

MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKEND

Saturday: 5:00 p.m. (Vigil)

Sunday: 7:30, 9:00 (Family Mass), 10:30 a.m. & 5:00 p.m.

DAILY (Chapel)

Monday through Friday: 7:00 a.m. & 5:15 p.m.

Saturday: 7:00 a.m.

HOLYDAY (Church)

Eve: 5:15 p.m. (Vigil)

Holyday: 7:00 a.m., 12:10 p.m., & 5:15 p.m.

MASSES IN OTHER LANGUAGES

September to June (Chapel)

French Mass - 2nd Sunday 11:00 a.m.

Italian Mass - 3rd Sunday 11:00 a.m.

Spanish Mass - 4th Sunday 11:00 a.m.

RECONCILIATION - Sacrament of Penance

(Sacristy) Saturday: 3:00 - 4:00 p.m. or by appointment

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

(Individual or during Mass)

Please call the Rectory to arrange for Baptism.

Attendance at a Pre-Baptism Session is required –

3rd Saturday: 1:30 p.m. in the Rectory

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Please call the Rectory 9-12 months before proposed wedding date to arrange for marriage preparation.



*Please pray for the deceased members of our parish
John J. Vecchione (1/14/19).*

Come and join!

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Every First Friday of the Month

**Immediately following the 5:15
Mass in the Chapel**



WEEKLY MEDITATION



Please join us for Meditation on Thursday evenings in the Chapel, from 7:00 - 7:30 p.m. It's a quiet time to retreat from the "hustle and bustle" of the workplace and home.

READINGS FOR SUNDAY LITURGY
can be found at number 868 in Worship.

Saturday, January 19

Heb 4:12-16; Mk 2:13-17

7:00 a.m. Leonard Sorese

5:00 p.m. Joseph and Mary Curley

Sunday, January 20

Is 62:1-5; 1 Cor 12:4-11; Jn 2:1-11

7:30 a.m. All the Members of this Parish

9:00 a.m. Joan Mendelson

10:30 a.m. Tony Goirdan and Frances Ferretti

11:00 a.m. John Bellantoni

5:00 p.m. Nicholas Mecca

Monday, January 21

Heb 5:1-10; Mk 2:18-22

9:00 a.m. Clara Comeau

Tuesday, January 22

7:00 a.m. Agnes Boscaino

5:15 p.m. All Souls

Wednesday, January 23

Heb 7:1-3, 15-17; Mk 3:1-6

7:00 a.m. Ann Finazzo

5:15 p.m. Michael Lyne

Thursday, January 24

Heb 7:25—8:6; Mk 3:7-12

7:00 a.m. Rosario Terio

5:15 p.m. Theresa Smith

Friday, January 25

Acts 22:3-16 or 9:1-22; Mk 16:15-18

7:00 a.m. Vincent Finazzo

5:15 p.m. Living and Deceased Members
of the Klump and Craig Families

Saturday, January 26

2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5; Mk 3:20-21

7:00 a.m. Charles Dalton

5:00 p.m. John and Veronica Smith and Family

Sunday, January 27

Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10; 1 Cor 12:12-30; Lk 1:1-4, 4:14-21

7:30 a.m. Dyanna Borges

9:00 a.m. Marion and Thomas Dobson

10:30 a.m. Robert J. Wilson, Jr.

5:00 p.m. All the Members of this Parish

NEXT WEEKEND CELEBRANT SCHEDULE

Saturday, January 26

Reconciliation: Fr. William F. Platt

5:00 p.m. Msgr. Alan F. Detscher

Sunday, January 27

7:30 a.m. Fr. William F. Platt

9:00 a.m. Fr. Mark D'Silva

10:30 a.m. Msgr. Alan F. Detscher

5:00 p.m. Fr. Mark D'Silva

PARISH EVENTS AND NEWS

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Jan 20	Reflection Series: India--A Journey into the Northwest--the Indo Islamic Heritage, Remnants of the British Raj and the Punjab Immediately following the 10:30 a.m. Mass
Jan 20	Concert and Cocktails In Celebration of Msgr. Detscher 3:00 p.m. Concert followed by cocktails.
Jan 24	Meditation 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Chapel
Jan 24	Walking with Purpose 9:30 a.m., Lucey Parish Hall
Jan 26	Walking with Purpose 9:30 a.m., Room 101
Jan 25	Family Fun Night 7:30 p.m. Lucey Parish Hall (RSVP Required)
Jan 27	Farewell Mass and Reception for Msgr. Detscher 10:30 a.m. Mass followed by a reception.
Feb 3	Installation Mass and Reception for Fr. Platt <i>Details to follow soon.</i>

"Reflections on Religious Identity within the Contemporary World" Series



Deacon Robert Henrey will continue his series and share his interest in different religious traditions.

