

*Saint Catherine
of Siena Parish*

*a Legacy of Faith in
Kansas City, Missouri*



1925-2023

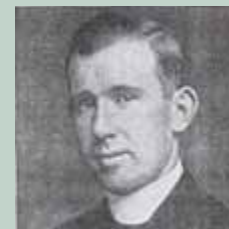


*“You,
eternal Trinity,*

*are the craftsman; and I your handiwork have come to know
that you are in love with the beauty of what you have made,
since you made me a new creation in the blood of your Son.*

*O abyss! O eternal Godhead! O deep sea!
What more could you have given me than the gift of your very self?”*

-St. Catherine of Siena, The Dialogue.



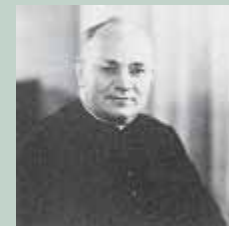
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Msgr. Joseph
Ruysser 1950-78



Msgr. Emmett
Summers 1978-79

Our Pastors



*A note from
Fr. Justin Hoye,
Pastor 2022-23*

Pilgrim People of Saint Catherine of Siena,

I write this having just attended the funeral for Msgr. John Leitner, assigned to St. Catherine's as a Parochial Vicar in 1955. It was his first assignment as a priest, and he is among the dozens of clergy and countless religious sisters who travelled alongside our flock during the last century.

In these last years, an expression of gratitude goes specifically to you: the faithful in the pews! You shared yourselves generously, employed great creativity, and invested in the unique ways that made St. Catherine's an attractive expression of Jesus Christ and His Church.. In my own estimation, hospitality, worship and outreach are the hallmarks I've seen on display in our time together. As we conclude, know that you carry those attributes with you, and neighboring parishes yearn to receive these expressions of faith from your hands.

It has been my honor to come alongside you in our parish's last stretch of its pilgrim journey. Our own individual pilgrimages with Jesus continue, and we trust that just as God graced south Kansas City with St. Catherine's, so too he will provide parishes that will convey the Good News of Jesus and his sacramental expressions.

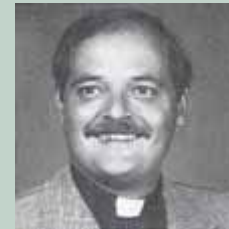
Whether you have returned to us after having attended Our Lady of Peace School, bought your first house and raised your family here, or have been steadfast in your presence at St. Catherine's in the 21st Century, may we all call upon this Doctor of the Church to remain our friend and patron, until our earthly course is run.

St. Catherine of Siena, pray for us!

Father Justin Hoye



Fr. Thomas Ward
1979-88



Fr. John R.
Tulipana 1988-92



Fr. John C. Schule
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2016-22

*The Mass concluding ninety-eight extraordinary years
of loving God + Neighbor as the faith community of
St. Catherine of Siena, Kansas City, Missouri*

— SATURDAY, APRIL 29, 2023 —

Introductory Rites

GATHERING SONG Sing of the Lord's Goodness, by Ernest Sands

GLORY TO GOD from Mass of Christ the Savior by Dan Schutte

Liturgy of the Word

READINGS for 4th Sunday of Easter, Cycle A

- » First Reading: Acts 2:14a, 36-41
- » Psalm 23: 1-3a, 3b4, 5, 6 Setting: Shepherd Me O God by Marty Haugen
- » Second Reading: 1 Pt 2:20b-25
- » Gospel: Jn 10:1-10

Liturgy of the Eucharist

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS Catherine, by Robert Sandford, written for the occasion of the our parish's 75th anniversary. The text is based on St. Catherine of Siena's *The Dialogue*

*A soul rises up restless with tremendous desire for
God's honor and the salvation of souls.*

*Seeking to know him coming to love Him
knowing her sinfulness receiving His grace
and in her weakness knowing His strength.*

*Knowing herself she knows God's goodness;
knowing His goodness she knows His love;
and in loving Him is one with His heart.*

*Our Lord He loves us sent us His only Son
to draw us closer redeeming our hearts
and in His mercy forgiving our sins.*

*One with His heart she looked at the world
and saw the need for salvation,
so she lived her life one with the passion of our Lord
for his people for the salvation of souls.*

