SAINT CATHERINE OF SIENA-SAINT LUCY AND SAINT GILES PARISH

With the Lord there is mercy and redemption.

PSALM 130

MARCH 26, 2023 • Fifth Sunday of Lent

ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA - ST. LUCY CHURCH
38 NORTH AUSTIN BOULEVARD, OAK PARK
DAILY MASSES THIS WEEK: Wednesday at 8:30 am
WEEKEND MASSES: Saturday at 5:00 pm; and Sunday at 9:00 am

ST. GILES CHURCH 1045 COLUMBIAN AVENUE, OAK PARK

DAILY MASSES THIS WEEK: Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 6:30 am; Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at 8:30 am; Saturday at 8:00 am (Confession following Mass, 8:30 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



A new phrase I have been using lately as we progress through Renew My Church is *Building a New Reality* or "BNR." One way to really understand what that means is to recall what Pope Francis wrote in his 2013 Apostolic Exhortation, *Evangelli Gaudium*. He said, "I dream of a missionary option, that is, a missionary impulse capable of transforming everything so that the Church's customs, ways of doing things, times and schedules, language and structures can be suitably channeled for the evangelization of today's world rather than for her self-

preservation."

These words of Pope Francis harken to every Catholic including those of us in Oak Park and our members from beyond the geographic boundaries of Oak Park, who are a community known for its progressive and innovative focus on social justice and accompanying one another as we build a vison and create a future for our Catholic Community. I share again, the work we have accomplished and our plans for the future - the opening of a temporary homeless shelter and the feasibility study for a future social service ministry center in the rectory at St. Catherine of Siena-St. Lucy; our united RE programs and the development of a spirituality and formation center in the center of downtown Oak Park at St. Edmund, where we now have a 5:00 pm Sunday evening Mass. All this points to our working together to create new and powerful mission opportunities.

Do we have all the answers? Will there be lots of questions? Will we face challenges? YES!!! But let us keep in mind we are a work in progress during a time of great transition. We are working together because the work we do now is foundational for the future.

We all know that change is never easy and there are and will be challenges. But we shouldn't proceed in fear but rather in faith, trusting the Holy Spirit as our guide. As long as we keep in mind that we must now move from maintenance to mission opportunities and it is Christ that we follow, we will grow in the virtues of faith, hope and love. Ultimately, if others see this in us how could they not want to be a part of what we have to offer?

Recently a young person attending Mass asked me, "Father, why do we strike our breast when we say the Confiteor?" Good question, and here's the answer

When we use our voices and even our minds and bodies during prayer, we pray with deeper meaning and enthusiasm. During the Confiteor at Mass, for example, we strike our chest three times saying, "...through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault." That gesture is an ancient sign of sorrow and repentance for having offended God or hurting our neighbor. It should remind us to take responsibility for our actions and pray for forgiveness and the grace to change. I hope that helps your understanding.

Next week is Palm Sunday and the beginning of Holy Week. Please be sure you check the bulletin, e-news and parish websites for the schedule of our special services and the locations as well as the times.

Also **SAVE THE DATE** – **May 7, 10:30 am Mass**.

Fr. Ed Salmon, Fr. Tom Unz and I all share the same anniversary date of our ordinations to the priesthood. We are planning to offer a concelebrated Mass with a reception to follow in McDonough Hall on the St. Giles campus. Further details will follow in the weeks to come.

