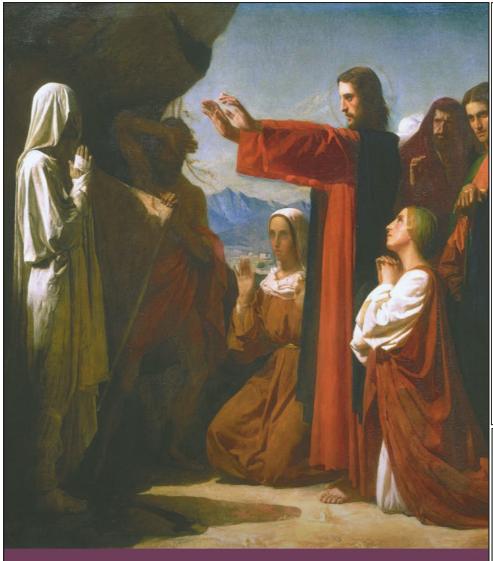
St. Catherine of Alexandria

Oak Lawn, Illinois 60453

Fifth Sunday of Lent March 26, 2023



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Jesus told her, "I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live."

- Jn 11:25

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SHARE YOUR VOICE SUPPORT OUR PARISH

It's official! The **Disciple Maker Index (DMI)**

Survey is a great way to reflect on your own spiritual growth while helping our parish plan for the future.

Complete the short, 10-15 minute anonymous survey at catholicleaders.org/chicagodmi or scan the code. There are paper copies in the back of church and at the parish office.

Available until March 31.

Don't miss this opportunity to be heard!



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PRAY FOR OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN

Please pray for the following members of our parish and community who are serving in the military.

Travis Albrecht Carlos Arroyo David Bailey Alexander Baron Charles Berglund Gregory Brazinsky Liam Burke Captain Daniel Caddigan **Billie Capertone** Sam Carollo Stephen Carrigee **Jose Cervantes** Michael Chesna Mark Christian Michael Connolly Martin Liam Cosgrove **Glenn Dietrick** Eric Drey **Daniel Eul Timothy Evans** Major Jeffrey T. Finley **Bob Fix** Captain Joe Fix Kimberly White-Fix Carrie Garrison Christopher Gierhahn Fr. Ed Gorman, Chaplain Dave Handing Will Hanson John Hartrich Thomas Hartrich Matthew Raymond Ha Joseph Heredia Joseph L. Korpitz Steven Macke

Daniel Maikisch Patrick Maikisch Jason Malburg Peter Manning, Jr. Matthew Marcinkowski Ryan Markmann Jeffrey McGowan Thomas McGowan, Jr. Steve McHale Patricia McNamara **Robert Michaels** John Jeffery Miller Thomas Murphy Sean O'Malley John O'Sullivan Anthony Parmigiani Vincent Parmigiani Nicholas Patla Joe Pohl III Mark Pruzinowski Patrick J. Reidy erra Salamone Eric Smith Michael Sorice Bryan Stalzer James Stevens Dan Sullivan Tim Sullivan Brandon Vasquez Vincent F. Vitek Conor Wedel Sean Wedel Charlotte White John White III

Steve Wilson

Kennedy Riley

Remember in your prayers the many who are sick in our parish and community.

Megan Abel Geraldine Albrecht Geraldine Anderson Matt Anderson & Family Mike Anderson & Family Mary Jo Bechtel Brianna Beissmann Arlene Benzies Clare Bergnach Rita Bertucci James Bielinski Florence Bingham Rich Bogacki Parker Bolton Bob Bonner Ken Bradshaw Marty Brogan Brother Gerry Brown June Burniski Jack Busking Debbie Caffee Shirley Caffee Rita Carey Scott Chicoine, Jr Monica Chieko Margaret Christin Jeanne Cismoski Baby Lily Clark Joseph Connell Mary Ellen Cosgrove Vince Cozen Fr. Richie Creagh Jerry Cushing Dana Davis Maryann Davis Ann Gaudry Dean Jeffrey DelPonte Beau Dowling Maureen Doyle Kelly Drey Edward Dubaka Christine Duerr Annie Duggan & Family Steven Duggan Jacob Dumella Kalisla Elwood

