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to follow the teachings of Jesus Christ,
and to be guided by the Holy Spirit."*

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WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS! Contact the Parish Office for registration or to receive information regarding sacramental preparation and eligibility.

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 4 PM at Nativity

Sunday: 8 AM at St. Catherine

Sunday: 10:30 AM at Nativity (Live-streamed on Facebook and YouTube every couple of weeks.)

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

Mon. & Thurs.: 9 AM at St. Catherine

Tue. & Wed. 9 AM at Nativity

Friday: 7 PM at Nativity

Saturday: 7 AM at St Catherine

HOLY DAY MASS SCHEDULE

Vigil: 7 PM at St. Catherine

Holy Day: 9 AM & 7 PM at Nativity

CONFESSION

Friday: 7:50-8:20 PM at Nativity*

Saturday: 7:50-8:20 AM at St. Catherine*

Saturday: 3:30-3:45 PM at Nativity

Sunday: 7:20 – 7:50 AM at St. Catherine*

Sun. after most 10 AM Mass at Nativity

Or by appointment, call the Parish Office

* When Fr Goyette is here



Saturday, December 21st

7:00 AM-SC Mother Lucille Cutrone
Franciscan Sister of the Renewal
r/b the Parish of St Michael the Archangel

4:00 PM-N People of the Parish

Sunday, December 22nd

8:00 AM-SC Peter Pino *r/b Lisa & Nick Weddings*
10:30 AM-N The Deceased Members of the
Cottelli & Doyle Families *r/b The Family*

Monday, December 23rd

9:00 AM-SC Gene Flourich *r/b Ronnie Vanaman*

Tuesday, December 24th

9:00 AM- N Deceased Members of our Parish
4:00 PM - N People of the Parish
7:00 PM - SC Sr Bianca Camilleri
r/b John & Anna Contrevo

Midnight - SC Gracie *r/b June & Fran Sieber*

Wednesday, December 25th

8:00 AM - SC Larry & Babe Bottaro
r/b Bill & Sandy Drebes
10:30 AM - NC Special Intention Fr Michael Cannon
r/b Deserable Family

Thursday, December 26th

9:00 AM - SC Special Int. Kathy Slusarz
r/b Dan & Karen Seniff

Friday, December 27th

7:00 PM - N Margaret Gagliardi
r/b Parish of St Michael the Archangel

Saturday, December 28th

7:00 AM- SC Sister Bianca Camilleri
r/b Parish of St Michael the Archangel
4:00 PM- N Deceased Members of the
Simpson & Scull Family
r/b The Family

Sunday, December 29th

8:00 AM- SC People of the Parish
10:30 AM- N Robert Hoskins *r/b Stephanie Kelton*

Mass Location: N = Nativity | SC = St. Catherine

Harriet Bajewicz, Betty Briles, George Bromwell, Nicholas & Rob Christian, Jim Cesanek, Joanne Ciquero, John Contrevo Sr., Joseph Dietterick, Melissa DuBeau, Janice Donahower, Judy Dutton, Mark Fitzpatrick, Anthony & Luca Garbarino, Amedeo Giambuzzi, Don & Matt Healy, Chrysi Lopes, Dcn John Luko Jr. Rosemary McBride, Jennifer Mignano, Miller & Joann Mills, Eileen Mulholland, Thomas Myers Jr., Bob Sandelier, Karen Simpson and Karen J. Viola

If you have a family member whom you would like added to the Prayer List, please ask their permission (due to the HIPAA Privacy Act) and contact the Rectory by calling 856-881-9155 or e-mailing

Pray for Our Military Heroes

PSMA.Rectory@gmail.com.

If you have a family member serving in one of the branches of the military, send their name, rank, and branch of service to the Parish Office (PSMA.Rectory@gmail.com or 856-881-9155).

Please keep our brave service people in your prayers, especially those suffering from the effects of war.

US Army

CPL Austin Arledge, Army Staff Sgt. Molly Atkinson, SSG Bryan Jenkins, 1LT Tyler Keyworth
Com. Sgt Major Shane McLaughlin, MAJ Eric Miller, CPT Graham Miller, and PFC Vincenzo Taormina

US Navy

AWR Daniel Carr, AG1 Jamie Engleman, EM2 William Little, and Kurt Reinhold, US Navy

US Air Force

SrA Jacob R Custis, MSgt, George Ruczynski Jr.

