

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22ND, 2024
TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



ORDINARY TIME

ST. CATHARINE CHURCH

"Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me; and whoever receives me, receives not me but the One who sent me."

**Fr. Bob's
Mass of Installation
Celebrated by
Bishop Fernandes**



**Sunday
September 29th
5:00pm**

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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 spending the next hour or so worshipping God in Word and in Sacrament together. 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-12:00am
Saturday
6:00am-4:00pm



Chaplet of Divine Mercy

Fridays at 3:00pm

Children's Holy Hour

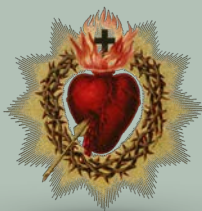
Saturdays at 3:00pm

Committed Adorers Needed

Friday • 11:00pm

Confession

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



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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, September 22nd: *Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:30am Holy Mass (Jimmy Corrova)
9:30am St. Vincent de Paul
9:30am Parent Meeting for First Communion & Confirmation
11:00am Holy Mass (Rose Adamescu) 🕯️
5:00pm Holy Mass (People of the Parish)
6:00pm High School Youth Group
6:00pm Parent Meeting for First Communion & Confirmation

Monday, September 23rd: *Memorial of Saint Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest*

8:00am Holy Mass (Emma Petrosky)
6:30pm Scouts

Tuesday, September 24th

7:00pm Holy Mass (Mikey Budac)
7:30pm Confessions

Wednesday, September 25th

9:00am Holy Mass (Mary Jane Pallay)

Thursday, September 26th

7:30am Men's Rosary
8:00am Holy Mass (Janet Gallen)
7:00pm ADORE Night

Friday, September 27th: *Memorial of Saint Vincent de Paul, Priest*

No School

8:00am Holy Mass (William Manierre Sr.)

Saturday, September 28th

8:30am Holy Mass (William Manierre Jr.)
9:00am Confessions

Fr. Bob's Mass of Installation with Bishop Earl K. Fernandes

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29TH • 5:00PM



Offering and Attendance

Sunday, September 15th

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Attendance	
8:30am	254
11:00am	336
5:00pm	216
Total	806

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 3 months or until they are asked to be removed.

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Christine	Tara	Irina
Jim	K's Daughter	Annette
Tracy Keaton	Amy	Luke
Avery	Estee	Gary
Sarah	Margie	Margo
Reese	Luke	Tish
Rachel	Charmonique	Susan & Mikha
Suzy	Kamil	

May They Rest in Peace

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

Eileen M. Kaltenecker	William G. Harvey
John R. Farley	Harold E. Ridenour
Lynn H. Ryan	Jean Babbit
Joseph A. Vasiliauskas	Violet Mary (Alibrando) Allwein
Michael A. Jolley	John Louis Murphy
David G. Bussard Jr.	James "Sam" Allan Powers
Dorothy Huffman	Jean Ridenour



Thomas Kyran Siemer
April 11, 1930-September 11, 2024

Thomas Kyran Siemer, age 94, born at home April 11, 1930 in Glouster, Ohio and passed away peacefully on September 11, 2024 at Mother Angeline McCrory Manor.

St. Catharine extends our heartfelt prayers for the eternal soul of Tom, and we extend our deepest sympathies to all of his family and friends.

Eternal rest grant unto Tom, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

The Banns of Marriage

We are pleased to announce the following wedding at St. Catharine Church. Any known reason why this marriage should not happen should be reported to Fr. Bob. We wish this couple God's blessings as they unite as husband and wife!

October 11, 2024
Veronica Bidwill and Troy Martin

Message from Brendan O'Rourke



It's very easy to go through the motions and not actually pray the words that we sing—whether at Mass, Adoration, or in our car. But there is a song we've been singing for the past couple of years called "My King Forever" and in the bridge section we boldly proclaim these words:

*I lift my hands up lay my whole life down
My whole life down before You
lift my hands up lay my whole life down
My whole life now is for You.*

And two things have been occurring to me lately:

1.) I'm realizing just how little of my life I actually lay down for God. I typically only offer him the parts of my life that feel convenient at the time, or that "make sense." And this can begin to lead to some discouragement and even disappointment in myself. We can begin to beat ourselves up if we are distracted in prayer, or if we don't have a great desire for prayer. I know that I don't always want to pray. But this discouragement is not from God our loving Father. His voice never discourages us, and so we must never give in to any discouragement, ever! We can always begin again!

