

# The Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

## June 12, 2016

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### EL SITIO MINISTRY

*Supporting St. Catherine's Sister Parish in El Salvador since 2000*

*ST CATHERINE'S "ON THE GROUND" IN EL SITIO...*



**...BRINGING EDUCATION, HEALTHCARE, AND HOPE TO OUR  
SISTER PARISH!**

### JOIN US NOW!

*We support our parish mission by fostering deeper understanding, solidarity and community with our Sister Parish of El Sitio, El Salvador. Our goals are to improve: the health of the villagers, the education of their youth and the economic sustainability of their community.*

**BUILDING OUR MINISTRY TODAY TO SECURE OUR SHARED  
FUTURE TOMORROW**

- **Stop in the Narthex after Mass to learn more about joining our ministry...donating to support community projects...participating in a mission trip**
- **Join us at our next meeting on Monday June 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM in Rooms 1 & 3**

***WE NEED YOU!***

**St. Catherine of Siena Catholic Church  
Portage, Michigan**

*Mission Statement:  
A Community  
empowered by God  
striving to make Jesus  
known, experienced, loved  
and imitated.*

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*Emergency after hours to request  
services of a Priest:*  
269-806-1102

*Sunday Mass Times:*  
Saturday Anticipatory Mass:  
5:30 PM  
Sunday: 7:30, 9:00, 11:00 AM,  
5:00 PM (September—April)

*Daily Mass:*  
Monday - Saturday: 9:15 AM

*Reconciliation:*  
First Friday: 8:15 AM  
Saturday: 8:45 AM & 4:00 PM  
Thursday: 8:45 AM & 6:00 PM

*Adoration:* Thursday 9:45 AM—  
Friday 3 PM

*Religious Education Office*  
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*Youth Ministry Office*  
Phone: 269-327-5165 ext. 150

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Narcia Schultz 978-2340

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*Parish Clergy*  
Fr. Robert Creagan, Pastor  
Fr. Dan Doctor, Parochial Vicar  
Fr. Ben Huynh, Parochial Vicar  
Deacon Jack Prendergast  
Deacon Ed Feltes



## Pastor Notes

June 12, 2016

Dear People of the Parish,

We welcome Fr. Bob Flickinger to our 9:00am and 11:00am Masses this weekend. He is speaking on behalf of our sister parish in El Sitio, El Salvador. Please welcome our former pastor in the appeal for volunteers and possible participants in a journey to our sister parish. I will be offering the Sunday Masses for Fr. Bob's parish in South Haven.

Next Sunday is Fathers' Day. After each of the weekend Masses, we will recognize and pray for our dads. It's only been a national holiday since 1972, though its origins date back to 1910 when the State of Washington declared this observance. Over the years, Fathers' Day had its opponents, but its popularity gained momentum. It may never reach the popularity of Mothers' Day, but it provides an opportunity to express our thanks to our dads. So, Mothers' Day is in May and Fathers' Day is in June. I remember asking my dad when it was Children's Day. He responded, "Every day is children's day."

The last few weeks have been busy for most of our priests. While we will have a complete change of priests at the parish, most parishes in the Diocese are saying goodbye to their pastors and preparing to welcome their new pastors. Presently, I am packing up my possessions. It's hard to believe what I have collected over the years. To be honest, I have accumulated too much. In an attempt to make my move lighter, there will be a garage sale. The sale will be in the Guadalupe Worship Room in the Stanley Centre. The sale will be Friday, June 17 from 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm and Saturday, June 18 from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. It will be an assortment of dishes, glassware, memorabilia, Christmas ornaments and decorations, and other souvenirs as well. It's time to downsize my collections.

I have sent out one more request for the Bishop's Annual Appeal. At this writing, we have only heard from 500 families. I will always be grateful for those who have responded. Now, we need to hear from the rest of our parish family. Without the BAA, we would not have any priests to serve in our parishes. With BAA, our future priests are trained, our deacons prepared for service, and our many layers of lay ministry fortified by the Lord's teachings. It is my hope that our parish will reach its goal by June 30. It's possible, but only if we hear from you. May God bless you.

You will have a chance to say goodbye to Fr. Ben, Fr. Dan and me. This weekend, Fr. Ben will say good bye at all the Masses, with a farewell reception after 5:30 pm Mass on Saturday. (He had planned a vacation from June 12-26 before the announcements.) On Friday, June 24, following our Gathering Band's evening of praise, there will be a farewell reception to wish me well. On Saturday, June 25, following the 5:30 pm Mass, there will be a farewell reception to honor Fr. Dan. On Sunday, June 26, Fr. Dan and I will say goodbye after all the weekend masses.

