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# Welcome to St. Catharine

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**We're so glad to see you!** God loves you, and He has a great plan for your life! If you are new to St. Catharine, we want to thank you for coming and we look forward to worshipping God in Word and in Sacrament together today. Please remember to silence your cell phones and to observe silence in the Church. Restrooms are located in the Undercroft and the Parish Center. If you need any assistance or have any questions, just find someone with a green lanyard. We hope to see you again!

**TO THE PARENTS OF OUR YOUNG CHILDREN...** May we suggest...relax! God put the wiggle in children, so don't feel that you must suppress it in God's house, but we do have a large quieting room available if you feel the need to step out during Mass. Thank you so much for making the effort to be here, and never stop bringing your family to Mass. It's worth it.

**TO THE MEMBERS OF OUR CHURCH...** The presence of children is a gift to the Church and they are a reminder that our congregation is growing. Any noise that our little ones make during Mass is pleasing to God's ears. Please welcome our children and give a smile of encouragement to their parents.

## Eucharistic Adoration Chapel



**Sunday-Friday**  
6:00am-12:00pm  
**Saturday**  
6:00am-4:00pm

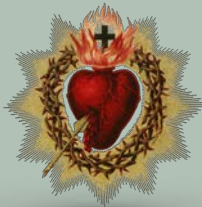


**Chaplet of Divine Mercy**  
Fridays at 3:00pm

**Children's Holy Hour**  
Saturdays at 3:00pm

## Confession

Tuesday 7:30pm  
Thursday 7:00pm  
Saturday 9:00am



**By appointment**  
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**ADORE Night**  
Every Thursday at 7:00pm

A candle-lit evening of Eucharistic Adoration with Confession, songs of praise & worship, prayers, and devotions.

# This Week

### Sunday, March 16th: Second Sunday of Lent

8:30am Holy Mass (Stephen Gilmore)  
9:30am Coffee & Donuts  
11:00am Holy Mass (Margaret Petrosky)  
12:00pm Coffee & Donuts  
5:00pm Holy Mass (People of the Parish) 🕯️  
6:00pm The Rescue Project

### Monday, March 17th: Memorial of Saint Patrick, Bishop

8:00am Holy Mass (Nathan Ware II)  
6:30pm Scouts  
7:00pm Choir Practice

### Tuesday, March 18th: St. Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop & Doctor of Church

12p-6p Red Cross Blood Drive  
7:00pm Holy Mass (Denise Sears)  
7:30pm Confessions

### Wednesday, March 19th: Solemnity of Saint Joseph

9:00am Holy Mass (Clarie Cardella)

### Thursday, March 20th

8:00am Holy Mass (HT Zettler)  
7:00pm ADORE Night

### Friday, March 21st

8:00am Holy Mass (Raymond O'Rourke)  
5:00pm Fish Fry  
7:30pm Stations of the Cross

### Saturday, March 22nd

7:00am That Man Is You!  
8:30am Holy Mass (Robert King)  
9:00am Confessions

### Sunday, March 23rd: Third Sunday of Lent

8:30am Holy Mass (People of the Parish)  
11:00am Holy Mass (Harold Ridenour) 🕯️  
5:00pm Holy Mass (Sam Ahferom)  
6:00pm The Rescue Project

## Offering and Attendance

Sunday, March 9th  
Thank you for your presence and your generosity!

Envelope	\$3,916.00
Loose	\$1,329.00
EFT	\$9,098.71
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$14,343.71</b>
Diocesan Tax	1,290.93
<b>Net</b>	<b>\$13,052.78</b>

