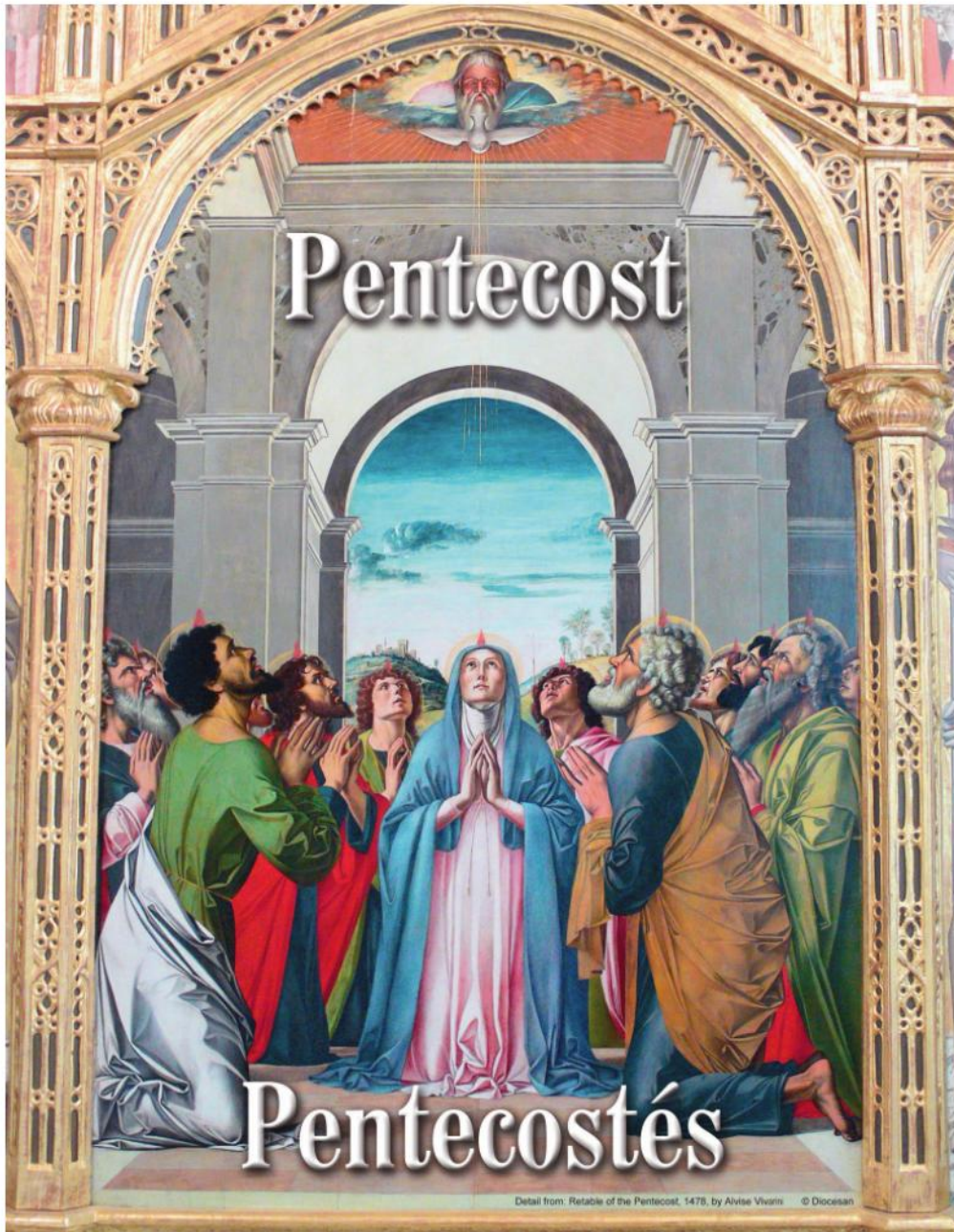


St. Catherine of Siena Catholic Church

Mission Statement:

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



May 31, 2020
Pentecost

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News from Fr. Mark



Dear Parishioners,

Pentecost Sunday is always known as the birth of the Church. As the Holy Spirit descended upon the Apostles, the Spirit filled their hearts and gave them courage to build up

the Church. They went out, preached the Good News, and many came to be baptized and know Christ because of it. As we look back at how the Church started, we can see how the Holy Spirit still guides and inspires the Church today.