Mary Ann Entrup Mary Falbo Joan Farrell Patrick Ferguson Michelle Ferrara Fitzgerald Family Ed Fitzpatrick Janice Fox & Family Pope Francis Robert and Carol Fuller Fr. Michael Garcia, O.P. Joan Gannon Summer Garbe Walter Gierhahn Grantz Family Josh Grimes Roberta Gritton Lorraine Gutierrez Yvette Gutierrez Margaret Hach Mary Rita Hamanr Gracelynn Handing Gerald Hansen Hedda Hess Marilyn Hogan Becky and Brett Honn Charlene Hoyer Ruben Jaime Ed Joyce Bill Kalata Ted Kania Robert Karczewski David Karczewski Marge Karminski Delaney Kary John Kelleher John Kennedy Kay Kenny Carolyn Klapacz Deborah Klun Geri Koenig Betty Kohs Kazimierz Kozlowski Virginia Kozlowski Brittany Laschober

Kevin Larson Rich Lennert Florence Litz Janice Lowery Joe Maikisch Marlene Marciano Billy Marszewski Thomas McDaniel Marilyn McEarthren Regina McFarland Denise Maguire Claire Maloney Joseph Maloney Major Vance Marsh Billy Marszewski Chuck Martinovich James Marzano Jeanne Matug Judy Mencon David Micelli Donna Mierzwa Jim Mohr Ramiro Munoz Gabrielle Murphy Tim Murphy Marie Notter Brian O'Callaghan Eileen O'Connell Jim O'Donnell Mike and Chris O'Mara Veronica Parker Baby Owen Paska Karen Pavlak Jim Pebo Mary Perskes Fred Pesek, Sr. Loretta Petreikas Carol Pienkos Darwin Pisanka Tim Portal Chris Prouty Robert Priley Dan & Diane Rafter Kamorah Riley

Carrie Rowe Kimberly Rule Lucy Ryan Winnie Ryan Christine Sanchez Barbara Schaeffer Katie Schwarz Gale Sereiko Tom Shanahan Mark Shields Maureen Shields Amber Sikes Ella Siears Cathie Simon Logan Simpson Hannah Smith Anthony Spalla & Family Gerry Stanke Kenny Stockus Strainis Family Rita Striegel Brian Styka Terry Styka Annie Sullivan Salamah Sullivan Melanie Summers Janice Sutor Elliott Szczepanski Ocie Blackman Teamer Georgianna Tiemar Alicia Toscano Kitty Turkowski Mary Villafan Jeff Virene Luke Vugrin Judy Walker Anna Warchal Wiley Family Eric Withers Ann Zarnycki Charles Zeman Fleeta Zielinski Fr. Dennis Ziomek Bob Zutoft



Monday, March 27

8:30am: †Margaret Callaghan

Tuesday, March 28

8:30am: †All Priests (living and deceased)
6:30pm: St. Catherine Homebound Parishioners

Wednesday, March 29

8:30am: †All the Souls in Purgatory

Thursday, March 30

8:30am: †Josephine Demma

Friday, March 31

8:30am: SCA & Rel. Ed. Students,

Teachers and Staff Members; Bob Zutoft and Cynthia Weir

Saturday, April 1

4:00pm: †Jack McInerney

†Tessie Auskalnis

Sunday, April 2

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

8:00am: †St. Catherine Parishioners

9:30am: †Dolores Grantz

Angel Salacsacan

11:30am: †John Rutkowski

Judy Circa

6:00pm: †Jose Macatangay



The Sanctuary Lamp

The Sanctuary Lamp burns this coming week for Juliana Schwarz requested by Donna Schwarz.



REST IN PEACE

Please pray for the repose of the souls of:

Kevin Carney and Winifred Tagler

Please keep the Carney and Tagler families

in your prayers.

2023 Mass Book and Sanctuary Candle

There is a \$10 donation for each Mass Intention and a \$15 donation for each Sanctuary Candle week. The 2023 Mass Intention Form is posted on the parish website. All Sanctuary Candle dates are scheduled through the rectory office only: 708-425-2850

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Holy Thursday

7:00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper The church will remain open after Mass until Midnight for prayer.



