

Behold, the virgin shall be with child and bear a son,
and they shall name him

Emmanuel

which means "God is with us."

- Matthew 1:23



*The Nativity of the Lord
Christmas Vigil:
December 24, 2023*

Rev. William F. Platt, Pastor

Rev. Miguel Bernal, Priest in Residence

Director of Greenwich Hispanic Ministry

Rev. Christopher Johnson, Priest in Residence

Staff Chaplain, Greenwich Hospital

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
- 10:00 AM – Mass, St. Agnes 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 Chapel

- 9:30 AM – Korean Mass
- 11:00 AM – French Mass - 2nd Sunday of the month
- Italian Mass - 3rd Sunday of the month

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 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

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

Rosary

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

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

Saturday 9:00 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).

Financial Report: Sunday Offertory

(for the last four weekends)

November 18 & November 19\$17,237

November 25 & November 26\$8,474

December 2 & December 3\$28,300

December 9 & December 10\$15,747

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

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or contact the Parish Office for details.

Mass Intentions and Celebrant Schedule*

Saturday, December 23

3:00 - 4:00 PM Confessions

Celebrant: Fr. Miguel Bernal

5:00 PM **Intentions:** Margaret Fado and John Franco

Celebrant: Fr. Miguel Bernal

Sunday, December 24

7:30 AM **Intentions:** All Souls

Celebrant: Fr. Paul Sankar

9:00 AM **Intentions:** All Souls

Celebrant: Fr. William F. Platt

9:30 AM – Korean Mass

Intentions: All Souls

Celebrant: Fr. Seungyong Yi

10:00 AM **Intentions:** All Souls

Celebrant: Msgr. Alan F. Detscher

10:30 AM **Intentions:** All Souls

Celebrant: Fr. Miguel Bernal

4:00 PM **Intentions:** Parishioners

Celebrant: Fr. Christopher Johnson

5:00 PM **Intentions:** Parishioners

(Church) **Celebrant:** Fr. William F. Platt

5:00 PM **Intentions:** Parishioners

(Hall) **Celebrant:** Msgr. Alan F. Detscher

5:00 PM **Intentions:** Parishioners

(Gym) **Celebrant:** Fr. Miguel Bernal

5:00 PM **Intentions:** Parishioners

(Chapel) **Celebrant:** Fr. Lionel Pacheco

10:00 PM **Intentions:** Parishioners

Celebrant: Fr. William F. Platt

Monday, December 25

7:30 AM **Intentions:** Parishioners

Celebrant: Fr. Miguel Bernal

9:00 AM **Intentions:** Parishioners

Celebrant: Msgr. Alan F. Detscher

10:00 AM **Intentions:** Parishioners

Celebrant: Fr. Christopher Johnson

10:30 AM **Intentions:** Parishioners

Celebrant: Fr. William F. Platt

3:00 PM – Korean Mass

Intentions: Parishioners

Celebrant: Fr. Seungyong Yi

Tuesday, December 26

7:00 AM **Intention:** Donald Wiesen

Thursday, December 28

7:00 AM **Intention:** Catharina Maria van Vliet

5:15 PM **Intention:** Emily Finegan

Friday, December 29

7:00 AM **Intention:** Jean Lalor

5:15 PM **Intentions:** Lawrence E. Langley

Saturday, December 30

5:00 PM **Intentions:** Rodney Sorese

Celebrant: Msgr. Alan F. Detscher

Sunday, December 31

7:30 AM **Intentions:** Vivian Santacapita

Celebrant: Msgr. Larry Bronkiewicz

9:00 AM **Intentions:** Alicia Peralta

Celebrant: Fr. Paul Sankar

9:30 AM – Korean Mass

Intentions: Parishioners

Celebrant: Fr. Seungyong Yi

10:00 AM **Intentions:** Parishioners

Celebrant: Fr. William F. Platt

10:30 AM **Intentions:** Giuseppina Lisio

Celebrant: Fr. Paul Sankar

5:00 PM **Intentions:** Judith Fillat

Celebrant: Msgr. Alan F. Detscher

***Schedule subject to change**

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS



Please join us as we continue to
celebrate the Season. . .

Christmas Eve

- 4:00 p.m. **The Family Vigil Mass of Christmas**
St. Agnes Church
- 5:00 p.m. **The Family Vigil Mass of Christmas**
St. Catherine's Church
- 5:00 p.m. **The Vigil Mass of Christmas**
Lucey Parish Hall
- 5:00 p.m. **The Vigil Mass of Christmas**
St. Catherine's Chapel
- 5:00 p.m. **The Vigil Mass of Christmas in Spanish**
Gymnasium in St. Catherine's school building
(NO 6:30 p.m. Mass in Spanish on Christmas Eve)
- 10:00 p.m. **The Solemn Mass during the Night**
St. Catherine's Church

Christmas Day

- 7:30 a.m. **The Christmas Mass at Dawn**
St. Catherine's Church
- 9:00 a.m. **The Christmas Morning Mass**
St. Catherine's Church
- 10:00 a.m. **The Mass of Christmas Day**
St. Agnes Church
- 10:30 a.m. **The Mass of Christmas Day**
St. Catherine's Church
- 3:00 p.m. **The Mass of Christmas Day in Korean**
St. Catherine's Chapel

(NO 5:15 p.m. Mass on Christmas Day)



The Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

December 31

- 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m. &
5:00 p.m. (Solemnity of Mary Vigil)
(NO 6:30 p.m. Mass in Spanish)

St. Catherine's Church

9:30 a.m. (Korean), St. Catherine's Chapel

10:00 a.m., St. Agnes Church

Solemnity of Mary Mass

January 1, 2024 –

9:00 a.m., St. Catherine's Church

**All Masses at St. Catherine's Church
are also Livestreamed.**

Find full **Christmas Eve** and **Christmas Day** Mass
Celebrant schedules at www.stc-sta.org –Home Page



**We are in need of families
for our Family Choir.**

Join us to sing at Christmas Eve Mass!

