

Parish Social Ministries

Student Supper Ministry

Jan 26: *Available*

Feb 2: Super Bowl Sunday party

Feb 9: *Available*

Linens Volunteers

January: Aimee Beckmann-Collier

February: Raelynn Trigoutis

Bread Bakers

Feb 9: Barb James

March 8: Barb Mitchell

Money Counters

Jan 19: Annette Roth & Jim Deal

Jan 26: Brendan Comito & Sue Meimann

Feb 2: Pat Carruthers-Green & Raelynn Trigoutis

Coffee and Donut Hosts

Jan 19: Swanda family

Jan 26: Stempin family

Feb 2: FOCCUS Team

Food Pantry

The Donation of the Month are items for **Hot Cereal and White Corn Flour**. Please leave your non-perishable food items in the gathering space. Envelopes for cash donations are available on the table outside the office.

Stewardship Corner

Thank you for your financial support of St. Catherine's ministry. The donations we received for the week of Jan 12th were \$1,654.

Contact the office if you would like the ACH form or check our website to support by online giving.

Bulletin Items

Please submit bulletin announcement requests to office@stcatherinedrake.org by Wednesday at 11:00 am.



Music

Entrance: All the Ends of the Earth #550

Psalm: Here am I, Lord, I come to do your will.

Presentation: You Are Mine #456

Communion: Here I Am, Lord #373

Closing: Though the Mountains May Fall #441

From now until Lent Mass Music will be the Celtic Mass

Saturday 5:00 p.m

Seth Hammond

Sunday 10:30 a.m

Adam & Samantha Poole, Faith Satern, Linda Grady



Parish Staff

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The Second Sunday in Ordinary Time • January 19, 2020



PRAYER OF ST CATHERINE

*Power of the eternal Father,
Wisdom of your only-begotten Son,
Clemency of the Holy Spirit,
fire and deep well of charity,
You know how,
and you are able,
and it is your will,
so I plead with you:
have mercy on the world,
and restore the warmth of charity
and peace
and unity
to Holy Church.*

I do not wish you to delay any longer.

*I beg you
to let your infinite goodness
constrain you
not to close the eye of your mercy!*

St. Catherine of Siena, Pray for us!!

HOLINESS: THE MEANING OF LIFE

You "have been consecrated in Christ Jesus and called to be a holy people." —1 Corinthians 1:2

We are "called to be holy." God the Father wants His children to be, act, work, think, talk, love, and live as He does. This is the meaning of holiness: to be like God "in every aspect" of our conduct (1 Pt 1:15).

Holiness is a gift from the all-holy God. Only by His grace can we become holy. Holiness comes through the Holy Spirit, that is, the Spirit Who makes us holy. However, we must choose to accept the Spirit's gift of holiness.

Without holiness, "no one can see the Lord" (Heb 12:14), that is, go to heaven. Therefore, the Lord orchestrates the events and details of our lives to give us a greater desire for holiness. He even allows us to suffer sorrows and tragedies to help us grow in holiness. In other words, He gives us some purgatory before our deaths. Moreover, holiness is so necessary that the Lord will purify after death those committed to Him and delay their entry into heaven to complete their holiness, if they are not yet "perfect in holiness" (1 Thes 5:23). However, to benefit from the Lord's organization of our lives to foster our holiness, we must trust the Lord, humbly deny ourselves, and obey Him. Then we will desire more strongly to become holy. Thus will we become holy, be pleasing to the all-holy God, and live with Him and the holy ones forever in heaven.

Prayer: Father, send the Holy Spirit to give me love, which increases my desire for holiness.

Promise: "When you see the Spirit descend and rest on Someone, it is He Who is to baptize with the Holy Spirit." —Jn 1:33

Praise: The risen Jesus proclaims: "I am the Root and Offspring of David, the Morning Star shining bright" (Rv 22:16). Praise You, Jesus!

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Parish Mission Statement

St. Catherine of Siena Catholic Church and Student Center is a spiritual "home away from home" for Drake University students and resident parishioners. We strive through worship, prayer, fellowship, bible study and service to be disciples of Jesus and leaders of the Catholic Church and Community.