<b>Attendance</b>	
8:30am	251
11:00am	358
5:00pm	226
<b>Total</b>	<b>935</b>

SCAN TO GIVE



# Lord, Hear Our Prayer

*"The prayer of a righteous man has great power in its effects."*

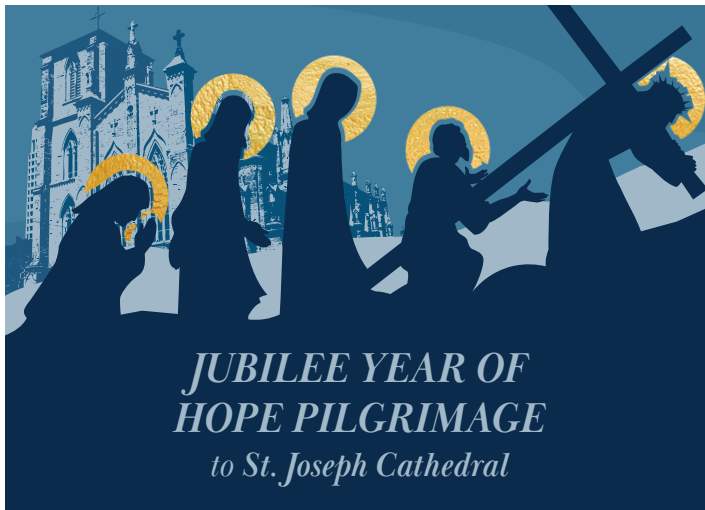
If you or a loved one would like to be added to the Prayer Chain please email [info@stcatharine.com](mailto:info@stcatharine.com) or call 614-231-4509. Names will remain on the Prayer Chain for 4 months or until they are asked to be removed.

- Lee
- Luke
- Irina
- Annette
- Luke
- Gary
- Margo
- Tish
- Susan & Mikha
- Christopher
- Stephanie
- Kaycee
- AJ
- Andrew
- Nora
- Maria

## May They Rest in Peace

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,  
and let perpetual light shine upon them.*

- James R. Wood
- Dennis J. Lyons
- George F. Rushman



**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19**

Celebrate the Jubilee Year of Hope with a *Pilgrimage to St. Joseph Cathedral* on the Solemnity of St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. All are invited to participate in this Jubilee Year Event to receive the plenary indulgence.

### SCHEDULE

**10:00 - 11:45 am** | Confession will be available

**12:05 pm** | Mass with Bishop Earl K. Fernandes

*Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament following Mass and veneration of the 1st Class Relic of the Cloak of St. Joseph*

**1:30 - 5:30 pm** | Confession will be available

*Confessions in Spanish available from 1:30-5:30 pm*

**6:00 pm** | Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament



# Message from Rachel Green

*The Mystery of Life and Death*

I hate when good things have to come to an end. I'm writing this at the beginning of Spring Break and I know that by the time I'm reading this in the bulletin, it will be ending. But that's life right? All good things must come to an end. Or is it just the beginning of something new?

There is presentation in the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Arium that I love (and hate) that is called, "the Mystery of Life and Death," You have three pots with soil and wheat seeds. In preparation, the catechist plants seeds in the 1st pot, waters and waits. Then a few days later, you repeat the process in a 2nd pot. Lastly, in a few more days, you repeat the process in a 3rd pot.



Then comes the fun part—the presentation in the atrium. You begin by showing the children wheat seeds that haven't been planted. You ask them to feel the seeds. They're hard. Then you read John 12:24: "Unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat; but if it dies, it produces much fruit." Finally you dig up the seeds most recently planted and show them, what do they notice? The seed has become softer and squishy.

Then you dig up the seeds in the 2nd pot—hopefully the seeds have begun to sprout and have some roots. But what about the seed's size? It is becoming smaller. Then you dig up the seeds in the last pot. They are often shriveled up and small, but their roots and shoots are the longest. The children love to squeeze the seed and they notice a big difference from the unplanted hard seeds. So what does this all mean? How can something that is disappearing bear fruit? What was Jesus trying to tell us?

The children have many responses, but what I find fascinating is that they don't focus much on the seed's "death." They quickly connect this work to Jesus's death, but then focus more on His resurrection. making comments like, "The green shoots are like when Jesus rises from the dead!" And isn't that the beauty of childhood?

Children are often more hopeful than adults, and they are able to see past the reality of death and know with certainty that Christ has indeed risen. My energetic two year old asked during Ash Wednesday Mass (in 3rd person of course), "Can Lukey die and go to heaven with Jesus?" How do you answer that one?!? He's not yet thinking about the pain of death. His innocent mind sees the cross and sees the hope of it—not the pain.