Sunday, January 20

India: A Journey into the Northwest
The Indo Islamic Heritage, Remnants
of the British Raj and the Punjab



The one-hour presentation will begin after the 10:30 a.m. Mass in the Lucey Parish Hall. Light refreshments will be served and all are welcome!



Calling all undercover
country fans, dancing fans,
and
fans of St Catherine's Players!

Have you ever wanted to learn how to line dance?

. . Or watch people learn how to line dance?

. . . Or eat snacks and enjoy the company of people
who want to learn how to line dance?

If so, you are in luck. **Join the cast of *Footloose, the Musical* on Friday, February 8, for our Line Dance Social** and learn from an expert. No experience needed, just bring your dancing shoes.

Join us from 7:30-9:30 p.m. in the Lucey Parish Hall.
Pizza, drinks and dessert will be served.

Tickets are \$5 and can be purchased in the rectory or after the 5:00 p.m. Mass on January 20 and 27. Tickets will also be available at the door if they don't sell out!

Everyone is welcomed!



Wendy Blumenthal and Jody Breakell

The St. Catherine's players have their own version of show biz royalty. Not Rogers and Hammerstein or Learner and Loewe, but Blumenthal and Breakell, who are producing their 5th show for the St. Catherine's Players. For the past five years the success of the productions has begun with them.

Jody has been part of the company for over 30 years. in roles as Assistant Producer, cast member and mom of two cast members, handyman, and as a positive presence during the development of the shows. Wendy takes the role of detail oriented business partner, responsible for many other aspects of the Players, but most importantly for positive budgeting which allows for generous annual donations to church.

They have a hands-on role in every show, resolving issues and promoting the family atmosphere of the Players which grows stronger during each production. Jody and Wendy represent and promote the uniqueness of St. Catherine's Players. They do it all! From choosing each year's play to the final performance, they showcase their many talents.

Performances: March 1, 2, 3, 8, 9, 10

Tickets will go on sale soon!

Visit www.stcath.org (Community Life) for information.

EVENTS AND NEWS

Financial Report

Sunday Offertory (for the last four weekends)

December 15 & 16.....	\$ 12,913**
December 22 & 23.....	\$ 12,692**
December 29 & 30.....	\$ 65,211**
January 5 & 6.....	\$ 53,992**

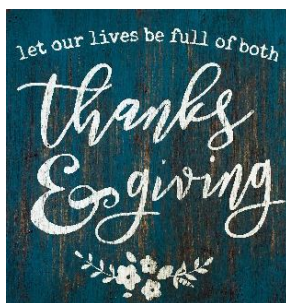
*Includes Christmas, Monthly, Annual (AEG) and/or (OLG) Offertory



As you may know, we've launched an Online Giving program as an easy way for parishioners to make contributions to the church. **We'd like to encourage everyone to take advantage of this simple way of supporting St. Catherine's.**

You will find reusable cards in the pews that provide more information on the program, and we invite those already giving ONLINE to place one of those cards in the collections baskets each week to indicate that you already contribute.

THANKS-IS-GIVING APPEAL 2018 – 2019



Even though the Appeal started a little later this year than in past years, response during the very first week of 12/24 - 12/31 has been great! 98 families have already helped us raise \$55,400. **Thank you so much for your generosity!**

During the next several months, please consider showing your support for this important parish appeal which supports major capital expenses around our parish campus.

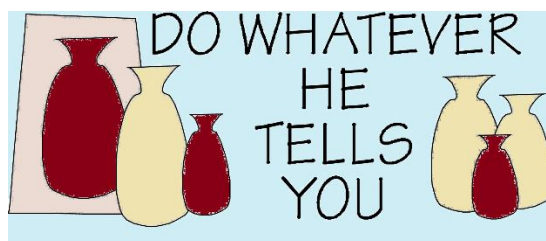
YOU CAN BECOME AN ALTAR SERVER!



As long as a child has received first communion, they can be trained to serve. High school students are also encouraged to become altar servers or to remain as servers when they enter high school.

Altar Servers are generally asked to serve two Masses each month. **We would like to train more Altar Servers to ensure that all of our weekend Masses are covered.**

If you or a family member is interested in joining this ministry, please email our altar server coordinator, Connie Murljacic, at cmurljac@gmail.com or Deacon Renato Berzolla at lux1@aol.com.



PARISHIONER UPDATES

As we try to maintain our records, please let us know if you have recently moved, changed your phone number, or changed or added an email address. Contact Terri Marino at terri.marino@stcath.org or 203-637-3661 ext. 326. If you have never formally registered, please visit our website at www.stcath.org and you can easily register online.