These last days of June will be a busy time as we move out and prepare the rectory for Fr. Ken, Fr. Stan and Fr. Bruno. Fr. Dan will offer mass on Tuesday, June 28 at 9:15am. (It will be his 52<sup>nd</sup> birthday.) Fr. Ben will offer mass on Wednesday, June 29 at 9:15am (his third anniversary of his ordination). I will offer Mass on Thursday, June 30 at 9:15am in the Trinity Chapel.

Eucharistic Adoration will be suspended June 30-July 1, in anticipation of the Fourth of July holiday. We will resume Eucharistic adoration on July 7-8.

Sincerely,  
Fr. Bob

## Music at the Mass June 18-19

5:30 PM	Cantor
7:30 AM	Cantor
9:00 AM	Cantor
11:00 AM	Gathering Band

## Administration

John Emilio 978-2335 [jemilio@stcatherinesiena.org](mailto:jemilio@stcatherinesiena.org)

Collections	Budget	Actual	Difference
YTD—FY 7/15-6/16	\$1,294,929	\$1,323,289	\$28,360
YTD—Holy Days	\$65,000	\$76,608	\$11,608
YTD—Combined	\$1,359,929	\$1,399,897	\$39,968
5 Yr. Wkly Avg = \$28,421. Budgeted Wkly Avg this yr = \$26,978. Actual Wkly Avg this yr = \$27,568.			

**Music Mission**  
**Mike Kiebel 978-2333 [mkiebel@stcatherinesiena.org](mailto:mkiebel@stcatherinesiena.org)**

### Hearing Aid Assistance

We now have additional hearing assistance for those who wear hearing aids. If your hearing aid has a Telecoil (or "T-coil," or a "T" setting), you may borrow a personal hearing aid loop for use during Mass. The loop, worn around the neck, eliminates ambient noise in the church, such as echo, crying children, etc., and directs the sound signal of music and speech directly into your hearing aid. The result is greatly improved sound clarity.

You may borrow a hearing aid loop from the AV person at the sound desk in the back of the church. We also have hearing assist devices for those without T-coil equipped hearing aids, as well as large print and Braille Mass cards. Please return all materials and equipment to the sound desk after Mass.



### Audio-Visual Ministry

This ministry serves as an essential component in all of our Masses, so we are continually looking for people to fill Audio-Visual positions that are critical for the presentation of our Sunday Masses. An invitation is extended to all who would like to serve in this ministry. AV volunteers generally serve at the Mass they usually attend. Training is provided. Please contact the Music Office at 978-2333 if you are interested in joining our team.



### GATHERING FOR JUBILEE

Join the Gathering Band on Friday evening, June 24<sup>th</sup>, for a gathering/concert jubilee in celebration of St Catherine's 50th Anniversary jubilee. They'll be performing their favorite praise and worship songs from their 16 year history of making music.



An open microphone will be available for you to share your favorite memories or stories from our parish's first 50 years.

The big event begins at 7:00 pm, and it's sure to be a great time for all family members.

**Charity and Justice Mission**  
**Mary Hunt 978-2333 [mhunt@stcatherinesiena.org](mailto:mhunt@stcatherinesiena.org)**

### Please place your donations in classroom 19.

**Snack Donations:** graham crackers, gold fish crackers, Rice Krispie Treats, packaged cookies, juice boxes, water bottles.

**Craft Supplies:** Pony beads, plastic lanyard, nail polish, nail polish remover, cotton balls, stickers, coloring books, crayons, markers, white paper bags (lunch size), colored construction paper, yarn, new white tube socks, buttons, hula hoops and jump ropes.

Please join us as we begin our Migrant Ministry camp visits on July 11<sup>th</sup>. Our Middle School and High School Youth will meet at the Stanley Centre by 5:15 with the bus leaving at 5:30. Eat your dinner before arriving at the Stanley Centre but save room for an ice cream stop at the Hayloft. Bring extra money to purchase your dessert. Also bring a one-time fee of \$20.00 for the bus fee. Registration and medical release forms will be available when you are dropped off.

Monday night carpools to the Grand Junction camp will begin on **July 11<sup>th</sup>**. Meet at the lower level of the church starting at 6:00 pm. This group travels by cars either carpooling or driving on your own to Grand Junction. Please contact Mary Hunt if you are interested in this ministry: 269-978-2338 or [mhunt@stcatherinesiena.org](mailto:mhunt@stcatherinesiena.org).



