



ST. CATHERINE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT • December 03, 2017

Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil 5:30 pm

Sunday 8:00 am & 10:30 am

Sunday (Spanish) 6:00 pm

Weekdays—Consult weekly bulletin

Holy Days 8:00 am & 7:00 pm

Nursery provided during Sunday Masses.

Questions? Bella Hernandez 931-446-3788

Parish Office Hours

Monday-Friday, 8:00 am to 4:00 pm

Bulletin Announcements

Due Monday by noon, (*in writing, fax, email*)

Sacraments

Confession: Friday after 8:15 Mass; Saturday 4:30 pm

Marriage: The Nashville Diocese requires a 4-month preparation period.

Baptism: Baptismal Preparation Classes are required for baptism. Contact the Parish Office to reserve your place for the class. Questions?

Contact Nita Bernard (931)797-2669

Hospitalized, Homebound, Nursing Home? Contact the office to arrange a visit from an Eucharistic Minister.

Gift Shop

Wednesday evenings; after weekend Masses

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FROM YOUR PASTOR'S DESK

I may believe in God, but do I trust God?

We wait in joyful hope. So begins the new church year, Cycle B, with the season of Advent. The Gospel of Mark will be our text for the next year of Sundays (along with liberal use of John next summer, since Mark is so brief). Prepare for themes of identity and secrecy, along with the role of discipleship and how, with Jesus, everything seems to happen "immediately"!

As Advent begins, moments of inner preparation are important. Give yourself enough undistracted time to focus on how these Advent readings speak to your heart. Light a candle (perhaps the Advent wreath). Close your eyes and breathe deeply, three breaths. Feel your feet on the floor. Be aware of your bodily presence. Now reflect on these questions.

How am I distracted rather than alert? What's standing in my way? How have I wandered from God's ways? There is a sense of imminent change in the words of Isaiah and in the warnings of Jesus. Where do I feel the urgency to change in my own life right now? Do I feel that God's face is hidden from me lately?

Am I willing to let God be the potter, shaping my life? How do I react to that image? I may believe in God, but do I trust God?

What, spiritually, am I waiting for? Watching for? What practices help me be alert and watchful? What habits work against that?

Why is Jesus so hush-hush about the date and time of his second coming? The state of vigilance is meant to keep us constant in our intentions to do the right thing. Because all of us are sloppy sometimes.

Jesus is saying, when it comes to the reign of God, we can't allow ourselves a junk corner or a bumpy rug under which the debris gets swept.

We have to keep ourselves—heart and mind and soul and strength—focused on God's will. Our intentions have to be as polished as that front room at your grandmother's that was always kept perfect for guests—even when none were expected. Think of how the Jewish community holds an empty chair at the Passover table for Elijah, who hasn't returned in 29 centuries and counting. This could be the year. You never know. But most

of us, perhaps all of us, don't keep this kind of expectant vigilance. Maybe the truth is we don't believe an unscheduled guest will ever come, so what's the use?. The unscheduled guest is frankly unwelcome. We don't like to have our plans disrupted by something off our radar.

The coming of Christ into the world is what you might call the ultimate disruption. It was unsettling 20 centuries ago when he showed up the first time. It will be the same on that unknown day when he shows up the next time. And the coming of Christ is equally disturbing of business-as-usual when he shows up in the face of a brother or sister in need, every single day. Those who embrace these little surprises will be better prepared when the big one comes!



OUR DEACONS: Price Keller ~ Dan McCulley ~ Ray Seibold

Breakfast with Santa on Saturday, December 09, at 9 AM in the Social Hall. All children of the parish are invited. Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus.



December is St. Catherine's month to cook at the People's Table. Volunteer chefs and assistant cooks are needed. Please sign up in the Narthex.

YOU'RE INVITED

Parish Senior Citizens (age 55+)
Monthly Luncheon

Tuesday, December 12, 2017

Lunch: 11:30 AM ~ Bingo: 1:00 PM
Sign-up in Narthex

Attention Seniors: If you need to cancel your reservation, do so by 8:00 AM Monday.