Maybe we can all become little again this Lent. Let us not look at the cross with such sadness and despair. Let us not look at the world around us with such anxiety. Lord help us to become like little seeds, planted and hidden in the fertile soil of your heart. Help us to "die to ourselves" more during this season so that we may rise again with you on Easter morning, ready to bear Your fruit to the world.

**Rachel Green • Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Coordinator**

### March Food Pantry Need CANNED VEGETABLES

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**JUNE 8TH-13TH  
1ST-12TH GRADE**

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Questions?

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## LENT AT ST. CATHARINE



### PRAYER, FASTING, ALMSGIVING

During Lent, we are asked to devote ourselves to seeking the Lord in prayer and reading Scripture, to service by giving alms, and to practice self-control through fasting.

Many know of the tradition of abstaining from meat on Fridays during Lent, but we are also called to exercise self-discipline and fast in other ways throughout the season.

In addition, the giving of alms is one way to share God's gifts—not only through the distribution of money, but through the sharing of our time and talents. As St. John Chrysostom reminds us: "Not to enable the poor to share in our goods is to steal from them and deprive them of life. The goods we possess are not ours, but theirs."

### WEEKLY CONFESSION TIMES

Tuesdays • 7:30pm  
Thursdays • 7:00pm  
Saturdays • 9:00am

Whether it's been three months, three years, or 30 years since your last Confession, **you can always begin again** and receive the healing mercy of Jesus.

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Fridays of Lent  
7:30pm

#### Children's Stations of the Cross

Good Friday at 12:00pm in the Church

No evening Stations on Good Friday

### FASTING & ABSTINENCE

Days of Fasting: Ash Wednesday and Good Friday (ages 18-59)  
Days of Abstinence from meat: Every Friday

#### How do we fast?

When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal.

#### Am I excused from fasting and abstinence?

Those that are excused from fast and abstinence outside the age limits include the physically or mentally ill including individuals suffering from chronic illnesses such as diabetes. Also excluded are pregnant or nursing women.

## HELP US FILL A PLATE FOR OUR NEIGHBORS IN NEED

### WAYS TO HELP

**Purchase items** on the suggested list, double bag them in paper bags, and place them on top of the wooden collection boxes at the Church entrances. You can make a bag of the essential items or purchase multiple quantities of individual items.

**Make a donation** to the St. Vincent de Paul Society and we will purchase the food to give to the needy. Please put your donation in an envelope marked "SVDP Fill a Plate" and place it in the collection basket or mail/drop at the Church office any time.

### SUGGESTED ITEMS

- Cans of fruit
- Cans of vegetables
- Soup
- Cans of tuna or chicken
- Pasta and sauce
- Cans of whole meals (chili, pasta, stews)
- Mac and Cheese
- Cereal
- Crackers

NO GLASS  
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Questions? Denny Devine • denny.devine@gmail.com



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Our parish provides sandwiches and snacks for Holy Family Soup Kitchen each week to share with our brothers and sisters on the streets and those who are marginally housed. The number is increasing daily!

We can use more help with this ministry. You can help by making sandwiches at home - it's a wonderful family ministry to do together! We deliver them to Holy Family Soup Kitchen each Wednesday.

This is a perfect opportunity to be the hands and feet of Christ and it is so needed.

For more information on how you can help, email Lisa Reis at [lisareis06@gmail.com](mailto:lisareis06@gmail.com). It's easy and a gift that is so needed.

"Yours are the eyes with which He looks Compassion on this world, Yours are the feet with which he walks to do good, Yours are the hands with which he blesses all the world..." St. Teresa of Avila



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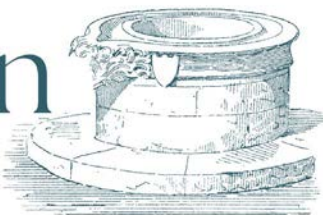
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## St. Catharine Women

# Women at the well



1st Saturdays at 6:30am in the Parish Center

Women at the Well is for all women ages 18 and older who are looking for an opportunity to start, deepen, or renew their relationship with Jesus. We will connect with Jesus and other women in the parish through coffee, prayer, and small groups.