Family Choir will sing at the **5:00 PM Family Vigil
Mass of Christmas** at St. Catherine of Siena Church.
The call time is **4:00 PM** in the Choir Room. Caroling
will begin at **4:30 PM**.

Participation guarantees best seats and best experience
at our best-attended Christmas Eve Mass!

E-mail Dr. Liya Petrides at
music.director@stc-sta.org to sign-up.

Parish Holiday Schedule: December 25 — January 1

In observance of the holidays, our Parish
Office will be closed on **Monday, December 25,**
Tuesday, December 26 and **Monday, January 1.**

Please view the **special Mass schedules** for
December 24, 25 & 26, plus January 1 on our
website Church Calendar at:

www.stc-sta.org/church-calendar

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS (*Continued*)



3rd Announcement

Erin Montague & Antonio Rizio

Have made a Promise of Marriage



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

Wilmar Acevedo	Joan Bartilucci	Claudia Bouchard	Stephen Cheung
Scion Estrella	Frances Funke	John Hickey	Olga Iacobazzo
Sandra Judge	Gwen Loughlin	Lorraine Mallen	
Faustino Garcia Morales	Joan J. Murphy	Leslie Nash	
Mayra Nieves	Deacon Eduardo Rodrigues	Austin Shanley	
Barbara Weltz	Vinnie Yax	Josephine Yuen	

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

Cecilia LeRose (12-11-23)



2024 Mass Intentions Book Open New Forms Available

Blank forms with instructions can be picked up at the Parish Office or printed out from our website here:

https://stc-sta.org/images/Mass_Intentions_Request_Form_2024.pdf

Children Liturgy of the Word (CLOW)

Children's Liturgy of the Word will be held weekly
at the **9:00 AM Family Mass**.

All children will begin Mass sitting with their parents in church.
Children in Grades Kindergarten – 5th will be invited
to go with committee members to the Lucey Parish Hall.
Children will return to their parents after the Prayer of the Faithful.

Children's Liturgy
of the **Word**

FAITH in ACTION



A PROJECT OF SAMARITAN'S PURSE SHOE BOX RESULTS 2023

This year was our **19th year** participating in the *Operation Christmas Child* Shoe Box project. Through your generosity, we were able to deliver **150 boxes** that will be sent to some of the **100 countries** to children living in traumatic and impoverished circumstances.

Below are some pictures of the boxes and of our mascot, Buck, supervising.

Enjoy the Christmas season.

Betsy Parker



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

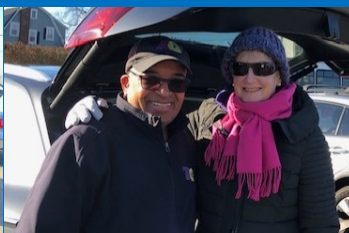
Please continue to be generous in your donations to *Neighbor-to-Neighbor* of non-perishable foods and personal care items. Our drives at St. Catherine's continue **every Tuesday from 9:00 - 11:00 AM** as does the need!

Each week, donations can be dropped-off in the parking area across the street from the Rectory. Or, if more convenient, drop-off your donations in the church vestibule and leave them on the steps.

As in the past, **new knitted hats and scarves** are being requested and are being collected as part of our donations for the cold weather that has arrived. Supplies are being depleted quickly, so please keep them coming throughout the season.

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!!



FAVORITE PIX of the WEEK

Our First Annual Bilingual (English / Spanish) Christmas Pageant, OH HOLY NIGHT, was great success. All children of the parish were invited to join our Christmas Pageant this year. The narrative and carols were presented in both English and Spanish. Thanks to *Greenwich Hispanic Ministry, The St. Catherine's Players, St. Catherine and St. Agnes Music Ministry* (plus all parents) for helping to coordinate and organize this WONDERFUL EVENT!



THIS WEEK ON **FORMED**

Week of December 24, 2023



The True Meaning of Christmas | Lukas Storyteller

Christmas is coming and our friends Peter, Agnes, Paul and Anna expect to receive many gifts. but when they caught in one of their antics. Lukas and Noah will help them understand the true story of Christmas and how the birth of the Son of God should change our hearts.



Christmas | Sacred Art

Join Dr. Ben Akers and Taylor Kemp as they look at the painting Adoration of the Shepherds by Gerard van Honthorst to celebrate the Nativity of our Lord. This famous painting reveals the Christ Child as the light that has come into the world and also depicts the Blessed Mother, St. Joseph, and the shepherds to be models of adoration to our humble Lord who came as a helpless baby.



The 12 Days of Christmas

We are excited to announce our series of FORMED Now! Christmas and New Year special episodes. In these episodes, professors from the Augustine Institute Graduate School will lead us in reflections throughout the season.

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