

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, especially for Maria Concetta Manna (2-11-19) and Antoinette M. Longo (2-13-19).



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 885 in Worship.

Saturday, February 23

Heb 11:1-7; Mk 9:2-13

7:00 a.m. The Rev. John Shade Franklin

5:00 p.m. Anne Marie Davis

Sunday, February 24

1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23; 1 Cor 15:45-49; Lk 6:27-38

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

9:00 a.m. Frank Infante

10:30 a.m. Jane Glavin

11:00 a.m. Carlos and Temilda Grandas

5:00 p.m. Honorable Daniel Caruso

Monday, February 25

Sir 1:1-10; Mk 9:14-29

7:00 a.m. Victor Theriot

5:15 p.m. John and Veronica Smith and Family

Tuesday, February 26

Sir 2:1-11; Mk 9:30-37

7:00 a.m. Lilian Mays

5:15 p.m. Mary Gagliardi

Wednesday, February 27

Sir 4:11-19; Mk 9:38-40

7:00 a.m. Mariano De Angelis

5:15 p.m. George Demko

Thursday, February 28

Sir 5:1-8; Mk 9:41-50

7:00 a.m. All Souls

5:15 p.m. Dr. Donna Landi and Dr. Steve Parr

Friday, March 1

Sir 6:5-17; Mk 10:1-12

7:00 a.m. Mary Beth O'Reilly

5:15 p.m. Diana M. DelGuidice

Saturday, March 2

Sir 17:1-15; Mk 10:13-16

7:00 a.m. John Bellantoni

5:00 p.m. Francis Szyzborski

Sunday, March 3

Sir 27:4-7; 1 Cor 15:54-58; Lk 6:39-45

7:30 a.m. Emile Seidel

9:00 a.m. Rosarina and Lorenzo Bria

10:30 a.m. Philip N. Ayoub

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

NEXT WEEKEND CELEBRANT SCHEDULE

Saturday, March 2

Reconciliation: Fr. William F. Platt

5:00 p.m. Fr. William F. Platt

Sunday, March 3

7:30 a.m. Fr. Paul Shankar

9:00 a.m. Fr. William F. Platt

10:30 a.m. Fr. Mark D'Silva

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

PARISH EVENTS AND NEWS

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Feb 25/26	Bible Study Begins (see bulletin for details)
Feb 28	Meditation 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Chapel
Feb 28	Walking with Purpose 9:30 a.m., Room 102
Mar 1	Opening Night - St. Catherine's Players <i>Footloose, The Musical</i> Tickets available at www.stcath.org
Mar 2	Walking with Purpose 9:30 a.m., Room 101
Mar 7	St. Catherine's Support Circle <i>Three Things Unemployed Professionals Must Know to Overcome Frustration and Fear</i> 7:00 – 9:00 p.m., Room 209
Mar 15	Pot Luck Dinner 6:00 – 8:30 p.m., Lucey Parish Hall See bulletin for details.



Fr. Mark has a new email!

mdsilva@stcath.org

Fr. Platt has a new email!

pastor@stcath.org

Msgr. Detscher can now be reached:

By Mail:

The Queen of the Clergy
274 Strawberry Hill Avenue, #214
Stamford, CT 06902

By E-mail:

adetscher@aol.com

See pictures from **Msgr. Detscher's Farewell Celebration** and **Fr. Platt's Installation Celebration** at www.stcath.org under **Community Life - Photo Galleries**.

BIBLE STUDY



The next Bible Study begins THIS WEEK. This 5-session study entitled **"Pilgrim People"** incorporates an introductory session and four lessons.

Monday evenings: 7:30 – 9:00 p.m.

Tuesday mornings: 10:00 – 11:30 a.m.

\$30 materials fee to be paid the 1st day of class. Cash or check accepted. For more program information visit www.stcath.org (Adult Faith Formation).

St. Catherine's Players
present



Footloose
The MUSICAL

March 1,2,3 and 8,9,10,2019

Fridays at 8 pm. Saturdays at 7 pm
and Sundays at 2 pm

Tickets and information

\$21 in advance and \$25 at the door.

www.stcath.org 203-637-3661 x 327

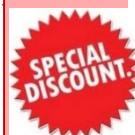
St. Catherine of Siena Church, 4 Riverside Ave., Riverside, CT

Footloose is presented by special arrangement with R+H Theatricals.
www.rnh.com

Tickets are now on sale at the rectory or online at
www.stcath.org (Community Life).