We are in many ways experiencing a re-birth in our own Church life this weekend with the first public Masses since we were forced to suspend in person Masses. It was necessary for us to implement a temporary Mass schedule to allow us to continue the livestream broadcasts and also time to clean and disinfect the Church between Masses. Please note that **THERE IS NOT** an “in person” Mass at the 9 am time slot for this period of time and the 9 am Mass will only be livestreamed. We will have to make adjustments as time goes on and as the attendance rises in Masses. However, at this time, we are limited to 25% of our capacity of the main church with overflow going into Marian Hall. We will maintain social distancing and ask that everyone over the age of two to please wear a mask when they are in Church.

Please note that the dispensation from Sunday Mass continues until September 6. I realize that this transition back to public Masses will take some time. Please see the guidelines for the faithful that are in today’s bulletin to help you understand how we are trying to keep everyone safe in this time of COVID-19. I have also produced an instructional video which explains a lot of these changes (found on our website). Please be patient with us because we can’t accommodate all the schedules and activities or even the number of people in church that we have been accustomed to in the past. We also ask that your prayers continue that a vaccine will be found soon to help fight this illness.

Thanks for reading!
Fr. Mark

Schedule

Mass

Monday - Friday: 9:15 am (now in Marian Hall)
Saturday Vigil Mass: 4:00 pm (new time)
Sunday: 7:30, 9:00 (livestream ONLY),
11:00 am & 5:00 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

We are offering “drive-in” confessions in our main parking lot on Saturdays from 11:00 am -12:00 pm. Please remain in your car during your reconciliation.

Parish Office Hours

Closed until further notice. Please email **FrontDesk@stcatherinesiena.org** Monday—Friday for assistance. We are checking our email and phone messages regularly during the business week.

All schedules are subject to change.
Check our website for the most up to date information.

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THE DIOCESE OF KALAMAZOO

Office of the Bishop

May 31, 2020
Solemnity of Pentecost

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love!

This Pentecost Sunday is an especially joyful day in our beloved Diocese. Today we begin the gradual return to full participation in the life of the Church through our first weekend in Level 1 for the public celebration of Masses in a very modified manner. Although we know we still have a long way to go, it's a joy-filled experience to finally welcome people back to celebrate the Holy Mass together.

As we are all keenly aware, it has been more than two months since March 20, 2020, when I suspended the public celebration of Mass and the sacraments due to the serious health concerns surrounding the COVID-19 pandemic. Following a recent series of meetings with all members of the clergy, as well as Diocesan Staff, whose goal was to develop a comprehensive return to public worship plan, I am confident in saying that our parishes are committed to complying with the safety and civil guidelines we have been given and to implementing safety and hygiene protocols. I want to commend and thank all who are contributing to these Diocesan-wide efforts to assist in the preparation and planning and to welcome back fellow parishioners. While the celebration of Masses will certainly be different for the foreseeable future, it is critically important that all of us remain committed to complying with all safety protocols for the sake of the common good and for everyone's health and well-being.

I am very pleased to warmly welcome each member of our faith community who is able to return to the public celebration of Masses. However as we know during Level 1, not everyone will be able to attend Mass physically due to space limitations and the need to protect all who are especially vulnerable to this devastating virus. That is why the dispensation from attending Mass on Sundays and Holy Days remains in effect until September 6, 2020. It is also why I have encouraged parishes to continue live-streaming Masses so that everyone in our Diocese can continue to "keep holy the Lord's Day" by spending time in prayer, meditating on the Lord's Passion, Death and Resurrection, and participating in Spiritual and Corporal Works of Mercy.

