



Second Sunday of Easter April 7, 2024

Rev. William F. Platt, Pastor
Rev. Miguel 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

St. Catherine's 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 at St. Catherine's Church

Daily

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday

7:00 AM – Daily Mass at St. Catherine's Church

5:15 PM – Daily Mass at St. Catherine's Chapel

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament*

*(suspended during Church renovation)

Wednesdays – 8:30 AM — 4:00 PM in St. Catherine's Church

Rosary

Tuesdays – 6:00 PM in St. Catherine's Chapel

All Masses at St. Catherine of Siena Church are in-person and livestreamed.

VIEW THE LIVESTREAM at St. Catherine's HERE: <https://events.locallive.tv/worship/stc-sta>

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Parish Office Hours: Monday-Friday 10:00 AM-4:00 PM
Saturday 10:00 AM-2:00 PM

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

Financial Report: Sunday Offertory

February 24 & February 25 \$9,305
March 2 & March 3 \$13,754
March 9 & March 10 \$14,219
March 16 & March 17 \$11,672

Offertory includes **Monthly** and **Online Giving (OLG)**

Take the Simple Way to Support your Parish!

Online Giving (OLG) allows you to make your Sunday Offertory and all other donations by credit card or check.

Visit www.stc-sta.org/stewardship/online-giving or contact the Parish Office for details.

Mass Intentions and Celebrant Schedule*

Saturday, April 6

3:00-4:00 PM Confessions

Celebrant: Msgr. Alan F. Detscher

5:00 PM **Intention:** Nick Mecca

Celebrant: Msgr. Alan F. Detscher

Sunday, April 7

7:30 AM **Intentions:** Fran and Joe Prunier

Celebrant: Msgr. Larry Bronkiewicz

9:00 AM **Intention:** Glenn Gomez

Celebrant: Msgr. Alan F. Detscher

10:30 AM **Intention:** Clara Comeau

Celebrant: Fr. Kevin O'Brien, S.J.

5:00 PM **Intentions:** Evelyn and Vincent Ragusa

Celebrant: Fr. William F. Platt

6:30 PM **Intentions:** Marcelo, Patricia and Miriam Campoverde

Celebrant: Fr. Miguel Bernal

Monday, April 8

7:00 AM **Intention:** Reggie Frias (living)

5:15 PM **Intention:** Electra Capalbo

Tuesday, April 9

7:00 AM **Intention:** Evelyn Ragusa

5:15 PM **Intention:** Henry Allesio

Thursday, April 11

7:00 AM **Intention:** Mariana Frias (living)

5:15 PM **Intention:** James Edwin Dealy (living)

Friday, April 12

7:00 AM **Intention:** Robert J. McDonald

5:15 PM **Intention:** Mary Barber

Saturday, April 13

3:00-4:00 PM Confessions

Celebrant: Fr. Miguel Bernal

5:00 PM **Intentions:** Mary Beth

Katie O'Reilly

Celebrant: Fr. William F. Platt

Sunday, April 14

7:30 AM **Intention:** William Michael Funck

Celebrant: Fr. Paul Sankar

9:00 AM **Intention:** Adam Buckenmaier

Celebrant: Fr. William F. Platt

10:30 AM **Intention:** Clara Comeau

Celebrant: Fr. Miguel Bernal

11:00 AM – French Mass

Intention: Catherine Howard

Celebrant: Fr. Gilbert D'Souza

5:00 PM **Intention:** Mary Kathleen McGoldrick

Celebrant: Fr. William F. Platt

6:30 PM **Intention:** Mercedes Salvador

Celebrant: Fr. Miguel Bernal

***Schedule subject to change**

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS



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

Wilmar Acevedo	Joan Bartilucci	Claudia Bouchard	Stephen Cheung
Loretta DiMaio	Scion Estrella	John Hickey	Olga Iacobazzo
Sandra Judge	Lorraine Mallen	Faustino Garcia Morales	Leslie Nash
Deacon Eduardo Rodrigues		Austin Shanley	
Barbara Weltz	Vinnie Yax	Josephine Yuen	

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

Kenneth Pulick (3-27-24)



Parish Renovation Update

To stay up to speed on our parish renovation progress, please visit our website **Home** Page at <https://stc-sta.org/> for the latest reports.

Please also consider using St. Catherine **Chapel** for **weekday private prayer** while the church narthex undergoes renovation.



