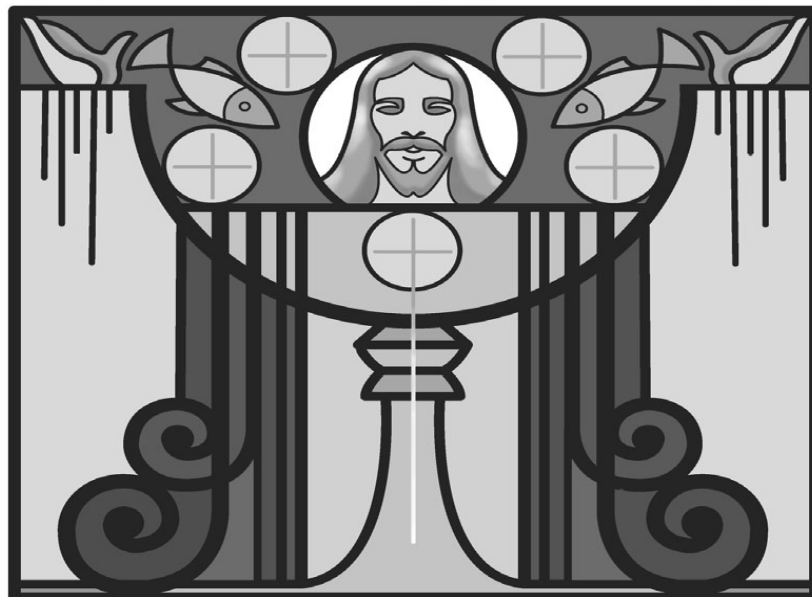


May 29, 2016

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

GIVE THEM SOME FOOD



YOURSELVES



ST. CATHERINE

OF SIENA ST. LUCY

PASTORAL TEAM

Rev. George Omwando, Pastor
Rev. John J. Carolan, Pastor Emeritus
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Ms. Gail Rohmann, Music Director
Sr. Marion Cypser, RSM, School Co-Principal &
Mrs. Sharon Leamy, School Co-Principal

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Saturday 9:00 AM—4:30 PM; Sunday 8:30 AM—12:00 PM

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Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday at 4:00 PM to 4:30 PM; or by appointment.

Weddings:

Please contact a parish priest to set a wedding date. Allow at least 6 months for preparation.

Baptisms:

Baptism of infants and young children is celebrated on the 1st and 3rd weekends of the month. Parents are asked to attend a Baptism preparation session/class prior to the ceremony. Please call the rectory to register for the preparation and set a baptismal date.

RCIA

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a sacramental process, celebrated in the midst of this Faith Community. This process assists adults, as well as children over the age of 7, in learning about the Catholic Faith. Through its witness, worship, service, and teaching our Faith Community offers the invitation and support necessary for initiation into the Catholic Church.

Ministry to the Sick, Hospitalized and Shut Ins:

Please notify the Parish Office so that we can visit and minister to your confined loved-ones.

Newcomers:

Please fill out a registration form after Mass, or come by the Rectory Office during the week.

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

WE THE PARISHIONERS OF ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA-ST. LUCY PARISH, SEEK TO DEEPEN OUR RELATIONSHIPS WITH GOD AND TO CELEBRATE GOD'S PRESENCE IN WORD AND SACRAMENT. BY ACCEPTING ALL INTO OUR FAMILY WE SEEK UNITY IN CHRIST AND SEEK TO PROCLAIM HIS GOOD NEWS IN THE DISCIPLESHIP OF OUR LIVES.