Our special celebration of "The Year of the Eucharist," originally announced in my pastoral letter *Loving God and Our Neighbor: Living the Mission of the Eucharist*, continues for the remainder of this calendar year and its observance remains vitally important for the spiritual health and vitality of our Diocese. Especially when "social distancing" is necessary to contain the spread of COVID-19, the spiritual closeness of Christ is essential to our physical, mental and emotional well-being as missionary disciples who gather around the Lord of Life and who are sent out by Him to do His work.

None of us ever imagined that during the Year of the Eucharist the majority of our people would be denied the ability to receive the Eucharist in Holy Communion. What we have learned, however, is that the desire for sacramental unity with Christ is stronger than ever. We pray that by the grace of the Holy Spirit this period of temporary absence from Holy Communion will lead to a fervent renewal of devotion to this extraordinary gift that Christ gives us whenever we receive His Body and Blood in the Eucharist.

I want to conclude these brief reflections on this extraordinarily special observance of Pentecost Sunday by offering heartfelt words of appreciation and thanks to the thousands of health care and public service professionals who have cared for our sick and provided for the "front-line", essential services in our communities.

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I also extend special acknowledgement to all our Graduates whose hard work and academic achievement deserve far better commencement ceremonies than have been able to be provided under these very unusual circumstances. May the Holy Spirit guide you in all your future endeavors. On another note, I offer regrets to couples whose weddings had to be cancelled or delayed. In a very special way, I express my heartfelt condolences and prayers to individuals and families who have experienced the death of loved ones during this time and been unable to provide them with the normal Funeral Masses and Burial Rites due to this awful pandemic.

On a joyful note for all of us as the Body of Christ, I particularly want to welcome into the Church all those whose journey of faith had to be temporarily suspended at the time of the Easter Vigil, but who now will be received into full communion or be baptized, confirmed, and be one with us at the Table of the Lord on Pentecost or in the near future. May the Holy Spirit continue to guide you in the ways of faith.

These have been difficult times, to be sure, but because we are People of Faith, we look to the magnificent gift of the Holy Spirit as a sign of renewed hope and vitality in our Church and in the world we live in.

As we now begin to return to some level of normalcy, we can only do so with a strong faith in Jesus and the guidance of the Holy Spirit. And so we pray: "Come, Holy Spirit." Let us adapt St. Francis' Prayer to pray in our own uncertain times: *"Where there is darkness, let there be light. Where there is sorrow bring joy. And where there is doubt and uncertainty, fill us with holy hope."*

Asking the Blessing of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit upon you and our entire Diocese, I remain

Faithfully yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Paul J. Bradley".

Most Rev. Paul J. Bradley
Bishop of Kalamazoo



a community empowered by God, striving to make Jesus known, experienced, loved and imitated.

May 20, 2020

Dear Parishioners,

As we approach the end of this "Stay at Home" order, we are starting to plan for a return to the celebration of Public Masses within the Diocese of Kalamazoo. As of today, the plan is to return to Daily Mass on Wednesday, May 27, with Sunday Masses returning on Pentecost Weekend, May 30 and 31. We have already begun the planning process for re-opening for Daily Mass and weekend Masses. Weekend Masses will be held in the main church and Daily Mass will be held in Marian Hall. We will **not** have Daily Mass on Saturday mornings in order to deep clean the church before the weekend masses.

We all must do our part to continue keeping everyone healthy and safe when we return to Mass. St. Catherine's needs to be a "safe zone" for you and your families. The Diocese and Kalamazoo County have provided guidelines for us to implement with additional precautions we all need to take during this time of COVID-19. Please see the attached guidelines from our Diocese with more detailed information on these precautions. Please be patient with us and all the changes we need to make to keep us healthy.

