

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

St. Catherine of Siena Catholic Church

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Office Hours:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 9am-5pm

Wednesday: 9am-8pm

Mass Schedule:

Monday - Saturday: 9:15 am Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:30 pm Sunday: 7:30, 9:00, 11:00 am,

Reconciliation:

First Friday: 8:15 am

8:45 am & 4:00 pm Saturday:

8:45 am Thursday:

Adoration: Thursday 10:00 am—11:00 pm

Friday 10:00 am—3:00 pm

Religious Education Office: (269) 327-0861 Youth Ministry Office: (269) 327-3441 Information on the Sacrament of Baptism or Matrimony

Narcia Schultz-Acker (269) 978-2340

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Phone (269) 978-2344

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Parish Clergy

Fr. William Jacobs, Jr., Parochial Vicar

Fr. Bruno Okoli, Parochial Vicar Fr. Kenneth Schmidt, Pastor

Fr. Stanley Witek, Parochial Vicar

Deacon Jack Prendergast

Deacon Ed Feltes

Presider Schedule: May 6-7	
5:30 pm	Fr. Ken
7:30 am	Fr. Ken
9:00 am	Fr. Stan
11:00 am	Fr. Stan
	NO 5:00 PM MASS

Musician Schedule: May 6-7		
5:30 pm	Cantor	
7:30 am	Cantor	
9:00 am	Gathering Band	
11:00 am	Gathering Band	
	NO 5:00 PM MASS	

# Ken's Kaleidoscope

April 30, 2017



The Bishop's Appeal comes around every year. Sometimes it's hard to get excited about it, and then I recall all the good that it accomplishes. First of all, it pays for us to have a bishop-shepherd who provides leadership for our diocese. It provides for a full staff of people overseeing leadership development for lay leaders

and deacons, and the catechists who provide student faith formation in our Catholic schools and parish religious education programs. The BAA provides the majority of the cost for the formation of seminarians so we have some priests in the future as the rest of us die off. And lots of other good stuff too, which you can read about in the material mailed by the Diocese to your homes this week.

Each parish has a target or goal that is determined as a percentage of our annual Sunday collections (with a small credit calculated by the number of students we are supporting in Catholic schools). It is like a "tax" – our fair share of the expenses to support our diocesan ministries, just as out city taxes support services like fire departments and police departments, libraries, water, sewer, and spring and fall cleanups. If we contribute more than our goal, all the extra comes back to us. If we fall short, then we must pay it from our Sunday collection, and then other parish services cannot be provided.

Please determine your fair share and pledge soon, so we can end the campaign with success and move on to other concerns.

If you did not get a chance to the Bishop's video message, it's online at the Diocese's website: www.diokzoo.org/

#### Administration jemilio@stcatherinesiena.org John Emilio 978-2335

Parish Finances:			
Apr. 16, 2017 (Sunday only)	Actual	Budgeted	Last Year
Weekly Avgs over the 42 Week Period	\$27,700	\$27,328	\$27,657
YTD Amount Sunday ONLY for 42 Weeks	\$1,163,490	\$1,147,779	\$1,161,577
YTD Totals Sunday & Holy Day	\$1,230,398	\$1,229,979	\$1,238,184

### CHANGES FOR THE 2017 BISHOP'S APPEAL

The 2017 Bishop's Appeal campaign will begin soon. Here are some important dates and a few changes you need to be aware of:

- You should have received your packet in the mail the week of April 25<sup>th</sup>.
- The appeal officially begins the weekend of May 6/7.
- All pledges and payments will be processed at the Diocese.
- All payment, monthly, and end of the year tax statements will be mailed by the Diocese.
- St. Catherine's will no longer be able to do ACH for the Bishop's Appeal.
- All on-line pledges and payments must be made through the Diocese.
- The 2017 goal for St. Catherine's is \$268,989.00.

Please prayerfully consider pledging to the 2017 Bishop's Appeal. Any shortfall will have to be taken out of our operating budget. If you have any questions, please contact Linda Reaume at lreaume@stcatherinesiena.org or 978-2346.