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS:

Parish Pastoral Council

Madonna Sloan and Joyce Wade,
Co-Chairs

Parish Finance Council

John McGuire

Spiritual Life Commission

Faith & Fellowship:

Connie Rakifan

Liturgy Committee:

Cantors: Gail Rohmann

Celebration Choir: Gail Rohmann

Praise Choir: Julius White

Greeters & Ushers: Jim Lewis

Ministers of the Eucharist:

Jeanne Visteen

Ministers of the Word:

Jeanne Visteen

Servers: James Hargadon

Ministers of Care: James Hargadon

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

(RCIA): James Hargadon

Women's Ministry: Shelby Boblick

Human Concerns Commission

Peace & Justice Committee:

Mary Sim & Martin Senica

Transportation Committee:

Tom Farwell

Education Commission

Baptism Committee: James Hargadon

Bible Study: Russ McCaughey

Religious Education of Children:

Christine Wedekind

St. Catherine/St. Lucy School:

Principal: Sr. Marion Cypser

School Board Chair: Gloria Baxter

Parish Development & Services Commission

Collection Counters: Carol Kallok

Facilities Committee:

Fr. George Omwando,

Amanda Pomareda

Fundraising Committee:

Pat Nelson / Cynthia Weaver



WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday Masses:

Monday through Friday - 8:30am

Saturday - 9:00am

Weekend Masses:

Saturday Evening - 5:00pm

Sunday Morning - 8:30 & 10:30am

BEQUESTS

PLEASE consider remembering our parish in your will or trust. We have been blessed in the past by the generosity of so many parishioners and I am hopeful this will continue into the future.

-Father George

Thoughts from the Pastor



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

It is my joy to let you know that Fr. Dennis Stafford has been appointed the administrator of the parish from July 1, 2016 through December, 2016. Fr. Dennis is very excited to be the administrator while I am gone. My sabbatical will last for six months and after the sabbatical, I will resume my duties here in the parish.

Fr. Dennis has served as associate pastor at St. Anne, Barrington (1991-1996) and St. Mary of Vernon, Indian Creek (1996-1997), administrator at St. Dismas, Waukegan (1997) and resident at St. Denis (1998). He was administrator (1998) and then pastor of St. Emily, Mount Prospect (1999-2005). He resided at St. Raymond de Penafort, Mount Prospect (2006-2010) and Holy Cross, Deerfield (2010-2013) while serving as teacher and baseball coach at Montini High School, Lombard (2006-2007) and director of diaconate formation at the University of St. Mary of the Lake (2007-2013). He was pastor of St. John, Twin Lakes, and St. Alphonsus, New Munster, both in Wisconsin (2013- 2014) and associate pastor at St. Theresa, Palatine 2014 to the present.

Meanwhile, our Archdiocese is going through changes what with merging of parishes and finding out the best way of serving our people. We are living in a tough environment with ever-dwindling financial resources, change of population, aged buildings, etc.

I am sure change will come and we need to be prepared on how to receive these changes. One of the changes I envision is the sharing of the resources amongst our parishes. These resources may be personnel, finances, buildings etc. I have said repeatedly that any change should be aimed at reducing the payroll expenses but at the same time the quality of our programs should not be reduced!

We will need to put forth all of our efforts in addressing these exercises in change. I am not sure how the exercises will proceed in my absence but I will address this in the proper settings before departing for my sabbatical. Settings like: Parish Pastoral Council, Finance Council and Staff will be informed. Meanwhile, our school is also going through a rigorous exercise from the Archdiocese known as "turning around." The goal is to reorganize schools to reflect the modern changes that are consistent with our Faith.

Today we celebrate the Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ. This solemnity calls us to focus on two manifestations of the Body of Christ: the Holy Eucharist and the Church. The primary focus, however, is on the Eucharist. The Opening Prayer at Mass calls our attention to Jesus' suffering and death and our worship of Him, especially in the Eucharist. The Church is called the Body of Christ because of the intimate communion which Jesus shares with his disciples. May the Body and Blood of Christ, strengthen our faith!

Rev. George O. Omwando

Facility Requests Forms for our 2016-2017 Calendar

By now you must have received St. Catherine St. Lucy requests forms. We are asking all parish organizational leaders and chair persons whose events are placed into our *St. Catherine-St. Lucy Facility Calendar* to please submit their 2016-2017 events & activities in writing on our **Facility Request Form** to the rectory no later than **Monday, June 20, 2016**. You can also find these



forms at the Rectory. If you have any questions, please call

Amanda at 708-386-8077 during office hours. Thanks!

SABBATICAL OK, What is it?

Originally one would say a "sabbatical year" which refers to a Mosaic law among the ancient Jews. According to the law, every seven years the land and vineyards were to remain fallow and debtors were released from their obligations (Exodus 23:10, Leviticus 25:2-7; Deuteronomy 15:1-11). The land and individuals were refreshed, renewed.