With you a Christian. For you a Priest

Fr. Carl

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Spiritual Life & Worship

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Those who are hospitalized or homebound, including: Steven Acevedo, Patrick Ahearn, Coletta Ali, Jane Baker, Jori Baker, Phyllis Baker, Marissa Becker, Joe Bigliotti, Danita Bowie, Herbert Breidenbach, Phil Calabrese, Tiffany Church, Patrick Cibula, Ray Cimms, Patricia Crotty, Lucille Dalbis, Bill DeBiase, Andrea Dickson, Donald Pettis Edmond, Wanda Farmer, Mike Fenske, Katherine Fisher, Tom and Carol Frank, Mary Ellen Frank, Jim Gallagher, Earl Gallermo, Michael Gallo, Grace Gryzlo Goodmanson, Jennifer Hanna, Maggie Astacio Hedges, Deacon John Henricks, Bill Holmes, Frank Huss, Ginny Jones, Phillip Jones, Patrick King, Marie Koko, Pat Koko, Paul Koko, Hardie Kressler, Kathleen Kroker, Kimberly Lester, Jim and Linda Lewis, Gabriela Machado, Jim Madden, Virginia Madden, Deacon Lorry Madonia, Mary Mamolella, Patricia McDonald, Sr. Louise Noesen, Matt O'Connell, Amelia Patterson, Cary Phillips, John Poplett, Bob Quane, Patricia Reardon, Dennis Rusin, Maureen Sansone, Mary and Paul Schleitwiler, Colleen Rowley Schramm, Carole Sheehan, Renee Smith-Quinn, Sr. Carol Spiegel, Nina Stanley, Sarah Such, Cheryl Sullivan, Joann Taylor, Julie Troost, LaNedra Vaughn, Shirley Venerable, Meg Welch, Nancy Wesclitz, Catherine Williams.

(Names will be periodically removed from this listing in the bulletin and also from the list of recurring intersessions 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 Richard Bartozek and Patricia Fiorini.

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

3/19/2023						
		Total		YTD		
Envelopes	\$	14,012.00	\$	633,024.52		
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Electronic*	\$	13,677.13	\$	431,351.00		
Total Giving	\$	29,365.70	\$1	,064,375.52		
*3/15/23-3/21/23						

Thank you to all who continue to support St. Catherine of Siena-St. Lucy and St. Giles Parish. 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. GILES CHURCH MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Monday, March 27 6:30 — † The Deceased of the Parish

Tuesday, March 28

8:30 — † Bill Rice

Wednesday, March 29

6:30 — † Megan Shaker

† Dixie Haddad

† The Deceased of the Shaker Family

8:30 — All Parishioners and Benefactors

Thursday, March 30

8:30 — † Marilyn Hammer

† Eurico Santos

Alan Viana

Friday, March 31

6:30 -

+ Betty Shaker+ Jack Sullivan

Saturday, April 1

8:00 — † George Abraham *4:30 — † Nelson Neiva Lima

Sunday, April 2

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

8:00 — † Joseph and Helen Shaker

† Owen Petrzelka

† Elizabeth and Sam Jantelezio

10:30 — All Parishioners and Benefactors

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

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

Wednesday, March 29

8:30 — All Parishioners and Benefactors

Saturday, April 1

5:00 — † Rita Stokes

by Lisa Puccinelli

Sunday, April 2

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

9:00 — † John Esposito by Evie Stockinger † Rita Stokes by Lisa Puccinelli † Harvey Jaunich

Signs of Lent

by Tom and Pat Nelson

Week # 5. The Penitential Rite

All through Lent, we have been singing the Penitential Rite at all of our Masses. The Penitential Rite is one of the first prayers of the Mass. We pray the Confiteor and reflect on those things we wish we had done better during the week, bringing them to God. Following this, by singing the words: Kyrie Eleison, Christe Eleison, Kyrie Eleison, (Lord have Mercy, Christ have Mercy, Lord have Mercy) – we use our whole body and truly open our hearts to God's mercy. Then, reconciled with God, we can more deeply enter into the liturgy.

Lent 2023 Week 5

We journey ever closer to Holy Week: Mark your calendars with the Holy Week Schedule!

Eucharistic Adoration



Thursday, March 30 Eucharistic Adoration at St Giles Church, 7:00 pm

Stations of the Cross: Pilgrimage of Prayer



Friday, March 31
Stations of the Cross at St Edmunds, 6:30 pm
These stations, a stop on our Pilgrimage of Prayer, are hosted by St. Edmund Church and will be followed by a soup supper.

Additional Stations of the Cross Opportunity



Friday, March 31 CCW Stations through the Eyes of Mary at St. Giles Church, 7:00 pm

The annual offering hosted by the St. Catherine-St. Lucy and St. Giles CCW explores the stations of the cross from Mary's perspective.