US Marine Corps

WO3 Brad Davis, SGT Nate McAllister



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Mon. – Thurs. 8-9 AM
Eucharistic Adoration
before morning Mass. Every
Monday 6-7 PM Adoration at
Nativity

ROSARY

Mon. – Thurs. Rosary after
morning Mass and
after all weekend Masses
Every Tuesday after the
9 AM Mass—Novena
to the Miraculous Medal.

PARISH EVENTS

DECEMBER

24/25 - Parish Office Closed for the Christmas Holiday

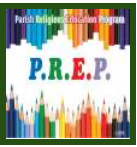
**See Bulletin for Christmas Mass Schedule*

31/Jan 1 - Parish Office Closed for the New Year Holiday

**See Bulletin for the New Year's Mass Schedule*

Please call the Parish Office to reserve space on the calendar if you are planning a meeting.

NC - Nativity Church / NCC - Conference Center / SCB - St Catherine Basement



Parish Religious Education Program Calendar DECEMBER

Dec. 22 - 9:15AM In Person Class

Dec. 29 - NO CLASS

Please be sure to check weekly email for updates and reminders



Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults Calendar DECEMBER

Dec. 22 - 9:15AM In Person Class

Dec. 29 - NO CLASS



Christmas Mass Schedule

December 24th - Christmas Eve

4 PM Mass - Nativity Church

7 PM Mass - St Catherine's Church

Midnight Mass - St Catherine's Church

December 25th - Christmas Day

8 AM Mass - St Catherine's Church

1030 AM Mass - Nativity Church

Merry Christmas from Fr. Michael Goyette and the Parish Staff



Christmas Confession Schedule

Friday, December 20, 2024

6:00 - 7:00 PM - Church of the Nativity

Saturday, December 21, 2024

8:00 - 8:45 AM - St Catherine's Church

3:00 - 3:50 PM - Church of the Nativity

5:10 - 6:00 PM - Church of the Nativity

Sunday, December 22, 2024

11:45 - 12:30 PM - Church of the Nativity

Monday, December 23, 2024

6:00 - 7:00 PM Church of the Nativity

Tuesday, December 24, 2024

10:00 - 11:00 AM - Church of the Nativity



The Parish Office will be closed on Tuesday December 24th and Wednesday December 25th for the Christmas Holiday. We will reopen on Thursday December 26th at 10 AM. Merry Christmas!



On behalf of Father Goyette, the Administrative Team, Faculty and Staff of St. Michael the Archangel School, we'd like to wish the parishioners of all of our sending parishes a very Blessed and Happy Holiday Season. Thank you for your support!

MINISTRY NEWS



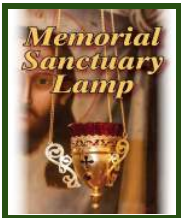
If you can spare some of your talent and time for any of the following routine parish maintenance activities, please call the parish office at 856-881-9155. We will contact you to discuss your interest in various small projects, such as:

- Power washing
 - Small painting and carpentry projects
 - Plumbing Projects
 - Light Welding
 - Streaming the parish 10:30 am mass once a month.
- Training and instructions will be provided



What a lovely way to Ring in the New Year then by growing in your faith!

We are looking for more men to join us at the St. Catherine of Siena Knights of Columbus.



The Sanctuary Candle
at
St Catherine’s
is being lit in

Memory of Carmen Visalli
at the
Request of Mary Visalli

Random Minutiae by Father Goyette



30-30-30

We are still looking for more people to join our Pray in Church program for January. The goal is to spend 30 minutes every day praying in Church. It's a great way to get much closer to Jesus. We have a key FOB so you can get into church on your own schedule. You get a couple of free passes for those really busy days. You can sign up with the form below. Just give it to father or put it in the collection basket.

30-30-30 January 2025

Name: _____

Phone _____ Is this a
Cell? _____

Email: _____

Are you a Parishioner?? _____ (NOT REQUIRED)

Do you need a Key FOB? _____ You already
have one ? _____

Keep bottom for information. Cut on above line

Name: _____

What is required? To Pray 30 Minutes a day each day in church or chapel. (In front of Jesus). Any prayer counts. Sunday Mass, Daily Mass, Stations of the Cross, rosary, reading the bible, Sitting and talking to Jesus or just sitting Quietly with Jesus. Key FOBs are available to get into Nativity and St. Catherines. The St. Catherine’s chapel is in the basement.

PARTY: FEB 15TH SATURDAY. 6:00-8:30 PM

The Party is for everyone who gave it a solid effort. We will send invites in February.