Now we say sabbatical to refer to a period of time "away" for prayer, study, perhaps travel, and then a return to the regular duties of life.

Thank you!! Rice Bowl

Catholic Relief Services would like to thank the generosity of the St. Catherine of Siena-St. Lucy community. The collected funds will go towards helping to promote the mission of CRS in the greater world. We collected \$420.00.

Fed by the Lord

Jesus' words "This is my body" and "This cup is the new covenant in my blood" were only part of his table blessing. Jesus twice said: "Do this in remembrance of me" (1 Corinthians 11:24, 25).

This is the good news of today's solemnity. Like the five thousand hungry souls, we are fed by our Lord. This is not food that satisfies for only a short time, until the next meal. It is food that lasts and changes us. It is food for sharing in much the same way as Melchizedek did when he brought bread and wine to the returning Abraham.

As children of God's reign, we are blessed to be able to receive and share God's gift. And we do so in the way most appropriate to our state in life—as parents, children, husbands, wives, or religious.

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500 Club Certificates

Have you purchased 500 Club certificates for the current season? Certificates are \$25 each and your certificate number(s) will be included in every weekly drawing for one year, even if already selected. Most weekends the drawing is for \$25 but there are three \$500 drawings during the year. **The next \$500 winner will be weekend: June 4-5.** Certificates can be purchased at the rectory or by mail. Application forms are available in the church vestibule. Many thanks!

~ The Fundraising Committee

500 CLUB WINNER

\$25.00—May 29, 2016

CAROL KALLOK,

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The Rectory will be closed on Monday, May 30th due to the **Memorial Day Holiday**. It will re-open on Tuesday, May 31st.

Mass on Memorial Day here at St. Catherine- St. Lucy is at 9:00 AM.

Calendar Notes

Tuesday, May 31

- 9:30 AM - Bible Study - RRT
- 2:30—6:00 PM - Day Care - C
- 10:00 AM-12 PM - Voice Lessons - CH
- 7:00-9:00 PM - Praise Choir - MMR

Wednesday, June 1

- 9:30-11:AM— KinderGRADPractice - CH
- 11:00 AM-1:00 PM - Organ Lessons - CH
- 1:30-2:15 PM - Graduation Practice - CH
- 2:30—6:00 PM - Day Care - C
- 7:30-9:00 PM - Celebration Choir - CH

Thursday, June 2

- 1:15—2:25PM - KinderGRADPractice - CH
- 2:30—6:00 PM - Day Care - C
- 4:00 - 9:00 PM - Voice Lessons - CH
- 6-8 PM - A.A. - RD

Friday, June 3

- 1:15—2:15PM - KinderGRADPractice - CH
- 2:30—6:00 PM - Day Care - C
- 7PM - 8th Grade Graduation Ceremony -CH

Saturday, June 4

- 9:30 AM - Rosary Group - CH
- 12:30 PM - Ugandan Celebration - M

Save the Date

Saturday, July 9
Donut Day
(Pilgrim Church)


Wednesday, July 21 - 7PM
White Sox Game Outing

Mass Intentions for the Week

- Mon. May 30**
 8:30 † **Patsy Kernan**
 By: Ministry of Care
- Tue. May 31**
 † **Yogi Berra**
 By: Tom and Pat Nelson
- Wed. June 1**
 8:30 † **Alexander Schramm**
 By: Ministry of Care
- Fri. June 3**
 8:30 † **Jerome Russo**
 By: Ministry of Care
- Sat. June 4**
 9:00 † **Carmen Moscoso**
 By: Ministry of Care
 5:00 † **Gene Salome**
 By: Evie Stockinger
- Sun. June 5**
 8:30 † **Maria Carr**
 By: Cynthia Weaver
 10:30 † **Mary Blicharz**
 By: A Friend

Our Parish Stewardship

St. Catherine-St. Lucy Church



May 22, 2016	\$ 5,506.00
On-Line GiveCentral	\$ 322.00
Weekly Budget	\$ 7,308.00
Amount Under Budget	\$ <1,480.00>

Online donations can be made to St. Catherine-St. Lucy Parish at www.givecentral.org

Thanks for your continued financial support!

