

# St. Catherine of Siena Parish

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**Masses for Sunday:**

Saturday: 4:30 p.m.; Sunday: 9:00 a.m., 11:30 a.m.

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:**

Tuesday: 8:30 a.m.-6:45 p.m.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:**

Tuesday: \*5:30-6:30 p.m. (\*verify schedule in bulletin under "This Week")  
Saturday: Following the 8:00 a.m. Mass; Anytime by Appointment.

**Baptism:** Baptism is a joyful event "by which men and women are freed from their sins... are configured to Christ by an indelible character, and are incorporated into the Church." (Canon 849 of the Code of Canon Law). People can be baptized as adults or infants. The preparation for adult baptism takes place in the process of the catechumenate, commonly known as the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, or RCIA. Any adult desiring baptism may call the office to begin this process. Preparation for infant baptism happens in baptism classes, generally held on the fourth Thursday evening of each month in the Parish Office. No child will be baptized at St. Catherine unless both parents have attended one of these classes in the last five years. Baptism of adults generally takes place on Holy Saturday night, while baptism of infants can take place on any Sunday. Since baptism "incorporates one into the Church," it is appropriate that the infant be baptized during a Sunday liturgy when the local Church is gathered. There are legitimate reasons for not wanting to have the baptism during a Sunday liturgy; in those cases, baptisms may be scheduled for a Sunday at 1:00 p.m.

**Marriage:**

One member of the couple must be a registered parishioner of St. Catherine Parish.  
Call Parish Office at least six months prior to setting a wedding date.

**Parish Office Hours:**

Monday-Friday: 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

**Communion to the Sick:** Call Parish Office.

**New Parishioners:**

Please call the Parish Office.  
Notification when leaving the parish is appreciated.

**Bulletin Deadline:**

Tuesday, 10:00 a.m. Drop off copy at parish or send via e-mail.

**Parish Membership – Requires an Active Response**

Active members of St. Catherine of Siena Parish have registered and provided the Parish Office with the information needed to complete the census forms. Active members regularly participate in the Saturday evening or Sunday Liturgy at St. Catherine of Siena Parish. Active members invest themselves in the parish by participating in the annual Stewardship Program pledging and contributing time, talent and treasure as God calls them. Active members hold the parish in their daily prayers.

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK****TUESDAY – January 17th**

8:00 a.m. Millie Soto Family, Special Intention

**WEDNESDAY – January 18th**

5:30 p.m. The Prigge Family

**THURSDAY – January 19th**

8:00 a.m. Eunice McCarthy

**FRIDAY – January 20th**

8:30 a.m. Robert, Judy &amp; Tom Schroder

**SATURDAY – January 21st**

8:00 a.m. Therese Lee Family, Special Intention

4:30 p.m. Miriam Venable

**SUNDAY – January 22nd**

9:00 a.m. Diane Detzel

11:30 a.m. Members of the Parish

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS  
OF HOLY COMMUNION**

January 21st &amp; 22nd

4:30 p.m. Joliene Garlich, Lois Roell

9:00 a.m. Carol Little, Dan Little

11:30 a.m. Jen Kirst, Natalie Messmer

**LECTORS**

January 21st &amp; 22nd

4:30 p.m. Peggy Bertelsman

9:00 a.m. Bruce Mirrielees

11:30 a.m. Jennie Cox

**SERVERS SCHEDULE**

January 17th-22nd

**TUESDAY – January 17th**

8:00 a.m. – Adeline Bozeman, Carden Bozeman

**WEDNESDAY – January 18th**

5:30 p.m. – Ben Fassler, Hayden Schwalbach

**THURSDAY – January 19th**

8:00 a.m. – Molly Muench, Alex Muench

**FRIDAY – January 20th**

8:30 a.m. – Reese Desmond, Maggie West, Silas West

**SATURDAY – January 21st**

8:00 a.m. – Connor Stacey, Ryan Stacey

4:30 p.m. – Lucy Gillen, Sadie Hess, Laney Smith

**SUNDAY – January 22nd**

9:00 a.m. – Maggie West, Alex Muench, Josie Messmer

11:30 a.m. – Cora Hill, Nathan Kirst, Emily Kirst

**SUNDAY COLLECTION RECAP**

	<u>1/1/2023</u>	<u>1/2/2022</u>
Weekly Offering	\$ 39,751	\$ 49,870
Fiscal YTD Offerings	\$475,137	
Fiscal YTD Budget	\$467,885	
Fiscal Annual Budget 2022/2023	\$930,000	
Number of registered families	408	
Tuition Assistance		
awarded for 2022/2023	\$ 0	
Tuition Assistance		
donations FYD	\$ 926	

**NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS**

Is 8:23–9:3; 1 Cor 1:10-13, 17; Mt 4:12-23

**THIS WEEK****MONDAY**

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

Parish Office Closed

No School

**TUESDAY**

Mass, 8:00 a.m.