STEWARDSHIP



Parish of St Michael the Archangel
Food Pantry

“God loves a cheerful giver.” 2 Corinthians 9:7

The Christmas season is here! There is so much to do in so little time! As you are making that mad dash through your favorite grocery store, please consider buying an item or two for our Parish Food Pantry. Currently, we are in need of such things as instant potatoes, ramen noodles, tuna, canned chicken, rice, peanut butter, jelly, cereal, soups of all kinds (including condensed tomato and chicken noodle), mac and cheese, pasta, pasta sauce, and applesauce. Non-food items such as toothpaste, tooth brushes, soap, deodorant, and bathroom tissue are also needed. For Christmas, extras such as cookies, crackers, and cake or fudge mixes are appreciated. No time for shopping? Monetary donations are always welcome. Your nonperishable food donations may be left in the Gathering Spaces of both Nativity and Saint Catherine of Siena churches, or they may be delivered directly to the pantry at the O’Meara Conference Center from 10:15 to 11:30 on Wednesday mornings. Thank you for your continuing generosity and thank you for being a “cheerful giver.”



The Church Offering and Mass Count for the weekends of Dec. 15, 22, Christmas, and New Years will be delayed due to the Bulletin publishing schedule. On behalf of Fr. Michael Goyette, we thank you for your generosity throughout the year! May the Lord bless you this Christmas Season!

4th Sunday of Advent Stewards Grow

“For behold, when the voice of your greeting came to my ears, the babe in my womb leaped for joy.”

(LUKE 1:44)

When you hear the scripture readings and Gospel reading at Mass, do you “leap for joy?” If not, don’t blame the lecturer or priest, rather look inside yourself. What are you doing as a Christian Steward to grow in friendship with Jesus? How do you prepare for Mass each week? Do you just show up and expect to be entertained? As the Body of Christ, we are called to be active participants, not just passive observers.



Dear Fellow Parishioners,

Abby’s Angels would like to wish all of you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Healthy New Year!

We are very grateful for all of your support and May God Bless You!

With Love,

Abby  



SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT



First Reading: Micah 5:1-4

Psalms 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19

Second Reading: Hebrews 10:5-10

Gospel: Luke 1:39-45

Reflections for the 4th Sunday in Advent

Reading, prayer, and reflection are ways we can cultivate a sense of holy anticipation this Advent. On the fourth Sunday of Advent, we meditate on the peace that Jesus brings to our hearts and our world. Scripture is the place where we can find the promises of God. Let us meditate on these truths and allow them to comfort our hearts this Advent season!

2 Thessalonians 3:16 says, “Now may the Lord of peace himself give you peace at all times and in every way. The Lord be with all of you.

This week we focus our hearts on the “Lord of Peace” who came down from heaven in the form of a baby. God knows that we are in a constant battle against fear! Fear wants to cripple us, to push us to react rather than carefully respond, and fear steals our joy. God has given us the gift of peace so we can live joy-filled lives!

Over this Advent, would you pray that *God’s unexplainable peace* would be evident in your heart and home. This year we all have faced so much chaos and uncertainty. God’s peace is something we need to grab tightly onto *more than ever*. May God’s spirit transform the days leading up to Christmas into a time to joyfully await our King!



Merry Christmas

Midnight Mass Readings

First Reading: Isaiah 9:1-6

Psalms 96: 1-3, 11-13

Second Reading: Titus 2:11-14

Gospel: Luke 2:1-14

Christmas Day Readings

First Reading: Isaiah 52:7-10

Psalms 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6

Second Reading: Hebrews 1:1-6

Gospel: John 1:1-18

God, our loving Father, you sent your Son, Jesus Christ, into this world to counter all the forces of evil, sin, suffering and death, and to overcome evil with the force of good, and hatred with the power of love, your great love for us in Jesus.

Help us never to curse the darkness, but to join with you in bringing Your light into this world, the light that is your Son, born of the Virgin Mary, in Bethlehem. Help us to be instruments of your light and love by doing one special act of kindness or by being your special instrument of reconciliation this New Year.

May the Christ Candle we light symbolize our desire to bring light into a world of darkness and hope into a world of despair. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.



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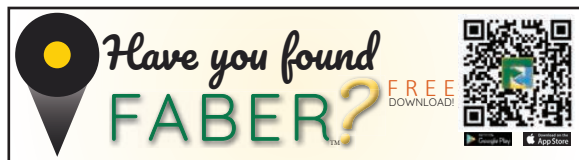
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