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## ST. THOMAS AQUINAS

Tues, Jan 28th is the Memorial of St. Thomas Aquinas-Priest and Doctor of the Church. Stop in the Gallery to admire the painting of Thomas and to read more about this saint.

### **CANDLEMAS**

Next Sun, Feb 2nd is the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord. The 5:00pm Mass will be a candle-lit Mass where we will bless the Church candles for the year. See back page.

# **PRIORITY ACCEPTANCE**

The deadline for priority acceptance at St. Catharine School is this Friday, January 31st. See pg. 9 for more information.

# Welcome to St. Catharine

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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 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



# 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, January 26th: Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30am Holy Mass (People of the Parish)

9:30am St. Vincent de Paul9:30am Family of Faith

11:00am Holy Mass (John Farley) 5:00pm Holy Mass (Michael Jolley Sr.)

#### Monday, January 27th: of the 3rd Week in Ordinary Time

8:00am Holy Mass (Jean Ridenour)

6:30pm Scouts 7:00pm Choir Practice

#### Tuesday, January 28th: St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest & Doctor of the Church

7:00pm Holy Mass (Margaret Petrosky)

7:30pm Confessions

#### Wednesday, January 29th: of the 3rd Week in Ordinary Time

9:00am Holy Mass (Tom Siemer)

#### Thursday, January 30th: of the 3rd Week in Ordinary Time

7:30am Men's Rosary

8:00am Holy Mass (James Ghiloni)

7:00pm ADORE Night

#### Friday, January 31st: Memorial of Saint John Bosco, Priest

8:00am Holy Mass (Lynn Ryan)

#### Saturday, February 1st: of the 3rd Week in Ordinary Time

6:30am Women at the Well7:00am That Man Is You!

8:30am Holy Mass (Fredrick Ferris)

9:00am Confessions

#### Sunday, February 2nd: Feast of the Presentation of the Lord

8:30am Holy Mass (People of the Parish)11:00am Holy Mass (Jospeh Ridgeway)

5:00pm Holy Mass: Candlemas (Lisa Kelly) 🧁

# Offering and Attendance

Sunday, January 19th
Thank you for your presence and your generosity!

Envelope	\$4,936.00	
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Diocesan Tax (10%)	-\$1,599.34	
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### Attendance

Total	842
5:00pm	220
11:00am	370
8:30am	252
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# 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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Judy	K's Daughter	Gary
Christine	Amy	Margo
Jim	Estee	Tish
Tracy Keaton	Margie	Susan & Mikha
Avery	Luke	Christopher
Sarah	Charmonique	Stephanie
Reese	Kamil	Kaycee
Rachel	Bobby	ÁJ
Suzy	Lee	Andrew
Jeff	Luke	Nora
Brian	Irina	The end to abortion

# **May They Rest in Peace**

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

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# **Father Brown's Files**

Make the Friends with the Saints!



Since the earliest days of the Church, Christians have adopted saints to act as intercessors in various ways to aide us in our journeys through this world towards heaven. One example of this in Scripture is in Hebrews where St. Paul tells us:

"Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us rid ourselves of every burden and sin that clings to us and persevere in running the race that lies before us while keeping our eyes fixed on Jesus, the leader and perfecter of faith." (Hebrews 12:1-2)

The language St. Paul uses reflects a type of stadium competition whereby we on earth are the athletes running around the track while the stadium seats are filled with the spectators (saints in heaven) cheering us on.

Another example is in the Book of Revelation where St. John speaks of elders and living creatures in heaven falling down before the Lamb and "holding golden bowl of incense, which are the prayers of God's people." (Revelation 5:8)

Just as we ask our friends and family to intercede with prayer for us, the saints do the same in heaven because they are our family and friends as well. Not only does their intercession help us grow in holiness, but it reminds us that we are one body of Christ and that those in heaven are accessible to us here on earth.

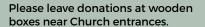
Catholics adopt different devotions towards certain saints that they feel a strong connection to (for example picking a saint for the Sacrament of Confirmation). I also think it's common knowledge that most Catholic parishes are named after a saint to intercede at the parish level.