Today's Readings

First Reading — Melchizedek, the king of Salem and a priest of God Most High, brought out bread and wine and blessed Abram (Genesis 14:18-20).
Psalm — You are a priest forever, in the line of Melchizedek (Psalm 110).
Second Reading — Paul gives his description of the institution of the Eucharist (1 Corinthians 11:23-26).
Gospel — Jesus speaks to the crowd about the kingdom of God and then feeds them with five loaves and two fish (Luke 9:11b-17).

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Readings for the Week

- Monday: 2 Pt 1:2-7; Ps 91:1-2, 14-16; Mk 12:1-2
 Tuesday: Zep 3:14-18 or Rom 12:9-16; Is 12:2-3, 4bcd-6; Lk 1:39-56
 Wednesday: 2 Tm 1:1-3, 6-12; Ps 123:1b-2; Mk 12:18-27
 Thursday: 2 Tm 2:8-15; Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-10, 14; Mk 12:28b-34
 Friday: Ez 34:11-16; Ps 23:1-6; Rom 5:5b-11; Lk 15:3-7
 Saturday: 2 Tm 4:1-8; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-8abcd; Lk 2:41-51
 Sunday: 1 Kgs 17:17-24; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13; Gal 1:11-19; Lk 7:11-17

LITURGICAL MINISTERS JUNE 5, 2016

<u>5:00 PM</u>	<u>8:30 AM</u>	<u>10:30 AM</u>
<u>Altar Servers</u>		
Mrs. Kathy Paoli Mr. Michael Stec	Mr. Walter Washington	Leslie and Michelle Agbefe Grace McGuire

Ministers of the Word

Dan Brown	Ginny Jones	Bro. J. Kilikevics
Paul Knight	Renee Smith-Quinn	Terry Sullivan

Ministers of the Eucharist

Jack Kernan	Elaine Podraza	Shelby Boblick
Carol Brown	Renee Smith-Quinn	Mary Howard
Susan Kumler	Bill Cragg	Jon McGuire
Pat Koko	Gordon Bell	Kim McGuire
	Kevin Kell	Scarlet Evans
	Kathy Mortell	Bill Holmes

Saints and Special Observances

- Sunday: The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ
 Monday: Ninth Week in Ordinary Time; Memorial Day
 Tuesday: The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
 Wednesday: St. Justin
 Thursday: Ss. Marcellinus and Peter
 Friday: The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus; First Friday
 Saturday: The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary; First Saturday

Our Living Word: For Reflection

Take time each week to reflect upon the CURRENT Sunday's Scripture. We are fed by the Word so we can live out the Word.

MAY 29, 2016 - THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

- # I help others grow in their self-awareness as the Body of Christ when I . . .
- # A time I was abundantly satisfied through serving others was . . .

Each week "introductions" to the 1st and 2nd Readings for the Upcoming Sunday are offered. Their sole purpose is to help us all of us "receive" and "hear" the word of God.

JUNE 5, 2016—10TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIMES

First Reading: 1 Kings 17:17-24
The prophet Elijah lived about 800 years before Christ. After predicting a drought which did, in fact, take place, God directed him to the pagan city of Zarephath. There, despite a severe famine, a widow provided food for him for a year. This reading picks up from there.

Second Reading: Galatians 1:11-19
Galatia was a Roman province in central Turkey, where Paul had preached the Gospel. This reading is autobiographical. Paul defends his teaching, pointing out that he did not receive the Gospel secondhand but directly from the Risen Jesus.

New Pew Card

A new addition has been added to our pews. Look in the book rack and you will see a white card. It's a new PEW CARD. Please read it. If we want to be a parish that welcomes our children, let's put this into practice.

Children are the church now, not just in the future. We all need to welcome them and be catechists for them.

