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*Saint Catherine of Siena Parish
“Home of the Franciscans of Halifax”*

*27th Sunday of Ordinary Time
October 8, 2017*

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Daily Mass Intentions

St. Theresa’s

Tues. Oct. 10 9:00am Antonio Reggi †
Wed. Oct. 11 9:00am Gerry Upcott †
Thurs. Oct. 12 9:00am All the intentions in the book
Fri. Oct. 13 9:00am Maria Taraschi †

St. Catherine’s

Sat. Oct. 14 9:00am Gina Colaniccio †

The monks would gather in a chapel to hear a member of the community reading from the scripture. Those gathered were taught and encouraged to listen with their hearts because it was the Word of God that they were hearing.

Fr. Francesco invites you to join with him as he continues this experience by “praying” the upcoming Sunday gospel and unlocking the treasures hidden within. All are welcome.

Liturgy

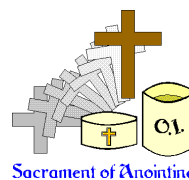


THANKSGIVING WEEKEND

We Offer Thanks by Giving

On Thanksgiving Day, Monday, October 9th, a special Mass will be celebrated at 10:00 am at St. Catherine's. At all weekend Masses and at Monday's special Mass, we invite parishioners to share with those less fortunate within our community. Donations of non-perishable food items will be collected to be distributed among those we serve through the St. Vincent de Paul Society. At this time, we are especially in need of Kraft dinner, peanut butter, canned meat, fish, vegetables and fruit, hearty soups, packaged rice, cookies, toothpaste and soap. We are unable to distribute outdated items so we ask that you please check the expiry dates of your donations. Thank you for your generosity!

Lectio Divina will begin this Thursday, October 12th, from 7:00-8:00 pm in the Rectory Chapel (please use side door of Rectory). This “praying” of the scriptures goes back to an early monastic tradition and began at a time when there were not enough bibles for everyone and not everyone knew how to read.



Sacrament of Anointing

Anointing of the Sick – Tuesday, October 24th

—On Tuesday, October 24th, a special Mass of healing with the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick will take place at **St. Theresa’s Church** at 7:00 pm.

The Catechism of the Catholic Church states that “the Church believes and confesses that among the seven sacraments there is one especially intended to strengthen those who are being tried by illness, the Anointing of the Sick”. It is appropriate to receive the Anointing of the Sick for those suffering from a chronic condition detrimental to their health and well-being, and as soon as “anyone from the faithful begins to be in danger of death from sickness or old age”, “just prior to an operation”, or “for the elderly whose frailty becomes more pronounced”. Through receiving this sacrament, the Holy Spirit will give strength, peace and courage to help those overcome the difficulties of chronic sickness, serious illness or old age.

Parishioners of both parishes are invited to attend this special Mass to receive the Sacrament or to pray for those within our communities who ask for this strength and healing.

Weekday Mass Times:

Tuesday–Friday 9:00am at St. Theresa’s
Saturday 9:00am at St. Catherine’s

Weekend Mass Times

Sunday 11:00 am and
7:00 pm (Rosary at 6:30 pm)

Confessions at St. Catherine’s:

Saturdays following the 9:00am Mass

Lectio Divina: Resumes Thursday, Oct. 12th
7:00–8:00pm (Rectory Chapel - side door)

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Monday–Friday 9:30 am–4:30 pm
in St. Theresa’s Chapel

C.W.L. News



The Catholic Women's League of St. Catherine's invites you to join them for **Oktoberfest** this Saturday, **October 14th**, from 4:00-6:00 pm in our

Church Hall. The meal will consist of sausage, sauerkraut, vegetables, dessert & tea/coffee. A Bake Table and Sewing Goods will also be available for sale. Price: \$15 for adults, \$10 for children 12 & under.

For pre-sale of tickets, please call: Annie MacLean 902-455-9419; Theresa Richard 902-454-6202; Leyola McDonald 902-455-2660; Yvonne Steffen 902-455-3627. All are welcome.

Parish News



After one week off to celebrate the Feast of Saint Francis, **Bingo**

returns this Wednesday, October 11th. It takes place in our Church Hall every Wednesday starting at 7:30 pm (warm-up Bingo begins at 7:00 pm). Bingo is not only a fun night for all those who attend, it raises much needed funds for the Parish. Why not come by some Wednesday night and try your luck at the friendliest Bingo in town!

Religious Education



St. Catherine of Siena's Religious Education Program

Registration Forms are now available at the entrance of the Church (or on our website) for

students from grade primary to nine to enrol in our parish program. You can simply place the form in the collection basket at any weekend Mass or drop them off at the Parish Office. This program is offered FREE to parishioners as sharing the faith is priceless!

Our first "Gathering" will take place next **Sunday, October 15th**, from **10:15 – 10:45 am** in the Church Hall. See you next week!

Meetings

St. Catherine's Pastoral Council will meet on Tuesday, October 17th, at 6:45 pm in the Siena Room of the Church Hall. All members are encouraged to attend.

Franciscan News

A Touch of Classical

A fundraising concert hosted by the Franciscans of Halifax

On **October 28th at 7:00 pm**, the Franciscans of Halifax will be hosting **A Touch of Classical** Concert. This is an annual fundraiser to further the education of the Franciscan Brothers and Sisters currently pursuing studies, and a great opportunity to gather with people from other parishes and the wider community while enjoying classical music performed by local musicians.

Tickets are \$20 per person and can be purchased online at www.franciscansofhalifax.com or by calling Sr. Edith at 902-717-2012. Payment can be made either online or by cash at the door.

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