### Fellowship Mission Mary Hunt 978-2338 mhunt@stcatherinesiena.org

**2017 Men's Cursillo Weekend**Gentlemen: Come closer to Christ by attending the 2017 Men's Cursillo weekend at St. Joseph parish, Kalamazoo, from Thursday evening, May 4 through Sunday afternoon, May 7. Join other Christian men in experiencing a fantastic weekend. Call Gary Dunlap at 599-6237 for details.



Mother's Day Invitation: Please bring your mother to Marian Hall on Mother's Day (May 14) after all morning Masses, while the Knights of Columbus pamper her with a special breakfast. The Knights will be selling roses in Marian Hall and in the Narthex after all Masses.

Roses - Mother's Day

St. Catherine of Siena Knights of Columbus Council 6980 will again be selling roses after all Mother's Day Weekend Masses [May13-14]. Net proceeds will be donated to the Caring Network [Diocese of Kalamazoo – Catholic Charities], which brings hope and compassionate care to pregnant and parenting women and their babies. Suggestion donation: \$2 per rose.

<u> Men – Seeking True Happiness?</u>

Catholic adult men are invited to the Catholic Men's Fellowship meeting held every Saturday morning at St. Catherine of Siena in Rooms 1-3 from 7:30 - 9 am. After intercessory prayers and discussion of the upcoming Sunday's readings, the discussion focuses on how Catholic men can achieve true happiness. The discussions are based on the Matthew Kelly book **Resisting Happiness(2016)**. Refreshments are provided. For more information please contact Steve Borchert at <a href="mailto:sborchert5207@charter.net">sborchert5207@charter.net</a>.

Preschool

978-2338 <u>mhunt@stcatherinesiena.org</u> Mary Hunt

## **Preschool**

We are very busy preparing our students for the fall when they will be entering either young fives or kindergarten. We have worked on the letters of the alphabet, numbers to 100, colors, reading, writing, opposites and the Gifts of the Holy Spirit. We sing, dance and exercise and most importantly we build a bond of friendship with each other.

If you have a 3 or 4 year old child who is ready to learn and grow with us, please contact Mary Hunt at 269-978-2338 or mhunt@stcatherinesiena.org



Our 4 year old friends just finished hunting for Easter eggs.



Here is the Grunert family who was chosen to participate in the Holy Thursday Foot Washing Service.



St. Catherine's Catholic Preschool is having an Open House on May 7,2017 after the 9:00 and 11:00 am Masses. Please stop by and visit us! We are located at the Stanley Centre, the building at the back of the parking lot.



This week the Sanctuary Lamp burns for the sick.

**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

Melissa Andregg at (269) 381-2646.

CA HOLIC SCHOOLS

Anyone interested in volunteering MUST be background checked BEFORE they start volunteering and, if you are working with children, you must be VIRTUS trained. If you have any questions please contact Linda Reaume 978-2346 or lreaume@stcatherinesiena.org. Thank you for helping to keep our children safe.

Coats, hats, gloves, and boots/shoes that are left at church will be kept for one month. We will note the date the item is found, then donate it to St. Vincent de Paul Society downtown after a month has passed. Thanks for understanding!

Did you know that our parish Find us on has a Facebook Facebook page? Visit us on Facebook at: www.facebook.com/ stcatherinesiena for the latest information on what's happening around our parish. Then, "Like" our page to see updates in your Facebook newsfeed.

> Sponsors make our bulletin possible. Please thank:

**Stadium Motor Sales** Jack & Mike Johnson

**Tuffy Muffler** Rick & Carol King

They are this week's Featured Sponsors.

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Youth Ministry Mission 327-3441 nmcclish@stcatherinesiena.org

### Confirmation

Current Confirmation students will be confirmed by Bishop Bradley on **Sunday, May 21st** at **4:00 pm** here at St. Catherine's. **Students will need to report to church at 3:00 pm that afternoon**. The **Confirmation rehearsal and dinner** will be on **Thursday, May 18th from 6:00 - 8:30 pm**. If you have any questions, please contact Nichole McClish at 327-3441 or <a href="mailto:nmcclish@stcatherinesiena.org">nmcclish@stcatherinesiena.org</a>.

