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#### **WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

#### Sunday

7:30 AM - Mass, St. Catherine's Church

9:00 AM - Family Mass, St. Catherine's Church

10:30 AM - Traditional Mass, St. Catherine's Church

5:00 PM - Teen Mass, St. Catherine's Church

**MASSES IN OTHER LANGUAGES** 

St. Catherine's Church

6:30 PM - Spanish Mass

St. Agnes Chapel

11:00 AM - French Mass - 2nd Sunday of the month

- Italian Mass - 3rd Sunday of the month

#### Saturday

3:00 — 4:00 PM – Confessions at St. Catherine's Church

(Specific dates confirmed weekly in bulletin.)

5:00 PM - Vigil Mass, St. Catherine's Church

#### <u>Daily</u>

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday

7:00 AM - Daily Mass, St. Catherine's Church

5:15 PM - Daily Mass, St. Agnes Chapel

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Wednesdays - 8:30 AM - 4:00 PM,

St. Catherine's Church

#### Rosary

Tuesdays – 6:00 PM, St. Agnes Chapel

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Parish Office Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00 AM-4:00 PM Saturday 10:00 AM-1:00 PM

Please call the Parish Office to schedule dates for Baptisms, Weddings and Sacrament of Reconciliation (1st Saturday of every month or by appointment)

This week's READINGS

Sunday: Is 43:16-21; Phil 3:8-14; Jn 8:1-11

Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62; Jn 8:12-20

Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9; Jn 8:21-30

Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Jn 8:31-42

Thursday: Gn 17:3-9; Jn 8:51-59

Friday: Jer 20:10-13; Jn 10:31-42

Saturday: Ez 37:21-28; Jn 11:45-56

#### Mass Intentions & Celebrants Schedule

## Gaturday, April 5

3:00 - 4:00 PM **Confessions** 

> Celebrant: Fr. Miguel A. Bernal

5:00 PM Intention: Fred Stefanowicz

> Celebrant: Msgr. Alan F. Detscher

Gunday, April 6

7:30 AM Intention: Rose Marie and Dominique Semexant

> Celebrant: Fr. Miguel A. Bernal

9:00 AM Intention: Marie Chiappetta

> Celebrant: Fr. Christopher J. Perrella

10:30 AM Intention: Edward M. Vigliano, Sr.

> Celebrant: Msgr. Alan F. Detscher

5:00 PM Intention: NNA & Paul Finazzo Fr. Kevin O'Brien, S.J. Celebrant:

6:30 PM Intention: Yoland Umana

Monday, April 7

7:00 AM Intention: Matthew Melillo

5:15 PM Intention: James G. Benincasa

Tuesday, April 8

7:00 AM Intention: Marie Chiappetta 5:15 PM Intention: Electra Capalbo

Thursday, April 10

7:00 AM Intention: Mary Anne Sheehan

Carol Gianesello 5:15 PM Intention:

Friday, April 11

7:00 AM Intention: Richard L. Greene

Intention: 5:15 PM The Bravo & Garcia Family

Saturday, April 12

3:00 - 4:00 PM Confessions

Celebrant: Fr. Christopher J. Perrella

5:00 PM Intention: Nick Mecca

> Celebrant: Msgr. Larry Bronkiewicz

Palm Gunday, April 13

7:30 AM Intention: Ida Nania, Assunta & Clementina Petrone

> Fr. Miguel A. Bernal Celebrant:

9:00 AM Intention: Philip Terio, Jr.

Celebrant: Msgr. Alan F. Detscher

10:30 AM Intention: Clara Comeau

> Celebrant: Fr. Christopher J. Perrella

12:00 PM Intention: Josephine Martinez

> Fr. Miguel A. Bernal Celebrant: Ann & Philip Sorese

5:00 PM Intention: Celebrant: Fr. Kevin O'Brien, S.J.

