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Masses for Sunday:

Saturday: 4:30 p.m.; Sunday: 10:00 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.

#### 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-Thursday: 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. - Closed Friday

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.

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.

#### 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, November 26th

8:00 a.m. † The Charles Schroder Family

#### Wednesday, November 27th

5:30 p.m. † Michael Steven Sampson

#### Thursday, November 28th

Thanksgiving Day 10:00 a.m. † Cliff Perkins

#### Friday, November 29th

8:30 a.m. Desmond Family

#### Saturday, November 30th

St. Andrew the Apostle 8:00 a.m. † Don Eisenman 4:30 p.m. † Gail Schultz Jenkins

#### Sunday, December 1st

1st Sunday of Advent 10:00 a.m. Members of the Parish

# EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

November 28th, 30th & December 1st

**10:00 a.m. Thanksgiving Cup:** Elise Rulli, Kristen Gerrein, 2 Subs Needed

**Host:** Noah Shaefer, Judy Rose, Nathan Holbrook **4:30 p.m. Cup:** Kelly Hergott, Gina New, Tom New

**Host:** Diane Hamberg

**10:00 a.m. Cup:** Nathan Myers, Pat Desmond, Carol Little, Dan Little

Host: Brooke Holbrook, Nathan Holbrook, Tom Kaelin

#### **LECTORS**

#### November 28th, 30th & December 1st

10:00 a.m. Thanksgiving Bill Sodini 4:30 p.m. Jennie Cox 10:00 a.m. Dennis Hicks

#### SERVER SCHEDULE November 26th-December 1st

8:00 a.m. – Tuesday

Rachel Burkart, Ryan Garlich

5:30 p.m. – Wednesday

Bennett Schroer, Matteo Schroer

10:00 a.m. - Thursday

Max Holbrook, Emily Kirst, Natalie Kirst

8:30 a.m. - Friday

Ava Hamberg, Selma Hansbauer

8:00 a.m. - Saturday

Tim Garlich, Ryan Garlich

4:30 p.m. - Saturday

Marley Hess, Lily Foley, Addie Hess

10:00 a.m. – Sunday

Matteo Schroer, McKenna Desmond, Max Holbrook

# GREETER SCHEDULE November 30th & December 1st

**4:30 p.m.** Volunteers Needed **10:00 a.m.** Mike & Carol Desmond, Rick & Anita Morris

#### SUNDAY COLLECTION RECAP

]	11/10/2024	11/12/2023
Weekly Offering	\$12,266	\$10,695
Fiscal YTD Offerings	\$266,699	
Fiscal YTD Budget	\$334,936	
Fiscal Annual Budget 2024/25	\$950,000	
Number of registered families	339	
Tuition Assistance awarded for 2024/25	<b>\$0</b>	
<b>Tuition Assistance donations FYD</b>	\$256	
School Registration for 2024-25	106	

DPAA 2024 <u>Goal</u> <u>Pledged</u> <u>Over</u> \$71,000 \$91,090 \$20,090

#### **NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS**

Jer 33:14-16; 1 Thes 3:12-4; Lk 21: 25-28, 34-36

#### THIS WEEK

#### **MONDAY**

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, 3:30 p.m., Atrium

#### TUESDAY

Mass, 8:00 a.m.

Exposition, 8:30 a.m.

Busken Order Pickup, 2:00 p.m., Lower Parking Lot

Confessions, 5:30 p.m.

Benediction, 6:45 p.m.

Rosary, 7:00 p.m.

#### WEDNESDAY

#### No School

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, 3:30 p.m., Atrium Mass, 5:30 p.m.

#### **THURSDAY**

### Happy Thanksgiving!

Mass, 10:00 a.m.

No School

Parish Office Closed

#### **FRIDAY**

Mass, 8:30 a.m.

No School

Parish Office Closed

#### **SATURDAY**

Mass, 8:00 a.m.

Confessions immediately following Mass Mass 4:30 p.m.

#### **NEXT SUNDAY**

#### First Sunday of Advent

Mass, 10:00 a.m.

Advent Program, 11:00 a.m., McCrystal Hall Jesse Tree Program begins

## Please Pray for Our Sick

Doug Powrie, Tom & Mary Ann Ferring, Sherry Milleck, Peter Defoe, Kay Grothaus, Ann Basham, Bob Rulli, Cris Bear, Larry Beiting, Mary Hoffman, David Garner & Gabby Thomas. Also, remember all 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

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

#### **IN OUR PARISH**

THANKSGIVING DAY MASS & COLLECTION – With gratitude for our many blessings, we invite you to join us for Mass on Thanksgiving Day, November 28th, at 10:00 a.m. (there will not be an 8:00 a.m. Mass.) We will once again be donating our collection from that Mass to St. Bernard Pantry. Each year, parishioners bring their donations of nonperishable food items, paper products, etc. to the Thanksgiving Day Mass and they are taken up at the offertory. Monetary donations of cash or checks made out to St. Bernard Pantry will also be accepted.



