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PLAN TO CELEBRATE EASTER AT ST. CATHARINE

New for this year we will have concurrent
Easter Sunday Masses at 11:00am

Easter Sunday Mass Schedule

8:30am

11:00am (Church • Incense)

11:00am (Parish Hall • No Incense)

Easter Vigil: 9:00pm

**No 5:00pm Mass on Easter Sunday*

Welcome to St. Catharine

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Parish Office: Mon-Thurs 8:30am-3pm • Fri 8:30am-12pm



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

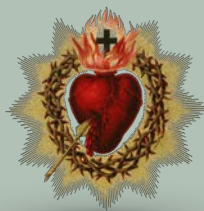


Chaplet of Divine Mercy
Fridays at 3:00pm

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 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

Monday, March 24th

8:00am Holy Mass (Mary Margaret Rees)
6:30pm Scouts
7:00pm Choir Practice

Tuesday, March 25th: *Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord*

7:00pm Holy Mass (Dorothy Huffman)
7:30pm Confessions

Wednesday, March 26th

9:00am Holy Mass (Lucille & Richard Hoffman)

Thursday, March 27th

7:30am Men's Rosary
8:00am Holy Mass (Peggy & Aaron Farley)
7:00pm ADORE Night

Friday, March 28th

8:00am Holy Mass (Jim & Carrie Ghiloni)
7:30pm Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 29th

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

Sunday, March 30th: *Fourth Sunday of Lent*

8:30am Holy Mass (People of the Parish)
11:00am Holy Mass (Bill Harvey)
5:00pm Holy Mass (James Iacoboni) 🕯️
6:00pm The Rescue Project
6:00pm Confirmation Workshop

Offering and Attendance

Sunday, March 16th
Thank you for your presence and your generosity!

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Attendance	
8:30am	265
11:00am	349
5:00pm	262
Total	876

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 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



OUR CATHOLIC RESPONSE TO MENTAL HEALTH
As we face a growing mental health crisis in our society, what should we do?

As Catholics, we are called to respond to the signs of the times. Join in a public conversation on the topic and together create our local response.

Friday, March 28, 2025

9:00 am – 2:00 pm

St. Brendan the Navigator Church
4475 Dublin Rd. Hilliard, OH 43026

Daily Mass is available at 8:00 am in the main Church, followed by a light breakfast. Lunch is also included.



Space is limited, so please register at:
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From The Principal's Desk

Saint Joseph: Provider, a Presider, and a Protector

The month of March brings so many prayerful opportunities and liturgical significance in our Church. March is also a wonderful month to honor and celebrate the saints. This starts and ends with two very important figures, both spiritually and historically in the Western Hemisphere, with Saint Katherine Drexel and Saint Oscar Romero, both of whom showed an extraordinary amount of humility and fought for justice for marginalized populations.

Saint Patrick's Day may be the most secularly commercialized memorial in our Church, aside from maybe Saint Valentine's Day. Saint Patrick, however, provides a glimpse into what real faith can endure, and the lessons that he taught us are generational.

Arguably the greatest male saint in our faith is Saint Joseph, who is my patron and Confirmation saint. Saint Joseph is much more than a Saint for Husbands, Fathers, and Workers. Saint Joseph is a model for all of us, especially for our students.



There are three characteristics that Saint Joseph represents for all of us. **Saint Joseph is a Provider, a Presider, and a Protector.** We want our students to become more like St. Joseph, particularly in these three areas.

Provider

St. Joseph provided for the Holy Family and they depended on him, accepting the responsibility of the Son of God and the Mother of God was a righteous endeavor. Providing not only stability, but also a path to safety, Saint Joseph provided an opportunity for Jesus to grow up as fully human, knowing he was also fully God. There may be no better example of humility.

We ask our students to have a direct impact on the environment they help create at our school. By being "the thermostat and not just a thermometer" they can have a positive effect on our school culture with their empathy, kindness, and compassion. As disciples, they should be invested in making others feel they belong, while still being their authentic selves. The opposite of belonging is fitting in. We don't need to be someone we are not in order to earn the approval of others.

Presider

St. Joseph led the Holy Family, just as his example leads us to Christ today. We cannot develop leaders unless we allow them to lead. Students must first learn to lead themselves. We consistently remind our students that they are responsible for their own words and actions. Accountability must start with self-accountability.

It's important for our school to establish standards and have high expectations for our students. When students have high expectations for themselves, combined with the support of others, they can achieve at a very high level.

Protector

St. Joseph protected the Holy Family with his life. He was able to protect him because of his faith, humility, and righteousness. We have an obligation to our students to not only protect them from physical and emotional harm, but more importantly, to give them the skills to protect themselves and others. Our students are encouraged to take ownership in the physical and emotional safety of their classmates.

What if students were measured by how safe others feel in their presence? That is a question we often ask our students and ourselves. We want St. Catharine to be a safe place, with an abundance of trusted adults in each student's life. This goes beyond the immediate environment, but also emanates in our absence from our peer groups. When students are navigating their social horizons, we often remind them to surround themselves with friends who will defend them in rooms they aren't in.

We want students to carry their crosses without burdening others. If anything, we want our students to be servant-leaders, empathetic to the crosses others carry, without judging how they carry it. That, in turn, may be the most significant thing we can learn from Saint Joseph.

St. Joseph, Terror of Demons, Zealous Defender of Christ, Most Chaste Protector of Mary...Pray for Us!

Mark Watts • Principal

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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.

Questions? Denny Devine • denny.devine@gmail.com

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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FISH FRY DAYS

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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.

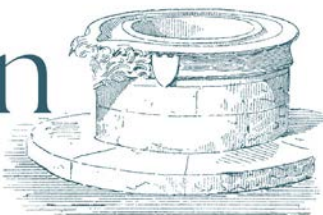
This is a perfect opportunity to be the hands and feet of Christ and it is so needed.

