



The Spirit of St. Catherine's

We, the community of St. Catherine Labouré, empowered by the Holy Spirit, will strive to serve the Gospel message in reaching out as the Body of Christ to serve our brothers and sisters.

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Mass Times

Saturday Vigil 5 PM Sunday 7:30 & 9:00 AM 10:30 AM (Spanish)
Morning Mass Monday through Friday 8:30 AM First Saturday Only 9:00AM

Confessions 1st & 2nd Thursday 11 AM to 12 Noon 3rd & 4th Thursday 6 PM to 7 PM
Saturdays 9:30 AM

Or by appointment Español Solo con cita

The Catholic Church dedicates the month of August to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

What a great month to learn a little about the Claretians
the Religious Order that our own Father Fred is a part of.

The Claretians of the United States and Canada are part of a world-wide congregation of approximately 3,000 members in 63 countries. Our Congregation, Sons of the Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary—or Claretian Missionaries—was founded by Saint Anthony Mary Claret in Vic, Spain on July 16, 1849, and was approved by Pope Pius IX on December 22, 1865



HISTORY OF THE U.S. PROVINCE

In the early 1900s, the first Claretians came to the United States from Spain through Mexico. They came to San Antonio, TX, at the invitation of the bishop. The diocese urgently needed the Claretians to take charge of the Cathedral and to energize the spirit of the faithful in the city. The expected commitment as stated by the bishop was one year. A team of three Claretian priests came to San Antonio in 1902 to fulfill the bishop's request. Though small in number, they were clear in their focus, courage, and desire to fulfill the mission well. The Claretians dedicated themselves to the parish and their new challenges. They broadened the Cathedral's pastoral mission, preached the Word tirelessly, and lived what they preached through educational and social justice outreach work in communities throughout the state. It was clear there was more work to be done than could possibly be accomplished by so few. Within two years the Claretians built their own Mother House for the United States, and began to add more Claretians to the effort. By 1912, they had also built their own parish, the now historic Immaculate Heart of Mary Church. During these years, the Claretians took charge of numerous other parishes in the area. Outside the city of San Antonio, the Claretians erected some 40 additional mission churches and chapels, caring for Catholics and those in need throughout the region—and eventually spread out to the far corners of the country and beyond.

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FR. FREDDY'S CORNER

As we slowly begin to return to a "normal" that is more familiar, there are some things we may never do the same again. This is not always bad, but an opportunity to improve in what and how we did things before the pandemic. If you have not grown as a person, you will not be ready for the changes ahead. This is only the beginning. We have not dealt with this virus from an emotional, psychological, and especially spiritual level. We are pretending that a vaccine will take care of all of our worries. What is the vaccine for depression, despair, loss of a loved one, fear, a changed relationship? It is like having a vaccine for cancer. It does not exist. We have lost something by relating only online. We have not dealt with losses of the human person, but only seem to not want to die. If we are not willing to live life to the full, we are already dead. God did not make us to exist, but to live. The vaccine will not give you eternal life. Considering others as a threat to your existence will leave you in a constant state of fear and you will cease to live and only exist. We have yet to address the ills of society before the pandemic and we believe we will be alright returning to the same type of life as before the shutdown. Returning to bad does not mean getting better. Rather, how can I improve my life by the grace of God to be ready to live the new challenges ahead? Be prudent and do not take risks with your health or that of others. but don't stop there. Do not take risks with your salvation and that of others by not being the person God made you to be. Remember, the glory of God is a human being who is fully alive!

In Mary's love of her Son,

Father Fred



Lentamente estamos regresando al "normal" que ya nos es familiar, hay algunas cosas que quizás nunca volverán a ser lo mismo. No siempre es esto malo, ya que es una oportunidad para improvisar lo 'que y como' hicimos las cosas antes de la pandemia. Si no maduraste como persona, no estarás preparado para los cambios venideros. Esto es solo el comienzo. No nos hemos ocupado de este virus desde el área emocional, psicológico, y especialmente a nivel espiritual. Hemos pretendido creer que una vacuna hará desaparecer todas nuestras preocupaciones. Qué vacuna existe para la depresión, desesperación, pérdida de un ser querido, miedo, cambio en nuestras relaciones? Es igual a la vacuna contra el cáncer. No existe. Hemos perdido algo al mantener relaciones sociales solo a través de la tecnología electrónica. No nos hemos ocupado o lidiado con la pérdida del trato personal y humano, el cual, pareciera que no quiere morir. Si no deseamos vivir la vida en su totalidad, ya estamos muertos. Dios no nos hizo para que existiéramos solamente, sino para que viviéramos. La vacuna no te dará la vida eterna. Considerar a las personas como amenaza a tu existencia te mantendrá en un estado constante de miedo y cesarás de vivir y solo existirás. Debemos ocuparnos de los enfermos que existieron desde antes de la pandemia, al hacer esto, creemos que estaremos haciendo lo correcto al regresar al tipo de vida de antes, cuando todavía no se cerraba todo. Regresar a lo malo no quiere decir que será para bien. Mas bien, debemos preguntarnos en cómo podremos mejorar para estar listos para vivir los nuevos retos que nos esperan? Solo con la gracia de Dios. Se prudente y no arriesgues tu salud o la de los otros, pero no te detengas ahí. No arriesgues tu salvación y la de los otros por no ser la persona que Dios quiere que seas. Recuerda que la gloria de Dios es un ser humano que esté completamente vivo!