Good Friday

3:00pm Stations of the Cross (Confessions after Stations of the Cross) 7:00pm The Passion of the Lord



Holy Saturday

1:00pm Blessing of Easter Baskets 7:30pm Easter Vigil (No Confessions)



Easter Sunday The Resurrection of the Lord

Mass Times 8:00am, 9:30am & 11:30am (No 6:00pm Mass) My Dear People of St. Catherine,

The Men's Club had their 39th Annual Sports Night back on Saturday, February 25, at Bourbon Street. There were 580 guys who attended the evening. The special guest of honor was Kevin Butler. He was a NFL placekicker for our beloved Chicago Bears from 1985-



1997. His first year with the Chicago Bears was when Da Bears were Superbowl XX Champions. He kicked three field goals which helped the Bears win the Superbowl. I was one of the those on stage with him. I had the opportunity to have a short conversation with him. He was raised in Georgia and is Catholic. He mentioned when he was playing for the Bears he sent his 3 children to Catholic schools. I guess that it's the kind of conversation a priest would have. He spoke well of his faith.

Congratulations to Mo (Maurice) O'Connor, Men's Club 2023 Man of the Year. Mo and his wife Gina have two sons, Joe and Michael. In his six years as a board member, he has run every Thanksgiving and Easter Food Drive, which supports our sharing parish, Our Lady of Guadalupe's food pantry. He helps run the Parish Picnic and is the first to show up early the next day to clean up. He helps sell Sports Night raffle tickets. Mo is grateful and said his family is blessed to be a part of our parish.



Also congratulations to the two Lifetime Achievement Recipients for 2023, Rich Eber and Ryan Eber. Rich has been a carnival volunteer for 12 years and coached basketball for 27 years. Ryan graduated as a Charger and has coached various girls' and boys' teams for the past 25 years. Thanks to everyone who supported Sports Night.

On Thursday, March 16, St. Catherine school participated in St. Baldrick's Day. There is no real St. Baldrick. The name is a combination of "bald" and "St. Patrick." The first head shaving event took place on March 17, 2000. Since then, it has grown to the largest volunteer-powered fundraising opportunity benefitting childhood cancer research. Over 40 of our school children had their heads shaved, helping to raise with others, over \$33,000 to bring an end to childhood cancer. Thank you.

All parishioners in the Archdiocese are asked to take part in the Disciple Maker Index Parish Survey. This will provide your pastor and parish ministerial leaders with a better understanding of where to focus efforts to help you grow in your faith and achieve the parish's mission.

The deadline to participate in this survey is March 31; PLEASE DO IT! (Online is preferred for tabulation)

Yours in Christ, Fr. Dennis ZI



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

March 31 at 6:30pm

April 7, Good Friday at 3:00pm

Lenten Songs and Reflections



March 30 at 7:00pm in Church

Phil Caffee & St. Catherine of Alexandria Music Ministry



PARISH RECONCILIATION SERVICE March 28 at 7:15pm in Church

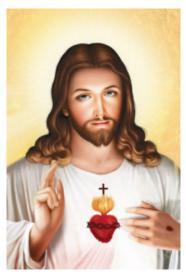
Individual confessions will take place during the service.

Individual confessions are also on Saturdays from 3:00pm to 3:45pm.

No confessions on Holy Saturday.



The Lenten ADORATION Challenge



Looking for something you haven't yet tried as a Lenten promise? Aiming to spend more one on one time with Jesus this Lent? Always up for a challenge? **The Challenge:** Spend 30 to 60 minutes, once a week, face to face in Eucharistic Adoration with Our Lord. Where can you adore?

St. Catherine's Adoration Chapel 10600 S. Karlov Monday through Friday 3:15pm to 6:15pm

Afternoons don't work for you?

St. Linus Adoration Chapel (off the parking lot; next to the rectory) 9:00am to 4:00pm Monday through Friday

Any questions, call Mary McNamara 773-443-3986



Wednesday, April 5 at 7:30pm

The word Tenebrae is Latin for "shadows." The purpose of the Tenebrae service is to recreate the emotional aspects of the Passion story. The purpose of the service is to recreate the betrayal, abandonment and agony of the events through light, prayer, silence, song and scripture. Join us for this Candlelight Reflection of the solemn events that occurred before Christ's Crucifixion and joyous Resurrection.



Sunday, April 2 7:15pm - 9:00pm in Kane Hall

RSVP to scaliturgy@gmail.com 708-425-3110 no later - March 28
ALL ARE WELCOME!
Questions? Contact Mr. Phil Caffee
Director of Music Ministry & Liturgy
708-425-3110

There will be a small meal.