*This week the Sanctuary  
 Lamp burns for  
 all newly-ordained Priests.*

### Covenant Scholarships for Catholic Education

No child of a registered parish family will be denied the opportunity of a Catholic education at any local CSGK Catholic elementary school due to financial need. Application packets are available in the front office or on our website under who-we-are/links/. If you have questions, please contact Father Bob at 327-5165.



### 2016 Bishop's Annual Appeal

**Parish Goal:** \$278,869.00  
**Pledged:** \$183,622.00 (65%)  
**Paid:** \$115,394.50 (41%)  
**# of families:** 530

If you want to have your BAA pledge payments taken out (July 2016 - April 2017) through ACH, please contact Linda Reaume at 327-5165 x144 or [lreaume@stcatherinesiena.org](mailto:lreaume@stcatherinesiena.org). Please note this is NOT the same as paying online at the Diocese. Please call or email Linda with any questions.

As of June 1, 2016 **Meijer has discontinued their rewards program**. Thank you to all the families who helped St. Catherine's over the years by participating in this program. We gratefully appreciate it. We are, however, still part of the **Harding's eScrap Community Card** rewards program and encourage families to sign up. Pick up a card at the store's service desk and then call (800) 931-6258 or go online to activate it and designate St Catherine's as a beneficiary. Our ID is **167302700**.

Sponsors make our bulletin possible. Please thank:

**Hungry Horse Campground**  
 Norm & Nancy Fifelski

**SeaLandAir, Inc.**  
 Ellyn Jones

They are this week's  
 Featured Sponsors.



Care and Support Mission  
Mary Beckley-Clark 978-2334 [mclark@stcatherinesiena.org](mailto:mclark@stcatherinesiena.org)

**BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKS THIS WEEKEND**

There will be Blood Pressure Checks in Marian Hall this  
**Saturday, June 12th after the 5:30 PM Mass AND**  
**Sunday, June 13th between the 9:00 and 11:00 AM**  
**Masses in Marian Hall.**

**Senior Foot Care Volunteer Needed**

We are seeking an RN volunteer to lead this important ministry. Please contact Paula White, RN, at (269) 330-3762 for more information or to volunteer.

**Anonymous Groups**

**Food Addicts Anonymous:**  
Tuesdays, 6:30 pm, Rooms 6-8

**Alcoholics Anonymous:**  
Tuesdays & Thursdays 5:30 pm,  
Rooms 10-12  
Saturdays, 5 pm, Rooms 10-12

**Gamblers Anonymous:**  
Fridays, 7:30 pm, Rooms 10-12

**Overeaters Anonymous:**  
Saturdays, 11 am, Rooms 6-8

Family Life Mission  
Nicky Aiello 978-2331 [naiello@stcatherinesiena.org](mailto:naiello@stcatherinesiena.org)

**VBS Volunteers**

It's not too late to volunteer for VBS. VBS is July 11-15 from 9-noon. Volunteers are still greatly needed. Contact Nicky Aiello at 978-2331 or [naiello@stcatherinesiena.org](mailto:naiello@stcatherinesiena.org) if you are interested in volunteering.

**VBS Registrations**

Deadline to turn in VBS registration forms is Monday, June 27<sup>th</sup>. Registration forms can be found on the Family Life table in Marian Hall, in the narthex and on our website at [www.stcatherinesiena.org](http://www.stcatherinesiena.org).

**VBS Donations**

The VBS donation board is in Marian Hall and there are still items that are needed for VBS. If you have picked up a donation tag those items are due to the big box in Marian Hall under the VBS banner by July 4<sup>th</sup>. Thank you for your generous donations.

**VBS Sponsors Still Needed**

Our annual Vacation Bible School Program is looking for sponsors. We are asking businesses to donate at least \$200 and all sponsors will be listed on the back of our VBS t-shirt. We will accept sponsorships from families in any amount and you will be recognized in the bulletin. VBS is such a great opportunity for young people and we hope you will consider donating to help with the costs of the program. If you have any questions please contact Nicky Aiello.

**Up Coming VIRTUS Trainings**

Are you planning to participate in your child's activities here at the parish? If so, you will need to go through the VIRTUS training. This training is required of any adult who works with children at the church or within the Catholic Schools. If you are preparing to help with religious education classes, Vacation Bible School, nursery or any other activity that involves children, please plan to attend one of these trainings:

- **Wednesday, June 22<sup>nd</sup> at St. Catherine of Siena in the Siena Conference Room**

You can register for this class by going to [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org) and clicking on "registration" on the left hand side.