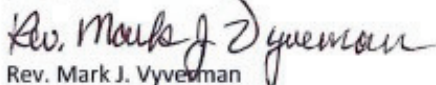
Here are a few highlights:

- 1) If you are in a high-risk category, exhibit symptoms of COVID-19, or have other underlying health issues, please stay home. The general dispensation for Sunday Masses continues until September 6.
- 2) We are adjusting our Weekend Mass schedule to allow more time for disinfecting between Masses. Our new schedule is:
Saturday Vigil Mass (also livestreamed at the same time) – 4:00 pm
Sunday: 7:30 am, 9:00 am (livestream ONLY), 11:00 am and 5:00 pm
- 3) **Please enter the Church through the main wooden doors.** This allows us to have an accurate count of how many are in the church building. All other entrances will be locked.
- 4) Face masks must be worn by everyone over the age of two in all areas of the church. Please bring your own face mask when attending Mass. Gloves are encouraged, however, they must be removed to receive Holy Communion in the hand.
 - a. We will have a limited supply of masks available if you forget your mask at home.
- 5) Our church nursery is closed until further notice.
- 6) We are reducing the capacity of our church to a maximum of 25% of normal seating to accommodate social distancing. Families may remain together in groups. Main church seating will be first come/first served.
- 7) If the main church reaches capacity, overflow will be directed into Marian Hall to view Mass on the livestream feed from the Church (you will still be able to receive Communion).
- 8) Social distancing of six feet will be maintained in our Communion lines.
 - a. Please bring hand sanitizer with you to clean your hands before receiving Communion and throughout the church as needed.
- 9) Restrooms are limited to one person at a time (or one parent and child).
 - a. Restrooms will be disinfected and cleaned after every Mass.
- 10) Our livestream Masses will continue each weekend for the foreseeable future.
- 11) Confessions will continue to be heard in the parking lot in "Drive-In" format on Saturdays from 11:00 am- 12:00 pm.

All parish activities, meetings, and events at St. Catherine's have been cancelled through the summer months to keep everyone safe. Due to social distancing and the time it takes to disinfect rooms after use, we cannot accommodate groups or activities in most of our meeting rooms at this time. First Communion and Confirmation have been postponed to late Summer or Fall. We will make decisions about Fall programming by August 15.

Please know that your priests and deacons have been praying for you during this time. If you are able, we look forward to seeing you again in person at one of our Masses. If you have any questions, feel free to email me at fathermark@stcatherinesiena.org.

Sincerely,


 Rev. Mark J. Vyveman

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CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF KALAMAZOO

GUIDELINES FOR THE FAITHFUL

FOR PUBLIC CELEBRATIONS OF THE HOLY MASS*

*These Guidelines are in effect beginning May 27, 2020 and throughout the duration of Parish Community Level 1 of our return to the public celebration of Holy Mass. The guidelines may be amended if/when the circumstances of the COVID-19 pandemic change.

Dispensation from the Obligation of Sunday and Holy Day Masses

The dispensation from the Sunday obligation to attend Mass is granted to all the faithful through September 6, 2020. All the faithful however have the obligation to "keep holy the Lord's Day" and on Sundays are encouraged to spend time in prayer, participate in a live stream of the Mass, meditate on the Lord's Passion, Death and Resurrection, and participate in Spiritual and Corporal Works of Mercy.

***Please note the date of the General Dispensation is at the discretion of the Bishop and is subject to change based on current conditions related to the managing the spread of the pandemic and in consultation with federal, state and local healthcare recommendations.*

Timelines

Preparatory Stage: Beginning May 13, 2020 through the time leading up to the first public celebration of Mass, anticipated for May 27, 2020. The General Dispensation remains in effect.

Parish Community Level One: Welcome Back! Return to Public Mass, May 27, 2020; The General Dispensation continues through September 6, 2020.

Parish Community Level Two: To be implemented with lifting of restrictions and allowance of more capacity at Parishes.

Parish Community Level Three: Full Capacity allowed at Parishes; Dispensation no longer in effect

General Guiding Principles

The Common Good: We must consider the common good as we determine all that we do. The common good considers the spiritual, financial, mental, and physical health of the entire society. During this time we must balance the spiritual health and the physical health of the faithful. This is especially true for the most vulnerable members of our populations, including the elderly and those with chronic illnesses. We also must rely on medical personnel and scientists to give the best advice in these matters.

