also be optional blood pressure screenings available. All are welcome to come together and make new friends.



Faith & Fellowship

We Have Good News and Good News!

As of this writing, two of our three Faith & Fellowship groups have a full team of Catechists! We have our calendar through December 2022 finalized! We already had our first event of the season – the Ice Cream social – and are planning to host a group from St. Francis High School in Wheaton to develop some artwork celebrating our ministry! Our Wednesday Night Group has already met, and our Monday Night Group is scheduled to get together this week!

And here is more good news – it's not too late to become involved! We still need a few Catechists for our Thursday Daytime Group and could use drivers on Monday nights and Thursdays. And to be a Catechist is simple: to be present in accompaniment each week in prayer and, well of course fellowship) with our Partners.

You can BE the Good News – email faith_fellowship@hotmail.com or call 708-383-9276.

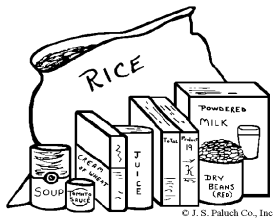


**Please join The St. Giles School PTO
Faith & Family Committee and
The St. Catherine-St. Lucy and St. Giles CCW**

**Saturday, October 8 - Walk to the Grotto
and Pray the Rosary**

October 7 is the Feast Day of Our Lady of The Rosary. We will meet Saturday, October 8, at 8:30 am (after the 8:00 am Mass) on the steps of St. Giles Church and walk to the Grotto at Dominican University, located at Thatcher Ave. and Greenfield St. Upon arrival, around 9:15 am, all are invited to pray the Rosary together - no prior experience necessary! (We will walk rain or shine - since she is there for us rain or shine!). The grotto is a beautiful place to pray, reflect, and listen, whether you participate on the walk, drive over to meet us, or journey there yourself another time.

Parish Life



FOOD COLLECTION FOR THOSE IN NEED

FOOD FIRST is this weekend, October 1/2, at St. Catherine of Siena-St. Lucy Church. Please bring your donations of canned or shelf-stable food and paper products with you to that weekend's Masses. Donations are brought to the altar during the Offertory.

St. Giles Church weekly collection continues. Please bring your donations of canned or shelf-stable food and paper products to the St. Giles shrine in the gathering space at the church or to the covered bins located at the back door on the north side of the Parish Center.

Thank you for your generosity to these collections, and thank you to the stewards for their work in delivering these items to our local pantries.

Intercultural Immigrant Ministry

Do you speak Spanish? Do you want to practice your basic Spanish? Do you speak the universal language of the SMILE?

Volunteers are needed to help the Romero Mora family settle into our community. There are so many ways you can help! We are particularly interested in helping the two children feel comfortable in their new schools and make friends outside of the classroom. (The daughter is 17 and the son is 10 years old.) If you are interested in helping the Romero Mora family adjust, please email us at immigrantministry@gmail.com or call Celine Woznica at 708-955-5646.

Funds for the family are being collected by ICDI at <https://icdi.app.neoncrm.com/np/clients/icdi/donation.jsp?campaign=58> **When donating, please note the funds should be directed to the "Intercultural Immigrant Ministry."**

Other needs are always emerging, and the flow of migrants from the border into the city of Chicago is ever increasing. If you are interested in other ways of helping, please contact us at the above email or phone number.



Altar Servers Needed

Would you like to participate more fully at Mass? We are in need of both youth and adult altar servers. Please contact Alex Ryan 708-383-3430, ext. 403, or reach out to Maudette Carr at Mass if you are interested. At this time, we will be training anyone 8th grade or older. Training for 6th and 7th graders will begin in the fall.

Wednesday Night Bible Study

**Wednesday Night Bible Study
resumed on September 28
at 7:00 pm in the
St. Giles Parish Living Room,
1025 Columbian Avenue,
and over Zoom**



All are welcome - It is **NOT** necessary or required you attend each week... Come when you can!! We will be continuing our series of diving into the Gospels using **The Chosen – Season Two** as a tool to help explore more deeply the reality of Jesus as God and man. We'll be sending out study guides, including 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.

Contact **Maria Samatas** at msamatas@me.com for more information!

Our Parish Weekly Stewardship For Fiscal Year July 1, 2022 – June 30, 2023

	Total
Envelopes	\$6,597.00
Loose	\$1,879.17
Electronic*	\$13,926.00
Total Giving	\$22,402.17
*(9/20/22-9/27/22)	

Thank you to all who continue to support St. Catherine of Siena-St. Lucy and St. Giles Parish. It is appreciated and critical to maintain and operate all that we do. Those wishing to make their donations online through GiveCentral can find the link and easy-to-follow-instructions on the church websites,

www.stgilesparish.org, OR
www.stcatherinestlucy.org.

Contact Sharon at the Parish Center, 708-383-3430 Ext. 420, with any questions or for assistance. We could not be here without you!

St. Catherine-St. Lucy and St. Giles CCW Coat Drive

October 20-23

Please DONATE NEW and GENTLY USED coats and winter accessories.



Cleaning out closets? Please keep the Coat Drive in mind. CCW collects new and gently used coats, boots, and accessories for adults and children. These donations benefit many charitable organizations in the community, such as A House In Austin, Sarah's Inn, and Sister House. We are especially in need of extra large adult's coats and young children's coats. This year's Coat Drive will be held October 20 - 23. Donations will be accepted at the Parish Office

and in bins around the school and church on the St. Giles Campus, and also in church on the St. Catherine-St. Lucy Campus. For those who would like to contribute financially, we will utilize the funds to purchase new items for the sizes in high demand. Please use the QR Code to make a donation through GiveCentral. Please contact Laura McNamara, Lkmcnamara@att.net or 630-269-1160 with any questions or if you would like to help as a volunteer.



**Drop off in the bins around the St. Giles Campus,
and in the Church on the St. Catherine-St. Lucy Campus!**

Thank you in advance for your generous support.

**Your donations will help people in the area to have a warmer,
safer, and more secure winter.**

Donations support many local charitable organizations.

Parish Life

Food For Thought

What Price Dignity?

"Treating children of God as political pawns was unbecoming of any elected official. Welcoming the stranger, including the immigrant, is a fundamental imperative of Christianity. They too are children of God. (Cardinal Cupich)"

The dignity of the human person is the foundation of all Catholic teaching. Christians believe all human life is sacred, and society must protect human dignity. Our catechism says "humans are created in the image and likeness of God."

So using people who are already vulnerable, as objects to a political end is not consistent with Catholic teaching about humans' inherent dignity. Governor Greg Abbott of Texas, and Governor Ron DeSantis of Florida,

had the intention of protesting Joe Biden's immigration policies by shipping immigrant men, women and children to blue cities like New York, Chicago and Martha's Vineyard. Where? Abbott and DeSantis are Catholic,

but common decency should prevent them from hatching such a plot. Most of these people have left a violent homeland and walked for weeks or months to reach the U.S. and plead for asylum. They were sent out to cause mayhem. The Miami Archdiocese said these people had their human dignity diminished.

As of this writing, the U.S. Bishops Conference has furnished no quotes five days after Martha's Vineyard.

Thankfully, in Chicago, New York and Massachusetts, Catholic Charities was welcoming the immigrant, and providing basic human disciplines.

For Immigrant Day, the Vatican said: "God's plan involves leaving no one behind."

Tom Lynch. Tgl7714@gmail.com. 10/2/22

Source: NCR on-line editorial 9/20/22

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