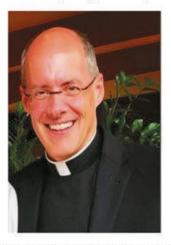
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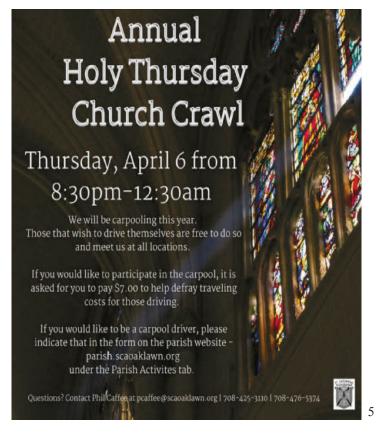
Evening Mass during Lent Tuesdays at 6:30pm

An evening of prayer and Lenten renewal with Fr. Thomas Hurley

Most Holy Redeemer Parish
Let's pack the church with God's faithful Lenten Mission
Tuesday, March 28th
7:00 p.m.
Most Holy Redeemer Church
9525 S. Lawndale Ave, Evergreen Park, IL. 60805



Fr. Tom Hurley works in Administration and campus ministries at Marist High School. His very first parish as a priest was Most Holy Redeemer. He then spent 24 years at Old St. Pat's as an Associate Pastor and Pastor. Please join us for a wonderful Lenten Talk!







I-Nicholas Chiocca & Rebecca Ritter





SCA 55+ Club

Spiritual † Service † Social

For more information, please call Larry Bergnach at 708-499-2672.



Help Needed to Promote St. Catherine

Fr. Dennis is looking for a volunteer to help promote St. Catherine in local newspapers. The Daily Southtown, Southwest Messenger and the Chicago Catholic newspapers have columns where spiritual or social church events can be submitted. The intent is to extend an invitation to events which would have an appeal to the wider community beyond St. Catherine. This would be done from an SCA Gmail account and from the comfort of your home. The information would be taken directly from our bulletin; you would not be creating any content. Please contact Fr. Dennis if you are interested or have any questions.

2023/2024 School Advisory Board Openings

The St. Catherine's School Advisory Board is looking for three new members for the upcoming 2023/2024 school year.



The purpose of the school advisory board is to provide advice and counsel in the following areas:
Strategic Planning, New Initiative Formulation,
Institutional Advancement/Development/Marketing,
Financial Planning and Financial Management,
Communication and Mission Enhancement.

Each member serves a three year term. Members are required to attend a monthly meeting held on the second Tuesday of each month as well as volunteer to sell TRIP usually twice per quarter.

If you are interested in joining the school board, please feel free to reach out to us via email at StCatherineSAB@gmail.com and we will send information to you.







SCA SCHOOL NEWS





















SCA GOES BALD!!

We had an amazing St. Baldrick's Day at St. Catherine. Together we raised over \$33,000.00. There were well over 40 shavees, bagpipes from Mr. Harmening, Irish dancers, songs from Mr. McEldowney and pies in the face for four of our staff! Thank you to everyone who took action to support Marty, Micaela and Sean and to bring an end to childhood cancer!





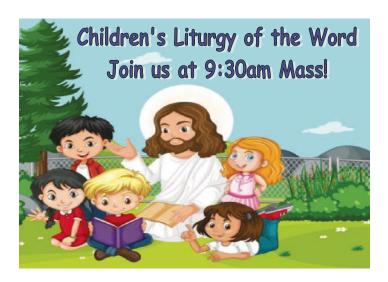
Baptismal Preparation Classes

To register, please contact:
Ms. Theresa Ward
Coordinator of Family Faith Formation
tward@scaoaklawn.org or 708-423-5747



Communion Service In Church 6:30am

Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday Enter through the North lot wood doors.



My + Baptismo



Rylie Jane Brophy

Parents: Fintan & Sinead (Lang) Brophy Godparents: Jack Brophy and Brianna Toman

What are you doing for your Faith during Lent?

Come join us as we learn...

WHY WE WORSHIP

AS EXPLAINED BY DR. BRANT PITRE

Friday evenings beginning February 24 7:15-8:30 pm in the Library

Friday mornings beginning March 3 9:15-10:30 am in the Father Lion Pastoral Center

Questions? Call or text Terry Landstrom @ 708-638-4322

FAMILY FAITH FORMATION MASS SUNDAY, APRIL 16 9:30AM

JOINUS

HOSPITALITY AFTER MASS IN KANE HALL WE WELCOME ALL FAMILIES AND CATECHISTS



St. Catherine of Alexandria Keep the Dream Alive Raffle 2023 \$75,000 Grand Prize!!! Only 2,000 Tickets Sold!