*Jesus our Lord he looked at the world
and saw the need for salvation;
so he lived His life one with the passion of our God
for His people for the salvation of souls.*

*A soul rises up restless with tremendous desire for
God's honor and the salvation of souls.*

*Our Lord rises up a bridge between heaven and
earth for God's honor for the salvation of souls.*

HOLY Mass of Creation by Marty Haugen
MYSTERY OF FAITH Mass of Creation
AMEN Mass of Creation

Communion Rite

LAMB OF GOD Mass of Creation
THE LORD'S PRAYER by Robert Sandford
COMMUNION SONGS
Taste and See by James E. Moore
We Are Many Parts by Marty Haugen
Lead Me, Guide Me by Doris M. Akers

Concluding Rite

SONG OF SENDING City of God by Dan Schutte



Holy Family Prayer Garden



Family Prayer

God made us a family
 We need one another
 We love one another
 We forgive one another
 We work together
 We play together
 We worship together
 Together we use God's Word
 Together we grow in Christ
 Together we love all persons
 And together we serve our God
 Together we hope for Heaven
 These are our hopes and ideals
 Help us to attain them,
 O God, Through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

SHRINE OF THE HOLY FAMILY PRAYER GARDEN

St. Catherine of Siena Parish
 4101 E. 14th St., Kansas City, MO 64131

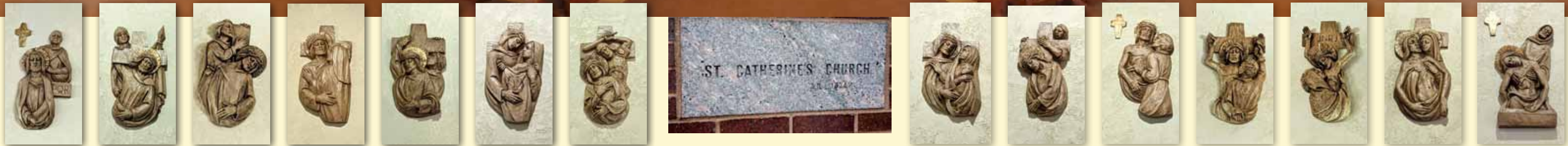
Dedicated on the Feast of St. Catherine of Siena

April 28, 1991





❖ Our Church ❖



The plaque on the side of the organ reads, "This organ is dedicated to the memory Fr. John Coleman (1919-2008) who loves music dearly. Purchased 5/2/09 with funds Fr. Coleman left for us."

A story only God can fully tell

A congenial spirit and a shared commitment to faith has been on display throughout the entire rich history of St. Catherine of Siena church. Thousands of people lent their hands and hearts over the last 98 years to create a vibrant, welcoming community.

1920

Rev. Thomas Kane
1926-1931

1925 The first Mass is offered in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank P. Walsh on November 22, the Feast of St. Cecilia

1926 The first permanent church and rectory are built and the first Mass is offered on Christmas day



1930

Fr. Michael Ahern
1932-33

1931 Sisters of Charity of the Blessed Virgin Mary are invited to teach catechism on Sundays

Rev. James P. Nichol
1934-40



1940

Rev. Bernard Hale
1941-49

1942 St. Catherine's school begins with 42 pupils

1948 A new school building is built to accommodate continued growth

1950

1954 With increased growth, a new addition to the school is built

1956 A new church is built with a seating capacity of 600 and the first Mass is offered on Christmas day

Msgr. Joseph Ruysser
1950-78

1962 The Sister of Charity of the Blessed Virgin Mary move into their new convent (now the parish offices)

1960

1965 Bishop Helmsing established three new parishes within St. Catherine's territorial limits: St. John Francis Regis, St. Matthew the Apostle and St. Thomas More

1965 Peak attendance is achieved with 1480 church families and 1,255 elementary students



1970

Msgr. Emmett Summers 1978-79

1974 In what was becoming a tradition, the first Mass is offered in our current church on Christmas day, increasing the seating capacity to 850

1974 The Sisters of Charity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, because of declining numbers, are forced to withdrawal as teachers at St. Catherine's school