St. Catherine of Siena Catholic Church and Student Center

Becoming Light for the Nations

I will make you a light to the nations—so the Prophet Isaiah speaks about Israel, both as a people and as a person. So much of the Jewish Scripture rests upon symbol within symbol, just as do our Christian Scriptures. We don't need to know every individual symbol, but we do need to know that stories and histories and accounts that are given in symbols are always open to new meanings—within limits.

We live in an age that prefers scientific and objective discourse at one level but which also uses all kinds of symbols. We have to be careful when we discuss and dialogue with others or even when we read the Scriptures on our own. We need to be aware of both of the vast possibilities of meaning and also of the limits of the meanings. This is not so very easy all the time.

John baptizes Jesus and says that it should be Jesus baptizing John. John tells us that he knew that the Spirit would come down on someone and remain with the person, then that is the one who will baptize with the Holy Spirit. These are kind of mysterious words but we must think immediately: symbols and realities. What does it mean to see the Spirit come down on someone and remain? One example is when a person has to explain himself or herself and is frightened and feels totally incapable—yet in the explaining of oneself, sometimes we see the person take heart (receive the Spirit) and begin to speak with confidence. Once that happens, sometimes it remains and changes the life of the person forever. Sometimes it happens once and not again.

There are lots of ways in which the Spirit can come down on a person and we must keep our eyes and our hearts open. A shy individual suddenly possesses strength to speak out. A person who seems always angry suddenly seems to change and all of sudden we see joy and peace in that person. It is easy to understand that such gifts can come down and then disappear again or they can come down and remain.

With Jesus, it seems that when he takes up preaching, beginning at first to sound like John the Baptist, something had changed. Jesus had some 30 years of quiet and being more or less unknown. All of a sudden, we see Him baptized and His life takes a whole different course from what had seemed likely. He does become light for the nations, even when many of us choose to live in darkness. He becomes the Savior of the world, even though he was always Savior. He takes on our flesh so that we can take on His divinity.

Today on this second Sunday in Ordinary Time, may our own hearts be open to see the glory of God at work in one another and to testify to God's loving presence.

Monastery of Christ in the Desert

Welcome to St. Catherine of Siena Catholic Church and Student Center

New parishioners and students are asked to register online at stcatherinedrake.org or by contacting the parish office. Please notify the parish office when moving or with a change of phone number, address or email. **In case of an emergency after hours, please call 515-771-6463**

Liturgical Ministers

Sunday, Jan 19

Liturgical Coordinator: Bobbi Segura

Lectors: John Flemming, Ann Gernes, Margaret Hanson

Eucharistic Ministers: Amanda Bellville, Sharon Clarke, Jen Faber

Ushers: Shirley Harris, Jan Wise

Sunday, Jan 26

Liturgical Coordinator: Kristi Ryan

Lectors: Shirley Harris, Bob Heles, Larry James

Eucharistic Ministers: Ann Gernes, Jim & Peggy Leonardo,

Ushers: Margaret Hanson, Gary Payne

Calendar

20 Monday:	5:15pm Communion Service
21 Tuesday:	5:15pm Mass
22 Wednesday:	5:15pm Mass
23 Thursday:	12:30pm Faith Movie-Closed Caption 5:15pm Mass
24 Friday:	12:00pm Mass
25 Saturday:	4:00pm Reconciliation 5:00pm Mass
26 Sunday:	10:30am Mass 5:00pm Mass 6:00pm Student Supper 8:00pm Mass

Find world-wide Mass times at www.masstimes.org

Parish News

Save the Date!

Sept 26 & 27, 2020 Wells Fargo Arena Hear world class speakers, celebrate Mass among thousands, fill your spirit with music, attend reconciliation, visit Jesus in adoration and feel your soul rejoice. To learn more, contact your parish "GoTo" -Erin Smith 250-3208 or erin.smith@stcatherinedrake.org

Job Opening

We are seeking a part-time Business Manager. This position includes financial management and facility management responsibilities. Accounting knowledge and experience is essential. The job description is posted on our website. Please send cover letter, resume and references to office@stcatherinedrake.org.

