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August 15th

The Solemnity of the Assumption of Mary
A Holy Day of Obligation

Thursday, August 14th

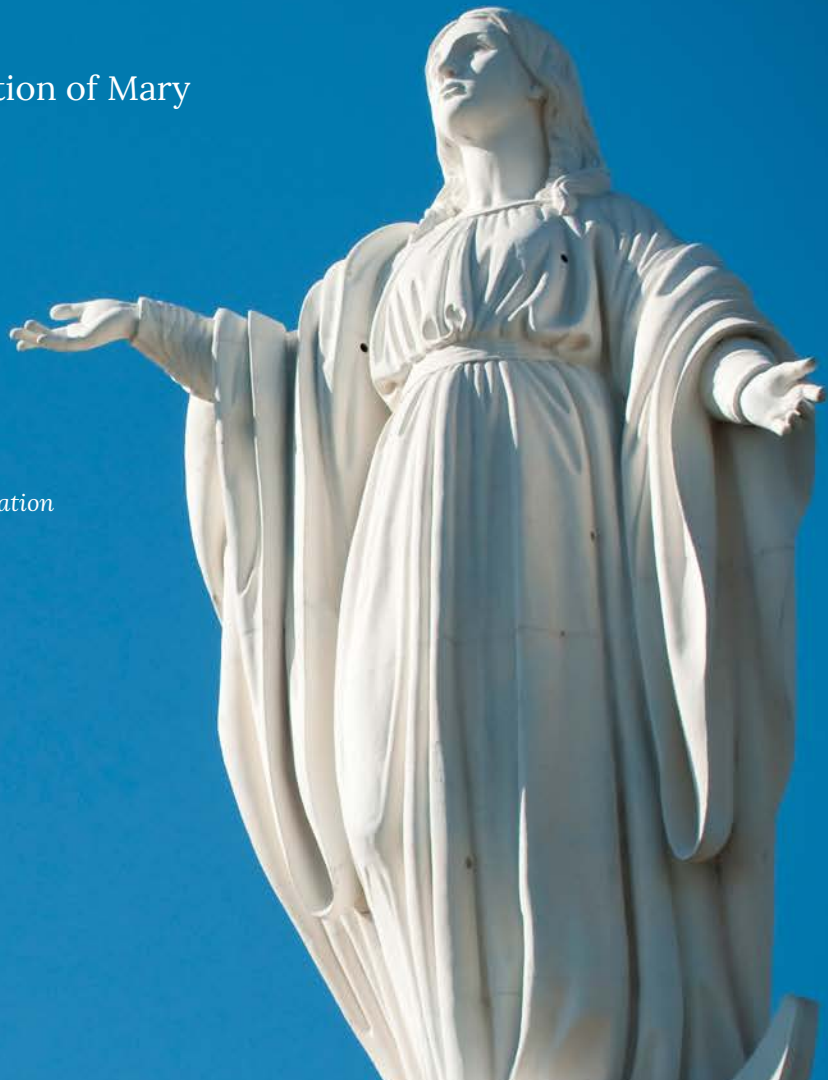
6:00pm Vigil Mass

Friday, August 15th

8:00am Mass

6:00pm Mass

**Parish Offices closed on Holy Days of Obligation*



**Registration for Family of Faith and Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
now open! See inside for more details.**

Welcome Fr. Weldit Abay

Fr. Weldit was born and raised in Zagr, Eritrea, in the horn of Africa where he became a priest in 2009 and served in the Archdiocese of Asmara, Eritrea. He also worked a year in Sudan and 3 years in Egypt. From 2019-21, Fr Weldit attended the English and Cultural Studies program at Sacred Heart Seminary and School of Theology in Franklin, Wisconsin. During that time, he would perform priestly duties for the Eritrean Community in Charlotte, North Carolina. Fr Weldit currently resides at St Brendan the Navigator Parish and is in holy service to the Eritrean Catholic Community of Columbus



Mission Appeal for the Diocese of Segheneyti, Eritrea

Dear Parishioners of St. Catharine,

I am happy to be here for a special **Mission Appeal** on behalf of our brothers and sisters in the *Diocese of Segheneyti*, located in the eastern part of Eritrea, in the Horn of Africa.

About the Diocese

The *Diocese of Segheneyti* was established in **1995** and serves a vibrant and devout Catholic community. Despite limited resources and political restrictions, the diocese remains deeply committed to:

- Proclaiming the Gospel
- Caring for the poor
- Nurturing vocations

The diocese is shepherded by **His Excellency Bishop Fikremariam Hagos Tsalim**, the *first bishop of Segheneyti*. He is a courageous and faith-filled leader who has endured great hardship, including **imprisonment**, because of his commitment to the Church and the people of Eritrea.