1980

Fr. Thomas Ward
1979-88

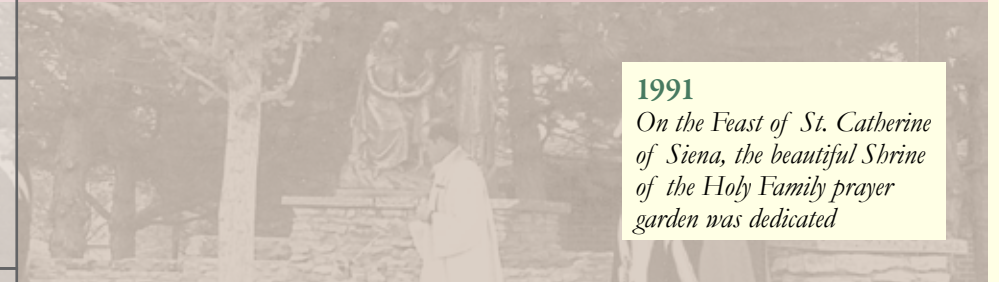
1981 A plan to consolidate schools from surrounding parishes is formed, incorporating Coronation of Our Lady and St. Matthew the Apostle, and later, St. Sabina, into the newly named Our Lady of Peace school



1990

Fr. John R. Tulipana 1988-92

Fr. John C. Schule
1992-98



1991 On the Feast of St. Catherine of Siena, the beautiful Shrine of the Holy Family prayer garden was dedicated

2000

Fr. Bob Stone
1998-2009



2007 The church is renovated to its current state with handicap accessibility, improved lighting and acoustics.

2009 After 67 years, Our Lady of Peace school closes

2010

Fr. Bob Kerr
2009-16

Fr. Sunoj Thomas
2016-22

2020 Deanery V Blue Ridge Corridor plan released

2020

Fr. Justin Hoyer
2022-23

2023 Parish closing announced. Final Mass Saturday, April 29

TELL YOUR PART OF THE STORY

Add your story to our parish history web page saintcatherine.com/yourstory



SPECIAL THANKS TO ALL THE PRIESTS

who have shepherded God's faithful at St. Catherine of Siena throughout its history. *Pastors listed above. Associates and in-residence:*

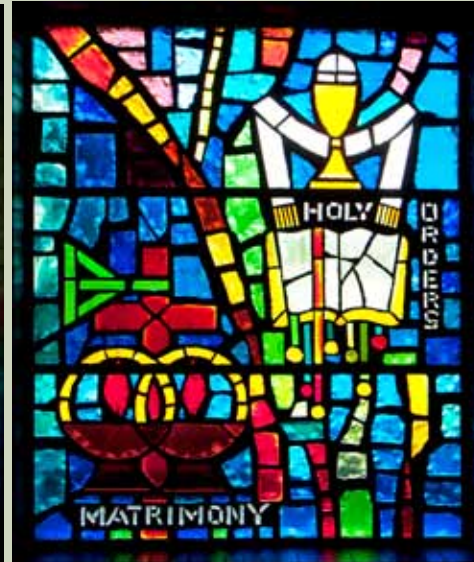
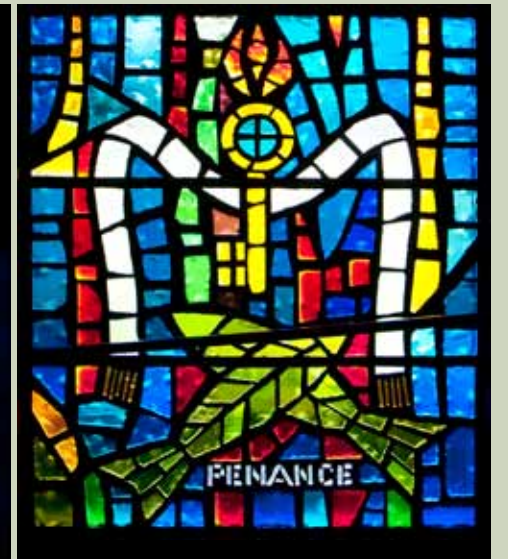
William O'Brien (1948)
Bishop Michael Francis McAuliffe (1948)
Gottlieb Steinwachs (1954)
Michael Lynch (1955-1957)
John Leitner (1955-1960)
Robert Cameron (1960-1962),
Francis McGlynn (1961-1964)
Raymond Jackson (1963-1964)

