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There is perhaps no more beautiful celebration than when parents bring their newborn child to the waters of baptism. Parents, godparents, family, and friends share in this sacrament with incomparable joy. For in baptism, we share in Christ's death and resurrection, and through the outward signs of water and oil, are made *children of God* and given the hope of eternal life with Him.

"The death and resurrection of Jesus is the heart of our faith and the basis of our hope."¹ Through our Lord Jesus Christ, our sins are forgiven, death is overcome, and life is victorious. "Hope dwells as the desire and expectation of good things to come, despite not knowing what the future may bring."² Because of this Christian hope, we can face the unknown trials of life with faith rather than fear.

We are called to be signs of hope to all people, especially those whose goodness, value, and dignity are undermined. As members of the Body of Christ, we carry this hope with us as we continue Jesus' mission on earth. Pope Leo XIV encourages us, "How important it is that each and every baptized person feel himself or herself called by God to be a sign of hope in the world today."³

Sadly, there is a devastating absence of hope today. We see this most profoundly in a sweeping disregard for human life in its most vulnerable forms and stages. Abortion and assisted suicide are products of

"Hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out into our hearts through the holy Spirit that has been given to us." Romans 5:5

hopelessness and despair. Yet even amid the increasing attacks on human life, we know that the "storms that buffet us will never prevail, for we are firmly anchored in the hope born of grace, which enables us to live in Christ and to overcome sin, fear and death."⁴

We have been entrusted with a message of hope for the woman who finds herself unexpectedly pregnant or for the man diagnosed with a terminal illness. At these challenging moments, we must bring God's presence, witnessing to His love, and inspiring a renewal of hope in those whose hearts are burdened. For "hope is born of love and based on the love springing from the pierced heart of Jesus upon the cross."⁵

Having been "buried with Christ in Baptism, we receive in his resurrection the gift of a new life that breaks down the walls of death."⁶ Confident of God's presence within us, may we share the Gospel of Life with those most in need of hope, knowing that "the grace of God precedes and accompanies his people as they press forward firm in faith, active in charity and steadfast in hope."⁷

¹ Pope Francis, *Spes non confundit*, 20.

² *Ibid.*, 1.

³ Pope Leo XIV, Vatican News, May 26, 2025: <https://www.vaticannews.va/en/pope/news/2025-05/pope-leo-xiv-africa-day-pilgrimage-blessing-vatican-basilica.html>.

⁴ Pope Francis, *Spes non confundit*, 25.

⁵ *Ibid.*, 3.

⁶ *Ibid.*, 20.

⁷ *Ibid.*, 6.

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Friday, October 17th, 7:00am-7:00pm

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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 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

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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, September 28th: *Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:30am Holy Mass (Kamal Walters)
9:30am St. Vincent de Paul
11:00am Holy Mass (People of the Parish) 🕯️
12:00pm Baptisms
5:00pm Holy Mass (Ann Zornes)

Monday, September 29th: *Feast of the Archangels*

8:00am Holy Mass (Joseph Milburn & Family)
6:30pm Scouts
7:00pm Choir Practice

Tuesday, September 30th: *Saint Jerome, Priest and Doctor*

8:00am Holy Mass (Joel and Bridgette Pepmeyer & Family)
7:00pm Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA)

Wednesday, October 1st: *Saint Thérèse, Virgin and Doctor*

12p-2p Parish Offices Closed
6:00pm Holy Mass (Deceased Members of the Simon Family)
6:30pm ADORE Night (Confession/Adoration)

Thursday, October 2nd: *Memorial of the Holy Guardian Angels*

8:00am Holy Mass (John Michael and Rachel Pauze & Family)
6:00pm Courageous Daughters of the Eucharist

Friday, October 3rd

8:00am Holy Mass (Nathan and Sarah Bussey & Family)

Saturday, October 4th: *Memorial of Saint Francis of Assisi*

6:30am Women at the Well
7:00am That Man Is You!
8:30am Holy Mass (John J. Prunte)
9:00am Confessions

Sunday, October 5th: *Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:30am Holy Mass (People of the Parish)
9:30am Baptism Class
11:00am Holy Mass (Members of the Agriesti-Stegmann Family)
12:00pm Blessing of the Animals
12:00pm Baptisms
5:00pm Holy Mass (Bob & Marilyn Trapp) 🕯️

Offering and Attendance

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Sunday, September 14th

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Sunday, September 21st Attendance

8:30am	387
11:00am	382
5:00pm	253
Total	1,022

SCAN TO GIVE



Baptisms

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

Sunday, September 21st
Maximillian Leo Maynard

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	Mary McGinty Bourke	Patricia J. Gibboney
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Patricia Jane (Moore) Moriarty
January 24, 1944 - September 12, 2025

St. Catharine extends our heartfelt prayers for the eternal soul of Patricia,
and we extend our deepest sympathies to all of her 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
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the Prayer Chain for 4 months or until they are asked to be removed.