I'm comforted by the words of Fr. Jacques Philippe:

"We must never let ourselves become discouraged over our lukewarmness or the realization of how little we love God."

2.) Jesus is the one who said these words to me first. And He didn't just talk the talk, He walked the walk. Jesus is the one who lifted up His hands on the cross and actually did lay down his whole life down before each of us. And now His whole life is for us in the Eucharist. And I can't even begin to offer the smallest part of my life to God until I know and experience deep in my soul that He offered His entire life for me on the cross. As 1 John 4:19 says, "We love because he first loved us."

Brendan O'Rourke

Director of Communications & Associate Director of Music
Adoration Chapel Coordinator

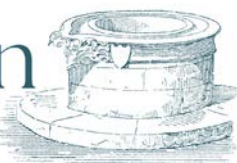
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St. Catharine Women

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

St. Catharine Youth

...more than just pizza (but trust us, there's still pizza)

Sun, Sept 22nd: High School
Sun, Sept 29th: Middle School
Sun, Oct 6th: High School
Sun, Oct 13th: Middle School
Sun, Oct 20th: High School
Sun, Oct 27th: Ask an Exorcist with Bishop Fernandes at Immaculate Conception Church

Questions? Christiana Lee • christiana@stcatharine.com

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St. Catharine Men



Saturdays at 7:00am in the Parish Center



Journey from fear to fearless worship, from a lifeless corpse hanging on the cross to an empty tomb, from Apostles hiding in the upper room to proclaiming the risen Lord to the ends of the earth! 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. May we become Apostles of the New Springtime! Join us for food, fellowship and faith. All men are welcome.

Questions? Paul Wills • pkawills7@gmail.com



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Men's Rosary

Last Thursdays at 7:30am in the Church





The Mass

“Do This in Remembrance of Me”

A Step-By-Step Walk Through the Mass

Fr. Luke Spannagel

✦ Part 66: The Preparation of the Priest ✦

As we continue our final preparation for receiving Communion, we may notice another time when it looks as if the priest may be talking to himself at the altar. Actually, he is praying! After the “Lamb of God,” the congregation kneels down in adoration of THE Lamb of God present on the altar—Jesus Christ really, truly, and substantially present. Meanwhile, the priest joins his hands, perhaps bowing slightly, speaks quietly to himself, genuflects, and then gets ready for the next part of the Mass. What is he doing?

This part of the Mass is called the **private preparation of the priest** for receiving Holy Communion. As is often the case, the name of this part of the Mass tells you exactly what is happening! Before Communion, the priest takes a few moments to prepare to receive Our Lord. According to the Diocese of Peoria, after the fraction rite, “the priest prays a prayer quietly to himself. This is done quietly because it is a personal prayer of the priest as he prepares for communion. The sacrament of the Eucharist is the only Sacrament a priest can administer to himself. This private prayer asks the Lord to forgive any faults and to keep him faithful to the teachings of the Church... After this private preparation, the priest genuflects in adoration” (A Study of the Mass, p. 19).

The Two Prayers of Preparation

The Roman Missal actually gives the priest two options for this private prayer, both equally beautiful and prayerful:

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, who, by the will of the Father and the work of the Holy Spirit, through your Death gave life to the world, free me by this, your most holy Body and Blood, from all my sins and from every evil; keep me always faithful to your commandments, and never let me be parted from you.

Or

May the receiving of your Body and Blood, Lord Jesus Christ, not bring me to judgment and condemnation, but through your loving mercy be for me protection in mind and body and a healing remedy.

Fr. Guy Oury observes that “the first of the two prayers begins the reminiscence of Peter’s confession at Caesarea Philippi and alludes to the Passion, which Christ foretold shortly after. The Eucharist is offered to us as an antidote to sin. It is, by Christ’s own will, the favored means of union with him” (The Mass, p. 116). The second prayer, while shorter, also reminds the priest just how much he needs our Lord in the Eucharist and calls him to strive to be a worthy and holy priest.

A Personal Moment of Prayer for the Priest

For me as a priest, taking time for these prayers is one of my favorite parts of the Mass. During much of the Mass, as we have been reviewing, there are many things for the priest to do and say. I am often aware that I am praying on behalf of the people who are present. I certainly give myself the challenge of helping people understand the gift before us and pray together better. For me, this moment is a short break where I am just praying to Jesus from my heart. Each of the prayers is truly meaningful. The first reminds me of a priest who was really influential when I was growing up. Sometimes, as an altar server, I could hear him pray these words; I was struck by his prayer asking God to help him stay faithful and never to be parted from our Lord. It sounded so humble but also confident: Lord, this is what I need, and I know You will do it. That same confidence is in the second prayer as I ask for protection and healing. The word remedy fills my heart with hope that this union with Jesus will truly bring my heart into deeper union with him... and help keep me there!