Did you know that the Keep the Dream Alive Raffle allows us to raise \$100,000 to support our Parish and School, keeping tuition as low as possible, while ALSO giving YOU the opportunity to win incredible cash prizes?

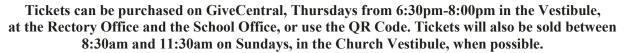
Each \$100 ticket sold has the chance at:

3 Early Bird Drawings:

March 3—1 ticket drawn for \$1,000 March 31—2 tickets drawn for \$1,000

May 6—1 ticket drawn for \$1,000

\$75,000 GRAND PRIZE drawn on May 21, 2023 plus 2-\$5,000, 2-\$2,000 and 2-\$1,000 winners!
The seller of the \$75,000 winning ticket receives a \$5,000 prize!



Interested in becoming a Raffle Captain*? Please message dreamrafflesca@gmail.com for information.

*Raffle Captains commit to selling 25, 50 or 100 tickets across the SCA community, family, friends, colleagues, etc.

St. Catherine of Alexandria Keep the Dream Alive Raffle Captains



Ron and Therese Badali: 708-738-0736 Pandora and Germaine Brown: 773-255-9279 Joe and Bridget Doherty: 708-269-8233 Brian and Kathy Donegan: 312-307-0158 Carolyn and Matt Dunleavy: 773-266-3915 Jamie Fons: 773-456-5848 Rocco Fusco: 773-269-9415 Lindsay and Andrew Gorlewski: 773-551-3762 Jamie and Drew Guardi: 773-771-5332 John and Angela Jordan: 773-512-9000 Kate and Kevin Krull: 708-704-3220 Colleen and Joe Lombardo: 708-267-0674 Tim and Maggie Lyman: 708-227-2609 Jennifer Marszewski: 708-238-1763 Clare and Jay Quaid: 708-752-6351 Colleen and Dan Reynolds: 773-485-2482 Patty and Mike Ryan: 708-906-8372 Dena and Eddie Siears: 847-418-1237 Kelly and Eric Withers: 773-841-9542 Michelle and Tom Wood: 708-897-5450

St. Catherine of Alexandria Keep the Dream Alive Early Bird Drawings



March 31 at the Fish Fry from 4:30pm to 7:30pm in the Alexandria Center; and May 6 at the FSA Derby Party.

We are less than 2 weeks away from the second \$1,000 Early Bird Drawing!

Tickets can be purchased on GiveCentral, Thursdays from 6:30pm-8:00pm in the Vestibule, at the Rectory Office and School Office, or use the QR Code below.

Tickets will also be sold between 8:30am and 11:30am on Sundays, in the Church Vestibule, when possible.







Rebecca Etelej sells sugar at her home in Turkana, Kenya. Profits from Rebecca and Lotiang's farm have enabled them to open a store. Rebecca and her husband Lotiang farmed and raised livestock for several years, but more frequent and severe droughts attributed to climate change have made farming difficult. Through a CRS program—in collaboration with the diocese of Lodwar in Kenya—a new well equipped with a solar plumbing unit was constructed in Rebecca and Lotiang's village. They can now access water to irrigate their fields and take care of their goats. They also learned new farming techniques through the program, such as how to grow kale, which they use to feed their family and sell at the market. Rebecca and Lotiang share what they have learned with others in their community so everyone can benefit.

Photo by Patrick Meinhardt/GGImages for Catholic Relief Services

FIFTH WEEK OF LENT

"Let your ears be attentive to my voice in supplication." - Psalm 130

God hears every word that we speak. This is both a comforting and a frightening thought. However, it should be a reminder to us that our words should never be idle or fruitless. I heard someone once say that God always answers our prayers - He either says "stop", "go" or "wait", or "yes", "no" or "I have something better." God always answers our prayers, just maybe not in the way that we like all the time. In today's Gospel from John, Martha and Mary's brother, Lazarus died. They had hoped that Jesus would do something about it immediately, but He didn't. He answered their plea in His own time and in His own way. Are we putting expectations on God when He has His own plan and when it doesn't work out the way we want it to, we get mad? God is trying to transform us into His image, not ours. If we allow His transformation to occur in us then we will rise again and be transformed into His image. Allow Christ's Body and Blood this week to transform you into His image so that one day we will rise again in His image.