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Patti	Annette
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Joe	Tom
Meg	Fermin
Dan	Joan

Rooted in the Sacred Heart, Growing in Community

By Mike Gill



Hello to everyone here at St. Catharine Church. I would like to thank
everyone here for such a warm welcome since I started in mid-July.

I truly feel that God brought me here to work at this parish to use my
gifts and talents in the Maintenance and Facilities Department.

I have been married to my wife, Susan, for 42 years and we have four
adult children and a grandchild due in early 2026. Our Catholic faith has
always been a huge part of our family life, whether being involved in
parish ministries or just helping neighbors in need.

One of the ministries nearest to my heart is the Sacred Heart
Enthronement which I encourage all of you to look into. There is nothing
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I look forward to the challenges that will come with keeping this
beautiful campus looking and running in tip-top shape for everyone that
calls this parish their home.

Every day that I come to work I am reminded of how beautiful our
Catholic faith is just by the beauty of St. Catharine Church. Together, we
can all continue to see this parish flourish and grow in faith, love and
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Mike Gill • Director of Facilities
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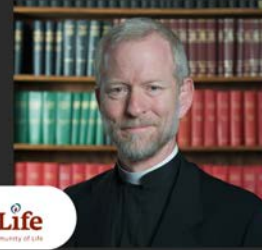


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Questions? Fr. Brown • frbrown@stcatharine.com



Becoming Catholic and Adult Baptism

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**, just scan the QR code or send us an email.

Questions? Fr. Brown • frbrown@stcatharine.com



Holy Matrimony

A wedding is just one day, but marriage is for a lifetime

Congratulations on your engagement! We want to be of assistance to you to ensure that your wedding day will be a prayerful and joyful celebration. As soon as you have made the decision to marry, and at least six months or more prior to the anticipated wedding date, you should contact the Pastor in order to begin the various steps of the Marriage Preparation Program.

Questions? Fr. Bob • frbob@stcatharine.com



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



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Questions? Ed Stange • Grandknight@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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Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Am 6:1a, 4-7 | 1 Tim 6:11-16 | Lk 16:19-31

Written by
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Have you ever had a moment when you felt yourself to be the underdog, and wished that there were some champion who would come and defend your cause? Today, we see God described in those terms. Our psalm tells us that the Lord "raises up those who are bowed down," that he "protects strangers," and "the fatherless and the widow he sustains." But God doesn't stop there. He wants *us* to become champions for the poor. Notice that our Gospel reading depicts the poor man named Lazarus in such a way that we cannot help but feel compassion for him. Here is a man who is in dire need, covered in sores, right outside the door of a rich man who has more than enough to provide for his own needs and those of Lazarus – but does nothing to help him. In fact, the rich man's *dog* shows more compassion toward Lazarus (by licking his sores) than the rich man! The story is meant to prick our consciences and move us to have the same kind of response that God has – of compassion – leading us to become champions for those in need.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

Throughout our history, the Church has been particularly effective at spreading the faith during those times when we've put care for the poor and vulnerable at the center of our action. Before the advancements of modern medicine, members of the early Church risked their lives to care for those sick with contagious diseases. Their selfless example led many to faith in Christ. While our situation is much different today, we are called at the beginning of the first reading to not be complacent in our efforts to care for the poor. As we serve those most in need, our witness will likewise draw others to seek to know and follow the God of compassion whom we serve.

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One of the ways we can fight against complacency is to engage in service. Check your parish or local charitable organizations for opportunities to serve those in need in your community. No matter what kind of service you choose to engage in, do everything with "love, patience, and gentleness," as Paul reminds us today. Then we will be models of God's own care for the poor.

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Sun, October 5th 8:30am	Yvonne Moyer	Dominic DeMatte (1) Liz Evans (2)	Kevin Nerl - North Debbie Kuskowski - South Dana Watters - South <i>*1 Needed*</i>	Harry Hadden	Harry Hadden Jude Keiffer Brooks Scocco	Rebecca Jackson - West Nathan Murphy - West Rick Walsh - South Tina Allwein - NE <i>*2 Needed*</i>	Group 1 Elyse Salisbury
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