Padre Fred

Are you interested in finding out what the Gospel Readings on Sunday are all about? Well why not join Deacon Lance and others as they journey through each Gospel. They meet after Mass on Wednesday Mornings in the St. Michael Room.



SAFE ENVIRONMENT TRAINING!

It's that time of the year again! If you are an active member of St. Catherine Laboure Parish you must renew your Safe Environment Training. Information on how to renew or to make a new account can be found on fliers in the chapel and in the vestibule when the vestibule changes are completed.

Father will be away from the Parish.....

For your information Father Fred will be away from the Parish from Monday August 23rd until Friday August 27th.. During that week there will not be any daily Masses nor will confessions be heard. Please keep father in your prayers as he will keep us in his.

DIVINE MERCY NEWS

Divine Mercy Minute: Diary entry 634: When I arrived at Warsaw, I went into the small chapel for a moment to thank the Lord for a safe journey, and I asked the Lord to give me the assistance and the grace necessary for everything that was in store for me here. I submitted myself in all things to His holy will. I heard these words: Fear nothing; all difficulties will serve for the fulfillment of My will. Reflection: Like a child unafraid in his father's arms, Jesus tells us to fear nothing. God uses all difficulties to accomplish His will. Truly, the Lord works in mysterious ways. Prayer: "O Divine Will, be my love!" Jesus, I Trust In You.



The Divine Mercy Ministry is a brand-new Ministry, just accepted by the Parish and Finance Council. Our goal is to spread Divine Mercy everywhere, starting with our Parish family. In the chapel there are resources that our Ministry will provide. We hope that you will consider becoming part of our ministry.

Adult formation/bible study news for the upcoming fall:

Here it is the middle of summer already and fall is just around the corner. It's time to think about the fall classes which begin in September. For the FORMED sessions we will begin with a two session film on St. Padre Pio. See the flyer on the bulletin boards for more information.

For the Wednesday night bible study we will begin with a study on Revelations with Jeff Cavins. Again see the bulletin boards for more information on cost and registration deadlines. I look forward to welcoming you back and meeting new participants.

Blessings,

Anita Wittal

928-713-5011

FORMED-Adult Formation

When: Monday mornings beginning September 6 – until—November 8th, 2021
 Location: St. Michael Room Time: 9:15 – 11:30 am Register in the office

REVELATION

Wednesdays, Sept 1– until—Nov. 10, 2021 Time: 6:00 - 8:00 pm Location: St. Michael Room
 Cost: \$ 30.00 Register in Office Deadline to register August 13
 For more information Contact: Anita Wittal 928-713-5011

Finance Council News

Monsoon season is here! Thank you, Lord! Speaking of rain, the Finance Council is here to give you a cloudburst of updates. Our projects include:

- The improvement of the water system/plumbing
- Solar panel maintenance
- A newly installed, lighted flag pole

Through your generous contributions we are able to participate and support:

- Habitat for Humanity (Chino Valley)
- St. Vincent de Paul
- The Food Bank
- People Who Care
- Focus

Focus is a ministry that works within college campuses. St. Catherine has had the privilege of working with Kallin Zehren. Kallin began her college missionary work 5 years ago in Texas. Very recently Kallin was promoted to her current position, as Regional Director. She is now based in the home office of Focus in Denver, where she will oversee 7 college campuses. Kallin will be visiting us in August, and will give us a personal update on her progress. Congrats Kallin!

We also would like to give a shout out to our very own Janeen Kramer. Janeen is a professional accountant, who is a tireless worker and an anchor of the Finance Council. We appreciate you so much, Janeen! Once again, the Finance Council appreciates all our parishioners who make this all possible.

Maryellen Chavez, Finance Council Member Peace In Christ

My Soul Proclaims the Greatness of the Lord

Last month I encouraged you to use this season of Summer to break away from the busyness of the world and rest a while. How are you doing with that? I know, it is easier said than done. Never-the-less, try it. You just may like it and it is also good for you, physically and spiritually.

Our Sunday Gospel readings for this year typically are from Mark's Gospel. However, during August we will be reading mostly from John's Gospel and specifically from the "Bread of Life" discourse. It seems rather providential to me that at this time when certain well-known American politicians, who publicly claim to be Catholic, will not stand up against intrinsic evils like abortion. Instead they work to legislate funding for the termination of unborn human life at any stage of a pregnancy, and yet will want to receive, without apology, the Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of our Lord, Jesus Christ, in Holy Communion, the Holy Eucharist. The Holy Catholic Church, guided by the Holy Spirit, is bringing front and center the importance of the power and preciousness of the Holy Eucharist. Do not judge these poor souls, as we are all sinners. Jesus Christ will be the final Judge. Pray for them, their conversion and salvation. Our own Bishop Thomas Olmsted has provided us a wonderful teaching in his most recent *Apostolic Exhortation, Veneremur Cernui – Down in Adoration Falling*, a true and faithful teaching on the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist. This is a perfect time to familiarize ourselves with this most important teaching of the Holy Catholic Church.