John Frame (1965-1967),
Walter Zientarski (1968-1969)
Bruce Heininger (1968)
Donald Paa (1969-1973)
Francis Shimono (1971-1972, 1976-1978)
Robert Hager (1973)
Msgr. Joseph Killgallon (1977-1979)
Francis Daly (1978-1979)

Lloyd Opoka (1979-1981)
Thomas Ward (1979-1988)
Marcellus Jankowski (1981-1982)
David Holloway (1982-1986),
Robert Murphy (1982-1985)
Thomas Borkowski (1986-1988)
Paul Evers (1991-1992)
John P. Coleman (1988-2003)

The Stained Glass

ONE GETHSEMANE, THREE BUILDINGS.
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❖ *The Statuary* ❖



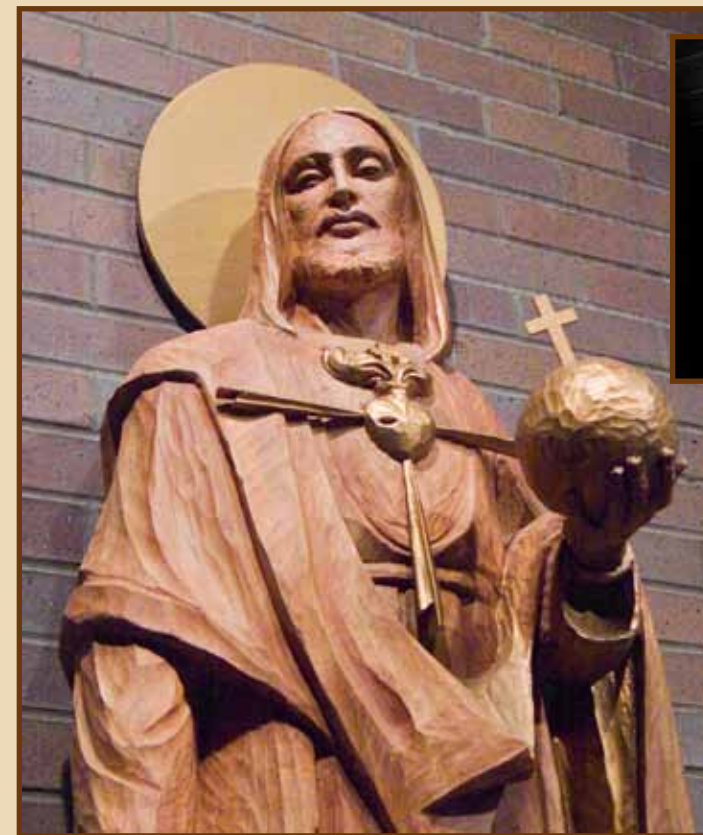
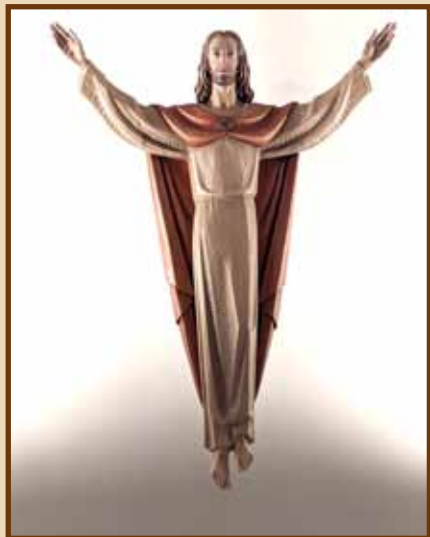
THE
CRUCIFIX

Sculptor Darryl
Suthern in 2009



Clay
model

Matching
processional
cross



Thank you

to all who have poured their heart and soul and faith and sweat into this place to make it a home to grow in faith and love.

May God bless every seed planted here and continue to nurture us into his heavenly kingdom where we will rejoice in God's love and the fruits of our labors.



— Mother Church —

CHURCHES FORMED FROM THE ORIGINAL PARISH BOUNDARIES