Youth Ministry Mission  
 Nichole McClish 327-5165 ext. 150 [nmcclish@stcatherinesiena.org](mailto:nmcclish@stcatherinesiena.org)

Catechesis & Evangelization  
 Leanne Phelan 327-0861 ext. 115  
[lphelan@stcatherinesiena.org](mailto:lphelan@stcatherinesiena.org)

Migrant Ministry for all Middle and High School students will begin on July 11<sup>th</sup>. We will meet at the Stanley Centre each Monday evening and depart for the migrant camps. Our parish youth will play games and entertain the migrant youth, as well as provide snacks and fellowship. Parent permission slips will be available when you drop off your child.

Join us for our annual **CEDAR POINT** trip!!! Youth entering grades 6-12 are invited to join us for this great day of fun on **Tuesday, June 28<sup>th</sup>**. We will depart from the Stanley Centre by chartered bus at 6 am and return around 12 am. The fee for this trip is \$100 per participant, which includes transportation, park ticket, and drink bands for unlimited drinks while inside the park. Space is limited and all forms are due by **June 13<sup>th</sup>**. Permission slips can be found on our website under Youth Ministry or in the Narthex. Contact Nichole McClish for more information.



Our Middle School Summer Service Camp (J.O.Y.) will be held August 22-25 from 9:00 am - 12:00 pm daily! Our focus for this camp is for all middle school students in incoming grades 6-8 to experience the call and fulfillment of service within our community. We will meet at the Stanley Center each day and buses will take us to our destination. Snacks and t-shirts will be provided as well as chaperoned transportation. Permission slips are available on-line (under Missions/Youth Ministry) or in the Narthex. The cost is \$30 per participant. All service hours accumulated during this camp can be used towards incoming required Confirmation service hours.



### ~RELIGIOUS EDUCATION~

Summer Religious Education Class Lists will be posted in Marian Hall on **Sunday, July 24<sup>th</sup>**. Please plan on checking the lists before you call the Front Office or me. Classes for grades 3-7 (students must have made their 1st Communion in order to participate in Summer Religious Education) run Sunday, August 7<sup>th</sup>, 2:00-5:00 pm with Mass at 5:00 pm and Monday-Friday 8:30 am - 1:00 pm. Any questions? Please email Leanne Phelan: [lphelan@stcatherinesiena.org](mailto:lphelan@stcatherinesiena.org).

Registration Forms for **Fall 2016-2017** Religious Education Classes are due by **July 1, 2016**. Registration Forms are available in the Front Office, in the Narthex, and on our website.

Fellowship Mission  
 Mary Hunt 978-2338 [mhunt@stcatherinesiena.org](mailto:mhunt@stcatherinesiena.org)

### Father Bob's Garage Sale

**When:** Friday, June 17 from 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm and Saturday, June 18 from 10:00 am- 2:00 pm.

**Where:** Stanley Centre Guadalupe Worship room

Portage Memorial Day Parade Thank you  
 Our parade was extra special this year as we joined our charter/ veteran members of the parish. Our 50th anniversary parade float was completed by the generous candy donations given by our parishioners. No child was without a piece of candy. Thank you for your support!

Photos provided by Ann Browning; stained glass window decal provided by Wraps and Signs on S. Westnedge. St. Catherine provided by Maggie Clark; truck and trailer provided by Max Walter.



*You're Invited!*

You are invited to attend the farewell receptions for our priests:

**Father Ben Huyhn** on Saturday, June 11<sup>th</sup> after the 5:30 Mass in Marian Hall;

**Father Bob Creagan** on Friday, June 24<sup>th</sup> after the Gathering Band concert in Marian Hall; and

**Father Dan Doctor** on Saturday, June 25<sup>th</sup> after the 5:30 Mass in Marian Hall.

There will be a cake and punch reception after the 11:00 Mass on Sunday, June 26, 2016, for all 3 priests.

**Please bring an appetizer or dessert to share;** we will provide the paper products and beverages.


**SUNDAY: June 12 Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

2 Samuel 12:7-10, 13/Galatians 2:16, 19-21/Luke

7:36—8:3

7:30 AM People of the Parish  
 9:00 AM †MaryAnn Devos  
 11:00 AM †Richard Searles

