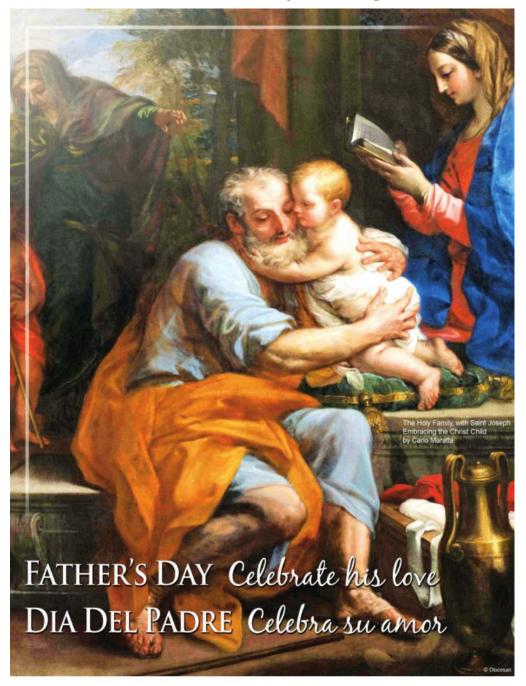
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June 18, 2023 Father's Day Dear Parishioners,

On this 11th Sunday of Ordinary Time, the priests and deacons are back to wearing green vestments at the Masses. Yes. all the special feast days that occur on the Sunday after Pentecost (and the Easter Season) are

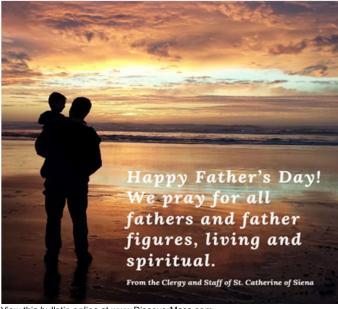


now over for another year. When I reach this point every year, I know it must be summer.

I would like to thank everyone for celebrating with your priests last weekend. It was probably the last time, for some time, that we would all be in the same place at the same time. Three of us will be going in different directions: Fr. Bill will travel back to Green Bay, Fr. Ben to his sabbatical time in Vietnam, and Fr. Tom will soon be moving over to St. Monica. Of course, I will be staying here once the transfers all take place. As we gathered last weekend to celebrate the anniversary of our priesthood ordinations, we are thankful for your prayers, your cards, and all those who were able to join us for the Mass and/or the reception that followed. We appreciate your support and you have meant a lot to us. Please continue to keep us in prayer as we go in different directions.

Finally, we take some time this weekend to remember and thank our dads. I'm sure there are a lot of cook outs this weekend. We keep our fathers and grandfathers in prayer as we wish all of you a Happy Father's Day!

Thanks for reading! Fr. Mark



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Mass

Monday - Saturday: 9:15 am (Trinity Chapel) Saturday: 4:00 pm, Vigil Mass

Sunday: 7:30, 9:00, 11:00 am, & 5:00 pm

All schedules are subject to change.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays from 11:00 am—12:00 pm, **Trinity Chapel/GLP**

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Calendar events subject to change!

Calendar of Events

Sunday, June 18, 2023

7:30 am Mass, Church 9:00 am Mass, Church

10:00 am Choir Practice, Choir Room

11:00 am Mass, Church12:00 am Baptism, Church5:00 pm Mass, Church

Monday, June 19, 2023

9:15 am Daily Mass, Trinity Chapel

Tuesday, June 20, 2023

9:15 am Daily Mass, Trinity Chapel9:45 am Rosary, Trinity Chapel

Wednesday, June 21, 2023

9:15 am Daily Mass, Trinity Chapel

7:00 pm Catechism in a Year Study Group, Fellowship

Thursday, June 22, 2023

9:15 am Daily Mass, Trinity Chapel
10:00 am Adoration, Trinity Chapel
12:50 pm Benediction, Trinity Chapel

Friday, June 23, 2023

9:15 am Daily Mass, Trinity Chapel

Saturday, June 24, 2023

7:30 am Catholic Men's Fellowship, Rooms 9/11
8:30 am SVDP Interviews, Stanley Centre Office
9:15 am Daily Mass, Trinity Chapel
11:00 am Reconciliation, GLP & Trinity Chapel
3:30 pm Rosary for Life, Church
4:00 pm Mass, Church

Reflection on the Readings

Today's Gospel by Matthew tells us that Jesus' heart felt pity for the crowds as "they were troubled and like sheep without a shepherd." Jesus then tells his disciples that "there are too few laborers for the harvest and thus the master should be asked to send more workers for the abundant harvest to be gathered." Jesus then appoints the twelve apostles (apostle meaning "one who is sent") to minister to His sheep. In other words, Jesus is turning these sheep into shepherds that are desperately needed. Jesus speaks of the people as crops ready for the harvest. These metaphors, directed to the crowds- and to us- could be seen as devaluing us. But the opposite is the point of Jesus' message. He sees each of us as a treasure of great value... just as the farmer values his sheep and his crops. And He knows there will always be a need for the clergy (the Pope as successor of Peter and Bishops as successors of the apostles) but also for evangelists and missionaries. We are meant to see ourselves as both the sheep and the shepherd. We know that we must rely on the guidance of our Pope and the Bishops, Priests, and Deacons. But we too have a role through our Baptism to be evangelists and ministers to the sheep. Are we a witness by our life to the real presence of God in our world? Are we serving the Church in the many lay ministries that are in desperate need of volunteers? Do we touch and model to our children and grandchildren how to walk the path of Christ? Do we offer a welcoming smile, a helping hand, a generous donation of time and talent? We each have received unique gifts of God's grace and we are called to freely give them to the benefit of others.

