

# ✠ ST. CATHERINE OF BOLOGNA ✠

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✠ FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT ✠ DECEMBER 19, 2021 ✠  
READINGS FOR SUNDAY: MI 5:1-4A; HEB 10:5-10; LK 1:39-45



## PRAYER TO ST. CATHERINE OF BOLOGNA

St. Catherine of Bologna,  
patron of artists and of our parish,  
I humbly ask you to intercede on my behalf  
to gain for me, my family and our parish  
the grace of love and trust, peace and  
forgiveness.

O Dear St. Catherine,  
Let your uncorrupt body be a sign of God's  
presence in our midst and of the  
unconditional love our crucified Lord has for  
each one of us.

May your art inspire us  
and may the Franciscan spirit of humility,  
simplicity, and obedience,  
so close to your heart,  
be present in our words, actions and thoughts  
at every moment.

St. Catherine of Bologna - pray for us!

by

Fr. Pawel Szurek

## MASS SCHEDULE

Monday - Saturday **9:00am**

Saturday **5:00pm**

Sunday **8:00am, 10:00am, 12:00pm, 6:00pm**

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday  
**4:00pm -4:30pm**

## CLERGY

**Fr. Pawel Szurek**

**Ret. The Most Rev. Arthur Serratelli**

## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday  
**9:30am-3:00pm**

**CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE**

**THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH**



**Christmas Eve**

**Friday, December 24**

NO MASS at 9am  
4:00pm Mass– Church  
4:00pm Mass-Parish Center  
7:00pm Mass-Church  
11:00pm Mass-Church

**Christmas Day**

**Saturday, December 25**

8:00am, 10:00am,  
12:00pm, 5:00pm

**Sunday, December 26**

8:00am, 10:00am,  
12:00pm, 6:00pm

**New Year Eve**

**Friday, December 31**

9:00am, 5:00pm

**New Year Day**

**Saturday, January 1**

NO MASS at 9am  
11:00am, 5:00pm

**Sunday, January 2**

8:00am, 10:00am,  
12:00pm, 6:00pm

**Tuesday, December 21**

10:00am-11:00am-Town's Zumba Class-Gym  
6:30pm-7:30pm-Cenacle of Life Prayer Group-Church  
7:30pm-8:30pm-AA Meeting-Gathering Area

**Wednesday, December 22**

10:00am-11:00am-Town's Yoga Class-Gym  
6:00pm-8:00pm-Confession with visiting priests-Church  
7:30pm-8:30pm-AA Meeting-Gathering Area

**Thursday, December 23**

10:00am-11:00am-Town's Zumba Class-Gym

**Friday, December 24 - Christmas Eve**

4:00pm-5:00pm-Mass-Parish Center  
4:00pm-5:00pm-Mass-Church  
7:00pm-8:00pm-Mass-Church  
11:00pm-12:00am-Mass-Church

**Saturday, December 25 - Christmas Day**

8:00am-9:00am-Mass  
10:00am-11:00am-Mass  
12:00pm-1:00pm-Mass  
5:00pm-6:00pm-Mass

**PARISH CONFESSION**

**Parish confession with visiting priests will take place on Wednesday, December 22nd from 6pm to 8pm.**



FROM FR. PAWEL

In today's gospel, we detect the eagerness in Mary to visit her relative Elizabeth. The same eagerness to share the joy of God's favor shall be in us. We need to carry the joy we have in our hearts that like a flaming torch to our brothers and sisters.

If we believe what we confess as Catholics we are truly the most blessed people in the world. We do not deny the suffering, challenges and sacrifices that we need to face every day. We are people who carry a lot of heavy burdens and crosses on our backs but at the same time we are aware of the dignity that is upon us. We are aware that God created us with his divine DNA running in our veins, our words, and in our ways of thinking. We live in the world but we are more than what we see and experience here. We are created by God and for God. We are created for a better life. We are called for greatness, joy and immortality.

Dear brothers and sisters, when you are in doubt remind yourself about the divine dignity in you. Remind yourself who is your Father. Right now you are in the foreign land far away from your heavenly fatherland. You are the pilgrim on the journey. But the true purpose of this journey is heaven. You are created not for this world, but for much better one. This world shall pass away. But the eternal world is forevermore.