Keep the Liturgical Year: Even in the darkest days of the pandemic, the Holy Father and his Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments made clear that Easter would not be "postponed." Liturgical seasons preceded it and followed it. Similarly, the entire course of the liturgical year is to be maintained and the primacy of Sunday is to be respected (General Norms for the Liturgical Year and the Calendar, 4; *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 2177).

Limited Attendance: The dispensation for the requirement to attend Sunday Mass will be extended. Those at higher risk; namely, the elderly, the immune-compromised and hospital workers, may likely need to wait until Level 3 before returning to the public celebration of the Mass. There might be creative solutions to allow people in these categories to attend Mass with a decreased risk of contamination (e.g. grocery stores with hours specific to these populations) but it will be some time before we can resume full capacity at our churches.

Continuance of Live-streamed/Televised Masses and Communication: The continuation of live-streamed liturgies is highly encouraged. All parishes that are currently live-streaming Mass have been encouraged to continue the practice at least one Mass each weekend, for those who are homebound, sick, or otherwise vulnerable. Clergy and Parish staffs are encouraged to continue to increase the communication to parishioners by using all means possible providing opportunities for catechesis and engagement in digital formats and video conferencing technology.

Prudence and Common Sense: Every reasonable means will be employed to keep the spread of COVID-19 under control, realizing, of course, the impossibility of creating a totally risk-free environment.

Be informed: There will be a number of changes determined by your Pastor and Parish Preparation Team. Please visit your Parish website and review all Parish communication so you are informed as to the specifics regarding your Parish Community (e.g. Mass time changes, attendance procedures, etc.).

Grace and Understanding: None of us have lived through a pandemic before, and so there are likely to be mistakes and imperfections as we attempt to do so. Priests, leaders, parishioners, and all who assist, as well as the Diocese, are likely to make some incorrect assessments and decisions. We all will need the grace of humility and "a spirit of cooperation" to get through this together.

Safety and Hygiene Protocols

Our parish communities are a great good that we want to preserve. All those attending Mass are strongly encouraged to adhere to the following:

Masks (cloth face coverings) are to be worn by everyone approaching the church and inside the church (except for those under 2 years old and those who have a medical condition that impedes them from wearing a mask), as well as all church buildings.

Social distancing is necessary. There will be clear protocols that will change where you can sit, how you can greet people, and how to receive Holy Communion. You will need to keep six feet of distance between anyone not in your household for the foreseeable future at church.

Those who are sick or symptomatic should stay home.

Please wash your hands at home, and use hand sanitizer upon entering the church. You may also bring your own supply of hand sanitizer to use before Holy Communion.

Physical Distancing

The capacity of the church is limited to no more than 25% (one-fourth) of its total capacity to ensure proper social distancing is achievable.

A distance of six feet (6') is to be maintained between persons in general, as much as possible (unless you reside in the same household).

Seating availability will be clearly marked (such as designated seats in alternating pews with a 1 or 2-pew separation or seating in different sections for different Masses). Those living in the same household may sit together without social distancing.

Cry Rooms are closed until further notice due to the limited space constrictions and inability to ensure social distancing is possible.

Rest Rooms: No more than 1 person (or 1 parent + children from same household) allowed at a time.

Bulletins and Parish printed materials: Parish bulletins may be made available to parishioners in the narthex/vestibule, along with other printed materials, but will not be distributed by ushers or others. The Parish Bulletin should also be made available online.

Notes for Mass

Offertory Collection: Secure receptacles or supervised baskets will be available at the entrances to the church or other designated places. An offertory collection will not be taken up during the celebration of the Mass.

The Sign of Peace: This liturgical action, shared among the faithful, will continue to be a "contact-free" gesture.

Reception of Holy Communion

Holy Communion is to be distributed only under the Species of the Sacred Host. The Precious Blood is not to be distributed at this time.