Bring Jesus your heart...your tired and lonely heart, your overwhelmed heart, your full heart, and allow Jesus to fill you with His love. For Jesus says, "Whoever drinks of the water I shall give will never thirst." There is no sign up.

Simply come as you are.

**Questions?** Elyse Salisbury • ehueckel@gmail.com



## THE MELCHIZEDEK PROJECT

Every 1st Monday of the Month at 6:30pm

*Pizza will always be provided!*

The mission of The Melchizedek Project is to help young men in 8th-12th grades hear the call of Jesus Christ and discover their true vocations.

**Questions?** frbrown@stcatharine.com



## Becoming Catholic

*Discover the salvation, beauty and spirituality of the Catholic Church, founded by Jesus Christ more than 2,000 years ago.*

The Becoming Catholic journey is beginning again! If you think you are ready to begin the process of becoming Catholic, or if you have **any other questions about God and the Church**, email Fr. Brown, frbrown@stcatharine.com or scan the QR code.



## St. Catharine Men



Saturdays at 7:00am in the Parish Center

Beginning with Christ to the Apostles, to the Apostolic Fathers, to the men of our day, God hasn't stopped calling us! Let us become who we were made to be and set the world on fire. Join us for food, fellowship and faith. All men are welcome. **Questions?** Paul Wills • pkawills7@gmail.com



2nd Thursdays at 7:30pm in the Parish Hall

As a brotherhood of Catholic men, we are committed to practicing and promoting the principles of charity, unity, fraternity, and patriotism. We welcome all Catholic men who share our values to join us in our mission of service and faith-based fellowship

**Questions?** Ed Stange • Deputy@koc11354.org



## Men's Rosary

Last Thursdays of the Month  
7:30am in the Church




## Baptisms at St. Catharine

St. Catharine is upgrading its Baptism preparation to a more integrated and family centered formation program to facilitate a deeper understanding of Baptism and a more intimate connection to Jesus. This involves attending two sessions with each being held on the 1st Sunday of the month after the 8:30am Mass. **You are encouraged to attend the classes any time while the mother is pregnant.** Visit [www.stcatharine.com/baptism](http://www.stcatharine.com/baptism) for more info or to register for for an infant or young child baptism. **Questions?** frbrown@stcatharine.com



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# Second Sunday of Lent

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Gn 15:5-12, 17-18 | Phil 3:17-4:1 | Lk 9:28b-36

## GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

As humans, we are often burdened with heavy crosses. Experiences of loss, lack, failure, and betrayal can riddle our existence, leaving us fatigued and with a weary question in our hearts: What is this all for? And then, we look up. We raise our gaze and see before us the transfigured face of Christ. Having taken on our human form, Jesus stands before us in radiant glory. As we take in the scene, our senses mingling somewhere between admiration and alarm, we remember the promise he made to us. The promise that we, too, will be made new. The promise that our bodies will also be redeemed, and our burdens will be relieved. And as we remember, we respond, like the disciples, "It is good that we are here." The life of discipleship, at times, can seem to require more than it rewards. But in these moments of intimate encounter, when we see glimpses of Jesus' beautiful face, he reminds us why we are here on this mountain: to love, to serve, and eventually to reap our eternal reward.

## GO EVANGELIZE

### PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

We see why we are here on the mountain, but today's readings also reveal a weighty reality: before we are transformed, we must *climb* that mountain. The whole story of Jesus' life is this: before a promise is fulfilled, sacrifice is offered. Our human existence, without the mercy and mission given us by Christ, is empty. But taking up the cross of Christ and following him toward glory, we find our purpose. Earth is our pilgrimage, and our journey will most certainly be punctuated by peaks and valleys. But today, St. Paul reminds us in his Letter to the Philippians that we won't be carrying around these crosses forever. Though strapped with suffering for a time, we know our eternal destination: "Our citizenship is in heaven."

## REFLECT

Lent is inherently a season of waiting for the fulfillment of a promise. In our own lives, we may be aching for transformation, perhaps for ourselves, or for another. Remember: God enters deeply into our lives, dwelling so intimately with us that he syncs his every breath with ours. Take the next week to think and pray about how the Lord may be asking you to be transformed. Pray today's Psalm each day, and "Wait for the Lord with courage."

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