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OVER ONE
SINNER WHO
REPENTS.

Luke 15:10

SEPTEMBER 14, 2025 : 24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Rev. Christopher J. Perrella, Parochial Vicar

**Rev. Miguel A. Bernal,** Priest in Residence Director of Greenwich Hispanic Ministry

Deacon Renato Berzolla

Deacon Robert Henrey, Retired

Deacon John Linsenmeyer

Deacon Eduardo Rodrigues

#### 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

#### 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

#### Daily

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 by appointment)

#### Mass Intentions & Celebrants Schedule

# Saturday, September 13

3:00 – 4:00 PM Confessions

Celebrant: Fr. Christopher J. Perrella

5:00 PM Intention: Rose Horgan & Chris Rourke

Celebrant: Fr. Christopher J. Perrella

# Gunday, September 14

7:30 AM Intention: Carol Santora

Celebrant: Fr. Lionel Pacheco

9:00 AM Intention: Glenn Gomez

**Celebrant:** Fr. Christopher J. Perrella

**10:30 AM Intention:** Giuseppe Antonio Pollifrone

Celebrant: Fr. William F. Platt

5:00 PM Intention: Philip Brown

Celebrant: Fr. Miguel Bernal

**6:30 PM** Intention: Parishioners of STC-STA

Celebrant: Fr. Miguel A. Bernal

# Monday, September 15

7:00 AM Intention: Daniel P. Gallagher

5:15 PM Intention: Willie Marino

# Tuesday, Geptember 16

7:00 AM Intention: Katherine R. Nielsen

**5:15 PM** Intention: Eulalia Carrera

# Thursday, Geptember 18

7:00 AM Intention: David A. Santora

**5:15 PM** Intention: Josephine & Keneth Pulick

# Friday, Geptember 19

**7:00 AM** Intention: Dr. Robert J. Riley

**5:15 PM** Intention: William Kelly

## Saturday, September 20

3:00 – 4:00 PM Confessions

**Celebrant:** Fr. Miguel A. Bernal

**5:00 PM** Intention: Richard L. Greene

**Celebrant:** Fr. Christopher J. Perrella

# Sunday, September 21

7:30 AM Intention: Lotti Eberhard

Celebrant: Fr. Miguel A. Bernal

9:00 AM Intention: Luis Costales

**Celebrant:** Fr. Phillip Phan

**10:30 AM Intention:** Kalna Family

**Celebrant:** Fr. Phillip Phan

5:00 PM Intention: Charles Bittman

**Celebrant:** Fr. Christopher J. Perrella

**6:30 PM** Intention: All Parishioners of STC-STA

**Celebrant:** Fr. Miguel A. Bernal

# PARISH NEWS



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

Scion Estrella Wilmar Acevedo Joan Bartilucci Claudia Bouchard John Hickey Loretta DiMaio Bonnie Elezaby Jay Bartomioli Faustino Garcia Morales Tom Maigret Vinnie Yax Olga Iacobazzo Lorraine Mallen Cecilia Maravilla Stephen Cheung Catherine Colangelo Deacon Eduardo Rodrigues Barbara Weltz Ximena Salazar

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

Katherine Rose Nielsen,

Lorraine Wedderburn

David A. Santora & Mary Longo



## PARISH SUPPORT

Thank you for supporting your Parish.

**Sunday September 7, 2025:** \$17,092.00

Online Giving for the week: \$1,850.00

**Total Offertory:** \$18,942.00

*Last Year:* \$11,813.00

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# 2025 BISHOP'S APPEAL AS OF 9/5/25

Bishop's Appeal Goal: \$278,000

Total Pledged: \$170,267 (61.25%)

Donors to Date: 192 Donors



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# This week's READINGS

**Sunday:** Nm 21:4b-9; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17

Monday: 1 Tm 2:1-8; Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35

Tuesday: 1 Tm 3:1-13; Lk 7:11-17

Wednesday: 1 Tm 3:14-16; Lk 7:31-35

**Thursday:** 1 Tm 4:12-16; Lk 7:36-50

Friday: 1 Tm 6:2c-12; Lk 8:1-3

**Saturday:** 1 Tm 6:13-16; Lk 8:4-15

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Holy Baptism

Jackson Thomas Abbate Elizabeth Annabelle Abbate

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Chiara Concetta Ceci

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SEPTEMBER 6 & 7, 2025

# **Faith in Our Community**

# open enrollment

REGISTRATION ENDS ON SEPTEMBER 19<sup>TH</sup> - DON'T WAIT



Registration for the 2025-2026 year may be completed online. Registration forms are accessible via links on our parish website.

SEE THE PARISH WEBSITE FOR INFORMATION ON OUR REIMAGINED FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM FOR TWEENS WHICH IS CENTERED AROUND SERVICE, PRAYER, & COMMUNITY.



Classroom sizes are capped so late registrations may not be accepted!



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FOR MORE INFORMATION:

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# **PARISH NEWS**



# Queridas Familias!

Les informamos que las inscripciones para el programa de catequesis ya están <u>abiertas</u>. Este año, todas las inscripciones se realizarán únicamente en línea.