So, what should everyone else do while the priest is praying one of the above prayers? While it is just a brief moment, Charles Belmonte reminds us: “The personal preparation of the priest gives us the opportunity to prepare ourselves also in silence, without the noise of words but with an abundance of acts of love. We feel unworthy as the moment for receiving our Lord approaches. But we decide to go on because we know that he wants to remain in the consecrated species to be our nourishment and the cure for our weaknesses” (Understanding the Mass, p. 182). In a way similar to the priest’s preparation, this is a wonderful moment to ask Jesus to strengthen you in faithfulness and purity through the gift of Holy Communion. Let us prepare fervently at this part of the Mass, for the Lord is coming to us very soon in his Flesh and Blood, the Most Holy Eucharist!

For Reflection:

1. Watch for the private preparation of the priest when you participate in Mass. Receive this moment as an opportunity to pray for the celebrant, for yourself, and for all present as you prepare for Communion.
2. Consider praying with the words of the priest’s private prayer as a way of preparing for Mass.

Source: www.eucharisticrevival.org/blog



Solidarity



In their statement on *Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship*, the Catholic bishops of the United States identify the four main principles of the Church's social teaching and apply them to some concrete issues. This is not to tell the faithful for whom or against whom to vote, but instead to help them form their consciences in accordance with God's truth as they approach this often-challenging decision. The four main principles are the Dignity of the Human Person, the Common Good, Solidarity, and Subsidiarity. They are all interrelated. This bulletin focuses on **Solidarity**, and the other three principles are covered in three other bulletins in this series. —★

Solidarity is "a firm and persevering determination to commit oneself to . . . the good of all and of each individual, because we are all really responsible for all."¹ We are one human family, whatever our national, racial, ethnic, economic, and ideological differences. The person is social in nature; we develop and flourish within a community. As baptized members of the community of the Church, we are part of one body in Christ and we are also part of one global human family.²

In *Fratelli Tutti (On Fraternity and Social Friendship)* Pope Francis places solidarity at the center of what it means to cultivate social friendship as one family:

Solidarity means much more than engaging in sporadic acts of generosity. It means thinking and acting in terms of community. It means that the lives of all are prior to the appropriation of goods by a few. It also means combatting the structural causes of poverty, inequality, the lack of work, land, and housing, the denial of social and labor rights.³

Thus, solidarity affects not only the goals we pursue in public life, but also the way we pursue them—ever mindful that we are all brothers and sisters, all children of God.

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"Solidarity requires that in our prayer and in our political engagement, those who are weak, vulnerable, and most in need receive preferential concern."
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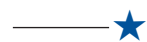
Solidarity requires that in our prayer and in our political engagement, those who are weak, vulnerable, and most in need receive preferential concern.

In imitation of the Good Samaritan, we seek to be neighbor to all.⁴ We are called to practice “radical solidarity” by accompanying pregnant women to choose life and by offering support to new mothers and their children.⁵ As neighbors to all, we also advocate for families affected by poverty, unemployment, or illness, individuals struggling with mental illness or addiction, the elderly and those with disabilities, and all whose livelihoods and homes are endangered by climate change.⁶

In countries ravaged by war, such as Ukraine, West Africa, and the Middle East, we must “touch the wounded flesh of the victims” and support efforts for relief and peace,⁷ while also working collaboratively to reduce and eliminate nuclear weapons.⁸



“In imitation of the Good Samaritan, we seek to be neighbor to all.”



We seek policies that “welcome, protect, promote, and integrate” migrants and refugees who arrive at our borders, and which aid development in countries of origin.⁹

Racism is an obstacle to solidarity, and we strive to root it out not only by examining our hearts individually, but also by looking critically at our policies and institutions.¹⁰

In a culture that overemphasizes the accumulation of wealth, we must not forget our “obligation to ensure that every person lives with dignity and has sufficient opportunities for his or her integral development.”¹¹

As we seek to foster solidarity in hearts and policies, let us pray with Pope Francis in *Fratelli Tutti*:

*Lord, Father of our human family . . . Move us to create healthier societies and a more dignified world, a world without hunger, poverty, violence and war. Amen.*¹²

This bulletin insert along with five others was approved by the body of U.S. bishops in November 2023.