Pray the Rosary Tuesdays at 6:00 PM in the Chapel

Join us in worship as we are led in the **ROSARY every Tuesday** in St. Catherine's Chapel, We begin at 6:00 PM. Please join us!



The Parish of St. Catherine of Siena and St. Agnes Cleaning and Sheets Drive for Inspirica of Stamford Weekend of April 6 and 7

<https://www.inspicact.org/inkind-donations>

INSPIRICA STRIVES TO END HOMELESSNESS AND HOUSING INSECURITY BY HELPING INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES ACHIEVE STABILITY THROUGH SUPPORT SERVICES AND AFFORDABLE HOUSING.

For their housing programs Inspirica needs the following:

- **Brand new cleaning supplies & toiletries**
- **Brand new twin bed sheets, toothbrushes, pots & pans**

From 7/1/21 to 6/30/22

- 3,828 Individuals served across all programs.
- 225 Job placements made
- 122 Families and Individuals moved into permanent housing.
- 200 Served in emergency and transitional housing.
- 115 Children served across all programs.
- 2,450 Community members served through Holiday Wishes and Harvest for Hope.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS (*Continued*)



St. Catherine's Support Circle

Negotiating Salaries: Advice from an Expert

An SCSC Zoom Meeting

Thursday, April 11 from 7:00—8:15 PM

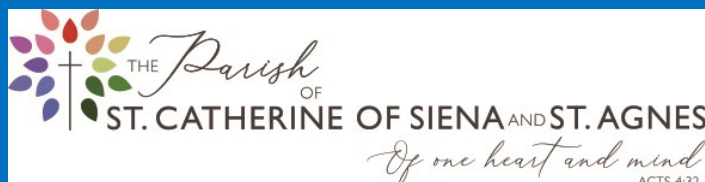
Negotiating compensation can be challenging and uncomfortable for many people. Applicants find themselves

avoiding the conversation which puts them at risk of not being paid fair market value. Another area where some people make themselves vulnerable is not clearly understanding all the components of the offer and the agreements they are signing when joining an organization.

In this webinar, you will gain knowledge, resources, and practical tips on navigating salary discussions and other aspects of employment offers, plus, learn how to understand the agreements you are being asked to sign.

Visit www.stc-sta.org/community-life/st-catherine-s-support-circle for more details on the program and how to reserve a space at the SCSC table.

RSVPs required: To receive a link to attend the *Zoom* session, please **RSVP by Monday, April 8** to the meeting Chair, Michelle Bucaria, at michelle.bucaria@yahoo.com.



Dinner with a Cause

Thursday, April 25

St. Catherine of Siena

Lucey Parish Hall

The *Social Justice Committee* is supporting the work of **Clothes To Kids of Fairfield County**. Everyone is welcome to come and learn about this unique organization that helps kids in need in Fairfield County by providing them with a seasonal wardrobe for school twice a year, free of charge, so that they can attend school with the confidence and self-esteem needed to achieve academic success.

6:30 PM: light supper; 7:15- 8:30 PM: presentation + Q & A

RSVP: socialjustice@stc-sta.org or phone 203-981-4655

Free Will Donations will benefit **CTKF** in their work.

Also, **CTKF bins** will be set up in the vestibule of the Lucey Parish Hall from **April 14-25** to collect donations of new or nearly new clothing and shoes. Items of greatest need include **lightweight jackets and hoodies, sweatpants and leggings, sneakers and packages of new underwear. Sizes 6-20 and S-XXL, appropriate for students in grade K-12.**

<https://clothestokidsfairfieldcounty.org>

More PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS



Catholic Social Teaching

There are seven themes of Catholic Social Teaching. The *Social Justice Committee* will present one theme each month. They provide a framework through which to understand modern Catholic Social Teaching and a guide to living our lives amidst the challenges of modern society.

This month's theme:

The Dignity of Work and the Rights of Workers

The economy must serve people, not the other way around. Work is more than a way to make a living; it is a form of continuing participation in God's creation. If the dignity of work is to be protected, then the basic rights of workers must be respected--the right to productive work, to decent and fair wages, to the organization and joining of unions, to private property, and to economic initiative.



One In Christ – The 2024 Bishop's Appeal

Saint Catherine of Siena and Saint Agnes Parish

2024 Bishop's Appeal as of 3/22/24

Bishop's Appeal Goal:	\$278,000
Total Pledged:	\$85,122 (31%)
Donors to Date:	105 Donors



To make a gift, or for more information, please visit us at 2024BishopsAppeal.org, call (203) 416-1470 or scan QR code with your phone.