For more information on how you can help, email Lisa Reis at lisareis06@gmail.com. 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

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 for more info or to register for for an infant or young child baptism. **Questions?** frbrown@stcatharine.com

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Third Sunday of Lent

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Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15 | 1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12 | Lk 13:1-9

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

Meaningful human relationships rarely last if only one party makes an effort to maintain a connection. The same is true in our relationship with God. In the scene recorded in today's first reading – arguably one of human history's "Top Ten" most important events – God takes the initiative, but the encounter is two-sided. God causes the bush to burn and Moses approaches; God calls Moses and he responds, "Here I am!"; finally, Moses asks God his name and God reveals himself as "I am who am." Moses' cooperation with God throughout is essential for them to arrive at this monumental revelation which would allow Moses (and, by extension, all of the Israelites) to call upon God by name. Despite our many technological achievements, a free, generous, loving response to God's initiative is still the only "fruit" we can bear for him that he cannot procure himself. This is the fruit which the fig tree in Jesus' Gospel parable is meant to produce. If we truly desire and seek this relationship, God will reveal himself to us so that, no matter our stage or state of life, we can bear this fruit *even now*.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

In his encounter with God, Moses exhibits an exemplary combination of boldness and humility which teaches us how we should approach our relationship with God. This is our "roadmap" which will help us fertilize the "ground" of our hearts. Consider Moses' bold, inquisitive spirit: "I must go over to look at this remarkable sight," and his prompt response to God's call: "Here I am!" Consider the audacity Moses must have had to ask God for his name. At the same time, however, consider his humility in removing the sandals from his feet and hiding his face before the majesty of God. The God who revealed himself to Moses is the same God who invites us into relationship with him. We can and should have Moses' boldness to ask God to teach us about himself. But we should also approach God with a spirit of reverence and awe. Our humility will be the fertile soil that God can use to make us his intimate friends and his representatives before others.

LISTEN

Sometimes we have habits or attitudes that prevent us from hearing God's voice. Like Moses removing his sandals, choose something you can forgo this week (for example, social media or music in the car) so that you can hear and respond to the Lord. Make sure you dedicate your extra quiet time to talking to God.

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If you call after hours, please use the same number and follow the prompts to reach a priest.

Liturgical Ministry	LC	Lector	Extraordinary Min	MC	Altar Servers	Hospitality	Communion Visits
Sun, March 30th 8:30am	Yvonne Moyer	Emily McFadden (1) Andrew Kebe (2)	J.J. Frencho Jonathan McFadden Matthew Klingler Cheryl Rushman	Jack Frencho	Sophia Frencho Paddy McFadden Henry Williams	Rebecca Jackson Nathan Murphy Linda Wolfe Jim Wolfe Tina Allwein Carol Lannan	Group 1 Linda Wolfe
Sun, March 30th 11:00am	Yvonne Moyer	Jillian Reeb (1) Liz Evans (2)	Brealie Caridi, John Mackessy, Ijeoma Nnani, Phil Petrosky David Isaacs, Grant Roberts, Jane Isaacs, Eric VanBuskirk	Samuel Grilli	Dominic Caridi Joseph Caridi Isaac Reeb	Chuck Burkhart Nancy Connor Christy Schlosser Rita Pearson *1 Needed*	Group 2 Elyse Salisbury
Sun, March 30th 5:00pm	Rita Hoyt	Jamie Must (1) Stephanie Moraine (2)	Katharine Barlay Ben Lasher Amy Adams Sheri Barlay	Thomas Sweeney	Leona Doenges Libby Springer *1 Needed*	Betsy Butler Mark Savino Mike Duffy Megan Frank *1 Needed*	Bickford Dick Hinterschied

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St. Vincent de Paul Annual Report

- 23 members
- 185 neighbors helped
- \$35,000.00 income
- \$78,000.00 expenses paid
 - Very high need for rental assistance

- Home visits for neighbors needing rental assistance, etc.
- Sandwich making for the hungry
- Shop for furniture with neighbors in need
- SVDP truck drop coming this June

- Giving Tree
- Thanksgiving meals
- Food Pantry
- Annual Walk For the Poor



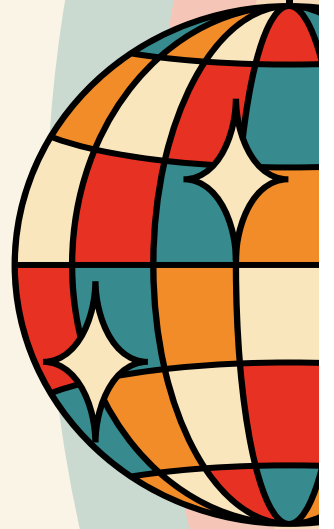
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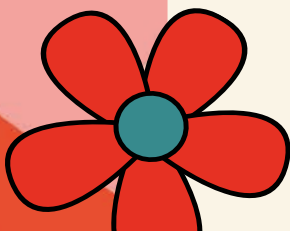
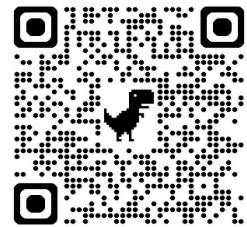
A Father-Daughter Disco

Let's boogie!

Fathers (or father figures) and daughters: Join us for a fun evening of activities, dancing, raffles & a photo booth! Dinner will be served family style.

Friday, April 25, 2025
6-8PM
St. Catharine Parish Hall

\$20 per couple, \$5 for each
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**AS THE FATHER LOVES ME, SO I ALSO
LOVE YOU. REMAIN IN MY LOVE.
(JN 15:9)**



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