In the middle of the month we will take a slight detour from John's Gospel to Luke's Gospel. On Sunday, August 15th we celebrate the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. This feast is a Sacred Tradition that has been celebrated in the Church since its early days. In 1950 Pope Pius XII made this a dogma of the Church. Mary has always been the first and most perfect example of discipleship for Jesus. The Church teaches us that Jesus assumed His mother, body and soul, into heaven to give us who are still here on earth encouragement. Sacred Tradition teaches that the Assumption is meant to give us humans hope and consolation as a kind of preview of what is ahead for us if we are cleansed from sin. The Gospel passage for this Feast Day is what we refer to as The Magnificat. For those who pray the Liturgy of the Hours this passage is prayed every evening.

Before we leave the month of August we will return to a continuation of the "Bread of Life" discourse from John's Gospel. Jesus will see that many are not willing to continue to follow Him as His teachings are too challenging. He will ask the twelve, "Do you also want to leave?" (Jn.6:67) and St. Peter will respond by saying "Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and are convinced that You are the Holy One of God." (Jn.6:68-69) St. Peter is so right and now it is our turn to respond the same way. To whom shall we go? What do you think?

Dcn. Mike Johnsen

Mi alma proclama la grandeza del Señor

El mes pasado te animé a que utilizaras esta temporada de verano para alejarte del ajetreo del mundo y descansar un rato. ¿Cómo te va con eso? Lo sé, es más fácil decirlo que hacerlo. No obstante, pruébalo. Puede que te guste y también es bueno para ti, física y espiritualmente.

Nuestras lecturas dominicales del Evangelio de este año suelen ser del Evangelio de Marcos. Sin embargo, durante agosto estaremos leyendo principalmente del Evangelio de Juan y específicamente del discurso "Pan de vida". Me parece más bien providencial que en este momento en que ciertos políticos estadounidenses bien conocidos, que públicamente afirman ser católicos, no se enfrenten a males intrínsecos como el aborto. En cambio, trabajan para legislar el financiamiento para la terminación de la vida humana por nacer en cualquier etapa del embarazo y, sin embargo, querrán recibir, sin disculpas, el Cuerpo, la Sangre, el Alma y la Divinidad de nuestro Señor, Jesucristo, en la Sagrada Comunión, la Sagrada Eucaristía. La Santa Iglesia Católica, guiada por el Espíritu Santo, está poniendo al frente y al centro la importancia del poder y la preciosidad de la Sagrada Eucaristía. No juzgues a estas pobres almas, ya que todos somos pecadores. Jesucristo será el juez final. Oren por ellos, su conversión y la salvación. Nuestro propio obispo Thomas Olmsted nos ha proporcionado una enseñanza maravillosa en su más reciente exhortación apostólica, *Veneremur Cernui – Veneremos Inclinados*, una enseñanza verdadera y fiel sobre el sacramento de la Sagrada Eucaristía. Este es un momento perfecto para familiarizarnos con esta enseñanza más importante de la Santa Iglesia Católica.

A mediados del mes vamos a tomar un pequeño desvío del Evangelio de Juan Evangelio de Lucas. El domingo 15 de agosto celebramos la Asunción de la Santísima Virgen María. Esta fiesta es una Sagrada Tradición que se celebra en la Iglesia desde sus inicios. En 1950, el Papa Pío XII hizo de esto un dogma de la Iglesia. María siempre ha sido el primer y más perfecto ejemplo de discipulado de Jesús. La Iglesia nos enseña que Jesús subió a su madre, en cuerpo y alma, al cielo para darnos ánimo a los que todavía estamos aquí en la tierra. La Sagrada Tradición enseña que la Asunción está destinada a darnos a los humanos esperanza y consuelo como una especie de anticipo de lo que nos espera si somos limpiados del pecado. El pasaje del Evangelio para esta fiesta es lo que llamamos El Magnificat. Para aquellos que rezan la Liturgia de las Horas, este pasaje se reza todas las noches.

Antes de dejar el mes de agosto, volveremos a la continuación del discurso del "Pan de vida" del Evangelio de Juan. Jesús verá que muchos no están dispuestos a seguir siguiéndolo porque sus enseñanzas son demasiado desafiantes. Les preguntará a los doce: "¿También ustedes quieren irse?" (Jn 6, 67) y San Pedro responderá diciendo "Maestro, ¿a quién iremos? Tu tienes las palabras de la vida eterna. Hemos llegado a creer y estamos convencidos de que Tú eres el Santo de Dios ". (Jn 6: 68-69) San Pedro tiene tanta razón y ahora nos toca a nosotros responder de la misma manera. ¿A quién iremos?

¿Qué piensas?

Diacono Mike Johnsen

One thing that I believe we all share as humans is dreams. Dreams of our future, a vision of having a certain job, or living in a specific location, getting married having kids or remaining single and traveling. We educate ourselves to attain our dreams some formally in school's others through life experiences.

If you're like me, you probably never said, "I want to be a Saint". Many of us know the formal process in the Catholic Church to officially be recognize as a Saint. I speak of the informal process that all of us can strive to achieve sainthood.

Leon Bloy, a French novelist and a fierce defender of Catholicism in the late 1800's, once wrote, "The only real sadness, the only real failure, the *only great tragedy*, is not to become a saint."

You and I have the potential for holiness or sainthood, simply by being what Jesus intended us to be.

Some believe that this holiness I speak of can only be attained by the ordained, some believe that to seek holiness is to be stifled, less free, less themselves. Yet many believe that love will set you free, love of Jesus will define you, love will make you the person you were made to be.