Why We Are Asking for Your Support

Due to strict government policies priests in Eritrea are **not allowed to leave the country** for higher studies or theological training until they turn **50**. This severely limits their formation during the most active years of their ministry. The government has **nationalized all Catholic schools and health facilities**, making it harder for the Church to serve its communities directly. Yet, the mission continues. The diocese is working hard to provide **local theological education, pastoral formation, and spiritual support** for its seminarians and priests—but lacks the resources to do this effectively.

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- Fund **ongoing formation for young priests**

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We thank you for your **open hearts** and for standing in **solidarity with the global Church**.

Please pray for **Bishop Fikremariam** and the faithful of **Segheneyti** as they carry out Christ's mission in difficult circumstances.

May God bless you abundantly for your support!

In Christ,

Fr Weldit Tesfazghi Abay



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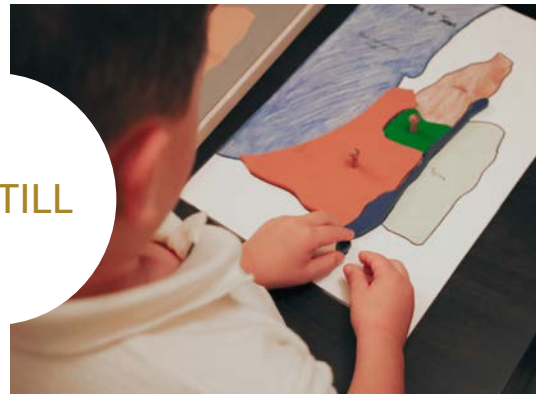


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Questions? Fr. Brown • frbrown@stcatharine.com



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Questions? Fr. Bob • frbob@stcatharine.com



St. Catharine Men

Men's Group Gospel Reflections

Saturdays at 7:30am in the Parish Center

During the summer we take a break from *That Man Is You* videos but we still meet for **Men's Group Gospel Reflection** as we break open the upcoming Scriptures for Sunday Mass. All are welcome!

Questions? Paul Wills • pkawills7@gmail.com



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Questions? Ed Stange • Deputy@koc11354.org

Men's Rosary

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

St. Catharine Women



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 and allow Jesus to fill you with His love.

Questions? Elyse Salisbury • ehueckel@gmail.com



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INTERCEDE



PRAY

Our Father, 3 Hail Marys, Glory Be

REFLECT

The Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary celebrates the Blessed Mother's entrance into heavenly glory. Mary's Assumption into heaven reminds us that life on earth is a pilgrimage to our ultimate destination. We prepare in hope for our own passage into eternal life by the choices we make today. When we choose to love and follow God in our daily lives, we strengthen our relationship with Him, and this relationship is the true meaning of heaven: "To live in heaven is 'to be with Christ'" (CCC, 1025).

We can see how, throughout her life, the Blessed Mother continually chose to go deeper into her relationship with God. She modeled how to value and respect His precious gift of human life, from the moment of conception to its natural end. In the Annunciation, through her "yes," Mary witnessed to the undeniable humanity of pre-born children as she conceived and carried the Christ child in her womb. After the Annunciation, having learned that her cousin Elizabeth was with child, she went in haste to her aid.

Our Blessed Mother shows us how the way we live *today* can prepare us, in hope, to also enter into heavenly glory at the end of our lives. Are we open to God's precious gift of new life? How do we support pregnant mothers and parents? Do we prioritize showing our love to those who are ill or aging? Do we care for them in a way that respects God's gift of life?

Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

ACT (choose one)

- Read and meditate on the Mass readings for the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (bit.ly/assumption-2025). Reflect on how the Blessed Mother consistently exemplified how to welcome and cherish God's gift of human life.
- Choose one night to sleep without your pillow or on the floor. Consider how Mary welcomed the Christ-child in humble surroundings and pray for mothers who welcome their children amidst poverty and difficult circumstances today.
- Offer some other sacrifice or prayer that you feel called to do for this month's intention.

ONE STEP FURTHER

Read the short reflection, "Called to Serve Moms in Need," and reflect on how the Blessed Mother shows us how to support mothers and their children: respectlife.org/called-to-serve-reflection.