**ADVENT PROGRAM** – Following the 10:00 a.m. Mass on December 1st, the parish will host its Annual "Advent Program" in McCrystal Hall. All are welcome to attend! This will begin with a brunch potluck, and a SignUpGenius form is available on the parish website under "events." At approximately noon, we will offer a short program focusing on reflections for the Advent season. (Approximate time frame of event: 11:15 a.m.-12:45 p.m.)

#### ATTENTION ALL COLTS ATHLETES, FAMILIES, COACHES

**AND FANS** – We invite you to come together at the 10:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday, December 1st to celebrate the beginning of Advent, as well as the kickoff of the Colts Classic Basketball Tournament. Immediately following Mass, we hope you will join us in McCrystal Hall for a Potluck Brunch and Advent program.

#### JOIN US FOR LORETO: FORMING FAMILIES IN THE FAITH

Don't know what Loreto is all about, but interested in checking it out? Want to strengthen your faith and to get ideas of how to live it out at home? Join us for our next Loreto session on December 4 in McCrystal Hall from 6:30-8:00 p.m.! Learn more by reaching out to jdkimes@stcky.org or visit the parish website: www.stcky.org/family-catechesis.

#### MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR OUR PARISH MISSION!

Be sure to mark your calendars for the evenings of February 2nd, 3rd and 4th for our Parish Mission. Fr. Kevin Scalf from the Archdiocese of Cincinnati will be our presenter. More information about the event will follow, but for now, mark those dates and plan to attend!



## SPIRITUAL ADOPTION PROGRAM

Since the passing of *Roe v. Wade* in 1973, according to Live Action's website, well over 63 million abortions have been performed in the United States. And despite the Supreme Court's 2022 *Dobbs* decision that overturned *Roe v. Wade*, there were still over 1 million abortions performed last year.

As a partial answer to this situation, we invite you to "spiritually adopt" a child in the womb. This involves praying each day for a child and its mother, using the prayers in the booklet, "Prayers for a Spiritual Adoption" written by Fr. Stef. The prayers were written for a nine-month period, but this year we will compress that into nine weeks. You can make these prayers more personal by giving your child an identity and a name. The prayers can be found on the homepage of our website under "Prayers for a Spiritual Adoption" and in the booklets in the back of church.

#### MONTH NINE

It's my birthday! Thank you so much for all your prayers! Because you prayed for me, I got the best of all gifts – LIFE.

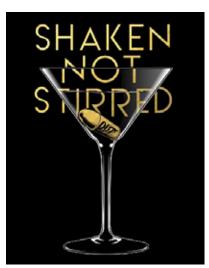
GET YOUR TICKETS FOR THE 2024/25 ANNUAL PARISH WEEKLY RAFFLE! There's still time to buy/sell tickets! If each parish family would buy or sell 5 tickets, we would make over \$28,000!! Drawings for a \$100.00 winner are held each Tuesday until October 28, 2025. A check will be mailed directly to the winner, and their winning ticket GOES BACK IN the drawing. You can also ask your friends, extended family and coworkers if they would like to purchase tickets. Tickets can be purchased online on the website and in the Parish Office.

#### PARISH WEEKLY RAFFLE WINNER

The winner for the week of November 18th was Katie Desmond.

Congratulations!

PARISH JESSE TREE PROJECT – Our Annual Jesse Tree Project will begin next weekend. A traditional Jesse Tree depicts the genealogy of Jesus from the days of Jesse through specially-created ornaments hung from its branches. Our parish Jesse Tree expands upon the idea that the lineage of Jesse gave us Jesus, the greatest gift to mankind, by giving parishioners the opportunity to donate gifts to those in need in our community. We are called as Catholics to serve our neighbors in their spiritual and bodily necessities through the Spiritual and Corporal Works of Mercy. The purple ornaments list items needed by the agencies. The white ornaments on the tree are the spiritual needs of the organizations we serve and will help to realize the Spiritual Works of Mercy. We are recommending that parishioners adopt these spiritual needs for the year. You may decide as a family to attend a weekday Mass, say a weekly Rosary or Novena, perform regular sacrifices, or include the intention in your family's regular prayer routine. The tree will be located in the church's prayer/meditation space. Our hope is that all families will participate in this project. All gifts must be returned to the Jesse Tree area by Sunday, December 15th. Gifts will be picked up by the agencies on that Monday morning, so it's very important to drop off your gifts by the due date. Please do not wrap gifts.



JOIN US FOR SHAKEN NOT STIRRED...AN EVENING OF MYSTERY AND INTRIGUE! The event will be held at the Fort Thomas Mess Hall on Saturday, January 25th from 7:00-11:00 p.m. and will take you on a trip down memory lane, celebrating 50 years of James Bond, and includes a catered buffet dinner, martini-themed bars, live Jazz music and top-secret games. The major raffle Grand Prize is a vacation package for two. This seven-day adventure includes six-nights lodging with visits to Bond movie locations including Amsterdam, Rome, and London. Also provided are James Bond tours in each city and airfare! Second Prize is admission for two to the International Spy Museum in Washington DC, along with a \$500.00 Marriott Hotels gift card. Third Prize is our "Casino Royal Package," including a poker chip and card set, a poker table-top cover, and a martini cocktail service set, along with starter supplies. Other separate raffle items will include an assortment of bourbons, an assortment of martini spirits, and the full collection of James Bond movies on Blu-ray. There will also be a Silent Auction, featuring a variety of gift baskets. We encourage individuals and/or any parish groups to consider donating baskets/prize packages. Contact the Parish Office if you are interested in doing this. Early Bird tickets for the dinner party are \$60.00 per guest. On December 15th, the price per person increases to \$70.00. Raffle Tickets are \$75.00 each and will be available for sale online and in the Parish Office beginning November 25th

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!