St. Catherine's Friday Fish Fry March 31 Alexandria Center/Gym 4:30PM-7:30PM

Fish & Pasta

1-Piece Fish Dinner w/Fries & Coleslaw OR Dal Santo's Roasted Potatoes & Coleslaw (1 full 6oz piece of fish) \$10

2-Piece Fish Dinner w/Fries & Coleslaw OR Dal Santo's Roasted Potatoes & Coleslaw (2 full 6oz pieces of fish) \$13

3-Piece Fish Dinner w/Fries & Coleslaw OR Dal Santo's Roasted Potatoes & Coleslaw (3 full 6oz pieces of fish) \$15

Meatless Pasta Dinner w/Bread \$7

(All -You-Can Eat: Pasta Dinners Only!)

"Kid's" Menu

Cheese Pizza w/Fries \$5

Grilled Cheese Sandwich w/Fries \$5

Kid's Pasta w/Bread \$5

Extras

Fries \$3

Dal Santo's Roasted Potatoes \$3

Drink Tickets Available At The Bar

(Fish Frys are sponsored by the SCA Men's Club)

Dream Raffle Early Bird Drawing at the Fish Fry March 31







THE POWER OF SACRIFICE

Lent can feel like a long time. Sometimes we'd like to skip right to Easter! But through prayer and sacrifices, we share in Christ's suffering and prepare for the joy of his resurrection. This Lent, we've learned how people in Honduras, the Philippines and Kenya made sacrifices so their families and communities can thrive. How have your Lenten sacrifices helped your family and community and communities around the world? **Visit crsricebowl.org** to learn more.



A five-part series featuring Bishop Joseph N. Perry

Join Bishop Perry at the Tolton Heritage Center in Chicago to learn about Venerable Fr. Augustus Tolton, the first recognized African American Roman Catholic Priest. He is on the road to canonization. These events



will include a short video, a presentation by Bishop Perry and plenty of time for conversation.

Events are free. Please visit tinyurl.com/477k4yps to register.

Starting on March 8: 4-6pm Tolton Heritage Center

44 East 41st Street, Chicago, Il 60653

March 8: The Man, Not Myth

Fr. Augustus Tolton's story begins more than a century ago, yet it remain srelevant today. Who was Fr. Augustus Tolton? What does his life story teach us?

March 29: Tolton Spirituality

Fr. Augustus Tolton led an extraordinary and exemplary life. What tenets guided this former slave turned engaging Catholic priest?

April 12: Spreading the Word

Fr. Augustus Tolton: The pioneer, spiritual leader, and social justice advocate. Discover how Tolton's legacy extends beyond Catholics, and why everyone should know about his impact.

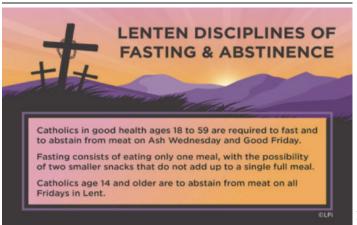
May 3: Embodying Forgiveness

Today, there are deep divisions in this country. What does Fr. Tolton's life teach us about forgiveness and understanding that would move us toward healing?

May 10: All Things Tolton

You've probably heard a lot about Tolton or perhaps nuggets about various groups or organizations bearing his name. Learn about the various groups and how they work together to advance Tolton's legacy.

Sponsored by the **Tolton Spirituality Center**.



VICARIATE V RACHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO MINISTRY COMMISSION Presents:

Lector Training

Initial Training for Lectors Thursday, March 30th 2023



Participants will learn the theological and practical skills necessary to proclaim the Word and serve as a Lector at Mass

DAY AND DATE OF PRESENTATION:

Thursday -March 30th 2023 Time: 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

SS. Cyril and Methodius Parish Life Building Meeting Room 1



Kathy McNicholas is a pastoral associate and director of lifelong formation at Incarnation St. Terrence Parish. Her passion is accompanying adults on their Catholic faith journey.

Please register at: https://ministrycommissionv5.com/

Contact: Trish Nicckleski, SS. Cyril and Methodius Parish Liturgy 630-257-2776

Bishop Perry's Chicago Catholic Men's Forum

A Morning to foster Catholic men on their spiritual journey

Saturday, April 15, 2023 8:30 AM to 1PM

Saint John Neumann - North (St. Anne Church / Sweeney Hall)

16801 Dixie Hwy. Hazel Crest, Illinois

Registration and Information: www.forum.cmcsmen.net



8:30 am: Hot Breakfast 9:30 am: Program & Group Discussion 12:00 Noon: Mass with Bishop Perry

"We are proud to offer a few hours of respite, prayer and solid input to men across the Archdiocese on how they can live faitfully the implications of their baptism and discipleship in Christ for these times."