\*Schedule subject to change

# PARISH NEWS

# Please pray for the sick members of our parish, especially for:



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Please also pray for the deceased members of our Parish, especially for: James Guy Benincasa

# PARISH SUPPORT

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*Online Giving for the week:* \$1,485

*Total Offertory:* \$11,275

*Last Year:* \$8,206

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St. Catherine of Siena & St. Agnes Parish

2025 BISHOP'S APPEAL AS OF 3/27/25

Bishop's Appeal Goal:	\$278,000
Total Pledged:	\$74,323 (26.73%)
Donors to Date:	98 Donors



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# **Faith in Our Community**



A Powerful Pre-Easter Event

THE PASSION AND DEATH OF JESUS, ACCORDING TO ST. JOHN

#### A WORKSHOP PRESENTED BY



Fr. Michael A. Boccaccio

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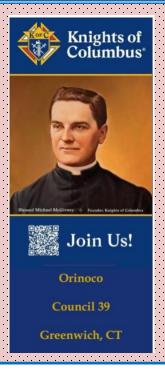
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#### **PARISH NEWS**

Social Seniors at St. Catherine's is now inviting you to join us on trip two and three. You do not have to be a senior just someone who likes to have fun.

The second trip is Thursday, May 15th to the Aqua Turf club in Plantsville, CT for a tribute to ABBA Band. This luncheon is served Family style and includes Garden Salad, Pasta, Chicken Cacciatore and Baked Scrod with Crumb Topping, Vegetable, Potato, Rolls, Desert, Coffee or Tea. The cost is \$145 per person.

The 3rd trip this year is Wednesday, June 25th to Amarant's Sea Cliff in New Haven. It is a family owned venue that has been in business for 60 years. The beautiful waterfront property has a private deck and ballroom overlooking the cove and is known for outstanding hospitality and good food. Welcome station upon arrival consist of Assorted Cheese, Sliced Pepperoni, Vegetable Crudite and dip. The dinner is a choice of Chicken Marsala OR Baked Stuffed Shrimp. The cost of this trip is \$125. Per person.

All our trips include round trip bus transportation from St. Catherine's and St. Agnes. If interested call Carol Weigold at 203-820-7876. Please do not wait to call as they fill up fast. Both these trips are already half full.

#### Future trips for the remaining year are as follows:

- Wednesday, July 23rd "Spirit of New York Buffet Lunch Cruise in New York
- Tuesday, August 19th "Carole's Kings at the Aqua Turf Club in Plantsville, CT
- October 1 2 Overnight to Amish country to see NOAH at Sight & Sound Theater as well as Wind Creek Casino the first day.
- Wednesday, October 15th La Bella Vista in Waterbury to see the "Corvettes" Doo Wop Revue.



# FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

"I consider everything as a loss, because of the supreme good of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have accepted the loss of all things and I consider them so much rubbish, that I may gain Christ and be found in him...depending on faith to know him and the power of his resurrection, and sharing in his sufferings by being conformed to his death. I continue my pursuit in hope that I may possess it."

As we continue our Lenten journey, the goal of the resurrection looms even closer. We know well that there are many obstacles and barriers, and Paul's vision clarifies for us once again our goal. I might ask myself again 'how well do I know Jesus?'

Surely not as well as He knows me. I might think I can say many things about Him and His forthcoming passion, but do I really know Him? His passion and death reveal how far He would go to save me.

May my prayer this week be to take a few minutes, ask His help to know Him as my savior and redeemer, based on an oftenoverlooked fact, that I am in need of Him right now. Jesus I want to know you better.



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#### COMMUNITY

## Join Us for the 2025 Women's Conference



#### Spiritual Spa: Come to the Living Waters

April 12, 2025 8:00am - 3:00pm

St. Matthew Church 216 Scribner Avenue Norwalk, CT 06854



The WINE: Catholic Women's Conference is hosting "A Spiritual Spa" themed event for women of all ages, focusing on spiritual renewal through "Living Waters."



