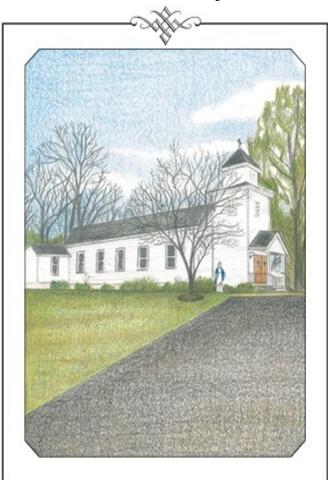


# St. Catherine of Alexandria

Established 1911 McConchie, Maryland



# August 29, 2021 Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### SUNDAY MASS

St. Catherine Sat4:00pmSt. IgnatiusSun8:30amSt. Catherine Sun10:30am

#### **CONFESSIONS**

St. Catherine Sat St. Ignatius Sun St. Catherine Thu

3:00-3:45pm 7:45-8:15am 5:30-6:15pm

#### **DAILY MASS**

St. Catherine Mon-Tue-Thu-Fri 6:30pm

#### **ADORATION**

St. Catherine Mon-Tue-Thu-Fri 5:30-6:30pm

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Please keep in your prayers those with long term illnesses and their caregivers. To have names added to or removed from the prayer list or if you need a priest at the hospital, nursing home or assisted living facility, call (301) 934-9630. Please leave your name, phone number, person's name, facility and room number.

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## **Mass Intentions and Readings**

Saturday – August 28 – The Vigil of the <u>Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time</u> Dt 4:1-2m, 6-8 Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27 Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23 4:00pm Kathy Gauches

<u>Sunday August 29 - The Twenty-First Sunday</u> <u>in Ordinary Time</u> Dt 4:1-2m, 6-8 Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27 Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23 8:30am People of the Community 10:30am Catherine Jones

Monday August 30 – Weekday 1 Thes 4:13-18 Lk 4:16-30 6:30pm Repose of the soul of Robert Pender

Tuesday August 31 – Weekday 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11 6:30pm Lionel Gray

Wednesday September 1 – Weekday Col 1:1-8 Lk 4:38-44 No Mass at St. Catherine's

<u>Thursday September 2 – Weekday</u> Col 1:9-14 Lk 5:1-11 6:30pm

Friday September 3 – Saint Gregory thee Great Col 1:15-20 Lk 5:33-39 6:30pm

## Sacrificial Giving

Weekend of August 22

<u>St. Catherine</u> Offertory: \$1,188 <u>St. Ignatius</u> Offertory: \$932

## **EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP**

Recognize God in your Everyday Moments

### Give it all Back

Pop culture has given us a unique idea of the term justice. Justice, we often think, is about taking. Taking what's owed. Taking revenge. Taking what we deserve. This worldview tends to make mincemeat of our Catholic social teachings. Seeking the good of the poor, a call to community and participation, solidarity — on the face of it, in a society where everything must be earned and we are encouraged to hoard for ourselves whatever success we can achieve, these principles look a lot like highway robbery.

But when you remember the presence of an omnipotent, all-loving and all-merciful God, it turns our gunslinging sense of justice on its head. For how does justice inhabit the same universe as a God who is so quick to give and indeed to forgive?

Well, very easily, when we remember Who exactly is the source of every good and perfect thing in this world. There is no law that cannot be traced back to the Word. And the Word saves our souls.

Is that justice? No, that is a gift. It is the reckless, indulgent gift of a father whose love is greater than His anger. What is justice in the Biblical sense?

The answer is simple. Look at your life. See the hours in your day? See your spouse, your kids, your grandkids? See the house they live in, the money in your wallet, the food in your fridge, the breath in your lungs?

Calling it all your own, refusing to share any of it - that's robbery. Giving it all back to the One who gave it to you - that's justice.

- Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

## **Church Covid-19 Practices**



- Charles County has reinstituted the "mask mandate" for churches. Please wear your mask inside church.
- If you have been diagnosed with Covid-19, please wait a minimum of **ten days after symptoms first appear** before returning to church. Fr. Q is available to bring you Communion to your home if desired.
- Fr. Q has implemented archdiocesan guidance regarding the distribution of holy Communion at Mass. He sanitizes his hands before distributing Communion, and also after each individual / family who receives on the tongue. If you wish, he is available to give you Communion individually after the end of Mass; just speak to him after Mass.

## Workshop for Parents whose Children are Away from the Church

Do you wish your adult children attended church? Do you want them growing in faith and holiness? Come join our parish workshop to pray together, hear our keynote speaker, share our witness and be encouraged together!

> Saturday, September 18 8am to 2:30pm St. Catherine Hall Breakfast & Lunch included Cost: \$10

To register: retreatforparents2021.eventbrite.com and your assistance is greatly appreciated. or call our office (301) 934-9630

# From Fr. Q's Desk

This past week on August 27 we celebrated the feast of St. Monica, the mother of St. Augustine and the patron saint of all parents praying for their children to return to the Christian faith. She famously prayed for Augustine, with tears, for some 15 years. Her prayers also brought her husband into the faith on his deathbed. Do not give up hope! **Please join us for our workshop on September 18** to learn how to be a prayer warrior for your own child. See information below.

St. Monica – pray for us!

## **Confirmation Prep**

Youth ages 12-17 who feel they are ready for Confirmation are invited to schedule an interview with their pastor and Youth Confirmation Coordinator for entry into fall preparation. To schedule an interview, call 301-934-9630 OR email qureshia@adw.org & cc aalbrittain@sacredheartlaplata.org. The deadline to interview for our fall prep is Friday, September 17, 2021. Interviews for the spring preparation will be in January 2022.



## HAITI IS IN CRISIS!

Catholic Relief Services has a presence on the ground in Haiti and is assisting already. Should you wish to help provide immediate assistance for our Haitian sisters and brothers, please go to:

### https://support.crs.org/donate/haitiearthquake

Your prayers and support can make a difference, and your assistance is greatly appreciated.