The Bishop's Appeal supports the ministries of the Catholic Church throughout Fairfield County. If you have not yet given your support, please prayerfully consider doing so. Your support is critical to the continued success of the ministries. Thank you!



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Catholic Cemeteries

Serving the Spiritual Needs of Grieving Parents

A ministry for parents whose children of any age have died by any cause, no matter how long ago.

Losing a child under any circumstance is horrific. Focusing on the spirituality of the grieving process can help tremendously.

Please join us for a **One-Day Spiritual Retreat**
All are welcome.

Emmaus Ministry for Grieving Parents

Convent of St. Birgitta

4 Runkenhage Road, Darien

Saturday, May 4, 2024

9:30am-7:30pm

PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED

For more information or to register: <https://ctcemeteries.org/bereavement-support/emmaus-ministry/>

Call Carolyn Killian at 203-404-0023 or Nancy Bentley at 203-404-0820 if you would like **more information**.

FAITH in Our Community

The Social Justice Committee of St. Catherine of Siena and St. Agnes continues their **Food & Essentials Drive for Neighbor to Neighbor**

Please continue to be generous in your donations to *Neighbor-to-Neighbor* of non-perishable foods and personal care items. Our drives at St. Catherine's continue **every Tuesday from 9:00 - 11:00 AM** as does the need!

Each week, donations can be dropped-off in the parking area across the street from the Rectory. Or, when construction impacts the vestibule at the church entrance, donations may be left downstairs in the vestibule to the Lucey Parish Hall.



Visit www.stc-sta.org/community-news for details and items needed and how your donations are helping!

Thanks to all for remembering your neighbors with your generous donations that are filling the gap for so many!!

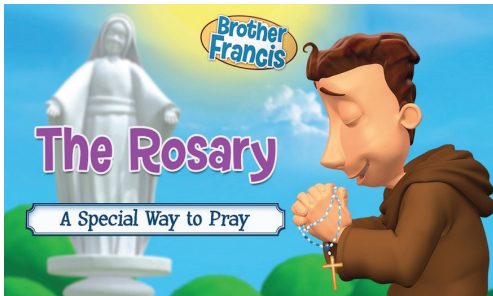


Parishioner **Kevin Ruebenstahl** has been helping Jewish Family Services **settle newly arrived refugees** into small apartments in Fairfield County. He and a volunteer team assemble furniture, stock closets, kitchen, bathroom, etc. and he notes, they are in **urgent need of more help** as their U.S. government partners have started to clear a backlog on refugees—JFS is struggling to keep up with 2-3 apartments a week. Kevin has offered for anyone interested to **contact him directly** for more information at ruebenstahlk@gmail.com.



THIS WEEK ON **FORMED**

Week of April 08, 2024



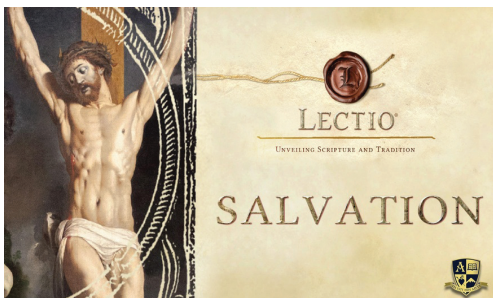
The Rosary: A Special Way to Pray

Join Brother Francis in this entertaining and guidance-filled presentation that will inspire children to deepen their faith by praying the Rosary!



Why Catholics believe in "life everlasting"

The Catholic Church cares about every BODY. Think of relics and funerals—reverence for our bodies and the body's of holy people is part of being Catholic. But why? We find the answer at the end of the Creed: "I believe in the resurrection of the body and life everlasting." That's a pretty strong statement and it's founded on Jesus. Because Jesus rose from the dead, we can look forward to our own body's being raised at the end of time. Pretty cool, right?



Not Just a Legal Transaction | Lectio: Salvation | Episode 5

After the Fall, each person is born not only with the stain of sin on their soul but also with a fallen human nature. Thanks be to God that his gift of salvation not only frees us from Original Sin but also transforms us from the inside out, healing the root of our brokenness: our hearts. As we will see in this session, salvation is not simply a legal transaction by which we are declared righteous, but by the gift of God's Spirit we are actually made righteous.

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