

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29TH, 2024
TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



ORDINARY TIME

ST. CATHARINE CHURCH

"Whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in me to sin, it would be better for him if a great millstone were put around his neck and he were thrown into the sea."

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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 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

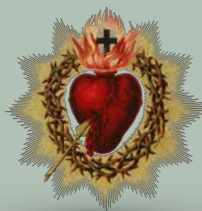
Saturdays at 3:00pm

Committed Adorers Needed

Friday • 11:00pm

Confession

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



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, September 29th: *Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:30am Holy Mass (People of the Parish)
11:00am Holy Mass (Brigida and Samuel Catipay) 
5:00pm Holy Mass with Bishop Fernandes (Mike Jolley Sr.)
6:00pm Middle School Youth Group

Monday, September 30th: *Saint Jerome, Priest, Doctor*

8:00am Holy Mass (Harold Ridenour)
6:30pm Scouts
8:00pm Holy Hour of Adoration with Bishop Fernandes

Tuesday, October 1st: *St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus, Virgin, Doctor*

7:00pm Holy Mass (John L. Eberts)
7:30pm Confessions

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

9:00am Holy Mass (Pam Dempsey)
7:00pm Paul Mascia Book Signing & Presentation

Thursday, October 3rd

8:00am Holy Mass (Jeanne Herbert)
7:00pm ADORE Night

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

8:00am Holy Mass (Tom Gustin)
6:00pm Deacon's Mass with Bishop Fernandes

Saturday, October 5th: *Saint Faustina Kowalska, virgin*

6:30am Women at the Well
8:30am Holy Mass (Bill Harvey)
9:00am Confessions

Offering and Attendance

Sunday, September 15th

Thank you for your presence and your generosity!

Envelope	\$3,382.00
EFT	\$9,964.38
Total	\$13,346.38
Diocesan Tax (9%)	-\$1,201.17
Net	\$12,145.21

Attendance	
8:30am	268
11:00am	365
5:00pm	255
Total	888

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.

Tyler and Julia	Jeff	Bobby
Matt	Brian	Lee
Judy	Isabella and Jackson	Luke
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
Suzu	Kamil	

May They Rest in Peace

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

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



Jean D. Ridenour
April 11, 1936 - September 14, 2024

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

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

Baptisms

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

Sunday, September 22nd
Charles Kelley Coe
Saturday, September 28th
Julian James Zenelaj

From the Pastor's Desk



Dear Parish Family,

It has been an eventful summer for me but I am happy to say that I am gradually settling into things here and am so glad to be part of our parish family. Bentley is also settling in but perhaps not quite as quickly, as he keeps popping back to St. Brendan when I am away! The poor dog is probably very confused! :)

This weekend marks an important point on our journey of faith together. Bishop Fernandes is here to formally install me as Pastor. This liturgical moment is an affirmation of the call that we receive as priests to be attached to a particular place and ministry in service to the Gospel, and the responsibilities that come with that. In my case that is one parish and three ministries but they all complement each other and I want you to know that you are as important to me as the other ministries are. Although our diocese is blessed with a great growth in vocations that does not translate immediately to priests in parishes and our priests are all doing our bit to meet the pastoral needs of God's people. Knowing that we have five vocations from our parish discerning the priesthood is a great blessing for all of us but we must continue to press forward and encourage other young men to ask themselves the question: Is God calling me to be a priest in his Church?

Evangelization is also a top priority for us. We are called to go out and bring others the Good News that we have received and that can only happen when we are willing to lay down our own lives in service to the Gospel. That is not always easy or comfortable but it brings great fruit when we are willing to do so. In the coming months we hope to develop a more robust road map of what that means for us here at St. Catharine. The old "this is MY parish" mentality no longer works anywhere and we have to begin to see our parish as a lamp set on a hill welcoming all those who discover that they are lost to the darkness of our age. A lamp that is welcoming and embraces them as Jesus calls them home to his Church.

For this to flourish we need to have a solid bedrock on which to build. Administration, finances and policies are never the fun part of parish life but they are important if we are to build the strong foundations that will empower our work of ministry. In October we will begin publishing a monthly financial dashboard that will help us be transparent with you about the health of our parish and what our blessings and challenges are. Then, together, we can do the important work that needs to be done.