The faithful have the right to receive either on the tongue or in the hand, according to the discipline of the Church

Holy Communion may not be received in the hand if someone is wearing a glove. Instead, proper and diligent hand hygiene should be observed before and after distributing and/or receiving Holy Communion.

The faithful should remove any masks and gloves as they approach the minister.

If possible, the reverence and the verbal exchange should take place 6 feet away: Bow – "The Body of Christ" – "Amen" – then step forward to receive.

Reception in the Hand: For those receiving in the hand, please approach the priest (or deacon or EMHC), placing your dominant hand under your less dominant hand creating a sort of throne upon which to receive the Lord. After receiving Jesus in your hand, step to the side, and place the Host gently in your mouth, making sure to consume any particles of the Eucharist that remain in your less dominant hand, as even the smallest particle is still Jesus. Then, simply replace your mask and return prayerfully to your seat.

Reception on the Tongue: During this time, it might be better to consider receiving in the hand; however, if you choose to receive on the tongue please adhere to the following: approach the priest (or deacon or Eucharistic Minister). Please allow time for the Host to be placed safely on your tongue, and for the one distributing to remove his hand, so as to avoid contact. After receiving, replace your mask and return prayerfully to your pew.

Dismissal:

The Presider will announce dismissal procedure at the conclusion of Mass. Please prepare to return to your vehicles promptly. It is not recommended that you congregate with other Parishioners.

Thank you for your prayer, patience and understanding during this time. Please visit www.diokzoo.org for updates.

Please send questions to: officeofcommunications@diokzoo.org

We ask that you please be courteous and charitable in your communication.

Children's Faith Formation

First Communion Postponed until September

Unfortunately, due to the longevity of this pandemic, **we are postponing First Communion until September 2020**. Our hope is to keep everyone safe and healthy during the rapidly changing conditions of this pandemic. We appreciate your understanding and support with this decision. We know many of you have relatives planning to travel from a distance for this sacrament. We hope that this announcement will give you ample time to reach out to them to cancel their travel plans. Please continue to watch our bulletin, Facebook page and website for the latest information on when First Communion will be rescheduled.



VBS Cancelled

Our **Vacation Bible School (VBS)** scheduled for this July is cancelled. We are disappointed we cannot have our annual VBS, but we look forward to using the new program next year. Thank you to all who offered to support VBS this year.

CFF is Looking for 25 More Likes!

For current families enrolled in our **Children's Faith Formation (CFF)** classes (Age 3 through Grade 5), we have created a **Facebook page** where we can connect. Join us at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/stcatherinesienacff>. We're looking for at least **25 more likes on our page**. You will need admin approval to join. We look forward to connecting with you soon!



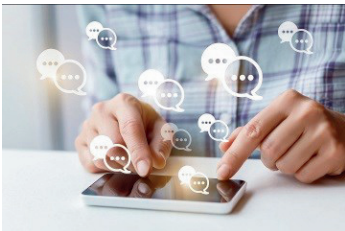
Youth Faith Formation

Youth Ministry Update from Phil

Our youth ministry programming is postponed for the time being. We will continue to update you on future scheduling as soon as we know more.

Activities postponed until a later date:

- May 31 youth ministry (you will get confirmation credit for this postponement)
- Saint Meinrad Retreat (by request of the monks of Saint Meinrad)
- Michigan Adventure (We hope to reschedule these activities for late Summer or Early Fall)



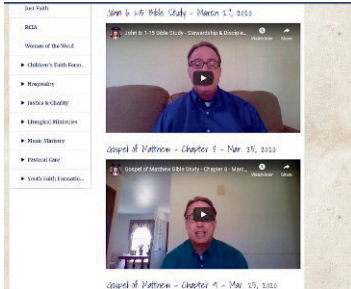
Wanna Talk?

For those who need some interaction and would like a conversation about faith, feel free to call Phil at (616) 633-0994 or email pdezern@stcatherinesiena.org. He also has a secondary line that you can call at 352-2268. You can have a one-on-one talk about faith and life. This goes for parents and youth!