SAVE THE DATE

Advent Penance Service

Wednesday, December 13th at 7:00 PM



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Is 2:1-5; Ps 122:1-9; Mt 8:5-11
Tuesday: Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Lk 10:21-24
Wednesday: Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-6; Mt 15:29-37
Thursday: Is 26:1-6; Ps 118:1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a; Mt 7:21, 24-27
Friday: Gn 3:9-15, 20; Ps 98:1-4; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38
Saturday: Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Ps 147:1-6; Mt 9:35 — 10:1, 5a, 6-8
Sunday: Is 40:1-5, 9-11; Ps 85:9-14; 2 Pt 3:8-14; Mk 1:1-8

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Monday: St. John Damascene
Wednesday: St. Nicholas
Thursday: St. Ambrose;
Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day
Friday: Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Saturday: St. Juan Diego Cuauhtlatotzin

The Week Ahead

Sunday, December 03

2nd Collection: Building Maintenance Fund

MASS 8:00 AM

9:00 AM Choir Rehearsal, Worship Center
 9:00 AM Adult Scripture Study (Room 209)
 9:00 AM Religious Education (Grades K—5)
 9:00 AM RCIA, Rooms 204, 206, & 208
 9:00 AM Extraordinary Ministers Meeting, Social Hall

YOUTH MASS 10:30 AM

MASS in Spanish 6:00 PM

Monday, December 04

MASS 8:15 AM

4:00 PM Karate for Christ, Social Hall

Tuesday, December 05

MASS 8:15 AM

9:00 AM ESL, Room 207
 6:00 PM ASAP Support Group, Social Hall, Room 209

Wednesday, December 06

MASS 6:30 PM

6:30 PM Religious Education (Grades 6—10)
 7:30 PM Hispanic Prayer Group, Chapel

Thursday, December 07

MASS 8:15 AM

9:00 AM ESL, Room 207
 5:30 PM Yoga, Narthex
 6:30 PM Choir Rehearsal, Worship Center
 Kings Daughter Christmas Party, Social Hall

Friday, December 08 *Immaculate Conception*

Holy Day of Obligation

7:30 AM Rosary, Chapel

MASS 8:00 AM

9:00 AM—6:00 PM Adoration, Chapel
 9:00 AM Confession
 6:30 PM Rosary, Chapel

MASS 7:00 PM

7:30 PM Hispanic Choir, Room 203
 7:30 PM Charismatic Group, Room 205

2nd Collection: Retirement Fund for Religious

Saturday, December 09

9:00 AM Breakfast with Santa, Social Hall
 4:15 PM Choir Rehearsal, Worship Center
 4:30 PM Confession

MASS 5:30 PM

6:30 PM Knights of Columbus Christmas Dinner, Social Hall

Sunday, December 10

MASS 8:00 AM

9:00 AM Choir Rehearsal, Worship Center
 9:00 AM Adult Scripture Study, Room 209
 9:00 AM Religious Education (Grades K—5)
 9:00 AM RCIA, Rooms 204, 206, 208

MASS 10:30

12:00 PM All Youth Group Meeting, Social Hall

LATIN MASS 4:00 PM

MASS in SPANISH 6:00 PM

'TIS (almost)
THE SEASON

BEST
Advent
 EVER

We prepare for everything we consider important in life. And that includes Christmas. Join our parish for Best Advent Ever, a free email program that will help you prepare for Christmas in a unique way. Each day you'll receive an email with...

- Short inspirational videos from Matthew Kelly and Dr. Allen Hunt
- Practical tips for your everyday life
- Real-life stories of hope

TO SIGN UP, VISIT BestAdventEver.com/BeautifulHope

 Dynamic Catholic

It's Christmas at St. Catherine's!!

Please join us for St. Catherine's 1st Annual Christmas Bazaar!



****New Date: December 17**
 (after each Mass)

In an effort to spread cheer & shop local, we invite any parishioner who may have a craft, baked good, hobby, etc. in which they would like to sell during our bazaar. If you would like a table at the Christmas bazaar, please contact Kelli Coyne (Kellitires@aol.com) by December 1.

**A list of vendors will be made available for the parishioners prior to our shopping weekend.*



HAPPY BIRTHDAY to all celebrating a birthday this week:

Adults : Julie Highsmith : Joseph Reusch : Kyle Sirak : Gloria Gonzalez Pizzaro : Emily Jones : Jeanette Sparkman : Steven Van Dusen : James Grimaud : Nicholas Laffey : Lu Winder : Rebecca Hamm : Lisa King : Chester Spence : Michelle Banks : Tim Brown : Joanie Caseman : Kristin Parker : Sonia Silva : Kaitlynn Sirak : Noe Tello : Jose Acosta : Dave Davis : Leonilda Innamorato : Gene McShane : Harry Paczkowski : John Reischman : **Youth** : Elena Gray : DeJohn Parks : Joshua Thomas : Cindy Leal : Alyssa Beckenbach : Isiah Fitzgerald