- Most Reverend Joseph N Perry





PERPETUAL NOVENA TO ST. RITA OF CASCIA

Gather to prepare your hearts and minds for the Triduum

Join us for the monthly Perpetual Novena to St. Rita of Cascia on Wednesday, April 5, 2023 at 7:00p.m.

All are invited to the next monthly St. Rita of Cascia Novena Mass to be held Wednesday (due to Holy Thursday), April 5, 2023 at the St. Rita of Cascia Shrine Chapel, 7740 S. Western Avenue, Chicago, IL. Confession is available at 6:00 p.m. Mass and novena prayers will begin at 7:00p.m. Stay after mass to enjoy a slice of the famous Racine Danish Kringle and socialize with new friends. Secure and ample parking is available. Visit our website at **stritashrinechicago.com** for more information.

St. Peregrine Novena St. Catherine of Alexandria 10621 S. Kedvale

St. Peregrine is the patron saint for persons suffering from illnesses of all types in particular cancer. Saint Peregrine was healed of a cancerous ulcer on his leg which was considered beyond saving. The fame of this event in



1325 spread rapidly around the western Church.

Christians, and especially the sick, began to invoke his name and seek his intercession for the relief of their suffering and even for a cure from sickness. The canonization of St. Peregrine in 1726 increased people's devotion to him which spread to the universal Church.

St. Catherine of Alexandria will begin offering a Novena to St. Peregrine at 7:00p.m. in the church. The Novena will be held for 9 Mondays. All are welcome.

March 6 March 27 April 17 March 13 April 3 April 24

March 20 April 10 May 1: Feast of St. Peregrine

Please only enter through the doors on Kedvale. There is a handicap accessible ramp available if needed.

Any questions, please contact Karen Brogan at 708-691-9529. This Novena is sponsored by SCA 55+ Club.

The Life and Spirit of Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen Presented by Larry Bergnach

Thursday, April 13 at 10:00am Wintrust Bank 95th and Pulaski

Must register; limited capacity 773-298-4712

All are welcome to this free event!



SUPPORT St. Catherine

GiveCentral Offering QR Code



This QR Code will take you directly to our SCA GiveCentral Page. Scan the QR Code with your smartphone and scroll to the desired donation envelope/link. We are very grateful for your support. https://www.givecentral.org/location/302event/20836

Everyday Stewardship

When I am driving throughout the United States, I enjoy seeing the billboards that dot the highways speaking for God. A couple of my favorites: "Life is short. Eternity is not. —God"; and "Let's meet at my house this Sunday, before the game. --God." God must have a pretty big advertising budget because he has billboards in pretty much every state!



One billboard I saw read, "You asked God for a sign, and here it is!" After a chuckle, I realized that we are always looking for a sign. We say we believe, but sometimes, we act like we just want to be sure.

In the Gospels, Jesus performs miracles and healings so that people would believe. The healing of Lazarus was surely a profound moment for all who were there. Jesus was able to show that he has power over even death itself, a foreshadowing to his resurrection that will occur in the not too distant future. For all who doubt, be assured that Jesus is the giver of life. He has given living water to the woman at the well, sight to the blind, and now has raised a man from the grave.

As Easter draws ever closer, how many more signs do you need? What else can Jesus do to convince you that his call on your life comes from the source of all life? As the US Bishops' pastoral letter on stewardship lays out, we have been challenged, we are asked to choose, and then our lives will be transformed. May all the signs of God around us, even billboards on the side of the road, move us to choose a path of giving of ourselves like Jesus.

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS © Liturgical Publications Inc



Church Spring Cleaning Day Saturday, April 1 at 9:00am

We need a dry and then wet mopping of the tile floor under the pews and kneelers. Please bring rags and a bucket if possible.

This is a great opportunity for service hours. Parents please contact Ms. Theresa Ward at tward@scaoaklawn.org if your child will be a volunteer.

All are welcome!