Praying for the Sick In Our Parish



Winifred Ballew, Nellie Baker, Matthew Balbuena, Richard Bongiorno, Jr., Fr. John Carolan, Lillian Czaplicki, Anabelle and Dale Deaton, Andrea Edwards, Joseph Fitzer, Vincent Gorman, Donna Kanapes, Maggie Kearns, Virginia Keenan, Paul Koko, Dolores Malkowski, Ronald Norman, Margaret Onchoke, Scarlett Evans-Perez, Joyce Proce, Gloria Vaughn, and Marguerite Welch .

The name of your close relative will remain on this list for four weeks. After that, you will have to call us again to reinstate it into the list.

If you wish to include a name of a sick member of your family here, please call Amanda at the rectory during office hours. Thank you.

Communion & Anointing of the Sick

Please call the Rectory at 708-386-8077 to let us know if you or a member of your family is in need of the sacrament of anointing of the sick or would like to have Holy Communion brought to your house or nursing home or both.

Remember a Loved One

"The Holy Mass would be of greater profit if people had it offered in their lifetime, rather than having it celebrated for the relief of their souls after death." -Pope Benedict XV

We have **weekday** Masses available in our 2016 Mass Book. Please come to the Rectory for Masses. Remember your loved ones or any other special occasion.

And Let It Begin With Me...

Unless it extends the circle of its compassion to all living things, humanity will not itself find peace.

—Michael Nagler

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School News

- # Graduation for the Class of 2016 is this Friday, June 3, at 7pm in church.
- # Last Wednesday, the Big Shoulders Foundation was here to present the school with the Croghan Award. This award is given to only one school in the Archdiocese each year. It was based on our growth in test scores last year, as well as the dedication and commitment of our faculty.
- # We have received a small grant from the Raskob foundation to create an outdoor play area for our younger students. We'll keep you updated as we finalize the plans.
- # The end of our school year is almost here. Our Kindergarten Achievement Ceremony is June 7 at 10am. The rest of the school will receive their honors on June 8, the last day of school.

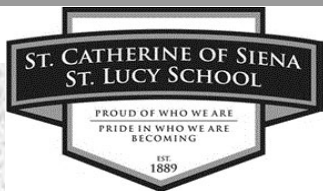


**Every Tuesday at
9:30 am here at St.
Catherine of Siena-
St. Lucy's Rectory.**

"Table Talk" for families ("Table Talk" for families) ("Families" are what you define family to be!)

This "talk" is based upon the Gospel from Luke (9:11-17) Food images are associated with the kingdom of God throughout the Gospel.

1. How does this challenge me (us) today to extend the abundance of God?
2. When have I (we) felt that we have reached the limits, like the apostles, wanting to dismiss whatever is left?



Congratulations Graduating Class of 2016

St. Catherine of Siena - St. Lucy School will be graduating thirty-three students on June 3rd in Church at 7pm. This is one of our largest classes in recent years. We take great pride in their accomplishments and achievements. In addition to the various scholarships from the perspective high schools, students have also been awarded scholarships from the Daniel Murphy Foundation, the Fr. Walsh Foundation, Link, and Hightsight. The following is a list of our graduates:

Micah Alexander	Amari Sanders
Shadeja Blake	Ashanti Simon
JaVary Germany	Rashaad Simpson
Brettany Gilliard	Nayanna Smith
Kennedy Hampton	Erion Spann
Alexzandra Lewis-Smith	Jamilyah Taylor
Taniah Mc Bride	Jamiyah Taylor
Ismael Mc Fall	Jordan Toney
Joshua Means	Robert Torres
Demetrius Osborne	

Donut Day at Oak Park Farmer's Market – July 9, 2016

Once again our parish will be selling donuts during the Farmer's Market at Pilgrim Congregational Church. Our sale date is Saturday, July 9, 2016 from 7am-1pm. The annual donut sale is a very successful fund raiser for our parish.

We need your assistance with the many tasks needed to sell the warm fresh donuts. Please consider volunteering for just a couple hours on that Saturday morning to help us reach our goal. If you can help or have any questions please contact Jeanette Cannon at patnette@comcast.net, or call her at: 708 383-0579 or Pierre Priestley at p.priestley@att.net or 708-369-3347

Take me out to the Ballgame!