High School LIFETEEN and Middle School EDGE programming has ended for this year, and will resume again in September. Please join us for our many summer Youth Ministry offerings that will be posted in the bulletin. We will be offering gatherings and several service opportunities throughout the summer.



Middle School Summer Service Camp: Camp J.O.Y. - Serving Jesus, Others, and Yourself Students entering grades 6-8 are invited to experience the call and fulfillment of service within our community August 21-24 from 9 am - 12 pm. The cost is \$30/participant.

This is a great way for incoming Confirmation candidates to get a jump start on those required service hours! Permission slips are located online (under Registration Forms) and in the narthex. Please contact Nichole McClish with any questions.

Thank you to everyone who has continued to support our Catholic Heart Work Camp summer mission trip through bottle and can donations!



Janet Ingersoll

Catechesis & Evangelization 327-0861 <u>jingersoll@stcatherinesiena.org</u>



Congratulations to all of our students receiving the Sacrament of First Eucharist this weekend! We are so proud of you!

**Jackson Baldwin** Alexa Bates **Camryn Betzler Nicholas Bianco** Mava Cebula Erica Centofanti **Monica Clayton Riley Dalton** Cami DeVisser Jack Dillon **Benjamin Edington Kate Elias Nolan Farnsworth Abigail Giddings** Alexa Gonzalez Rvan Gruber

Olivia Hanel Eliana Keller **Dylan Kindler Anna Kingston** William Klien **Madalyn Kline Andrew Klok** Blake Krueger **Evelyn Lincoln** Olivia Lippert Luciana Martinez **Griffin McClish John Moss** Sophia Nicola Sarah Packard Ben Palmer

Isabella Paluzzi
Grant Petersen
Zachary Pralat
Giovanni Pullo
Joseph Rowley
Melina Rozewicz
Ashley Smith
Brady Sokolowski
Sophia Stephen
James Summers
Lucas Szczesny
Kai Torre
Isabelle Underwood
Lucas Widman

### **VBS 2017**

Registration for St. Catherine's Vacation Bible School, Earthkeepers: Adventures for Creation Care Kids, has begun. The forms are available on our parish website (www.stcatherinesiena.org and look under "Registration Forms") as well as in the church Narthex. If you have any questions please contact Janet Ingersoll at <a href="mailto:jingersoll@stcatherinesiena.org">jingersoll@stcatherinesiena.org</a> or 327-0861.

We are collecting recyclable items to use for crafts and other activities during our VBS program in July. We are looking for cereal boxes, non-styrofoam egg cartons, toilet paper and paper towel rolls, 16 ounce or larger plastic containers, bubble wrap, magazines, plastic Easter eggs, and large appliance or storage boxes for preschoolers to play in. There will be a large box in Marian Hall to collect all of these items. Thank you in advance for supporting this important ministry.

Care and Support Mission

Mary Beckley-Clark 978-2334 <u>mclark@stcatherinesiena.org</u>

# JUST A REMINDER IF YOU ARE HOSPITALIZED OR HOMEBOUND

If you or a family member is a patient at Borgess or Bronson
Hospital, please inform the hospital staff when you register that you are a
Catholic from St. Catherine's and would like to receive Communion.
HIPAA regulations require that personal information can only be shared
with patient knowledge and consent.

If you know someone in our parish community who is ill or residing at a long-term care facility and unable to attend Mass, please call Mary at 978-2334. We have Ministers to the Sick who are able to share the Eucharist with the sick or homebound. As always, we welcome new volunteers to this ministry. Training is provided.

## **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

Are you or someone you know caring for a person with dementia or early Alzheimer's? The Shepherd Center's Break Time Club is an affordable respite program to give caregivers a much needed break while providing social stimulation for the older person in their care. They meet **Tuesdays and Thursdays from 11:30 am to 3:30 pm.** For more information, contact the Shepherd Center office at 383-1122.



The Parish Nurse is in! The Parish Nurse will be available on Thursday mornings from 10:00 am -11:00 am in Room 103 (Lower Level). Stop by to get your blood pressure checked, discuss health concerns or just say hello!