If the thought of becoming a saint, of having your potential as a human being actualized, seems impossible consider the following from Peter Kreeft, "If you will look in your own heart in complete honesty, you must admit that there is one and only one reason why you are not a saint: you do not wholly want to be."

This insight can be terrifying, but it is also an offer, an open door, an invitation to be all that Jesus wants us to be. Each of us can become a saint. We really can.

Deacon Lance Vivet

Una de las cosas que creo todos los humanos compartimos son los sueños. Soñamos con nuestro futuro, la visión de obtener ciertos trabajos, o vivir en lugares específicos, casarnos y tener hijos o quedarnos solteros y viajar. Todos nos educamos para alcanzar nuestros sueños, algunos a través de la educación escolar y otros a través de experiencias de vida. Si eres como yo, probablemente nunca dijiste: "Quiero ser un Santo". Muchos de nosotros conocemos el proceso oficial para ser reconocido Santo en la Iglesia Católica. Yo hablo del proceso informal que todos podemos seguir para alcanzar la santidad. León Bloy, novelista francés y gran defensor del Catolicismo, a finales del año 1800 escribió, "La verdadera tristeza, el verdadero fracaso, la *única gran tragedia*, es el no llegar a la santidad." Tu y yo tenemos el potencial para la santidad o para llegar a ser Santos, simplemente, porque es lo que Nuestro Señor quiere que seamos. Hay personas que creen que para alcanzar la santidad de que hablo tendrán que sacrificar su libertad, dejar de ser quienes son, dejar de ser ellos mismos. Muchos sabemos que el amor libera, que el amor a Jesús define y que a través del amor te convertirás en la persona para la que fuiste creada. Si el pensamiento de ser santo, de tener tu potencial humano actualizado, te parece imposible, considera lo siguiente de Peter Kreeft, "Si honestamente ves dentro de tu corazón, admitirás que sólo hay una razón por la que no eres un santo: realmente no lo deseas."

Este discernimiento puede aterrarnos, pero también es una oferta, una puerta abierta, una invitación a ser todo lo que Jesús quiere que seamos. Cada uno de nosotros podemos llegar a ser santos. Verdaderamente, sí podemos.

Diácono Lance Vivet

LADIES OF ST. CATHERINE NEWS



The Ladies are looking forward to supporting our church & community. Our meeting on July 6th was attended by 22 ladies including 3 new ladies that were checking us out. Any lady over 18 is invited to attend our meetings in the hall on the first Tuesday of the month at our NEW time of 9:30 am. This allows those that want to attend the 8:30 am Mass to come straight to the hall.

RUMMAGE SALE – this is tentatively scheduled for Oct 15 & 16. Drop off will be Oct 14.

DAY OF REFLECTION – we are hoping to schedule a day in the fall with Father. Advent is the theme.

DONUT SUNDAY – Father has said we can start serving donuts again starting Sept 5th. This will be after the 7:30 & 9:00 Masses, as long as we have 2 volunteers for each time frame.

Blessings & Prayers,

Kathy McCormick, President

Happy August Anniversary

We would like to wish all ou Parishioners celebrating a Wedding Anniversary in Augsut a very Blessed & Happy Day.

Happy August Birthday

We would like to wish all of our Parishioners with August Birthdays A Happy and Healthy one! God bless!





VOCATION AWARENESS PRAYER CHALICE

There are still dates available for you to have The Vocation Awareness Prayer Chalice in your home. You can help bring about an awareness and growth of Vocations by participating in this opportunity. Remember that each month is dedicated to a different Mass time. Please call the parish office at 928-636-4071 to schedule your date.

The schedule is: August — 7:30 am September — 9:00 am October — 10:30 am

The Catholic Church dedicates the month of August to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. The Immaculate Heart is often venerated together with the Sacred Heart of Jesus (the devotion we celebrate in June), and with good reason. Just as the Sacred Heart represents Christ's love for mankind, the Immaculate Heart represents the desire of the Blessed Virgin to bring all people to her Son. There is no better example of the Christian life than that offered by Mary. Through the following prayers, which help to deepen our devotion to her Immaculate Heart, we can join the Mother of God in drawing closer to Christ.

In Honor of the Immaculate Heart

O heart of Mary, mother of God, and our mother; heart most worthy of love, in which the adorable Trinity is ever well-pleased, worthy of the veneration and love of all the angels and of all men; heart most like to the Heart of Jesus, of which thou art the perfect image; heart, full of goodness, ever compassionate toward our miseries; deign to melt our icy hearts and grant that they may be wholly changed into the likeness of the Heart of Jesus, our divine Savior. Pour into them the love of thy virtues, enkindle in them that divine fire with which thou thyself dost ever burn. In thee let Holy Church find a safe shelter; protect her and be her dearest refuge, her tower of strength, impregnable against every assault of her enemies. Be thou the way which leads to Jesus, and the channel, through which we receive all the graces needful for our salvation. Be our refuge in time of trouble, our solace in the midst of trial, our strength against temptation, our haven in persecution, our present help in every danger and especially at the hour of death, when all hell shall let loose against us its legions to snatch away our souls, at that dread moment, that hour so full of fear, whereon our eternity depends. Ah, then most tender virgin, make us to feel the sweetness of thy motherly heart, and the might of thine intercession with Jesus, and open to us a safe refuge in that very fountain of mercy, whence we may come to praise Him with thee in paradise, world without end. Amen.