The kingdom of God, your kingdom dear sisters and brothers that one day you will inherit, is awaiting you. Let us remind each other what is at stake and make an effort to make our lives blameless in the eyes of God.

God bless,  
Fr. Pawel



✂ FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT ✂ DECEMBER 19, 2021 ✂

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**4th Sunday of Advent** **December 19**

- 8:00 + Msgr. Joseph Bristel (Bob & Michelle Lyons)  
10:00 + Paul Rosa (the Davisons)  
+ Herman Morabito (Joe & Pat Morabito)  
12:00pm + Dennis Borecki (Pastor)  
6:00pm + Bo-William Takter (Cathy, Joe, Joe, Bo, Linnea)  
+ Kyle Jascot (Denise Minissale)

**Monday** **December 20**

- 9:00 Carolyn & Joshua Jackling  
(the McKenna Family)  
Jennifer & Jason Merker  
(the McKenna Family)

**Tuesday** **December 21**

- 9:00 + Thomas Gaughan (Rosaleen Welsh)  
+ Mary Moese (Linda Coan)

**Wednesday** **December 22**

- 9:00 + Thomas C. Swan (Charlotte Anderson)  
+ Mary Ellen Hannery (Her Family)

**Thursday** **December 23**

- 9:00 God's Blessings for Weronika & Eugeniusz Szurek (Pastor)

**Christmas Eve** **December 24**

- 4:00pm Church  
+ Donald Byrnes, Eleen Spirko, Ed Spirko (Family)  
4:00pm Parish Center  
+ Robert Carver (the Carver Family)  
7:00pm + John Palomba (the Palomba Family)  
11:00pm + Griffiths & Pacilli Families (the Griffiths Family)

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Christmas Day** **December 25**

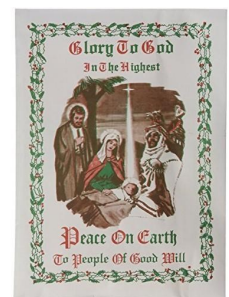
- 8:00 + Jack & Ronnie Broderick (Phil & Ruth Broderick)  
10:00 + Maria Callahan (Pastor)  
12:00pm + Henryka & Saturnin Romanowski  
+ Edward Kaczynski (Family)  
5:00pm God's Blessings for the Parish Staff & Volunteers (Pastor)

**The Holy Family Sunday** **December 26**

- 8:00  
10:00 + Helena, Piotr & Henryk Gulan (Family)  
12:00pm + Eugenia Sokolska (the Kaczynski Family)  
+ Dennis Slaman (Iwona Kaczynski)  
6:00pm + Henryka Stankiewicz (Family)  
+ Bo-William Takter (the Gilligan Family)

**OPLATKI**

Oplatki  
are available  
in the church by  
the door.



**THOUGHT OF WEEK**

“Stretch beyond what is comfortable.”

- Unknown-

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION**

Weekend Collection: \$ 5,550.00

Immaculate Conception: \$ 1,185.25

2nd Collection (Debt Reduction): \$ 1,268.00

Online Contribution: 12/11: \$ 1,417.00

**Thank you  
for your generosity!!!**

**SECOND COLLECTION**

**2nd & 4th Saturday/Sunday  
of the month**

A 2nd collection is taken on the 2nd Saturday/Sunday  
of the month  
for the Parish Debt Reduction.

A 2nd collection is taken on the 4th Saturday/Sunday of  
the month  
for the Buildings and Grounds.

**LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE**

Date	Reader
Saturday, December 18 5:00pm	Denise Minissale
Sunday, December 19 8:00am	Pat Telschow
Sunday, December 19 10:00am	Joe McKenna
Sunday, December 19 12:00pm	Anthony Chirles, Jr.
Sunday, December 19 6:00pm	Beverly Covey