Exposition, 8:30 a.m.

Confessions, 5:30 p.m.

Benediction, 6:45 p.m.

Rosary, 7:00 p.m.

**WEDNESDAY**

Mass, 5:30 p.m.

**THURSDAY**

Mass, 8:00 a.m.

Choir, 6:30 p.m., Church

**FRIDAY**

Mass, 8:30 a.m.

**SATURDAY**

Mass, 8:00 a.m.

Confessions immediately following 8:00 a.m. Mass

Mass, 4:30 p.m.

**NEXT SUNDAY**

Mass, 9:00 a.m.

Mass, 11:30 a.m.

## *Please Pray For Our Sick*

Jack Rose, Edie Hegge, Linda Brown, Judy Newberry, Peter Defoe, Kay Grothaus, Peggy Kohrs, Jon McSorley, Mary Vieth, Ann Basham, Bob Rulli, Cris Bear, Mary Kohrs, Larry Beiting, Mary Hoffman, Bette Riedmatter & David Garner. Also, remember all of our parishioners in nursing homes as well as those confined to their homes in your prayers.

## *Please Pray for the Following Soldiers Serving Our Country*

Luke Norman, Jay Blinn, Michael Beiting, Joe Fitzgerald, Brian Clayton, Adam Beiting, Michael Dunn, Trent Moeves, James Taft III, Drew Cecil, Zack Hehman, Adam Kramer, Wolfgang Davis, Clint and Sarah Brandt, Mark Marten, Zachary Dunn and Fr. Bill Appel.

## **IN OUR PARISH**

**ESCAPE THE WINTER FOR AN EVENING AND EXPERIENCE LITTLE ITALY!** Our winter fundraiser, Little Italy, will be held on Saturday, January 28th at the Fort Thomas Mess Hall. The event begins at 6:30 p.m. and goes until 11:30 p.m. Highlights of the event include Italian wine and cuisine, bourbon bar, cash bar, basket raffles, major raffle of a trip to Tuscany and live music from The Leftovers. Cost is \$65.00 per person or you can purchase an Admission and Raffle Ticket Package – two admissions, two raffle tickets for \$200.00. Make your reservation at [www.stcatherineofsiena.org](http://www.stcatherineofsiena.org) or in person at the parish office. Call 859-441-1352 with any questions.

**LITTLE ITALY RAFFLE** We are raffling off a trip to Italy!! The major raffle for our winter fundraiser is a trip to Tuscany, Italy. Tickets are \$50.00 and are available from any St. Catherine school student, at the parish and school offices or online at [www.stcatherineofsiena.org](http://www.stcatherineofsiena.org).

**WE NEED YOU!** We could use your help in making our Little Italy fundraiser a success for our parish. There will be a sign-up link sent out to volunteer the night of the event, but we also need volunteers to help take care of some pre-event tasks – basket raffle/silent auction donations, decorations, etc. Any and all help is needed and greatly appreciated. Please contact Wade Smith at [garrett\\_wade\\_smith@hotmail.com](mailto:garrett_wade_smith@hotmail.com) to help.

**SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE** – Help us to kick off Catholic Schools Week and join us after Mass to show off our wonderful school. All parishioners, current families, and prospective families are welcome to join us on Sunday, January 29th from 12:45 p.m.-3:00 p.m. Come and check out why St. Catherine School is a great place to be!

**BOARD OF CATHOLIC EDUCATION** – The Board met on January 3rd and the next meeting date is February 7th. Please send any questions or comments to [cdcopenhaver@gmail.com](mailto:cdcopenhaver@gmail.com). This month's Colts Kudos goes to both Dan and Amy Muench. They are parents to Alex, Molly, and Chloe, all of whom currently attend St. Catherine school. Dan and Amy are committed to the school and work tirelessly to make it a wonderful place for all of the students. They lead by example and should be commended for the countless hours they committed to making the Colts Classic a success. Whether it is the PTO, the Athletic Boosters, fundraising or curating social media content, we thank them both for their commitment. Colts Quote: 6th grader Xavi Camp was asked why a Catholic education is important; he replied, "I think it is special because it is unique and it is important to know about God." When asked what is special about St. Catherine, he said, "Most schools have so many people, but when it comes to St. Catherine, everybody knows everybody else."

**SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR** – St. Catherine School will be holding a book fair in the library during Catholic Schools Week. The event will be open to everyone during the School Open House on Sunday, January 29th from 1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m., and Thursday, February 2nd from 5:00-6:30 p.m. For more information on the book fair and how to purchase books, including online, go to the Scholastic Home Page at <https://www.scholastic.com/bf/stcatherineofsienaschool5>.

**SAVE THE DATE FOR THE BURNING OF THE GREENS** A family-friendly celebration of Candlemas sponsored by the St. Catherine Men's Group will be held on **Friday, February 3rd** at 7:00 p.m. next door to the Parish Center in the Boden's sand volleyball court. Offered that night will be heated tailgate treats, roasted marshmallows, warm apple cider, hot chocolate, not-hot beverages, toasty and tasty snacks and lots and lots of burning, flaming, and blazing Christmas trees! Everyone is welcome to come!

**PARISH WEEKLY RAFFLE WINNER** The winner for the week of January 9th was Rita Byrd. Congratulations!

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Our parish still has a subscription to FORMED, a website that is filled with Catholic programs for adults and youth, movies for the whole family, as well as movies specifically for children, books, CDs, study programs and more content is being added regularly. All of this can be accessed by going to [www.stcatherineofsiena.org](http://www.stcatherineofsiena.org) and clicking on the login link to Formed, which is on the home page of the website. From there, you can set up an account that will allow you to view everything it has to offer. If you have any questions about how to set up your account, contact the parish office. This really is an amazing resource for anyone interested in learning more about the Catholic faith and we hope that many people will take advantage of it!

**JOB OPENINGS:** The Sisters of Notre Dame are hiring for the following openings:

**PRN Nursing Assistants** – Assistants serve the sisters in the Lourdes Hall Care Facility working 8-hour shifts (6:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m., 2:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m.-6:00 a.m.). Qualified applicants will have a minimum of one-year of experience as a Nursing Assistant or be currently enrolled in an accredited healthcare program.

**PRN Nurses** – Experienced LPNs/RNs are needed to care for the retired sisters. These positions work 12-hour shifts (6:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.). The PRN team picks up shifts as needed based on availability. Shifts can be split into two 6-hour shifts. If interested in these opportunities, please email [humanresources@sndky.org](mailto:humanresources@sndky.org) or call 859-392-8101.

**ST. BERNARD PANTRY** – The pantry is always in need of any nonperishable food items, (peanut butter, cereal, pasta and sauce, canned soup, beans, etc.) paper products and hygiene items for their clients. Additionally, they need clean, plastic bags for food distribution purposes to their clients. All donations are gratefully accepted and can be dropped off in the box at the Rossford entrance or parish office. Please be mindful of the Expiration Date or the Best Used by Date when considering your donation. If each family donated just one food item per month, what a difference we could make!

**ELSEWHERE**



**IN OUR DIOCESE**

**PRAYER GATHERING** – The Mustard Seed Catholic Charismatic Community of NKY sponsors a monthly third Tuesday prayer gathering from 7:00-8:45 p.m. at Blessed Sacrament’s Parish Center, 2407 Dixie Highway, Ft. Mitchell. Join us on January 17th for praise and worship music, teaching, witnesses, and healing prayers. All are invited! For more information, call Carol at 859-341-5932.

**HELP CHANGE A CHILD’S STORY – BECOME A CASA VOLUNTEER!** CASA of the Northern Bluegrass Region is seeking dedicated volunteers to advocate for abused and neglected children in the family court system in Kenton, Campbell, Pendleton, Harrison, Carroll, Owen, and Grant Counties. To learn more, join us for our CASA 101 Meeting on January 19th from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. via Zoom. To sign up, please contact Jennifer Houser at 859-392-1792 or [Jennifer@casaforkidsnky.org](mailto:Jennifer@casaforkidsnky.org).

**SUPPORT GROUP FOR SEPARATED AND DIVORCED** – A faith-based support group, New Beginnings provides separated and divorced individuals the opportunity for healing and growth. In this group, participants find new understanding of themselves and their relationships and gain courage to discover new life. The next session will be held on consecutive Tuesdays, January 17, 24, 31, and February 7, 14, 21, 28 from 7:00-8:30 p.m. at Holy Trinity Elementary, 235 Division Street, Bellevue. Registration is required. Visit <https://covdio.org/new-beginnings-2/> or call 859-392-1592.

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