Prayer of Consecration to the Immaculate Heart

Queen of the Most Holy Rosary, and tender Mother of all people, I consecrate myself to your Immaculate Heart, and recommend to you my family, my country, and the whole human race. Please accept my consecration, dearest Mother, and use me as you wish, to accomplish your designs upon the world. O Immaculate Heart of Mary, Queen of Heaven and earth, rule over me, and teach me how to allow the Heart of Jesus to rule and triumph in me and around me, as it has ruled and triumphed in you. Amen.

This Act of Consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary illustrates perfectly the Marian doctrine of the Catholic Church: We do not worship Mary or place her above Christ, but we come to Christ through Mary, as Christ came to us through her.

Kindred Hospice is looking for Patient Visit Volunteers.

This volunteer opportunity requires only one thing: **YOUR HEART.**

Patient Visit Volunteers provide companionship and support through conversation. When you sit and visit this gives the family or caretaker a few moments to themselves. It only requires about 3 or 4 hours of your time per week. There is no lifting, no feeding, and no special care. Just friendly conversation.

Men are especially needed. For more information, please call 928-460-5965



COMING ATTRACTIONS:

We are slowly coming alive....in the next few months we hope to.....

Have an ice cream social, a family movie night, return of the Knights breakfasts, bake sales, more bible studies in the evenings (Thursdays starting in January) but best of all.....Religious education for children, youth and adults.

Our parish is growing and so must our ministries.

During the month of July when you attended the weekend Masses you heard speakers from all of our different ministries. Please consider joining one of the many ministries in our parish to help with our growth.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 11827
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August 2021 Newsletter

The Knights of Columbus is a separate 501c3 organization and are not part of and not acting on behalf of the parish or Arch/Diocese.

Hello to all the Knights and Parishioners of St Catherine Laboure Church. Since our last meeting in July, the Council voted to give the Spaghetti Dinner money to the Focus Group. The Council also voted to add \$100 to the pot, making the donation \$1,000.

We also voted in our July meeting on our Scholarship award. The vote was unanimous and the scholarship of \$2,000 was awarded to Nayeli Saldana. Nayeli is a student at Yavapai Collage and plans to transfer to Oregon State to finish in Veterinary Medicine. Good Luck Nayeli!

We are in Recruitment mode this month and we're looking for a **"Few Good Men"**. So, If you're between 18 and 118 years of age and want to help the Parish and Community, here's your chance. The Knights of Columbus want **YOU**. This is a chance for men at any age to give back.

The Knights still have "Rose of Life" auto decals which will be sold after each mass in August until they are gone. We have collected well over \$900 in donations and we're not done yet. The Rose of Life is a State wide initiative supporting the purchase of ultra sound machines for Pro-Life Woman's Health Clinics. Donations are being accepted for a "Rose of Life" decal and any donation would be appreciated.

Knights with August Birthdays:

Ruben Verner, Louis Viola and Tony Arcaro – Happy 39 to all...

The Knight's monthly meeting is on the 1st Thursday of the month. Mass will be in the chapel at 6 pm with rosary afterwards. Our meeting will start at 7 pm in the hall. God Bless all the parishioners of St. Catherine Laboure.

Vivat Jesus!

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*Special Prayer for
 Father Fred*



O God our Father, mercifully

hear our prayer as we venerate Your servant, Saint Lucy, for the light You gave her. Shed Your light in our souls, O Lord, that we may be able to avoid evil, do good, and hate nothing so much as the blindness and darkness of evil and sin.

Relying on your goodness, O God we humbly ask You through the intercession of Saint Lucy, to strengthen Father Fred's eyesight and to protect him from any loss of vision.

May Father Fred's eyes serve for Your greater honor and glory and the salvation of all, that we may come to enjoy together the unfailing light of the Lamb of God in Paradise.

O Saint Lucy, Virgin and Martyr, hear our prayer and obtain our petitions. Amen.

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**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
 BLOOD DRIVE**

The Knights of Columbus had its most successful blood drive in all the years we have held them. We had 48 successful donors who contributed 57 products of blood..(That's what they call it). Thanks to all who donated and the Knights Bob Molina, Larry Cox, Paul Diemer, Steve Dinneen, and Mike Paquette for organizing the drive.

Larry Cox

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Pastoral Council News

We the community of St. Catherine Laboure, empowered by the Holy Spirit will strive to serve the Gospel message in reaching out as the Body of Christ to serve our brothers and sisters—

The Parish Council held elections in July and Joann French was elected as your new Parish Council President. It was my honor to serve as the Parish Council President for the last 2 years. In July, our members gave a podium speech about our ministry on the Parish Council. Our wonderful community listened and responded as we were able to recruit 3 new members. Joyce Ford has stepped down and I want to thank her for all the hard work she has done for this council. We will have a complete list of our members in our next newsletter.

Territorial Days is coming up in September. We will be having a booth set up in the park to promote our parish. Attendance at all Masses has increased as people are returning to worship together. The ladies are going to have coffee and doughnuts on Sundays beginning in September. The Knights may be having a breakfast in October.

I do want to remind everyone that Covid 19 protocols should be observed. Covid cases are still being reported and there has been an increase in cases in our county.