Eucharistic Minister Schedule

April 1

4:00pm: Audrey McInerney/TBD

April 2

8:00am: Leighann Cannon/Jamie Guardi 9:30am: Liz Davies/Rita McCann 11:30am: Bob Kelleher/Eileen Kelleher

6:00pm: TBD



Lector Schedule

March 28

6:30pm: Donna Marie Ivers

April 1

4:00pm: Mary Aleman/Donna Marie Ivers

April 2

8:00am: Peggy Faust/Aggie Lachcik

9:30am: Ruby A/Nora G

11:30am: Susan LiFonti/Samantha O'Connor

6:00pm: Linda Atkins/Deb Caffee



Weekly Activities

The Adoration Chapel is open from 3:15pm-6:15pm, Monday-Friday in the FLC

Monday, March 27

7:00pm: St. Peregrine Novena-Church 7:00pm: Finance Council Meeting-Kane Hall

Tuesday, March 28

2:45-3:30pm: Children's Choir/Chime Choir Session 1-Church 4:15-4:45pm: Children's Choir/Chime Choir Session 2-Church

7:15pm: Lenten Reconciliation Service-Church 8:00pm: Athletic Board Meeting-Kane Hall

Wednesday, March 29 6:45pm: Alpha-Kane Hall

7:15pm: Hallelujah Choir Practice

Thursday, March 30

2:45-3:30pm:Mustard Seed Choir Practice (K-2nd Grade)-Church

6:30pm-8:00pm:TRIP Cash & Carry Sales-Church Vestibule

7:00pm: Lenten Songs & Reflections-Church

Friday, March 31

9:15am-11:00am: Why We Worship-FLC

4:30pm to 7:30pm: Fish Fry-Gym

1:30pm & 6:30pm: Living Stations of the Cross-Church

7:15pm-8:45pm: Why We Worship-Library

Saturday, April 1

Food Drive for Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish-Church Vestibule

(Before and After the 4:00pm Mass)

Sunday, April 2

Food Drive for Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish-Church Vestibule

(Before and After all morning Masses)

(Note: Donations will be picked up at noon)

Religious Education: No Classes 7:15pm: Seder Supper-Kane Hall



Weekly Financial Summary

Week of March 19, 2023

Regular Sunday Collections: \$6,994*

*GiveCentral will be included in the monthly summary.

Thank you for your continued support!

Monthly Financial Summary

Month of February, 2023

Regular Sunday Collections: \$30,651 GiveCentral: \$11,417 Total: \$42,068 Monthly Goal: (4 Sundays) \$40,000

Thank you, we appreciate your generosity.

Christmas Financial Summary-Final Report

December 25, 2022 through March 20, 2023

Total Collections: \$39,499
Goal: \$45,000



Updated: February, 2023

Parish Goal: \$895,000 Total Pledged as of February 28: \$851,760

Percent of Goal: 95%

Number of Pledges: 242
Actual Collections to Date: \$841,146

Percent Collected - To Goal: 94%

Parish Dollars Paid (60%): \$504,688 Paid Out: \$397,812

Net Bank Balance (includes interest): \$111,932

Any questions regarding pledge payments contact:

TTWCI: Daniel Munoz-Gift Fulfillment Coordinator

at 312-534-8500, dmunoz@archchicago.org.

Payments can be mailed to the Archdiocese at:

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St. Catherine of Alexandria is a Catholic community, rooted in faith, family and friendship. We are responsive to the needs and concerns of those around us. We live out Jesus' words, "Come, follow me," and invite others to join us.

Past Pastors of St. Catherine of Alexandria Parish

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Please call the Rectory Office at 708-425-2850 between the hours of 8:30am to 4:00pm to register.

There is a parish registration form available on our parish website: parish.scaoaklawn.org

Weekend Masses: Saturday: 4:00pm

Sunday: 8:00am, 9:30am, 11:30am and 6:00pm

Weekday Masses: Monday through Friday at 8:30am.

6:30am Communion Service: Tuesday, Wednesday, and

Thursday; enter into the North lot wooden doors.

Adoration Chapel: Monday - Friday from 3:15pm to 6:15pm;

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Confessions: Saturdays from 3:00pm to 3:45pm.

Baptisms: 2nd & 4th Sundays at 1:00pm. Schedule subject to change. Contact: Coordinator of Family Faith Formation Theresa Ward 708-423-5747 tward@scaoaklawn.org

Weddings: Please call the rectory office at least six months in

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Office for the Protection of Children & Youth 312-534-5254

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