You can still sign up for the Hallow App!

It's not too late to access all of Hallow's content for free this Lent.

Register today by selecting our parish here:

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Even if you haven't joined yet, sign up for the last two weeks of the Hallow free opportunity. In addition to all the other prayer content, you can join the #Pray40 podcast, with reflections on the stations of the cross every day leading up to Easter.

LENT WEEK 5-WHERE DO WE FIND LIFE?

God's Spirit is moving and up to something new in our lives this Lenten season...

Join our whole parish community during this Lenten season to discern how God's Spirit is moving:

What is God up to within our parish community? In your personal life? In our world?

How are you and we being invited to grow in love and union with God and others?

Reflection

Fear, weariness and exhaustion can make us feel dry and lifeless. We may feel that we have nothing. But God calls: "I will put my Spirit in you, that you may come to life," we hear from the prophet, Ezekiel. "If only the Spirit of Christ dwells in you...," encourages the Apostle Paul. Jesus calls to Lazarus: "Come out!"

Through the mercy of Jesus, we see that all manner of new life is possible when we live in God's Spirit, which conquers even death.

Questions

As we draw ever nearer to Holy Week, reflect:

What might living in God's Spirit mean and make possible... in me, in others, and in our parish community?

What does it look like for the Spirit of Christ to come alive and dwell in and among us?

What are we being led to become and to do?

You are invited this week to spend time in prayer and reflection pondering the Scripture readings and discerning how God is at work within you, in your life and relationships. What are you being invited to consider? How are you being invited to grow?

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Ezekiel 37:12-14

Romns 8:8-11

John 11:1-45

Join with others in an existing group, find a dialogue partner, or even consider calling together a group of friends to reflect on and discuss this week's theme together in person, on phone, via Zoom, or via email.

Need help finding a partner? Email

together@stgilesparish.org

Spiritual Life & Worship

Holy Week Locations

I write to you as a member of the combined Liturgy Committee, but also as a parishioner of St. Catherine-St. Lucy Church for many years. I, like many, am aware of how the unification activity has caused worry, frustration and stress. Understanding the problems—as well as the opportunities—associated with combining our respective HOLY WEEK practices is what I would like to share with you today.

The combined Liturgy Committee was tasked with making HOLY WEEK unfold smoothly: combining some of our respective practices, while sharing our worship spaces equitably.

After prayer and discussion, this effort has resulted in determining the location for our services: The **FINAL DETAILS** are listed here.

We pray that Holy Week and Easter is a time of deep prayer and renewal for our entire faith community.

-Marie Alexandre Drake, for the combined Liturgy Committee of St. Catherine of Siena-St. Lucy and St. Giles

WEEKLY CONFESSION AT ST. GILES CHURCH

Saturdays, 8:30 - 9:00 am
Exception: Holy Saturday, April 8, no Confession

Passion (Palm) Sunday, April 1/2

Saturday, 4:30 pm at St. Giles Church and 5:00 pm at St. Catherine of Siena-St. Lucy Church Sunday, 8:00 and 10:30 am at St. Giles Church and at 9:00 am at St. Catherine of Siena-St. Lucy Church 10:00 am Family Mass Community in the St. Giles School Gym Palms blessed and distributed at all Masses

TRIDUUM

Holy Thursday, April 6

Morning Prayer - 8:30 am at St. Giles Church

Mass of the Lord's Supper - 7:00 pm at St. Giles Church

Adoration until Midnight

Night Prayer - 11:45 pm

Good Friday, April 7

Morning Prayer - 8:30 am at St. Giles Church

Celebration of the Lord's Passion - 3:00 pm at St. Giles Church

Celebration of the Lord's Passion - 7:00 pm at St. Catherine of Siena-St. Lucy Church

Living Stations of the Cross - 7:00 pm at St. Giles Church

Family Mass Community Good Friday Prayer Service with Silent Passion - 7:30 pm

in the St. Giles School Gym

Holy Saturday, April 8

Morning Prayer - 8:30 am at St. Giles Church Blessing of Easter Food - 11:00 am at St. Giles Church