Chicago White Sox vs. Detroit Tigers

Wednesday, July 21

**Game Time - 7:10 p.m.
Cost - \$24 each**

Tickets will be on sale after Masses beginning June 11-12, in time for Father's Day.

Vocations

"You give them something to eat."
Do these words of Christ challenge you to give your all for Him as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Call Father Francis Bitterman 312-534-8298, or write: fbitterman@archchicago.org

Pray For Our Deceased



*Mary Jo Tucker
May she rest in peace!*

And also for:



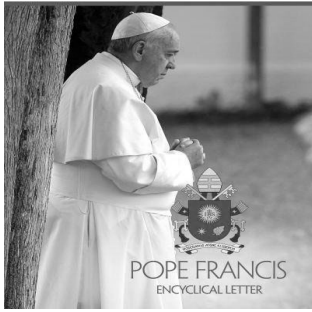
*Kathleen (Kate)
Cousineau*

Sister of Madonna Sloan and Virginia (Ginny) Jones

*May the angels lead
Kathleen into Paradise!*



ON CARE FOR OUR
COMMON HOME
LAUDATO SI'



Women from Chicago's west side and the western suburbs are invited to join weekly summer conversations about our Common Home

"Praise be to you, my Lord, through our Sister, Mother Earth, who sustains and governs us, and who produces various fruit with coloured flowers and herbs".

This summer treat yourself to some reading and conversation about our Common Home. Pope Francis released his encyclical "Laudato Si" one year ago. It is a compelling and careful intertwining of spiritual perspective with care of our physical earth and all its inhabitants.

"Laudato Si" offers a compelling, eloquent and reasoned appeal to a new way of understanding, an inspiring call on humanity to use reason and faith to create a world in which the economy is once again bound by the common good, and in which the common good embraces the reverence for the physical Earth and other species.

Shelby Boblick will facilitate the conversations and will supply the relevant passages each week. No need to prepare in advance. If you want your own hard copy of the encyclical, it can be printed on your own computer from:

[http://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/encyclicals/documents/papa-francesco_20150524](http://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/encyclicals/documents/papa-francesco_20150524_)

[_enciclica-laudato-si.html](#) Alternatively, it is available used from amazon.com for less than \$10.

We'll focus on a different section each week. It matters not at all if you miss a week or several weeks. You are most welcome to join us as and when your schedule permits. Drop-ins are encouraged!

We'll offer duplicate sessions each Monday: one at 1 p.m. and another at 7:30 p.m. Please join us at whichever time suits you and your life. No need to come at the same time each Monday.

Monday, June 6: Introduction – Bring a favored picture or photo of a place or person. Please be ready to describe how that place or person has/will experience ecological change.

Monday, June 13: What is Happening to Our Common Home

Monday, June 20: The Gospel of Creation Note: SPECIAL LOCATION: 7 Elizabeth Court, Oak Park, IL

Monday, June 27: The Human Roots of the Ecological Crisis

Monday, July 11: Integral Ecology

Monday, July 18: Lines of Approach and Action

Monday, July 25: Ecological Education and Spirituality

We'll meet in the 1st floor gathering room (the "dining room") of the St. Catherine—St. Lucy Rectory, 38 N. Austin Blvd., Oak Park, IL.

Please join us! Questions or concerns...call Shelby Boblick at 630-240-2765



Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass

The Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass will be held on Sunday, **September 18, 2016**, at 2:45 PM, at Holy Name Cathedral.

Couples married in 1966 interested in attending this celebration should contact their parish to register.

For further information, call the Marriage and Family Ministries Office at 312.534.8351 or write to: marriageandfamilyministries.org

A YEAR OF MERCY

One Word at a Time

Repent

When we repent, God, who has bound himself to his mercy, cannot refuse to forgive us. Similarly, when a brother or sister offends us and repents, we must forgive them, because we are sons and daughters of our merciful Father. *"If another disciple sins, you must rebuke the offender, and if there is repentance, you must forgive."* (Luke 17:3)

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More on Pope Francis's vision at:
www.loyolapress.com/popefrancis



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We understand that most transactions today are done electronically. We want to provide you with that same convenient option at church.

You can go directly to our website: www.stcatherinestlucy.org to be able to find the link to *GiveCentral*