Por favor, asegúrense <u>de leer con atención</u> todas las instrucciones antes de completar el formulario de registro.

¡Gracias por su cooperación y por caminar con nosotros en este hermoso camino de fe!





# Comunidad

La Misa en Español vuelve a su horario regular

Domingo, 7 de Septiembre 6:30 p.m.

Ten nuestra iglesia St. Catherine of Siena

Será un momento para reencontrarnos como familia de fe, compartir la alegría del Evangelio y dar gracias juntos al Señor. ¡Ven con tu familia y amigos, todos son bienvenidos!

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#### **NEW DAY BEREAVEMENT PROGRAMS**

Your loss may be recent... or long ago.

We are here to help you on your journey to healing, where you are invited to share your story in a small group, confidential setting.

Christ's love will support you in your sorrow, and He will send others to walk with you as you begin your journey through loss to healing.

Meetings are led by trained bereavement facilitators and there is no charge. Advanced  $\underline{\text{registration is required}}$ .

You are welcome to register for any upcoming session:

St. Michael the Archangel, Greenwich September 15 – November 17 – Monday evenings 6:30 – 8:00pm

St. Thomas More, Darien September 24 – November 19 – Wednesday afternoons 2:00 – 3:30pm

The Parish of St. Catherine of Siena and St. Agnes, Riverside October 15 – December 17- Wednesday mornings 10:00 – 11:30am

St. Leo Parish, Stamford
October 20 – December 15 – Monday mornings 10 – 11:30am

Please go to:

#### www.Thegrief.org

to submit a program inquiry form or you can contact Carolyn Killian at 203-404-0023. Once the form is submitted, you will hear from one of our bereavement ministers regarding the next steps.



# Faith in Our COMMUNITY



Together let's Honor and Celebrate the Retirement of Our Beloved Pastor

Father William F. Platt



Please Join Us for a Reception in the Lucey Parish Hall September 14, 2025 following the 10:30am Mass

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Bring a note of Appreciation
Optional Gift of a Local Greenwich, Cos Cob, Riverside,
or Old Greenwich T-Shirt (XL) or Base ball Cap



"Dear brothers and sisters, at the tombs of the Apostles, which have been the object of pilgrimage for almost two thousand years, we come to realize that we too can pass from conversion to conversion. The New Testament does not conceal the errors, conflicts and sins of those whom we venerate as the greatest Apostles. Their greatness was shaped by forgiveness."

| Pope Leo XIV



An essential asset for our Parish Family is Parish **Partners Ministry of Hope**, whose volunteers provide Eucharistic Visits, Accompaniment, Prayers

throughout the year, and a faith-based **New Day Bereavement** program in the Spring and Fall. If
you wish to join or need services, please contact
Jeannemarie Baker under Ministries on page 2 of
the Bulletin.



**Parish Partners** is offering this Fall an important program for those dealing with **Bereavement**. The program's warm, kind and personal

help was pioneered in our Diocese with much acclaim. The Fall program begins **October 15th** and lasts for 9 consecutive weeks, except for November 26th during Thanksgiving time, and ending on December 17th. **Signup is required.** See Brochures at the doors.



# Second Collection – Catholic University of America

This weekend's second collection supports **The Catholic University of America** in Washington, D.C., the national university of the Catholic Church in the U.S. Your gift helps provide scholarships and supports the formation of future leaders in the Church. Thank you for your generosity!



September 4, 2025

My Dear Friends in Christ,

With gratitude to Father Bill Platt as he begins his full retirement from his years of service to Saint Catherine and Saint Agnes Parish, I write to give you an update regarding the process of selecting his successor.

I wish to begin by offering my thanks to Father Christopher Perrella and Father Miguel Bernal for their pastoral care and service to you. Their continued presence during this time of transition is vital to ensure that the daily ministries of the parish continue with focus and energy.

Regarding the selection process of your new pastor, I am keenly aware that one of the most important duties that I have as your bishop is to identify competent men to serve in this important ministry, while at the same time trying to match their skills and talents to the needs of a particular community. As you can well imagine, such an exercise is not always easy, given the limited number of experienced priests available for such service. As a result, given the fact that Father Platt's retirement was not long planned, I believe that it is prudent that I continue the discernment process of identifying your new pastor in the weeks ahead.

In the interim, given my desire to ensure that the parish is well cared for, I have decided to administer the parish directly myself, with the collaboration of Father Perella and Father Bernal, until your new pastor is chosen. Practically, this means that Father Perella and Father Bernal will attend to the ordinary needs of the parish. Larger administrative and financial decisions will be presented to me by them for consideration and action whenever necessary. I will also arrange to meet with them on a bi-monthly basis to review the life and ministry of the parish, as well as provide them with whatever guidance they will need in their pastoral work.

I met the staff and parish lay leaders earlier today and have explained this arrangement and answered their questions. I will return to meet with them again in the coming weeks.

My hope is that I will be able to present a new pastor to you very soon. However, I trust that this arrangement will allow the parish to move forward during this time of transition.

With a promise of prayers for you and your families, and with every best wish, I am

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Frank J Caggiano

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