What I don't think many Catholics know, however, is that we even have a patron saint for the entire diocese. Here in Columbus, our patron saint is St. Francis DeSales, and in fact, his feast day was last week on January 24th. And if you have never read any of his writings, please do. They're AMAAAAAZING! What he does with his words can turn your mood around even on the worst of days. Plus he's probably got the best high school in Columbus! ©

Fr. Brown • Parochial Vicar St. Francis DeSales High School, Class of 2003

# **January Food Pantry Need**

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# 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



#### 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



# **Spring Sports Sign-Up**

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#### Questions?

PJ Keiffer, Athletic Director • pkeiffer@gmail.com





# **Knights of Columbus** Free Throw Championship



Please Sign up NOW if you plan to Participate in the Knights of Columbus Free Throw Contest.

Online pre-registration will be open until end of day, Wednesday, February 12th. All registrations after that will need to be completed the day of the event at the registration table.

Competition will be held Saturday, February 15th

Doors open at 5:00pm for sign-ups and warm-ups

#### **Competition Schedule**

6:00-6:15 9-year-olds 6:15-6:30 10-year-olds 6:30-6:45 11-year-olds 6:45-7:00 12-year-olds 7:00-7:15 13-year-olds 7:15-7:30 14-year-olds

Winners will receive a Champion Certificate, basketball, and an entry into the District Competition on February 22nd @ 6pm

- All participants will get 15 shots for this tournament 9-11 year olds will shoot from the 12 foot foul line
- 12-14 year olds will shoot from the standard 15 foot foul line
- All girls and 9-11 year-old boys will use a 28.5" ball
- 12-14 year-old boys will use a 29.5" ball

Preregistration Link: https://hipaa.jotform.com/250194208769060

Questions? Please reach out to Free Throw Championship Chairman, Mike Berndt, at (614) 634-0650 or Michael.Berndt@att.net





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Moral Cooperation in Health Care Elliott Bedford, MA, PhD

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Addressing Disparity in Health Care

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January 26, 2025

# Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Written by THE FAITHFUL DISCIPLE

Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10 | 1 Cor 12:12-30 | Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

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

Late 19th-century English author G.K. Chesterton famously wrote, "Catholic doctrine and discipline may be walls, but they are the walls of a playground." We can think of God's commandments serving as rules governing primary school recess: by providing us with a structure in which we can explore, play, stumble, and get up again, they allow us to discover who God created us to be without wandering far from his love. The mosaic law that served the Jews in today's first reading had given them the necessary parameters to live and grow within the covenantal relationship they had with God. Their unfaithfulness had led them astray, but upon their return from exile in Babylon they wept when hearing God's word for the first time in generations. They knew the power of God's commandments to keep them safe and secure in his love, and recognized all they had lost by wandering. Their sorrow was turned to joy in the knowledge that God rejoiced in their return to him.

#### GO EVANGELIZE

#### PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

Just as Ezra "opened the scroll so that all the people might see it" in today's first reading, Jesus also "unrolled the scroll" and then rolled it back up so that all might see him. Ezra held the law in his hands, Jesus is the fulfillment of the law in himself. Jesus' words in today's Gospel, "Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing," were an infusion of new life breathed into a new creation by God who is outside of time. All things, all mistakes, all failures brought about in our human pride and disobedience were being refashioned into new brick and mortar to build God's kingdom in and through Christ. Jesus, with his commandment to love one another as he loves us, gives us structure and a true freedom to discover who God created us to be, while helping us not wander far from this playground the Lord has given us. Knowing what holds us together, and relying on it to guide us, enables us to help build the kingdom even more for the glory of God and the good of others.

#### LEARN

Research a Catholic teaching you do not fully understand for example, why Catholics attend Mass on Sundays. Ask God for the light to see how this teaching is life-giving instead of life-limiting. If you have the opportunity, share what you've learned with someone.

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