Mary Hunt

Charity and Justice Mission 978-2338 <u>mhunt@stcatherinesiena.org</u>

It's time again for the Caring Network Showerless Shower!

We collect new and gently used items for moms and babies; most needed items this year are BOY clothes for 9 months and up, safety items (outlet plugs, cupboard/drawer locks), larger sized diapers (4,5,6), books (used and brand new board books), bottles with nipples, and thermometers. Please place your donation in the pack n play (located in the narthex the first 2 weeks in May, then in Marian Hall until the end of May).



St. Catherine of Siena parish has been involved in **migrant ministry** since 1999 and continues to visit the same camps. We begin our ministry in late May and through June collecting items for the Aleman Center. Parishioners of St. Catherine's and from St. Louise de Marillac in Warren, Michigan donate toiletries, clothing, and canned goods to help our migrant workers.

As the Steward of the Charity and Justice Missions at St. Catherine of Siena I find the most rewarding ministry is volunteering at our migrant ministry camps. In May 2012, Stella Shearer and I were finishing up a 30 week Just Faith program which encouraged Stella to become very active in this gratifying ministry. Every Monday during the extreme heat of the summer months, Stella and others would travel to Grand Junction to give the migrant parents a little time to themselves after working hard in the fields. We would have fun with the children playing soccer, baseball, coloring and stringing beads, painting finger nails and becoming friends with one another.

One year I was invited into the home of Gabriella who lived in the camp in Dowagiac. She taught me how to make tortillas, mixing the masa (dough) and rolling it into a ball then with your hands you flatten the masa. Of course, at the time I did not understand Espanol but with our friendly form of communication I demonstrated to her that if I sat on the masa I could make a grande tortilla. We laughed and laughed. At the end of the season we invited Gabriella and her family to our house for a cook out. Gabriella brought the ingredients to make mole it took all day to prepare when it was finished it was poured over chicken and it was delicious! My husband Gary asked their son Miguel if he thought the cycle of working in the fields would ever end. That year Miguel was accepted into the university in Florida and they have not been back to Michigan.

If you are interested in joining our Migrant Ministry, we offer two opportunities: on Monday nights individuals drive to Grand Junction and on Monday nights the youth meet at the Stanley Centre and are transported by bus to Decatur or Keeler.

We will again be collecting items for the migrant workers this spring; these items are distributed through the Aleman Center in Hartford. Items needed are: Long sleeved cotton men's shirts, tennis shoes, blue jeans (all sizes), twin and double size sheets, bath towels, bar soap, laundry soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, shampoo, deodorant, toilet paper. These items will be collected in classroom 21 beginning May 1.

SATURDAY: April 29, Vigil of Fourth Sunday of Easter		
		Presider
5:30 pm	St. Vincent de Paul Intentions	Fr. Bill
SUNDAY: Api	ril 30 Third Sunday of Easter	
Acts 2:14,22-33	3/1 Peter 1:17-21/Luke 24:13-35	Presider
7:00 am	<b>†</b> Kazys Rusinas	Fr. Bill
9:00 am	Deceased members K of C 6980	Fr. Ken
11:00 am	People of the Parish	Fr. Ken
	People of the Parish	

### MONDAY: May 1, Easter Weekday, Saint Joseph the Worker

Acts 6:8-15/John 6:22-29 or for the Memorial, Genesis 1:26—2:3 or Colossians 3:14-15,17,23-24/Matthew 13:54-58 Rich & Donna Buehrle

TUESDAY: May 2, Easter Weekday, Saint Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Acts 7:51—8:1a/John 6:30-35 9:15 am **†**Frank Lash

WEDNESDAY: May 3 Easter Weekday, Saints Philip and James, Apostles

1 Corinthians 15:1-8/John 14:6-14 9:15 am **†**John Patrick Curry THURSDAY: May 4 Easter Weekday

Acts 8:26-40/John 6:44-51

9:15 am †Marcela Delag FRIDAY: May 5 Easter Weekday

Acts 9;1-20/John 6:52-59

**†**Sister Maxine McGee 9:15 am SATURDAY: May 6 Easter Weekday

Acts 9:31-42/John 6:60-69 9:15 am **†**Jack Greiner

### SATURDAY: May 6 Vigil of the Fourth Sunday of Easter Presider

People of the Parish Fr. Ken SUNDAY: May 7 The Fourth Sunday of Easter, World Day of Prayer for Vocations