CARE FOR THE SICK AND AGED



If you, or someone you know, is homebound and would like a visit from one of our deacons or priests, please contact Fr. Mark D'Silva at 203-637-3661 ext. 318.



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please join us

Msgr. Alan F. Detscher's
Farewell Celebration

HOST:
Fr. William F. Platt 203-637-3661

WHEN:
Sunday, January 27 at 10:30 AM

WHERE:
St. Catherine of Siena Church
4 Riverside Avenue Riverside, CT 06878

***Please join us at 10:30 AM
as Msgr. Detscher celebrates
his last Mass as Pastor of St. Catherine of Siena Church.***

All are invited to a congratulatory brunch after Mass (in the Lucey Parish Hall)
as we bid farewell to Msgr. Detscher and thank him for
his service to our parish as he begins his retirement.

We hope you can join us!

**Please RSVP by January 20, 2019
@ <https://tinyurl.com/DetscherMass>**

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS EVENTS



EXHIBITION

The Knights of Columbus Museum's Polish Christmas exhibition continues through February 3 and commemorates the 100th anniversary of Poland's independence.

In connection with the 40th anniversary of St. John Paul II's election as pope, the museum will have on display each day from Saturday, January 19 to Sunday, January 27, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., a relic of St. John Paul II, which is a fragment of his cassock, blood-soaked from the assassination attempt May 13, 1981.

The museum is located at 1 State Street in New Haven. Admission and parking are free. Info: 203-865-0400 or kofcmuseum.org.

MARCH FOR LIFE

The Knights of Orinoco Council 39 welcome all Pro-Life people to a special Vigil Prayer Service on **Thursday evening January 17th at 7:45 p.m.** at the Knights of Columbus Hall located at 37 West Putnam Avenue in Greenwich. Everyone is welcome.

During the service, prayers will be offered to God, the Author of all Life, for all the children living in the womb, for their protection and for their healthy birth. We will pray for the safe pilgrimage of all travelers heading to Washington, D.C. and for the success of the 2019 March.

Msgr. J. Peter Cullen
Chaplain, Greenwich Council 39



What's Happening in Faith Formation

Visit www.stcath.org for the full class calendar.

The Religious Education Office hours are Monday – Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

"Do whatever he tells you."

**How often must I forgive.... say to you,
not seven times but seventy-seven times.**

Matthew 18:21-22

Saint John Paul II wrote, "Jesus spoke of forgiveness very often and in various ways. When Peter asked him how often he should forgive his neighbor, Jesus answered that he should forgive his neighbor seventy times seven, which means in practice we should always strive to forgive those who have sinned against us. In fact the number seventy times seven is symbolic, and it means an incalculable number of times."



Gospel Summary – JN 2:1-11

While the Wedding in Cana is a familiar story, it only appears in John's Gospel. Scholars call it the first of Jesus' signs. Mary, Jesus' mother, observed that the wine was running low at a wedding feast she and Jesus were attending. She didn't specifically ask Jesus to do something about the situation, but he understood the implication. He instructed the servants to fill six stone jars with water and then take some to the waiter in charge. The waiter was surprised that the bridegroom had saved the best wine for last. The servants were surprised because they knew the jars were filled with water and they had witnessed something remarkable.

Reflection for Parents

The point Jesus wanted to illustrate by performing this sign was to introduce a change. Many scholars interpret the wedding as the new age and the huge stone jars represent the magnitude of the wonder. There is great abundance in the story and that is the message of the new order Jesus promises - God lavishes us with his abundant love and we come to know that love through Jesus.

Bringing the Good News Into Your Family

Change is often good for us. Jesus brought about a good change in the world. Think about some changes your family can make (or has already made) like rearranging furniture, breaking a routine, or going on vacation. Talk together about how these changes excite you, cause you to grow, or give you a different view of things.

Discussion Starters

1. A change in my life that brought about something very good happened when. . .
2. Like Mary, I trusted Jesus would help me with a problem when. . .
3. Recently I saw a sign of God's love when . . .

Important Dates and INFORMATION

• **January 25 – Family Fun Night**

6:00 - 7:30 p.m. – Lucey Parish Hall

All children registered in our religious education programs for grades 1 to 5 and their family members are invited. PLEASE bring a can of soup which we will donate to a local soup kitchen. RSVP 203-637-3661 ext. 330.

• **February 2 – First Penance Children's Workshop**

9:30 - 11:00 a.m. in the school and church.

• **February 4 and 7 – Sacrament of First Reconciliation**

7:00 p.m. in the church.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

**"Do not be satisfied with little things,
because God wants great things?"**

- St. Catherine of Siena



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