Find this and more complementary resources at www.faithfulcitizenship.org.

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1 *Compendium of the Social Doctrine of the Church*, no. 193, quoting St. John Paul II, *Sollicitudo Rei Socialis* (*On Social Concerns*), no. 38. (See Mt 10:40-42, 20:25; Mk 10:42-45; Lk 22:25-27.)

2 Benedict XVI, *Deus Caritas Est* (*God is Love*), no. 25b. See also: USCCB, *Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship*, nos. 52-54.

3 Pope Francis, *Fratelli Tutti* (*On Fraternity and Social Friendship*), no. 116, quoting *Address to Participants in the Meeting of Popular Movements* (October 28, 2014).

4 Pope Francis, *Fratelli Tutti*, no. 80.

5 USCCB Chairmen, “Letter and Policy Recommendations Supporting Women and Children,” October 26, 2022.

6 Pope Francis, *Laudato Si’* (*On Care for Our Common Home*), nos. 25, 48-49. See also: Pope Benedict XVI, *Caritas in Veritate* (*Charity in Truth*), nos. 48-52, and Pope Francis, *Laudate Deum*, no. 31.

7 Pope Francis, *Fratelli Tutti*, no. 261.

8 Pope Francis, *Fratelli Tutti*, no. 262. See also: St. John Paul II, *Sollicitudo Rei Socialis*, nos. 23-24.

9 Pope Francis, *Fratelli Tutti*, nos. 129 and 132. See also: Pope Benedict XVI, *Caritas in Veritate*, no. 62.


10 United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, *Open Wide Our Hearts: The Enduring Call to Love, a Pastoral Letter Against Racism*, 2018. See also: *Fratelli Tutti*, nos. 20, 41, and 97.

11 Pope Francis, *Fratelli Tutti*, no. 118.

12 Pope Francis, *Fratelli Tutti*, no. 287.

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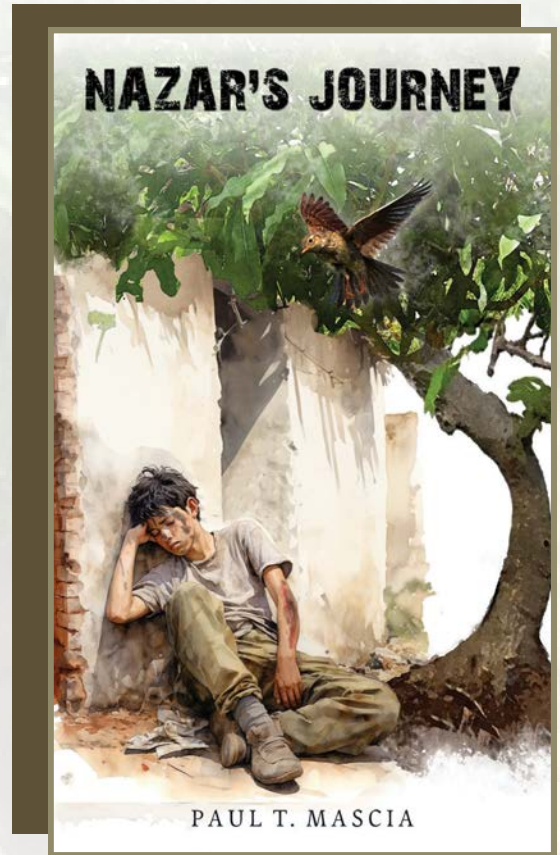
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A St. Catharine Parishioner, Paul T. Mascia is a graduate of Yale University, where his senior thesis was an in-depth analysis of the reformer and Medieval mystic, St. Catharine of Siena. Paul and his wife, Theresa, reside in Columbus and have five adult children and seven grandchildren. *Nazar's Journey* is Mr. Mascia's first novel, and his first piece of historical fiction.

The author's proceeds will be donated to Aid to the Church in Need, which helps persecuted Christians and displaced peoples in global conflict situations.



It's 2014, and ISIS has captured the Nineveh Plains region in Iraq. In the ensuing chaos, Nazar, a 14-year-old Christian boy, is forced to flee his village. He embarks on a perilous journey to find his father, also a Christian, who has gone missing in the fighting.

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