None of this should worry us. As Mother Teresa reminds: *"Yesterday is gone, tomorrow has not yet come, we have only today. Let us begin."*

God bless,

Fr. Bob, 12th Pastor of St. Catharine

September Food Pantry Need
CANNED MEALS

Please leave donations at wooden
boxes near Church entrances.



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...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)

Sept 29th: Middle School

Oct 6th: High School

Oct 13th: Middle School

Oct 20th: High School

Oct 27th: Ask an Exorcist with Bishop at Immaculate Conception

Questions? Christiana Lee • christiana@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 begins this fall. 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



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



Knights of Columbus®

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



Founded in 1992, Knights of Columbus Council #11354 is an integral part of the St. Catharine. As a brotherhood of Catholic men, we are committed to practicing and promoting the principles of charity, unity, fraternity, and patriotism. Inspired by our faith, we strive to be a beacon of service, supporting our parish, our community, and our families, while creating lasting bonds with each other. Over the years, we've actively engaged in a variety of philanthropic initiatives and service projects that reflect our deep commitment to our faith and social responsibility. 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 at 7:30am in the Church



BOOK SIGNING & PRESENTATION

with Paul T. Mascia

Author of
Nazar's Journey

Weds, Oct 2nd • 7:00pm

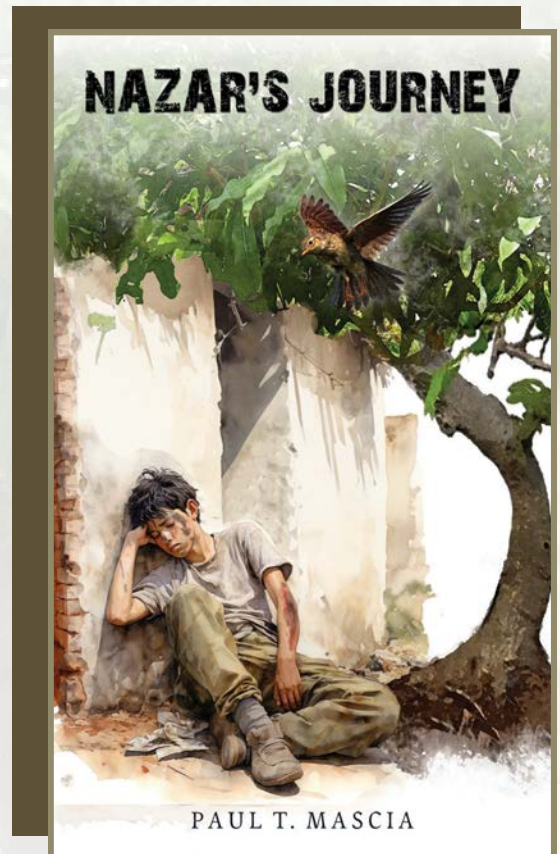
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A St. Catharine Parishioner, Paul T. Mascia is a graduate of Yale University, where his senior thesis was an in-depth analysis of the reformer and Medieval mystic, St. Catharine of Siena. Paul and his wife, Theresa, reside in Columbus and have five 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.

"God searches for us to invite us into a relationship with him," said Mascia, adding that the book also explores the displacement of countless Iraqi people in the conflict. "Nazar is broken, weak, and wounded, but God gives him strength."

"I wrote the book to create a work of art — something beautiful to draw people to Christ. Theresa and I love Jesus in prayer, Scripture, and the Eucharist. The book is a way to thank God for his blessings."

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The Mass

“Do This in Remembrance of Me”

A Step-By-Step Walk Through the Mass

Fr. Luke Spannagel

✠ Part 67: The Showing of the Host ✠

“Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.” After his genuflection to Our Lord really present in the Most Holy Eucharist, the priest raises the chalice with the host and proclaims these words of St. John the Baptist (Jn 1:29). This part of the Mass is called the **“Showing of the Host.”**

The current General Instruction of the Roman Missal includes a paragraph on this part of the Mass: “Then the Priest shows the faithful the Eucharistic Bread, holding it over the paten or over the chalice, and invites them to the banquet of Christ; and along with the faithful, he then makes an act of humility, using the prescribed words from the Gospels” (GIRM, 84). There is really a communication going on here. Like St. John the Baptist, the priest is proclaiming the presence of the Lord Jesus and pointing him out so that everyone may know he is with us. Then the priest extends an invitation to those who are able to partake in this special gift, the Holy Eucharist.