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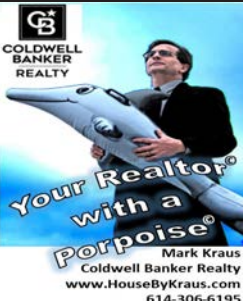
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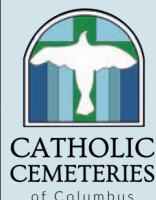
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If we're honest with ourselves, we often want God to give us exactly what we ask for in prayer, or to provide immediate comfort in moments of need. But from the beginning, God revealed that the life of faith would entail trusting in his promises even as we wait for their final fulfillment. The example of Abraham in the second reading can be our model. We are called to emulate Abraham's obedient trust: "for he thought that the one who had made the promise was trustworthy." Throughout the Scriptures God promised his people that he would prepare a place for them. This promise propelled the Israelites through famine, exile, and agony, until God brought them to their earthly homeland. Jesus promises a new and everlasting place of rest, where we will live with God forever. We wait in joyful hope that one day he himself will bring us to our heavenly home. Amid the difficulties of life, in seasons of grief, pain, or confusion, it is easy to let doubt creep in. This is when, more than ever, we must cling to our faith, which Paul describes as "the realization of what is hoped for and evidence of things not seen."

GO EVANGELIZE

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Trusting in God, we are called to wait with hope and prepare ourselves to readily receive him when he comes. Today's Gospel from Luke provides an image for us to imitate: the faithful servant dutifully awaiting his master's return. What does Jesus say about these servants who keep close watch, always prepared for the moment their master will return? "Blessed are those servants whom the master finds vigilant on his arrival." The faithful witness of the servants in the Gospel reminds us not to overcomplicate our faith. We simply need to remain diligent in carrying out the work that God has given us to do here and now and to keep ourselves alert as we wait with patience for the coming of the Lord.

PRAY

Our faith strengthens us as we wait for the Lord — as we hold on to the radical belief that our destination is heaven, and our God keeps his promises. Wherever you find yourself on the journey today, cling to his promises! Ask for the grace for deeper trust in him and for greater faithfulness to the work of building up his kingdom as you wait for God to bring all things to their ultimate fulfillment.

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Anointing of the Sick

If you or someone you know is in danger of death from sickness or old age and wishes to receive the sacraments, please call our main number, 614-231-4509, and ask for a priest to be dispatched to your location.

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

Liturgical Ministry	LC	Lector	Extraordinary Minister	MC	Altar Servers	Hospitality	
Sun, August 17th 8:30am	Yvonne Moyer	Steve Kebe (1) Laura Bowen (2)	Jennifer Hadden - North Cheryl Rushman - North Phil Petrosky - South Pam Rice - South	Bruce Hadden	Jude Keiffer Cole Klingler *1 Needed*	Rebecca Jackson - West Nathan Murphy - West Jim Wolfe - North Ed Stange - South Tina Allwein - NE *1 Needed*	Group 1 Maria Roberts
Sun, August 17th 11:00am	Yvonne Moyer	Marin Santorsola (1) Jillian Reeb (2)	Anthony Bennett, Philip Rice, Brealie Caridi *1 Needed* Gary Allwein, Wendy Currier, Katharine Barlay, Anthony DiNapoli	Samuel Grilli	Samuel Bennett Joseph Caridi Bethany Mosteller	Rita Pearson - West Family Brundage - North Bob Mauk - South Giana Coleman - SE *1 Needed*	Group 2 Nathan Slonaker
Sun, August 17th 5:00pm	Rita Hoyt	Jillian Reeb (1) John Thiel (2)	Barbara Murphy - North Jenni Remeis - North Mark Savino - South *1 Needed*	Thomas Sweeney	Kateri Fouts Theresa Murphy Isaac Reeb	Betsy Butler - West Scott Remeis - North Megan VanLandingham - S Jenni Remeis - NE Tyler VanLandingham - SE	Bickford *1 Needed*

Baptisms

"See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God."

Sunday, August 3rd
Augustine Richard Slonaker
Sunday, August 4th
Louis Vianney Cothorn

The Banns of Marriage

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

September 20th: Ruth Heston & Austin Haines
October 11th: Sheridan Seltz & Gabriel Phillips

May They Rest in Peace

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon them.
May their souls and all the souls of all the faithful departed,
through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*

James R. Wood
Dennis J. Lyons
George F. Rushman
Mary McGinty Bourke

Oke Mora
Patricia Strominger
Patricia J. Gibboney
Terry Gene Bollea



Jerome R. "Jerry" Bahlmann
July 5, 1941-June 11, 2025

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

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.

Tish	Nora	Joan	Meg
Susan	Maria	Paulette	Dan
Mikha	Leena	Sylvia	Cindy
Christopher	Ann	Spencer	Vanessa
Stephanie	Joan	Kayla	Barb
Kaycee	Charmonique	Patti	Peggy
AJ	Anne	Katie	Patti
Andrew	Steve	Joe	Brooke

Making Music with Mike

Off-Key and On Fire: Gifts of All Kinds Welcome Here!