Easter Vigil and First Mass of Easter - 7:00 pm at St. Giles Church

Initiation of New Members

(<u>No</u> 4:30 pm Mass at St. Giles Church and <u>no</u> 5:00 pm Mass at St. Catherine of Siena-St. Lucy Church)

Easter Sunday, April 9

Sunrise - 6:00 am in the St. Giles Church Courtyard (Weather Permitting)

8:00 and 10:30 am at St. Giles Church

9:00 am at St. Catherine of Siena-St. Lucy Church with the combined Celebration and St. Giles Choirs
10:00 am Family Mass Community in the St. Giles School Gym

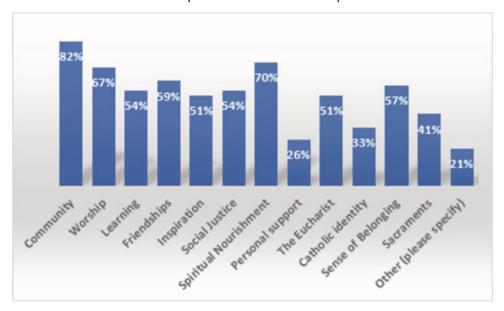
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Lifelong Formation

Center for Spiritual Growth and Development Survey

Over the next weeks, we will be sharing the results of this survey, one question at a time. Week 1: What are you looking for in your Spiritual Community?

165/167 respondents answered this question.



Respondents also noted a desire for

- the traditional rituals of the church and getting back to religion;
- education, formation, youth activities and catechesis;
- diversity, inclusivity, and acceptance;
- intergenerational faith sharing;
- preaching opportunities, service opportunities, and a relevance to today's world.

Many respondents noted the synergy of many of these categories, and some responded – "all of the above!"



Rite of Christian Initiation

This year, St. Catherine-St. Lucy and St. Giles Parish is blessed with twelve people who will be baptized, join the Catholic Church, or complete their sacraments of initiation at the Easter Vigil on April 8, 2023.

Catechumens (first row, left to right)

Joseph Flores, Gesenia Mendez, Angelina Andrychowski, Arlo

Hungerford, and Tanesha Webster

Candidates (back row, left to right)

Max Quinones, Carolina Martin, Angelina Martin, Colleen Duffy, Glynis Hall, Ediana Nieves, and Enrique Francisco

On March 5, the group celebrated the Rite of Sending at the St. Giles 10:30 am Mass followed by the Rite of Election at Holy Name Cathedral. With these ceremonies, they officially began an intensive time of prayer and preparation prior to the Easter Vigil. Since then, the group has celebrated three Scrutinies at St. Giles, St. Catherine-St. Lucy, and the Family Mass Community.

We ask that you pray for them and their continued growth in faith.



Parish Life



COMMEMORATIVE EASTER FLOWERS

Honor deceased loved ones Decorate our churches for the Easter Season Support the St. Catherine of Siena-St. Lucy and St. Giles ASP Trip

Our Appalachian Service Project (ASP) 2023 Team is accepting donations for Easter Flowers in remembrance of those who have gone before us into eternal life. Each plant is \$25. The flower plants purchased in memory of deceased loved ones will decorate our churches during the Easter season. The donations will assist our ASP Team in meeting our fundraising goals for teens to attend our week-long service trip this summer! The names of those honored will be published in the parish bulletin after Easter.

Please enter the name of the person(s) you wish to honor in the space provided.

Please print legibly!

The cost is \$25 per plant. Please make checks payable to *St. Giles ASP*. Donations can also be made through GiveCentral. The link is on the parish website.

I would like to donate plants (# of Easter flower plants) in honor of:	
Enclosed is my total donation of \$ (\$25 per plant).	
Name and address of donor (for receipt purposes):	

Please return order forms and donations to the Parish Center marked "Commemorative Easter Flowers" by Friday, April 7.

Parish Life



Annual Men's Society Pancake Breakfast

NEXT SUNDAY!

When: Sunday, April 2

after the morning Masses

Where: McDonough Hall

on the St. Giles Campus

Who: All parishioners

What: Pancakes, eggs, sausage,

bacon, fruit, and more

Cost: NOTHING—

the men's gift to all of you!