Adult Faith Formation

Zoom Bible Study of the Resurrection Appearances of Jesus

Please join **Jay Landry** for a Zoom bible study on **The Resurrection Appearances of Jesus in the Easter Season** on **Wednesday evenings from 7-8:30 pm**. If you are interested in participating in the bible study, please email **Jay** at jlandry@stcatherinesiena.org and he will send you the Zoom link.



St. Catherine of Siena Bible Studies Online

Jay Landry is recording bible studies online for you to listen to at home. We have many you can watch during this time of isolation. Bible Studies on **Matthew Chapters Eight and Nine, "Stewardship & Discipleship in A Time of Crisis: Putting Everything in the Hands of Jesus"** on John 6:1-15, **"The Raising of Lazarus"** from John 11:1-44, **Gospel of Matthew** from Spring 2020, **Book of Revelation Bible Study** from the late Fall of 2019, and the **Gospel of Luke Bible Study** from the winter-spring of 2019. All bible studies are on our website at <https://stcatherinesiena.org/adult-bible-study>.

Month of May Dedicated to Praying the Rosary

The month of May is dedicated to our Blessed Mother and praying the Rosary is a beautiful way to honor her and ask for her intercession. Pope Francis offers his encouragement for "everyone to rediscover the beauty of praying the Rosary at home in the month of May." Find a guide for praying the Rosary at <https://www.diokzoo.org/devotionals>. Pope Francis offers prayers to be prayed at the end of each Rosary at <https://bit.ly/RosaryPrayers2020>.



Sunday Night Zoom Rosary

Please join us on **Sunday evenings at 7:00 pm** to pray the **Rosary over Zoom**. If you'd like to join a group of St. Catherine of Siena parishioners praying the Rosary together, please email **Jay Landry** at jlandry@stcatherinesiena.org and he will add you to the list.

Stewardship



Thank you for all you do for our Parish. Please know that we are MOST APPRECIATIVE. With the current health crisis, we will do our best to keep you updated on our finances. Below are the amounts that have come in either from parishioners mailing their donations or through our online program.

Weekly Mail In/ACH/Online Giving Totals

May 2—May 5	\$27,937 (Includes beginning of month ACH of \$10,890)
May 6—May 12	\$17,160
May 12—May 18	\$32,347 [YTD variance—(\$30,609)]
May 18— May 24	TBD

The parish cash flow is considerably strained. We know these times are uncertain. For those who can, we ask that you please consider continuing your support, either via mail or by eGiving through Vanco at <https://stcatherinesiena.org/give>.

Catholic Relief Services Collection

Thank you for your generous support of **The Catholic Relief Services Collection** which provides funds for six Catholic agencies who provide services for the poor and marginalized around the world. If you missed the collection, it's not too late to give! To make a donation before public Masses begin again, mail a check made out to your parish with **"The Catholic Relief Services Collection"** in the memo line.



Other News

Public Masses Resume May 27

Our Diocese of Kalamazoo announced area Catholic Churches may return to Mass beginning May 27. Guidelines and FAQs for returning to public Mass may be found at <http://diokzoo.org/public-return-to-mass>. The dispensation from the Sunday obligation to attend Mass is granted to all the faithful through September 6. Many Masses will continue to be live streamed, you may find a list of local live stream Mass times at <http://diokzoo.org/live>.



St. Catherine's Need Masks for Returning to Mass

We need your help! Are you making cloth masks, or do you know someone who is? As we prepare to resume the public celebration of the Mass, we will need to have a supply of cloth masks available for anyone who might forget to bring one with them to Mass. If you can help us by making masks, you can place each mask in a plastic bag and leave them in the designated bin in the vestibule between the two sets of main church doors. Please contact **Deb Dozeman** at ddozeman@stcatherinesiena.org or **327-3441** with any questions. Thank you in advance for your help in keeping all of us safe as we return to Mass!