An Invitation and a Gift

“Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.” As Edward Sri indicates, “these words are taken from a climactic moment in the book of Revelation and indeed, the entire Bible (Rv 19:9).” The scene is set as the great multitude in heaven is singing together the Lord’s praises. Sri continues, “And the angel instructs John to write: ‘Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb’ (Rv 19:9). What is the festive supper of the Lamb? It is the Lord’s Supper, the Eucharist. First of all, the supper and the Lamb bring to mind the Passover supper in which Jews would sacrifice a lamb and eat of it as the main course of the meal... But this passage tells us something even more dramatic. In Revelation 19:6-9, the Lamb is revealed to be a bridegroom! And that means this Passover supper is a wedding feast. The Bridegroom-Lamb is Jesus, and the Bride represents us, the Church, whom Jesus is coming to wed... When you hear those words at Mass, do you realize that you are receiving a wedding invitation? You are being called to participate in the marriage feast of Jesus and his Church” (A Biblical Walk Through the Mass, pp. 138, 140).

We are so blessed by his invitation and the gift of Jesus himself. What do we do now? The only right thing to do is to be honest with the Lord about his generosity and recognize that without his grace and mercy, we could never be worthy of such a gift. Thankfully for us, the words of the centurion from the Gospel (see Mt 8:8) summarize well what our response should be. After the showing and “Lamb of God,” the priest and the people respond, “Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.”

Our Response and Reception

As the Diocese of Peoria teaches, “We respond to this invitation of the priest to receive the Lord Jesus in the Holy Eucharist with humility. Like the centurion servant who recognized himself unworthy to have the Lord ‘under his roof’ to heal his child, it calls to mind our humility—and the Lord’s divine majesty that He can do this work despite our weaknesses” (A Study of the Mass, p. 19). As Edward Sri notes, these words of the centurion are also a prayer that “expresses a great faith that surpasses many others in the gospels and amazes even Jesus: he believes Jesus can heal from afar, simply by speaking his word... Jesus praises this man for his faith. Just like the centurion, we recognize our unworthiness to have Jesus come under the ‘roof’ of our souls in holy communion. Yet just as the centurion believed Jesus was able to heal his servant, so do we trust that Jesus can heal us as he becomes the most intimate guest of our soul in the Eucharist” (A Biblical Walk Through the Mass, p. 142).

The Diocese of Peoria reminds us: “it is for this reason that Jesus came into the world, as ‘people who are well do not need doctors, sick people do!’ ‘I have come to seek out those who are lost!’ In the Holy Eucharist, Jesus seeks us out! He comes to our doors and He knocks. Our reception of Communion is an opportunity to allow Him into our hearts...” (A Study of the Mass, p. 19).

The Lord Jesus, of course, knows our failings. That he wants us anyway is what makes his love so powerful and so amazing. That he would offer his very Body to us is even more amazing. It is natural for us to desire to repay a kindness, but what do we do when the kindness is the greatest gift in the history of the world? Thankfully, the rest of the Mass will help us to know what to do!

For Reflection:

1. Pray with the account of Jesus healing the centurion’s servant in Mt 8:5-13. If desired, extend your meditation to include the accounts of other healings and miracles in the rest of this chapter. Reflect on your own identification and/or connection with one or more of the persons who encounter Jesus, and ask for the healing you need at this time.
2. Reflect on what may be blocking the door of your heart or obstructing the Lord Jesus’ entrance. Make it a point to receive the Sacrament of Penance to prepare yourself to welcome Jesus more freely and fully in Holy Communion.

Source: www.eucharistcrevival.org/blog





Faithful Citizenship: Subsidiarity

In *Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship*, the Catholic bishops of the U.S. identify the four main principles of the Church's social teaching—Dignity of the Human Person, the Common Good, Solidarity, and Subsidiarity—and apply them to concrete issues. This entry focuses on Subsidiarity.



Subsidiarity is a principle that larger institutions (such as the state or federal government) should not overwhelm or interfere with smaller or local institutions (such as the family, local schools, or the Church community). And, when local entities cannot uphold human dignity, meet human needs, or advance the common good, larger entities have responsibilities to ensure all people can thrive.