It's official! The **Disciple Maker Index (DMI) Survey** is a great way to reflect on your own spiritual growth while helping our parish plan for the future.

Complete the short, 10-15 minute **anonymous** survey at **catholicleaders.org/chicagodmi** or scan the code, or find a paper copy in the narthex or parish office after Mass.

Available from **Ash Wednesday**, **February 22 to March 31**. Don't miss this opportunity to be heard.



Disciple Maker Index Survey FAQs

Why are we asked to do ANOTHER survey?

This survey is being conducted across the entire Archdiocese. By taking it, you will be reflecting on your own faith journey, and sharing how your parish supports that journey. Our parish will be able to see our results.

The Disciple Maker Index has been given across the country, and provides new and exciting information about various ways parishes function.

I don't go to Mass every week. Should I take this survey?

Absolutely. **Every single parishioner** should take the survey – whether you go to Mass every day or just occasionally. Every voice counts – especially those who aren't always heard! **The survey is completely anonymous.**

How long will it take?

Anywhere from 10-20 minutes.

How do I take it?

Go to this link: https://portal.catholicleaders.org/d/ggppxg or scan the QR code below. You may also pick up a paper copy at the back of church.

Parish Life



Lenten Opportunity

Easter Sunrise Shoeboxes
Shoeboxes collected will be
donated to various
Outreach Organizations, including
the Franciscan Outreach.

Starting Ash Wednesday – February 22, 2023 Ending Palm Sunday – April 2, 2023

Fill a shoebox or a comparable-size container (you provide the container) with a variety of the following suggested items:

> Tube Socks Deodorant Wash/Face Cloth Hand Lotion Disposable razor Baby Powder Small towel

Hotel Size Soap & Shampoo Brush and/or Comb Toothbrush/Toothpaste Kleenex (personal size) Shaving gel/cream Plastic rain poncho Other small items

Gift Card from McDonald's, Burger King, etc. (not to exceed \$10.00)

Please be sure to include these two items:
Word Search or Crossword Puzzle Book
(with Pen or Pencil)
and some wrapped Easter candy

When your container is filled you can decorate it (if you choose to do so) or just put a rubber band around it. Be sure to mark the box either "Man" or "Woman". Place it on the last bench in Church or drop it off at the Parish Center. Then during Holy Week all the Easter Sunrise Shoeboxes will be delivered to the various locations so that they can be distributed on Easter.

Thank you for caring and participating!!
Know that your work of mercy will make a difference in someone's life!!

For additional information or questions, please contact Barbara Schulz at 773-622-2121



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Food For Thought The Joy of Faith

"'I am the resurrection and the life,' says the Lord; 'Whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will never die.'" (John 11:25a, 26)

> "What do you see," a scribe asked Jesus. "as the greatest commandment?" Mark luxuriates in repeating the entire prayer twice, so as to be concise, as Jesus responds and the scribe affirms his words. Both of them exude Joy in providing disciples a buoy as the words are said: "The Lord our God is Lord alone. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength." And Jesus adds the second commandment: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." (Mark 13:18-34)

These words form the foundation of the Covenant, and contain all other commandments, all morality and spirituality, and are perfect for discussion at a Synod. It's also the one response to God that defines us as human beings. Even if we face each new day feeling inadequate like a Gloomy Gus, this text is powerful in calling us Into existence once again, grounded in the Source of our beginning. We are blessed with everything we need to live life faithfully and fully, if smoothly or unruly. No matter where we worship, this prayer roots us in humanity and in hopefulness for justice and harmony.

Mark's entire gospel is summarized in this prayer, which records what Jesus said, and lived to the fullest. Everything followed, Including his death and resurrection. If we love God and neighbor, we will embrace redemption.

Joy is the first act of faith, with God's word dwelling in our hearts. If we give ourselves to this love, we will follow the banner of Jesus, unfurled, on the path to Salvation.

Tom Lynch. tgl7714@gmail.com. 3/26/23 Source: NCR, P. Marrin, 3/17/23 Mark 12:28-34.



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