Reflection by parishioner, Dale Gerber

News Around St. Catherine

Back to School Giving Tree Starts July 1

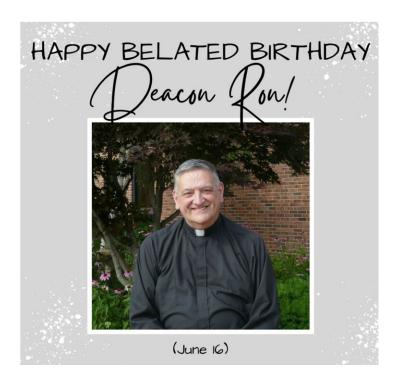
The annual Back-to-School Giving Tree project will begin on July 1 (schools are starting earlier now!). We plan to collect items for various local organizations and our CSGK schools. We will provide a list of the organizations we are giving to, along with lists of items needed, in the vestibule. You will also be able to access the links to the lists on our website at https://stcatherinesiena.org/givingtrees. Contact Colette with any questions at gushurst@yahoo.com. Thank you for your continued support of this ministry!

Versiti Blood Drive July 11

We're hosting a Blood Drive on Tuesday, July 11, from 11:30 am until 4:00 pm with Versiti Blood Center of Michigan. Please help us give the gift of life! Signup online today at https://stcatherinesiena.org/blooddrive.

Baptismal Font Leaking (Again)

Last week, the baptismal font started leaking again. We are waiting to find out the best course of action to get the font fixed (again). For the time being, we have emptied the font and will use the dispensers outside the main entrance. Baptisms will be moved into Trinity until we can get these repairs done. Let's hope and pray that we can do these repairs easily!





Volunteers Needed for Vacation Bible School

We are excited for this summer's event at St. Catherine. If you didn't have a chance to register your child for VBS, we are accepting registrations for our waitlist. Register online through our website at: https://stcatherinesiena.org/vbs. We have over 200 kids registered now, but if we are able to get enough volunteer-to-kid ratios, we will accept more. Speaking of volunteers, if you are able to help with your time or talent, please contact our VBS team at faith@stcatherinesiena.org.

Faith Formation Registration for 2023-2024

Registration for fall Faith Formation has begun!
Registration forms are available on our website at https://stcatherinesiena.org. Please reach out to George or Casey with any questions by emailing faith@stcatherinesiena.org. We are always looking for volunteers to help make faith formation possible! Let us know if you are willing and able to make this next year a success as either a full time catechist or can help occasionally as a sub. Thank you!

Ordination Announcements 2023

Bishop Bradley has released the new priest assignments for the diocese of Kalamazoo. The appointments are effective July 5, 2023. Several priests have been given new roles in the diocese, and Msgr. Edward M. Lohse will be ordained as Bishop July 23, 2023 at the Cathedral. For more information on priest assignments in the diocese visit https://bit.ly/3IXaRa7. Thank you!







SATURDAY: June 17 Vigil of The Eleventh Sunday in

Ordinary Time

4:00 pm | Isagani Redondo †

SUNDAY: June 18 Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ex 19:2-6a/Rom 5:6-11/Mt 9:36—10:8

7:30 am Jamie Lopez †
9:00 am Kevin Shamehorn †

11:00 am James † & Keats † Hofbauer

5:00 pm People of the Parish

MONDAY: June 19, Weekday, Saint Romuald, Abbot

2 Cor 6:1-10/Mt 5:38-42 9:15 am Donald Bowers † TUESDAY: June 20, Weekday 2 Cor 8:1-9/Mt 5:43-48

9:15 am Joan Dion †

WEDNESDAY: June 21, Saint Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious

2 Cor 9:6-11/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18 9:15 am Kevin Doherty †

THURSDAY: June 22, Weekday; Saint Paulinus of Nola,

Bishop, and Thomas More, Martyrs

2 Cor 11:1-11/Mt 6:7-15 9:15 am Patricia Smith † FRIDAY: June 23, Weekday 2 Cor 11:18, 21-30/Mt 6:19-23

9:15 am Agripino Redondo †

SATURDAY: June 24, The Nativity of Saint John the Baptist

Is 49:1-6/Acts 13:22-26/Lk 1:57-66, 80

9:15 am Fr. Emmanuel Mbah's ordination anniversary

SATURDAY: June 24, Vigil of the Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 pm People of the Parish

SUNDAY: June 25, The Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jer 20:10-13/Rom 5:12-15/Mt 10:26-33 1 7:30 am Carol† and Doyle† Schmittler 9:00 am Julia Nespodzany †

11:00 am Laura Zingg †
5:00 pm Eric Munson †

A Message from the Diocese

The Diocese of Kalamazoo has and will continue to cooperate with the Michigan Attorney General's investigation and encourages anyone with information related to misconduct to call the reporting number set-up by the Michigan Attorney General's office at: (844) 324-3374. The Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service (CBAR) has been established to receive reports of sexual abuse and related misconduct by bishops and to relay those reports to proper Church authorities for Investigation. To make a report, visit http://ReportBishopAbuse.org or phone (800) 276-1562. When a report includes a crime, such as the sexual abuse of a minor, it will also be reported to civil authorities. Otherwise, reports will be kept confidential.

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Taking advantage of a balmy day in New York, my brother and three other priests swapped their clerical garb for polos and khakis and time on the golf course. After several horrible shots, their caddy asked, "Are you guys priests?" "Actually, yes," one cleric replied. "Why?" "Because," said the

caddy, "I've never seen such bad

golf and such clean language."

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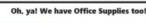
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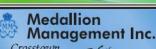




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