Safe environment training renewal is now available on-line at <https://phoenix.cmgconnect.org> If you do not have access to renew on-line, please contact the church office for an appointment to complete the renewal. This is mandatory for all volunteers.

Thank you Your past president Len Rechichar

Claretians...Continued from page 1

The Claretians' initial commitment for 1 year turned into their vital building of the Church and her people in the San Antonio area for 75 years. As the diocese states today in their panel on the Claretians in the Cathedral's small museum, the Claretians "shaped the Church's mission through wars, the Great Depression, times of prosperity, and prepared the way for the 21st century." Those initial three Claretians also set the foundation for the official U.S. Province of the Claretian Missionaries. Our numbers grew as our predecessors swiftly made their way across the country to serve and to deepen the role of the Catholic Church in the United States. From Texas, the Claretians were called to minister in California, Arizona, and then to Illinois with an eye always to the needs of Mexican immigrants. As more local Americans joined the Claretians, the pastoral work expanded to include Catholic publishing, campus ministry, and many other works of evangelization in states across the country. The Claretians came to Chicago in 1925, built a new church to establish Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish and the National Shrine of St. Jude, and began the St. Jude League in 1929 to foster devotion to this Apostle who is the Patron Saint of Hope. The St. Jude League provides the path for petitions of need and gratitude to be delivered directly to the altar of St. Jude at the National Shrine. As in all the decades past, we place the people's intentions at the altar weekly, and offer the requests in our Masses and our prayers. Claretians have been serving in Canada since 1955.

Who are the Claretians in the Roman Catholic Church?

The Claretians, formally the Congregation of Missionaries, Sons of the Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Latin: Congregatio Missionariorum Filiorum Immaculati Cordis Beatae Mariae Virginis; abbreviation C.M.F. for Cordis Mariae Filii), are a community of Roman Catholic priests and brothers,...

Where did the Claretians live in Los Angeles?

From 1952 to 1977 The Claretians also served from the Theological Seminary of Claretville and Immaculate Heart Claretian novitiate, on the former King Gillette Ranch in Calabasas, located in the Santa Monica Mountains of rural western Los Angeles County.

2 Parishes in Arizona served by the Claretians

SACRED HEART PRESCOTT, AZ

We began our ministry at Sacred Heart—the oldest parish in the Diocese of Phoenix—in 1915. We minister to a diverse range of parishioners, from older Anglo members to younger Hispanic families who come from all around the region to participate in our Spanish services and programs.

ST. CATHERINE LABOURE CHINO VALLEY, AZ

<http://www.stcatherinecv.org/>

This parish started humbly in 1972 with fewer than 20 practicing families and has grown through the years to serve over 500 Catholic families. We have an active parish life and continue to serve the members of the greater community through service and providing funding for special projects.

LIBRARY HOURS

We are very happy to announce that our Parish Library is back in operation thanks to the hard work and dedication of Dennis and Marge Bethke. Stop by on Sundays after the 9:00 am Mass and browse through our many books, videos and religious items. We offer a large selection for both adults and children. Why not pick up a book or video and share it with your family on these rainy days. We have a nice selection of materials on "The Real Presence" come and check them out.



NOTES FROM THE CHOIR LOFT

BACK IN THE CHOIR LOFT

And so it begins...

Returning to my job as parish music director after the pandemic has loosened its hold, I find that I must speak less and listen more. **Less is more.**

I believe in a sacred kinship with those I conduct. Our best music is made in the atmosphere of community; we take what we have and we do the best we can with that. The text makes our music holy. Words are important. With new pieces, we speak the text, we feel the meaning and beauty of those words, and then when we understand those words, we sing them. The words drive the music not the other way around. There's a deep spiritual experience that people find through sacred music. Christopher Capling, Dean of Ripon Episcopal Cathedral says "Music is the perfect sacrament. It's physical, it's in time and yet it's about something else beyond itself.you can say it's emotional because that's part of human nature but ultimately it's spiritual."

Music should create the space in which people can find God and God can find them.

It's clearly the way musicians find the Divine.

We say the *Our Father* prayer often and at every Mass. Perhaps we say a rosary every day but do we truly take that prayer apart, stopping after each phrase to reflect on God's message. As a director of music, I must do exactly that in order to effectively work on our new pieces. It is my responsibility to intimately understand how to direct our music so that the words drive the music. We as musicians in the choir take on shared responsibility to make the best music we can with our Lord's help.

We are what we repeatedly do. Excellence, then, is not an act but a habit. - Aristotle

What an interesting past year without this choir in our church. The cantors did a fabulous job keeping sacred music alive but they also know that collaboration in choral singing elevates our music more than when we sing as soloists. That community effort truly deepens our faith.

I invite you to attend a choir rehearsal on Wednesdays at 6 PM in the church. Let music deepen and nourish your faith.

May the peace of Christ always be alive in your hearts.

Therese

Therese Holladay Music Director 760-525-7233 mobile music.stcathlab@gmail.com

HOLY FAMILY MINISTRY

It's August and it looks like summer is trying to wind down, but it seems that the temperature gauge is stuck on the high readings. The one blessing is the rainfall, that comes later in the day & cools everything down, & we sure need all the moisture we can receive. Holy Family Ministry, would like to report that 374 blessed cards were taken in June to celebrate Father Fred's ordination. The response was overwhelming, which goes to show that when a card is given for any occasion, or just letting that person(s) know your thinking of them, is a personal touch that no email or text can ever replace. So, we will be doing this again next year.