Respecting this principle promotes the flourishing of each person and the realization of the common good. By participating in public life locally, each person and civil society can enrich their neighbors, communities, and society¹ through:

- Defending and strengthening marriage between a man and a woman as the most fundamental unit of society and a sanctuary for creating and nurturing children.²
- Upholding parents' rights and responsibilities in directing their children's education in accordance with their convictions, with support rather than interference from the state.³
- Strengthening family stability with laws and policies to support parents, including childcare, healthcare, housing assistance, and child tax credits.⁴
- Advocating for economic policies that provide jobs with decent working conditions, fair wages, and protect workers' rights to organize and bargain collectively.⁵

As we pursue the principle of Subsidiarity in our public policies, we pray for all families and those in poverty and support their efforts to exercise their rights and responsibilities in society.




Learn more about *Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship* at:

www.faithfulcitizenship.org

1. Pope Francis, *Fratelli Tutti* (On Fraternity and Social Friendship), no. 142.
2. USCCB, *Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship*, no. 46.
3. Pope Francis, *Amoris Laetitia* (The Joy of Love), no. 84.
4. Pope Francis, *Amoris Laetitia*, nos. 25, 44.
5. St. John Paul II, *Centesimus Annus*, nos. 7-8, 35. See also: *Compendium of the Social Doctrine of the Church*, nos. 301-309.

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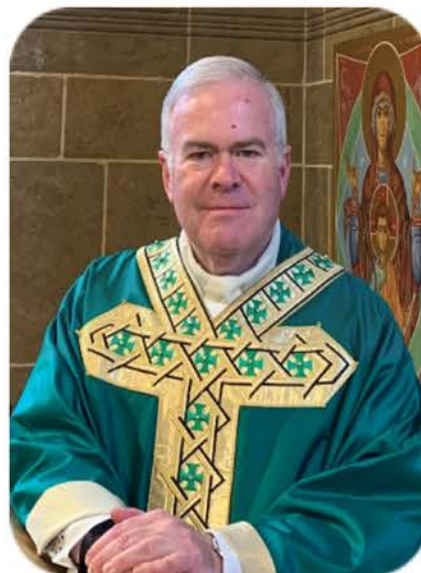
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Welcome Fr. Michael Drea

Guest Preacher: Sunday, October 6th



On Sunday October 6th Father Michael Drea will be visiting our parish on behalf of Fellowship of Catholic University Students (FOCUS).

Fr. Michael Drea serves as the National Chaplain for Mission Development for FOCUS. He was ordained in 2004 by Sean Cardinal O'Malley for service in the Archdiocese of Boston. Prior to his role at FOCUS, he served for seven years as Senior Catholic Chaplain at Harvard University where he invited FOCUS to serve with him on campus. In addition, he has served as pastor for two different parishes in the Archdiocese, as well as a member of the FOCUS Board of Directors and on various other boards of trustees. Father Drea is a proud alumnus of Boston College where he received both his undergraduate and graduate degrees.



FOCUS is a national organization serving college students at more than 232 campus/locations including eight international locations, 23 parish venues and nine digital expansion campuses. More than 970 FOCUS missionaries invite college students into a relationship with Christ and His Church, while equipping them for a lifetime of Catholic evangelization. Fr. Drea is excited to be with you soon and share the hope of the New Evangelization! To learn more, please visit www.focus.org.

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DEFENDING AND SUPPORTING LIFE FROM
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**Every Tuesday in October
at 5:00pm**

St. Catharine will once again be participating in 40 Days for Life: a coordinated, national campaign to bring continuous prayer to local abortion clinics in more than 600 cities.

This Fall, the Columbus vigil will once again be held at the nearby Planned Parenthood Facility at 3255 E Main St.

40 Days for Life has been instrumental in saving thousands of lives and closing numerous abortion clinics. Three abortion facilities that were sites of 40 Days vigils have closed, and dozens of women reported leaving their abortion appointments.

When we pray and when we fast, we are bringing some of the most powerful spiritual tools that we have to defeat the evil of abortion.

Visit www.stcatharine.com/40days to sign up or click the QR Code.



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