Join One of St. Catherine's Golf Leagues

Did you know St. Catherine's has **Golf Leagues**? It's not too late to join! We are practicing "social distancing" while playing. Join either our **Couples League** on **Monday nights** or our **Men's League** on **Wednesday nights**. Both leagues play at **Pineview Golf Course**. Can't commit to every week? There are options for subs on Wednesday nights. Contact **Bob Hamman** at **353-8447** for information on the Couple's League. Contact **Gary Hunt** at **779-2781** for information on the Men's League. We hope to see you soon!



Walking with Moms in Need: A Year of Service

In times such as these, pregnant and parenting mothers in poverty or who are facing other challenging circumstances need our help. To participate in **Walking with Moms in Need: A Year of Service** contact your pastor to volunteer to be part of the parish team or, if your parish does not have a team, simply reach out to mothers and pro-life pregnancy care centers that serve them to ask them what support they need and/or pledge to pray for moms in need in your community. Learn more about *Walking With Moms in Need: A Year of Service* at

<http://walkingwithmoms.com>. A Diocesan *Walking With Moms in Need* will continue through March 2021. To get involved with the diocesan initiative, contact your local parish or **Lisa Irwin** at lirwin@diokzoo.org.

Pastoral Reflection from Bishop Bradley

Bishop Bradley has written a pastoral letter for all the Faithful in the Diocese, "From Darkness to Light: Hope for a New Pentecost" A Pastoral Reflection. His message aims to encourage us during these days of Easter, praying that "we will allow that same Holy Spirit, who filled the hearts of the first Apostles and turned them from fearful followers into fearless witnesses...". You may read the pastoral reflection at <http://diokzoo.org/bishop-bradley>. Also available in Spanish.



"From Darkness to Light:
Hope for a New Pentecost"
A Pastoral Reflection



Hole-Y Shebang Golf Outing

We are sad to announce our **Catholic Charities Diocese of Kalamazoo's golf outing on Monday, July 13 at 9 am at Gull Lake View Golf Course in Augusta is cancelled**. We hope to have our outing next year. Please stay healthy and safe during this uncertain time.

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY: May 30 Vigil of Pentecost Sunday

Genesis 11:1-9 or Exodus 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ezekiel 37:1-14 or Joel 3:1-5/Romans 8:22-27/John 7:37-39 or for the Extended Vigil: Genesis 11:1-9, Exodus 19:3-8a, 16-20b, Ezekiel 37:1-14, Joel 3:1-5/Romans 8:22-27/John 7:37-39

5:30 pm People of the Parish

SUNDAY: May 31 Pentecost Sunday

Acts 2:1-11/1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13/John 20:19-23

7:30 am People of the Parish

9:00 am †Kathy Hickman

11:00 am †Deceased Members of Knights of Columbus Council 6980

5:00 pm People of the Parish

MONDAY: June 1 The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church (Ninth Week in Ordinary Time)

Genesis 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14/John 19:25-34

9:15 am People of the Parish

TUESDAY: June 2 Weekday; Saints Marcellinus and Peter, Martyrs

2 Peter 3:12-15a, 17-18/Mark 12:13-17

9:15 am †Mary Lou Adams

WEDNESDAY: June 3 Saint Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs

2 Timothy 1:1-3, 6-12/Mark 12:18-27

9:15 am †Mary Lou Adams

THURSDAY: June 4 Weekday

2 Timothy 2:8-15/Mark 12:28-34

9:15 am †Thomas Miller

FRIDAY: June 5 Saint Boniface, Bishop and Martyr

2 Timothy 3:10-17/Mark 12:35-37

9:15 am End Abortion

SATURDAY: June 6 Saint Norbert, Bishop; BVM

2 Timothy 4:1-8/Mark 12:38-44

9:15 am †Kathy Borchert

SATURDAY: June 6 Vigil of The Most Holy Trinity

5:30 pm †Donald P. Stone

SUNDAY: June 7 The Most Holy Trinity

Exodus 34:4b-6, 8-9/2 Corinthians 13:11-13/John 3:16-18

7:30 am People of the Parish

9:00 am †Kimberly Zeug

11:00 am †Millie McCarthy

5:00 pm People of the Parish



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