The event begins with a special Friday evening gathering limited to 100 women at the Norwalk Inn, featuring worship, fellowship, and refreshments. The main conference on Saturday starts with Mass celebrated with Most Reverend Frank J. Caggiano, followed by a full program beginning at 9 AM. The event features keynote speakers Kitty Cleveland, Maria Vargo, and Kelly Wahlquist, along with music by Teresa Peterson. The day includes inspirational talks, entertainment, shopping, prayer opportunities, confession, adoration, lunch, chocolate, and door prizes. Attendees can register for either the full Friday-Saturday experience or Saturday only. Reserve your spot or get more info HERE.



#### St. Catherine's 3 Things Unemployed Professionals Must Know to Support Circle **Overcome Frustration and Fear**

It's easy for unemployed professionals to become overwhelmed with feelings of frustration and fear. A period of unemployment or underemployment is one of the scariest and uncertain times people can go through in their lives. While those feelings are understandable, they are also damaging to a job search. Unemployed professionals too often have their career search obstructed by their own disempowering mindset.

In his presentation, Jason Hyde will explain 3 vital things unemployed professionals must understand to dissolve feelings of frustration and fear and replace them with courage, excitement and peace of mind.

Most unemployed professionals subconsciously believe that they will feel better on the inside when their external circumstances change. The truth is that the fastest way to achieve the external changes we want - a wonderful new career - is to make changes on the inside first.

Please join us on Zoom for an informative and interactive session with useful tips you can implement right away.

About our Presenter: Jason Hyde is a financial advisor, as well as the author of the book Career Fulfillment Found and a frequent speaker on the topic of career fulfillment. He uses personal experience and extensive knowledge in the areas of self-improvement and spirituality to help anyone who feels lost and overwhelmed with their career.

RSVP required: To receive a link to attend the Zoom session, RSVP by Monday April 7 to Gretchen Johnson at gbmjohnson@gmail.com

The St. Catherine's Support Circle was formed in early 2009 to support people seeking jobs in the challenging economic environment. The group continues to encourage participation by both job seekers and those interested in providing their advice and support. To read about helpful information and recommended resources for job seekers, visit the parish web site www.stcath.org, then first link to Community Life, and then link to the SCSC page

If you have similar experience, and would be interested in joining your fellow professionals on the committee, please contact SCSC Chairman Bob Sloane at rsloane0@gmail.com

#### A Powerful Pre-Easter Event

# THE PASSION AND DEATH OF JESUS, ACCORDING TO ST. JOHN A WORKSHOP PRESENTED BY Fr. Michael Boccaccio

Monday of Holy Week (Day after Palm Sunday) St. Catherine of Siena & St. Agnes Parish

# 7:00-8:30PM Lucey Parish Hall

There are four accounts of the passion of Jesus, by the evangelists Mark, Matthew, Luke and John. The narrative usually begins with the Last Supper/Gethsemane and concludes with the burial of Jesus. In the Scriptural liturgical cycle, the passion of Matthew is proclaimed in cycle A, Mark-B and Luke--C on Palm Sunday. However, you'll notice that there is not a cycle for the narrative by John. The reason is that Gospel according to John, chapters 18 and 19, are reserved to be proclaimed on Good Friday, every year.

Before beginning the investigation into John's account, there will be a description of Rome's capital punishment. This would entail a quick review of Jesus' being Scourged, Mocked, Crowned and Crucified. Also of import would be a look at the "politics" that brought about the death of Jesus. In this regard, ever so briefly, reference will be made to what is called the Jesus of History and the Christ of Faith!

Naturally the four accounts have their own particular style, theology and themes. For example, John does not record what is referred to as the Last Supper or the Agony in the Garden. One might ask why? Some of John's unique intentions, words, etc. will be explored, quite superficially. In John's account Jesus is being portrayed as being in charge, and not so much as the victim, as is the case in the other three accounts of the passion of Jesus. Again, one rightly asks "WHY?" Attendees would be encouraged to read the two chapters before attending the gathering.

Copies of both chapters with some words pointed out will be available for the evening,



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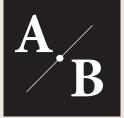
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