**MONDAY: June 13 St. Anthony of Padua, Priest and Doctor of the Church**

1 Kings 21:1-16/Matthew 5:38-42

9:15 AM †Carol Ankley

**TUESDAY: June 14**

1 Kings 21:17-29/Matthew 5:43-48

9:15 AM †Glyn Lake

**WEDNESDAY: June 15**

2 Kings 2:1, 6-14/Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18

9:15 AM †Thomas Dietz

**THURSDAY: June 16**

Sirach 48:1-14/Matthew 6:7-15

9:15 AM †Leroy Morlock

**FRIDAY: June 17**

2 Kings 11:1-4, 9-18, 20/Matthew 6:19-23

9:15 AM †Mary Carr

**SATURDAY: June 18**

2 Chronicles 24:17-25/Matthew 6:24-34

9:15 AM For those struggling with unemployment

**SATURDAY: June 18 Anticipating the Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

5:30 PM †Frank Janes

**SUNDAY: June 19 Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Zechariah 12:10-11, 13:1/Galatians 3:26-29/Luke 9:18-24

7:30 AM †Barney Ross  
 9:00 AM People of the Parish  
 11:00 AM †Eugene Keller Sr.

**WEEKLY CALENDAR**
**Sunday, June 12, 2016**

**Equal Exchange Sales in Marian Hall after all the morning Masses.**

**10:00 AM BP checks between 9 AM & 11 AM Mass, MH**  
 5:00 PM Baptism, Church

**Monday, June 13, 2016**

10:00 AM Medilodge, Off Grounds  
 1:30 PM Brookdale Assisted Living, Off Grounds  
 7:00 PM Finance Council, SCR, LL  
 7:00 PM Catholic Men's Fellowship, Rooms 10-12  
 7:00 PM Bingo, Gym

**Tuesday, June 14, 2016**

9:30 AM Prayer Shawl Weavers, PPR, LL  
 9:45 AM Rosary, Blessed Sacrament Chapel  
 5:30 PM AA Meeting, Rooms 10-12  
 5:45 PM Yoga, Gym  
 6:00 PM Deacon Formation, SCR, LL  
 6:00 PM SVDP Business Meeting, Rooms 9-11  
 6:30 PM FA Meeting, Rooms 6-8

**Wednesday, June 15, 2016**

9:45 AM Rosary, Blessed Sacrament Chapel  
 1:30 PM Brookdale/Clarebridge, Off Grounds

**Thursday, June 16, 2016**

**8:45 AM Reconciliation, Church**  
 9:45 AM Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, TC  
 10:00 AM Parish Nurse, Room 103, LL  
 5:30 PM AA Meeting, Rooms 10-12  
 6:00 PM Charismatic Prayer Group, Rooms 9-11  
 6:00 PM Revelation Bible Study, Marian Hall

**Friday, June 17, 2016**

Adoration continues, Trinity Chapel

**FRONT OFFICE CLOSSES AT NOON**

3:00 PM Benediction, Trinity Chapel  
 7:30 PM GA Meeting, Rooms 10-12

**Saturday, June 18, 2016**

8:00 AM Catholic Men's Fellowship, Rooms 1-3  
 8:00 AM Knights of Columbus Officer Training, Rooms 5-7, 10-12, 9-11  
**8:45 AM Reconciliation, Church**  
 9:00 AM St. Vincent de Paul Interviews, SCR, LL  
 10:15 AM Holy Love Prayer Chamber, Trinity Chapel  
 11:00 AM OA Meeting, Rooms 6-8  
 11:00 AM Knights of Columbus Officer Training Lunch, MH, MHK  
**4:00 PM Reconciliation, Church**  
 5:00 PM AA Meeting, Rooms 10-12

**Sunday, June 19, 2016**

1:00 PM Baptisms, Church

Hello Saint Catherine's! My name is Clark Thompson, and I am a seminarian for the diocese here in Kalamazoo. I'm starting my third year of theological studies at Sacred Heart Major Seminary in Detroit, but for the summer I have been assigned to Father Creagan so that he can teach me some of the ins and outs of being a parish priest. My stay here will be short because I'll be moving with Father to his new assignment, but I'm very excited to be living and working here at Saint Catherine's for the time being. I was born and raised in Galesburg so my home parish is Saint Ann's in Augusta, but I grew up attending various Protestant denominational churches in the area. I graduated from Kalamazoo Christian in 2008 and went to Franciscan University of Steubenville where I became Catholic in 2009. In 2012 I graduated from Franciscan as a Business and Philosophy double major and, after putting my business degree to work for a year, I joined the diocese as a seminarian in the fall of 2013. Some of you may see or have one of the older vocations posters from that year – I'm the seminarian with the big huge beard! I might not have a big beard anymore, but I'm still very happy in my discernment and filled with joy at the possibility that I might one day be called to serve our community here in West Michigan as a Priest of Jesus Christ. As much as I love my books and my academics back at school, nothing beats actually being in a parish with the people I feel so drawn and called to. I very much look forward to meeting as many of you as I can, and I ask that we truly keep each other in our prayers.