Last month Holy Family Ministry was able to hold our Vacation Bible School since July of 2019. It was only a one day event, but the response was very good. We had 38 children who attended. The morning started off with snacks, a skit, & music. Then off to the different stations to learn how to be a strong warrior for Christ, which by the way was the theme for this year..... A Warrior for Christ. We finished off the morning with lunch, music, & of course, a picture of all the children who attended. We at Holy Family Ministry are looking forward to having the four days of fun & learning next year in July.

Well, that's all I have to report for this month, so enjoy the rest of the summer, stay safe, & try to keep cool!!

See you next month! God's Blessing Be With All of You

Sharlia Hartness

Are you considering petitioning for an annulment of a previous marriage?

An annulment should be petitioned if: ...you are a divorced Catholic who wishes to remarry in the Catholic Church ...you are a divorced Catholic who has already married outside the Catholic Church ...you are a divorced non-Catholic who would like to marry a Catholic ...you are a divorced non-Catholic who is married to a Catholic outside the Catholic Church. The Phoenix Diocesan website has all the information and guidance you need to begin the process: www.diocesetribunal.org/en/home. If you desire to go forward, please feel free to contact one of our Nullity Ministers here at St. Catherine Laboure: Deacon Michael Holmes, Roxanne Speer, or Fr. Fred LeClaire

Deacon Michael Holmes — Roxanne Speer 619-820-9679 or nullity@stcatherinecv.org — Fr. Fred LeClaire

August 2021 Mass Intentions † for the Repose of the soul “Int.” = for the intentions of

<p>Sunday, Aug. 1, 2021 7:30 am † Jack Whiteman 9:00 am People of St. Catherine 10:30 am Roberto Nava—Int <u>Monday, Aug. 2, 2021@ 8:30 am</u> For the Holy Souls in Thanksgiving for prayers Answered <u>Tuesday, Aug. 3, 2021@ 8:30 am</u> † Andy Anderson <u>Wednesday, Aug. 4, 2021@ 8:30 am</u> Arayah Dungca—Int <u>Thursday, Aug. 5, 2021@ 8:30 am</u> Terry Johnsen —Int. <u>Friday, Aug. 6, 2021@ 8:30 am</u> † Wayne Strausbaugh <u>Saturday, Aug. 7, 2021</u> 9:00 am † Ronald Gowey 5:00 pm † Jim Demme <u>Sunday, Aug. 8, 2021</u> 7:30 am † Deceased members of Fitzhenry & Duncan families 9:00 am Scott & Katie Napp — Int 10:30 am People of St. Catherine <u>Monday, Aug. 9, 2021@ 8:30 am</u> Joe & Ann Delgado — Int <u>Tuesday, Aug. 10, 2021@ 8:30 am</u> David Wolfley — Int.</p>	<p><u>Wednesday, Aug. 11, 2021@ 8:30 am</u> Bob & Linda Schachere—Int <u>Thursday, Aug. 12, 2021@ 8:30 am</u> Al & Anita Wittal — Int. <u>Friday, Aug. 13, 2021@ 8:30 am</u> † Harlan Williams <u>Saturday, Aug. 14, 2021</u> 5:00 pm People of St. Catherine <u>Sunday, Aug. 15, 2021</u> 7:30 am Matthew & Diane Sharp — Int 9:00 am Margaret Molina — Int 10:30 am Mike & Bobette Klotz — Int <u>Monday, Aug. 16, 2021@ 8:30 am</u> Butch & Carmen Areninaz — Int <u>Tuesday, Aug. 17, 2021@ 8:30 am</u> Al & Anita Wittal — Int. <u>Wednesday, Aug. 18, 2021@ 8:30 am</u> Mary Cuda — Int <u>Thursday, Aug. 19, 2021@ 8:30 am</u> For the Holy Souls in Thanksgiving for prayers Answered <u>Friday, Aug. 20, 2021@ 8:30 am</u> Linda Hill — Int <u>Saturday, Aug. 21, 2021</u> 5:00 pm † Patricia Landerway</p>	<p><u>Sunday, Aug. 22, 2021</u> 7:30 am Margaret Mitchell —Int. 9:00 am † Hoben & Kailo Delgado 10:30 am People of St. Catherine <u>Monday, Aug. 23, 2021@ 8:30 am</u> No Mass <u>Tuesday, Aug. 24, 2021@ 8:30 am</u> No Mass <u>Wednesday, Aug. 25, 2021@ 8:30 am</u> No Mass <u>Thursday, Aug. 26, 2021@ 8:30 am</u> No Mass <u>Friday, Aug. 27, 2021@ 8:30 am</u> No Mass <u>Saturday, Aug. 28, 2021</u> 5:00 pm † Adam Hernandez <u>Sunday, Aug. 29, 2021</u> 7:30 am The Scott Family 9:00 am People of St. Catherine 10:30 am Mike & Bobette Klotz—Int <u>Monday, Aug. 30, 2021@ 8:30 am</u> The Clausen Family <u>Tuesday, Aug. 31, 2021@ 8:30 am</u> † Adam Hernandez</p>
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An Invitation to Parishioners from the Altar Society:
Floral arrangements for the altar can be done “in loving memory of” or for “a special occasion” and this will be listed in the monthly newsletter and announced at the weekend Masses..
The donation for the flowers is set at \$25.00.
An Altar Flower Coordinator has been designated to help you reserve an available date to provide flowers for the altar.
The process starts with a phone call to Terry Johnsen. For Information call 713-3219.