Acts 2:14a,36-	41,1 Peter 2:20b-25/John 10:1-10	Presider
7:30 am	†Margaret Fening	Fr. Ken
9:00 am	+Grace Paccione	Fr. Stan
11:00 am	<b>†</b> William & <b>†</b> Mary Metz	Fr. Stan

### WEEKLY CALENDAR

\*Changed locations appear in **bold** type after the event name.\*

Sunday, April 30, 2017 Coffee and Donuts, Equal Exchange Sales in Marian Hall after all the morning Masses; Preschool-1st Grade Religious Education during the 9 am & 11 am Masses.

Mondoy Moy 1	2017
6:00 pm	Sunday Women of the Word, SCR, LL
1:30 pm	Altar Server Training, Church
12:30 pm	Altar Server Pizza Party, SCR, LL
	Conference Room
9:00 am	Breaking Open the Word, Narthex-Area

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Tonday, May 1,	, 201 /
9:45 am	Rosary, Blessed Sacrament Chapel
10:00 am	Medilodge, Off Grounds
10:00 am	Kelly Moustakas Visitation, Narthex
11:00 am	Kelly Moustakas Funeral, Church
12:00 pm	Kelly Moustakas Funeral Luncheon, MH
1:30 pm	Brookdale Assisted Living, Off Grounds
6:30 pm	Bingo, Gym,
7:00 pm	Catholic Men's Fellowship, Rooms 10-12

Tuesday, May	2, 2017
9:45 am	Rosary, Blessed Sacrament Chapel
1:00 pm	Senior Center Yoga, Rooms 9-11
5:30 pm	AA Meeting, Rooms 10-12
5:45 pm	Yoga, Gym
6:00 pm	Deacon Formation, SCR, LL
6:30 pm	FA Meeting, Rooms 6-8
6:30 pm	VBS Planning Meeting, C&E Meeting Area
7:00 pm	Knights of Columbus Business Meeting,
_	Rooms 5-7
Wednesday, M	May 3, 2017
9:45 am	Rosary, Blessed Sacrament Chapel
1:30 pm	Brookdale/Clarebridge, Off Grounds
6:30 pm	Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room, LL
6:30 pm	Religious Education Grades 1-5, Classrooms
7:00 pm	Finance Council Meeting, GLP Conference Rm
Thursday, Ma	av 4, 2017
8:45 am	Reconciliation, Reconciliation Room, Church
10:00 am	Women of the Word, MH, MHK, Nsry, Rooms
	1-3, 10-12, 5-7, 6-8, 9-11
10:00 am	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Trinity
	Chapel
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
Friday, May	5, 2017
8:15 am	Reconciliation, Reconciliation Room, Church
9:15 am	First Friday Mass, Church
10:00 am	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Trinity
	Chapel
3:00 pm	Benediction, Trinity Chapel
7:30 pm	GA Meeting, Rooms 10-12
Saturday, Ma	y 6, 2017
8:00 am	Catholic Men's Fellowship, Rooms 1-3
8:45 am	Reconciliation, Reconciliation Room, Church
9:00 am	St. Vincent de Paul Interviews, SCR, LL
10:00 am	Gathering Band Rehearsal, Church
10:15 am	Holy Love Prayer Chamber, Trinity Chapel
11:00 am	OA Meeting, Rooms 6-8
2:00 pm	RCIA Inquiry Group, GLP Conference Room
4:00 pm	Reconciliation Reconciliation Room Church

4:00 pm Reconciliation, Reconciliation Room, Church 5:00 pm AA Meeting, Rooms 10-12

**Sunday, May 7, 2017** Coffee and Donuts in Marian Hall after all the morning Masses; Preschool-1st Grade Religious Education during the 9 am & 11 am Masses.

6:00 pm Sunday Women of the Word, SCR, LL



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