The second reading from Paul that we hear every Pentecost Sunday contains the line, "there are different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit. There are different forms of service but the same Lord." How true the different gifts are in my family!



My daughter and I are both considered 'artists' but our gifts are on the opposite ends of the artistic spectrum. She can draw pencil sketches with the best of them, and has even made a set of ceramic dishes for me. However, on the musical side, she sings about six notes off key. For myself, I was blessed to be able to play any keyboard instrument and the ability to read or memorize most all kinds of music. But don't ask me to do anything resembling art though. Even my stick people drawings are bad!

As a community of faith, we all have different gifts, but we all come together as "one faith, one Lord, one baptism." Look at the many gifts that go on to make our imperfect world a little better and our worship more meaningful at every Mass. There are the servers who enhance our Mass by assisting the celebrants on the Altar. There are our lectors who bring the Word to life at every liturgy. Hospitality ministers (ushers) are willing to lend a hand to whoever needs it. Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are invaluable in distributing the Body and Blood of Christ. And we musicians and cantors and choir singers are dedicated to raising our voices to God in song.

That's a lot of different gifts, right? But we need every one of these gifts and gifted people to make what Mass should be: full, conscious and active participation in praising the Lord.

Even if you are not in any of these ministries now, your participation is crucial to make all of your gifts and our gifts work. Pray along as long as you are able and sing along as much as you can no matter what talent (or lack thereof) you might have God gave you that voice – let Him worry about the quality!

From this humble servant in front of the keyboards, always pray, sing, and give thanks to God. We are always happy to join with you every Sunday.

And now for the commercial: **Choir practice starts Monday, September 15th at 7 p.m. in the church.** Cantors are always welcome – contact me for further details. If you are a regular at 5:00 mass, Brendan always welcomes more musicians. If you are moved to, please join us in making a joyful noise to the Lord.

Mike Hammond • Director of Music
mikemusicman_26@yahoo.com

August Food Pantry Need CANNED FRUIT

Please leave donations at wooden boxes near Church entrances.



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 mute your cell phones and to observe sacred 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 and video-feed in the Parish Hall Gallery available if you feel the need to step out during Mass. But please do come back! 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

Confession

Wednesday 6:30pm
Saturday 9:00am

By appointment

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ADORE Night

✙ Every Wednesday at 6:30pm ✙

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

This Week

Sunday, August 10th: Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30am Holy Mass (Msgr. Thomas Gallen)
11:00am Holy Mass (The Sarko Family)
12:00pm Baptisms
5:00pm Holy Mass (People of the Parish) 🕯

Monday, August 11th: Memorial of Saint Clare, Virgin

8:00am Holy Mass (Harold Ridenour)
6:30pm Scouts

Tuesday, August 12th

8:00am Holy Mass (Msgr. Thomas Gallen)
7:00pm Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA)

Wednesday, August 13th

12p-2p Parish Office Closed
6:00pm Holy Mass (Michael Willet & Family)
6:30pm ADORE Night (Confession/Adoration)

Thursday, August 14th: Saint Maximilian Kolbe, Priest and Martyr

8:00am Holy Mass (Dennis Sweeney)
6:00pm Vigil Mass for the Assumption (Celebrant's Intention)
7:30pm Knights of Columbus

Friday, August 15th: Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Holy Day Day of Obligation: Parish Offices Closed

8:00am Holy Mass (Mike Haffele)
6:00pm Holy Mass (Ruth Ko)

Saturday, August 16th

7:30am Men's Group Gospel Reflection
8:30am Holy Mass (Steven Nicholas Prunte)
9:00am Confessions
9:30am Play Like a Champion Training

Sunday, August 17th: Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30am Holy Mass (People of the Parish)
9:30am Coffee and Donuts
9:30am St. Vincent de Paul
11:00am Holy Mass (Joseph Ridgeway) 🕯
12:00pm Coffee and Donuts
12:00pm Baptisms
5:00pm Holy Mass (David Hilaman)

Offering and Attendance

Thank you for your presence and your generosity!

July 27th Offertory

Envelope	\$2,933.00
Loose	\$2,754.55
EFT	\$10,179.05
Total	\$15,866.60
Diocesan Tax	\$1,586.66
Net	\$14,279.94

August 3rd Attendance

8:30am	312
11:00am	316
5:00pm	229
Total	857

SCAN TO GIVE



ST. CATHARINE WOMEN

WOMEN'S RETREAT

Saturday, August 23rd
8:30am-12:00pm

Walking in Hope, Living in Faith



A morning of spiritual renewal, connection, and encouragement with the women of St. Catharine. Through Mass, fellowship, music, and heartfelt witness, we will explore the theme of hope—how it takes root, grows, and bears fruit in our lives.

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Questions? meganpwalker@gmail.com