Altar Flowers for the Month of July.

Aug. 7/8 – In Loving Memory of Jimmy Carbajal 

Aug. 14/15 – In Honor of Eva Sanchez’s quinceañera

Aug. 21/22 – In Loving Memory of Tom Mercer

Aug. 28/29 – In Loving Memory of Duane Hartness

The family of Adam Hernandez would like to thank everyone for their prayers, love, and support during their time of grieving. May God Bless each of you.
Marie Carbajal & Jon Hernandez

Eternal Rest Grant Unto Them O Lord, and May Perpetual Light Shine Upon Them:

Adam Hernandez
Robert (Andy) Anderson
Jose Trujillo
Ray Tellez



JUST COFFEE

For those hot summer days add a little ice to your coffee and if you add chocolate, you have an iced mocha.

I will continue to sell coffee on the 3rd Saturday and Sunday of the month, but as always you can call me during the month.



Cathy Clark/9286362728

Parish Newsletter

Starting in September, we will only be mailing newsletters to those who specifically request a paper copy. You can request to be included in that list by emailing the office at office@stcatherinecv.org or by phone 928-636-4071. Those who do not request a mailed copy will be able to read current bulletins, newsletters, and other important information on the parish website at <https://www.stcatherinecv.org/>.



Linens for August –
Linda Hill

PRAYER WARRIORS

Dear Prayer Warriors,

Our special intentions for the month of August are:

All students returning to school may be given the opportunities to learn from the "old" curriculum, instead of the the damaging topics currently being taught in many schools across the U.S.

School administrators, community leaders, and all of us become pro-active in the war against drugs.

We recently had been asked to pray for:

Adam Hernandez, Marie Carbajal's son, and my husband, Andy; may their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace

Friend, who lost her husband after many years, and is deeply grieving for peace, and acceptance.

Sister, who has an irregular heartbeat and is undergoing oblations.

Warrior, who was in Mayo Clinic with pneumonia, and possible sepsis.

Warrior, who has various health problems.

Warrior, who is having cancerous lesions removed for complete recovery.

Friend, who was just in an ATV accident.

Sister-in-law, who has kidney cancer, undergoing chemo treatments, for strength. peace, and healing.

For all our Parishioners who are ill; for those who are concerned about their health and continue to watch Mass at home.

Close friend, who has had a brain bleed, seizure, and is now in a coma, for complete recovery. It may take a miracle, but then, our prayers are powerful!!

Warriors' daughter-in-law, who will have her baby induced this morning; for an easy birth & good health for both.

Friend, who has severe cardiac conditions.

Warrior, who recently had an MRI for correct diagnosis, and treatment.

Sister-in-law, who has severe auto-immune diseases which are causing severe pain, and disabilities, now affecting her heart and lungs; for peace, freedom from pain, and acceptance.

Close friend, unemployed for several years - success in upcoming job interview.

All those in need of prayer.

Please send in your prayer requests, and I'll send them out promptly.

We are in need of Ministers to help serve our growing community. Please consider being a "blessing" to others and joining one of our Ministries. The salary is tax free, and the benefits are amazing!!

Mary Anderson; Prayer Warrior

THINGS ARE CHANGING.....

The cabinets and counters along with the large bulletin board have all been removed from the vestibule area of our church. Statues have been repositioned and the carpet has been cleaned. In the coming weeks you will see a few more changes to this area. There will be wall mounted holders for copies of our monthly bulletin and newsletter along with forms for new parishioners to fill out.

The wicker baskets for donations will be replaced with locked boxes mounted on the walls of both the chapel and vestibule areas. This will allow those attending Mass to either place their donations into the boxes before or after Mass.

Any religious items that you have received in the mail and would like to share with others, we ask that you please bring them to the library and place them into the cloth bag hanging there.

Father Fred will continue to hear confessions in the chapel and the old confessional room will now be the place to find worship aids, rosaries and other items. Please do not leave anything that has not been approved by the office in there.

We ask that you please help to keep the vestibule area clean and to keep it an area where we prepare ourselves for Mass. Father needs a few moments of quiet time to pray and prepare for Mass. Please visit with father only after Mass outside of the church doors.

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Exaltation of the Immaculate Heart of Mary

Queen of the Most Holy Rosary, in this tragic hour of the world's history, we entrust and consecrate ourselves to your Immaculate Heart, our only refuge, our hope, our salvation. Have pity on this world, torn by the most terrible conflicts, burning with the fires of hate, victim of its own sins. May your heart be moved at the sight of so much ruin, pain and sorrow.

We consecrate to your maternal heart our persons, our families, our country and the whole of humanity. Protect and save us!

O Heart of Mary, source of true love, fill our selfish hearts with divine charity and with that true brotherly love without which there can never be peace. Grant that men and nations may understand and fulfill the precept of your Divine Son,

LOVE ONE ANOTHER,

in order that true peace may be firmly established in the Justice and Truth of Christ.

Amen.

We do not worship Mary or place her above Christ, but we come to Christ through Mary, as Christ came to us through her.