RCIA

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is a process developed by the Catholic Church for prospective converts to Catholicism who are above the age of infant baptism. Candidates are gradually introduced to aspects of Catholic beliefs and practices. If you know someone who would like to learn more about the process and/or begin classes, please contact Jenny Condon at jennycondon89@gmail.com or 779-9347

Condolences

Please keep Dennis Steele in your prayers as he grieves the loss of his sister, Sue Reeves.

Please pray for our parishioners and any and all others who are suffering from injury or illness.

Around the Diocese

Anti-Hunger Day on the Hill

Tues, Feb 25, 2020 Iowa State Capitol Interested in learning more about how you can be an advocate for food insecurity? Contact Luke Elzinga, Communications and Advocacy Manager, at 277-6969 x10 or lelzinga@dmarcunited.org.

Emmaus House

The Heart of Ignatian Spirituality-Jan 25 9am-1pm
Nurturing Interior Silence in Our Lives-Feb 8 9am-noon
A Song & A Prayer: Dante's Prayer-Feb 22 9am-1pm
For more details and how to register, please see flyers outside office.

Shamrocks & Shenanigans

Join us for the 2020 St. Patrick's Gala supporting Catholic Charities on Saturday, March 7, 2020! Live music, food and drink, games and prizes, and of course, lots of shenanigans! This year's event will be held at Izaak Walton League, 4343 George Flagg Parkway, DM 50321. Tickets are \$75 each. Tables of 10: \$750 and \$1,000. Contact Beth Gibbins at 515-237-5078 or bgibbins@catholiccharitiesdm.org to save your spot today!

Remember Our Smallest Clients

Catholic Charities is always in need of diapers (size 3-6) and baby wipes at the Outreach Center. Donations can be dropped off between Monday-Friday between 8:30 a.m. and 4:15 p.m. at 1815 Hubbell Ave. in Des Moines. Financial gifts can be made online at CatholicCharitiesDM.org. Call 515-262-7290 if you have questions.

St Serra Club

Prayer, Fellowship and Humble Service. Sound interesting? That's what we do! Join the St. Serra Club of Des Moines in praying for and supporting priesthood and religious vocations. Come to any of our monthly events and see what we're all about. For more information, contact Jim at 422-0960; or visit dmserra.com.

World Marriage Day

Come celebrate love, faith and the commitment to the sacrament to holy matrimony. World marriage day honors husband and wife as the foundation of the family and salutes the beauty of their faithfulness, sacrifice and joy in daily married life. This special Mass will be held at 2pm Feb 9 at the Basilica of St. Francis Xavier in Dyersville. Reception with refreshments provided by Worldwide Marriage Encounter will follow in the church hall.

"The 1619 Project"

Plymouth Congregational United Church of Christ's Anti-Racism Committee will host a study group centering around the information revealed in "The 1619 Project." You do not have to be a member of Plymouth Church to join in the study group, which will meet on Weds, Jan 22 - Feb 19, 7-8:30pm, and on Wed, Feb. 26 from 6-7:30pm. To Register email sheenathomas96@gmail.com. Cost is \$10 to cover materials and is required no later than Jan. 6. Checks can be mailed to: Plymouth Church, 4126 Ingersoll Ave, Des Moines IA 50312. Please include "1619 Project" in the memo line on your check.

Iowa Catholic Radio

Jan 28 - Man-Up
Feb 13 - Ladies' MOSAIC Luncheon
Feb 17-21 - Spring Care-A-Thon
Feb 22 - Catholic Men's Conference

Mass Intentions

Mass may be offered for your intention or on someone's behalf. Please contact the office for available dates.

5:00pm For the Parish
10:30am For the Parish
5:00pm For the Students

Sacraments

Reconciliation
Saturdays 4-4:50pm or by appointment

Baptism

Please call the Parish Office to set up an appointment. Parents are required to participate in the Baptism Preparation Program.

Matrimony

Please contact the Parish Office at least 6-8 months in advance of the proposed wedding date to allow for completion of required marriage preparations.

Parish Meetings

Parish Council: Second Wednesday every month at 6pm. Members: Laura Carruthers-Green, Greg Bellville, Ann Gernes, Margaret Hanson, Gus Cordero, Ryan Wise

Finance Council: Third Wednesday of every month at 5:45pm. Members: Annette Roth, Brendan Comito, Jim Greenfield, Kristi Ryan, Patrick Carruthers-Green