Mass Intentions


Monday	(12/04)	8:15 AM	† Bob Wolfe —Marty and Noreen Baker
Tuesday	(12/05)	8:15 AM	Intentions of Kevin Thompson —Carol Carson
Wednesday	(12/06)	6:30 PM	† Lourne O’Conner —Brothers and Sisters
Thursday	(12/07)	8:15 AM	<i>Communion Service</i>
Friday	(12/08)	8:00 AM	† Veronica Corona —June Turner
		7:00 PM	Members of St. Catherine
Saturday	(12/09)	5:30 PM	† Virginia Crocker, Agnes Belanger, Richard Gehrke —Gene Gerke
			† Frank Chizevsky, Sr. —Randy and Louise Elston
Sunday	(12/10)	8:00 AM	Intentions of Steve Aaron Yankowski —Kevin and Hayni Blue
		10:30 AM	Members of St. Catherine




Ministry Assignments for Next Week

	<u>Readers</u>	<u>Eucharistic Ministers</u>	<u>Altar Servers</u>
Sat., December 09 5:30 PM	Marion Bryant	Kevin Thompson	Zach Knowles
	Marty Baker	Richard Banks	Caleb Rohling
Sun., December 10 8:00 AM	Cindy Dugger	Connie Gardner	Jacob Ackley, Nathan Russel
	Terry Seay	Betsy Morrival, James Nichols	Hunter Reischman
10:30 AM	Chris Coyne	Maria Kis, Joan Danorovich	Nicholas Cothran
	Dalia Cabral	Donald Cormier, Joanie Caseman	Emily Maquiling
		Leda Sorci, Corinne & Ricky Ragsdale	Luka Boylan

First Sunday of Advent
December 3, 2017
 Be watchful! Be alert!
 You do not know when the time will come.
 — Mark 13:33

 **ANGEL TREE** will be in the narthex starting Saturday, November 18th. Please select angel(s) and return the gift(s) by Sunday, December 10th with the Angel Tree tag taped securely to the gift. Note: white angels are wrapped, color angels are unwrapped.

 **PLEASE PRAY FOR:** Cheryl Edlin : Noah & Isaiah Fitzgerald : Patrick Brady : Jean Ebert : Susan Van Dusen : Jean Reischman : Summer Scott : James Cunningham : Theresa Miller : David Graves : Mel Attkinon : Luis Boriello : Marilyn Pinote : Jim Balek : Kyle Sirak : Georgia Street : Jim Havens : Kathy Redding : Norma Britt : Richard Sabin : Randy Elston : Peggy & Dan Miller : Ron Wenzel : Theresa Wenzel : Lena Phillips : Edward Phillips : Imelda Foster : Kimberly Sparkman : Bob Kopta : Leda Sorci : Joe Kuchinski : Jennifer Rohling : Kyle Szyperski : Tom Cairns : Vicky Cairns : Frank Lundie : George Vassallo : Joe Soisson : Noreen Baker : Jim Braun : Sandra Yanez : Bill Coppings : Laura Beck : Harriet Insprucker : Joe Reischman : Carol Rivas : Fernando Lopez : Jackie Rondeau : Mary Ribley : Susan Beale : Christine Hall : Maria Sevilla Glorioso : Frances Keough : Anne Ledet : Stacia Risner : Teresa Rivera : Lee Macon, Jr. : Terry Hall : Rodney Blackwell : Blaise Cooper Harris : George Couch : Ron Morrival : Elaine LaFontaine : Martaveus Lockridge : Jimmy Lunn : Wojciech Noworyta : Mally Harper : Marci Lingelbach : Brynlee Bush : Linda Morrival : Lindsey Rivard : Mike Primm : Lynn Fischer : Brian Sirak : Kareena Phillip : Kinley May Lancaster : Eloise McNeese : Charles McNeese : Lisabeth Gehrke : Maria Nalikowska : Frank Nalikowski : Heather Goodwin : Richard Banks : Jacquell Schreiber : Samantha Pettit-Mager : Matthew Pettit-Mager : Patrick and Krista Foley : George Umstead : Tim Britt : Deborah Staggs : Tony Rinaudo : Jack Taylor : Charles Hamilton : Jenny Carolson : Jason Atkins : Russ Sainz : Nell Abel : Jim Bohrman : Carol Bramen : Ryan Cooley : Carleena Sparkman : Jennifer Freyler : Debbie Butler : Ricky Gerena : Mariela Correa : Stacy Olmos : Cameron Cartwright : William Arrington : Rylee Jarret : Ralph Gorton : Carl Nielson : Lynn Monaghan : William Hossback : Anthony Gentilli : Lukas : Brooklyn Nichols : Rosa Maria Santos : Julia Vassallo : Kristi Shirk : Don Heinecke : Ian Conner : Laura Gentilli : Barbara Cairns : Susanne Henneman : Kathy Robinson : Irene Bartusiak : Julie Boshers : Vita Raimondo : Mitch Marks : Ruby Herrera : Louise Jose Herrera : Candhl Williamson : Christy & James Cope : E. J. Roscoe