## HAVE YOU DOWNLOADED OUR PARISH APP YET?

St. Catherine of Siena's own parish app is available NOW for Apple iPhones and Android phones.

The app allows us to communicate quickly and easily with all parishioners via messages and notifications as well as targeted messages to groups within the parish.

You'll also find:

- the daily readings read at Mass
- · our weekly bulletin
- our parish calendar
- the latest Catholic news from around the world
- an easy-to-reference list of Catholic prayers with prayer requests
- a helpful examination of conscience and next Confession reminder
- a reminder feature called "Mass Mode," for Mass and Confession. This includes phone silencing notification to help encourage us all to be more present while at St. Catherine of Siena.

We believe the app will be a great way to improve communication in our community of faith. (However, if you decide the app is not for you, you will still be able to receive communication from St. Catherine

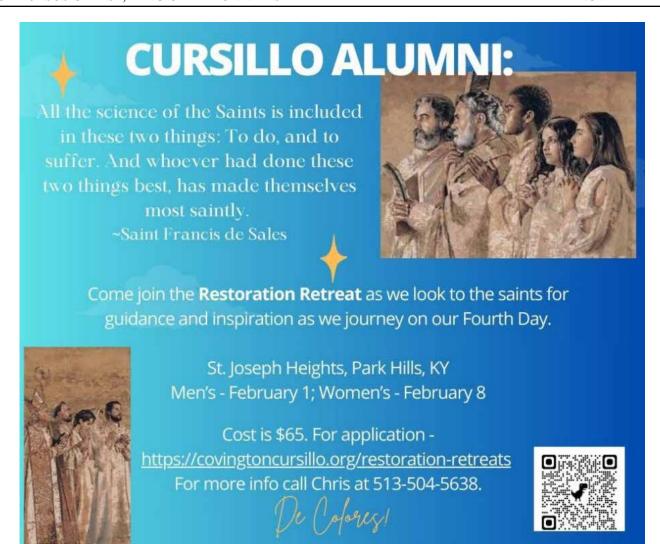
outside the app via email, text, or Facebook.)
Be sure to download the app by visiting myparishapp.
com or scan the QR code. If you have any questions about the app, please contact the Parish Office.

WORD OF LIFE "Having received the gift of the Gospel of Life, we are the people of life and a people for life. It is our duty to proclaim the Gospel of Life to the world. To proclaim Jesus is to proclaim life itself. Gratitude and joy at the incomparable dignity of the human person impel us to bring the Gospel of Life to the hearts of all people and make it penetrate every part of society."

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities,
 "The Gospel of Life: A Brief Summary"



**CANDLELIGHT MASS** – Mark your calendars and be sure to join us on Friday, December 6th at St. Henry in Elsmere and experience the Mass in a powerful way! Confessions start at 6:00 p.m. Mass at 7:00 p.m. ALL ARE WELCOME. Afterward there will be a special Christmas social for young adults (18+, 20s, 30s & 40s) – please bring your ugliest Christmas sweater! For more info, contact Brad Torline at btorline@angelicoproject.org.



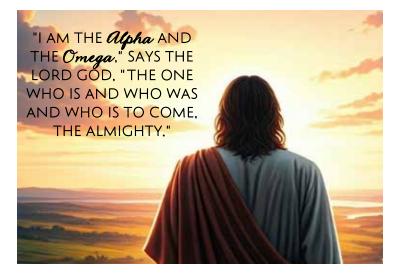
### **ELSEWHERE**

**DCCH CENTER FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES** – November is National Adoption Month. Please help us find forever homes for children in need. There are over 8,000 children in the state of Kentucky living in out-of-home care. Many need foster or adoptive families. Please consider attending an upcoming informational meeting to see how you can help on Monday, December 9th at 6:30 p.m., 75 Orphanage Road, Fort Mitchell. For more information, visit www. DCCHCenter.org.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER – Do you want to rediscover the joy you and your spouse had when you were first married? A Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend will help do just that! The 2025 Marriage Encounter weekends in this area are now scheduled. February 28 - March 2 and September 19-21 at the Holy Spirit Center in Norwood, Ohio; November 7-9 at the Spiritual Center at Maria Stein, Ohio and at our newest retreat location, July 25-27, at the Jesuit Spiritual Center in Milford, Ohio. Weekends can fill up quickly, so applying early is encouraged to avoid the waiting list. Apply today at https://esharing.org/applyWeekend.php. For questions or more details, contact: Andy and Melanie Reinersman at 859-653-8464, application@esharing.org or visit esharing.org.

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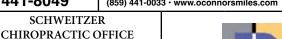
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