**REMEMBER YOUR LOVED ONES**

**Bread and Wine Intentions**  
Sunday 8:00am Mass

**Carol Freiler, Marguerite Brown**  
**& John R. Brown**  
**(Charles & Clair Brown)**



**PRAY FOR OUR SICK**

**Please keep in your prayers our sick:**

Dawn Alfano, Daniel Breslin, Thanh Cao, Joyce Colon, Emily D'Amico, Frank D'Amico, Jonathan Dean, Muriel Firenze, Tom Firenze, Eric Florio, Pierre Gladh, Catherine Greco, Samantha Hiller, Stephan Jacobson, Michael Mink, Zuri Nedd, David Nelms, Brandon Riffard, Michael Shelton, Charlotte Smith, Ava Rossi, Patrick Rutherford, Miriam Rios, Frank Rinaldo, Joseph Sanders, Christopher Schmitt, Jenny Takter, Johnny Takter, Vivian - Age 7, Marcus - Age 9, Christine Walsh, Baby James Patrick, Vondell Fagersten, Karen Wuester, John White, Cathy Hartwick, Thom Kirby, Carole Conlon, Brian Spring, Raymond Joos, Yolette Salvi, Jack Hourihan, William Myshkoff, Carol Kellerher, Emily Holland, Michael Griffiths, Sr., Raquel Bowles.

**To protect the privacy, only  
immediate family members can call  
the Parish Office to have a name  
added or removed.**



### BIBLE STUDY

Meetings take place on Thursdays - 9:30-11:00am  
in the Gathering Area.

For more information, please contact  
Jayne McKenna at 908-930-1904.

### USHERS

We are in need of ushers. If you are interested, please  
contact the Parish Office.

### EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE HOLY COMMUNION

Are you looking to form an even deeper relationship  
with Jesus Christ? Thinking of getting involved with  
parish life? Why not become a Minister of Holy  
Communion. The commitment is small, the rewards are  
many. For more information contact Ann Babbitt at 973-  
962-1610.

### LECTORS

Are you a good reader? Would you like to proclaim the  
word of the Lord? If you are interested in becoming a  
lector, please call Karyn at 973-839-7791.

### ALTAR SERVERS

If you would like to be an altar server, please contact the  
parish office or come to our monthly meeting.

### NEW PARISHIONERS

**New Parishioners** are asked to register at the Parish  
Office by stopping by or calling the office. We also  
appreciate notification of those moving or changing  
phone numbers.

### RCIA

Rite of Christian Initiation For Adults: We welcome all  
people 18 years of age or older who have not  
received Baptism, Penance, Holy Eucharist, or  
Confirmation, as well as those who wish to  
enter the Roman Catholic Faith to please  
contact the parish office.



### BULLETIN DEADLINE

Information to be included in the weekend church  
bulletin must be submitted by Monday at 12pm prior to  
printing. This includes inserts.  
Email: [office@stcatherineofbologna.org](mailto:office@stcatherineofbologna.org)

### CLERGY

Pastor: Rev. Pawel Szurek, Ext. 5  
[pastor@stcatherineofbologna.org](mailto:pastor@stcatherineofbologna.org)

Weekly Associate:

Ret. The Most Rev. Bishop Arthur Serratelli

### BUSINESS MANAGER CONFIRMATION COORDINATOR GRADES 7-10

Mrs. Iwona Kaczynski, Ext. 7  
[business@stcatherineofbologna.org](mailto:business@stcatherineofbologna.org)  
[Antioch@stcatherineofbologna.org](mailto:Antioch@stcatherineofbologna.org)

### RELIGIOUS FORMATION

Mr. Anthony J. Chirles  
Grades 1 - 6  
[accom@optonline.net](mailto:accom@optonline.net)

### MUSIC MINISTRY

Mrs. Janet Spirko & Ms. Nicole Stroh  
[jspirko@optonline.net](mailto:jspirko@optonline.net)  
[nicole.stroh21@gmail.com](mailto:nicole.stroh21@gmail.com)

### BAPTISM



Please contact the Parish Office to  
make arrangements. Parents must  
attend one Baptismal Preparation  
Class before the Baptism of their  
**first** child.

### MARRIAGE



Please contact the Parish Office as early as  
possible; mandatory preparation **one year** in  
advance.

### MINISTRY TO THE SICK



The rite of Anointing and Communion of  
the Sick will be celebrated for any  
person homebound or hospitalized.  
Please notify the Pastor. The  
Sacrament of Anointing is available on  
request