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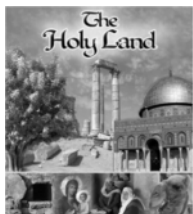
Sign-up is as simple as going to our church website at stcatherinecc.org.

Our Offertory (11/20/16 & 11/27/16)

Loose Cash (11/19/17)	454.00
Env. & Checks (11/19/17)	6,709.00
Loose Cash (11/26/17)	335.00
Env. & Checks (11/26/17)	7,521.00
Bldg. Maint. Fund (BMF)	865.00
Latin Mass	105.00
Campaign for Human Dev.	1,458.70
Parish Charity	2,589.00
E-Giving, Reg.(11/13—11/26)	2,253.27
E-Giving, BMF(11/13—11/26)	452.15

Registered Families: 682

Thank you for your generosity!



HOLY LAND TOUR 2018 ~ The Yael Adventures Group has organized and 11 day tour of Israel and Jordan with Fr. Davis, May 22—June 1. Trip information is in the Narthex. Contact the office to sign-up at (931) 388-3801 or email at: tbailey@stcatherinecc.org.

LIKE A CHILD

One who aspires to the grace of God must be pure, with a heart as innocent as a child's.
—St. Nicholas



How Will I Make It Through the Holidays? Anyone who has lost a loved one is invited to attend a support and sharing group of fellow parishioners hope to make this season a little easier. Meetings will

be held through the month of December from 6:30-7:30 PM in Room 205. Come and determine if this would be helpful to you during this difficult time. It will be facilitated by Clare Keller who received her training through Carordelet Health Care and Alive Hospice. Any special needs will be addressed by qualified counselors.

YOUTH MINISTRY CORNER

Youth Ministry Corner 12/03/17

December's Theme: The Wise Still Seek Him

This Week: We begin the Church's new year. Advent is the time when we prepare for the return of Jesus, as well as remember his birth. This is a season for us to change. We can look for new ways to develop our relationship with Jesus. Let's all commit to increasing our prayer life. For those with Internet, join Dynamic Catholic's Best Advent Ever program, or read the first chapter of St. Luke's Gospel and reflect on how Mary and Elizabeth answered God's call. Seek Jesus in the Word.

Upcoming Events

- Dec 3rd – Family Caroling with Music Ministry
- Dec 10th – Youth Group Angel Tree Project and Christmas Party
- Dec 17th—Youth Ministry Bake Sale at the Craft Fair
- Jan 7th – Youth Group
- Jan 27th – Parish Family Event

Please contact Marilyn Yzaguirre with any questions about the above events. 702-807-1275

LECTORS

Please stop by the Sacristy to pick up your new lector book for 2018, Year B.

**Nashville Diocese
Christmas White Sox Drive**

The Nashville Diocese has volunteered to contribute roughly 900 pairs of new white socks, men's size 9-10, to annual Christmas gifts for all the prisoners at the Riverbend Maximum Security Prison. Please consider helping the least of our brothers by donating socks to this drive. All gifts will be greatly appreciated by the prisoners.

LIVING NATIVITY 2017



This year, the 8th Annual St Catherine Living Nativity will be held on the evenings of Dec. 15-17, & 22-23, from 6pm – 8:30pm. One evening there will be a special 'La Posada' in conjunction with the Hispanic congregation. More information will be forthcoming from Lynn and Lydia Reed and Rosanna and Donald Castillo in the coming weeks.

Please visit the table in the Narthex to learn more about the Nativity, see pictures from the past, and sign up for this wonderful Christmas project, designed to glorify the Incarnation of Christ and help us all remember the REAL meaning of Christmas during this fast-paced holiday season!

To advertise in the bulletin, call the J. S. Paluch Co. at 1-800-833-5941.