Student Discounted Performance:

Friday, March 8 at 8:00 p.m.



Students (through 12th grade) showing
school ID at the door pay only \$10.00

These tickets are not available online.

2019 WEDDING JUBILEE MASS AND CONCERT

Sunday, May 5, 2019

3:00 p.m. – St. Theresa Parish, Trumbull

Bishop Caggiano will celebrate the 2109 Wedding Jubilee Mass for couples celebrating 25, 30, 35, 40, 45 and 50+ year wedding anniversaries. There is no cost to attend.

If you want to register for this Mass, please visit www.bridgeportdiocese.org/faith-formation or contact Lisa DeLeo at 203-637-3661. RSVP by April 25.

As a special gift those celebrating, the Mass will be immediately followed by a concert by the Diocesan *Choir 4 Youth*.

EVENTS AND NEWS



**St. Catherine's
Support Circle**

Three Things Unemployed Professionals Must Know to Overcome Frustration and Fear

**Thursday, March 7, 2019 7 - 9 PM
Room 209**

Jason Hyde is a Financial Services Industry Professional as well as an Author and Motivational Teacher. He has previously worked as a Corporate Trainer for Pitney Bowes and Wells Fargo Bank. In 2006, Jason became a passionate student of self-improvement and in 2012 he wrote the book "Career Fulfillment Found, a practical, spiritual guide to a fulfilling career".

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.

To order to reserve a space at the SCSC table please RSVP to meeting facilitator Chris Brugo at cbrugo@gmail.com

The St. Catherine's Support Circle was formed in early 2009 to support people seeking jobs in the current challenging economic environment. The group continues to encourage participation by both job seekers and those interested in providing their advice and web site www.stcath.org, then first link to Community Life, and then link to the SCSC page. Here, you will also find driving instructions to SCSC events.

The SCSC Steering Committee includes professionals who have experience in diverse areas including human resources, executive search, career coaching, clinical career counseling, and general support. To read about helpful information and recommended resources for job seekers, visit the parish management, education, marketing, public relations, finance, accounting and IT. If you have similar experience, and would be interested in joining your fellow professionals on the committee, please contact SCSC Chairman Bob Sloane at rsloane@optonline.net

Financial Report

Sunday Offertory (for the last four weekends)

January 19 & 20.....	\$ 12,835**
January 27 & 28.....	\$ 16,155**
February 2 & 3.....	\$ 13,586**
February 9 & 10.....	\$ 8,032**

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

Take the Simple Way to Support your Parish!



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

Date	Total Donations Received	# of Donations Received
12/24/18 - 01/27/19	\$ 78,163	151
01/28/19 - 02/04/19	\$ 2,500	9
02/05/19 - 02/10/19	\$ 6,350	9
TOTAL	\$ 87,013	169

We are grateful to our parish families that have supported the TIG Appeal over the years. Because of your generosity, we have been able to accomplish so much, but there is still more to do. Your support of the TIG Appeal helps to pay for the continued maintenance; repairs and improvements around the campus and in each of the parish buildings. **Thank you for your support!!**

CARE FOR THE SICK AND AGED



Fr. Mark D'Silva is available to make home visits to the sick or homebound.

If you, or someone you know, would like a visit from him, please contact Fr. Mark at 203-637-3661 ext. 311.



"Follow" us on our new
Facebook page:

[@stcatherineofsienachurchriversidect](https://www.facebook.com/stcatherineofsienachurchriversidect)

EVENTS AND NEWS



Introducing a New Day Program: **A Journey Through Loss to Healing**

As we strive together to build an even stronger parish community, we invite you to join us this spring for a new initiative sponsored by the Parish Partners Ministry.

Weekly sessions follow a text, which has received a special award of merit by the National Association of Catholic Family Life Ministers, New Day Journal, developed by Maureen O'Brien, O.P.

Trained Parish Partners facilitators will conduct the program. Our first support group will take place here in a confidential setting. Sessions will be held weekly on Thursdays:

March 21 - May 16
1:30 – 3:00 p.m.

Registration is required. There is no fee. If you would like to sign up, or have any questions, we would love to talk with you!

Please call the Parish Partners Ministry at 203-637-3661 ext. 375 or contact parishpartners@stcath.org

We hope to offer this New Day Program twice each year in the Spring and Fall, and will rotate between afternoon and evening sessions. We look forward to welcoming you, and hope that you will find this new opportunity helpful, comforting and healing!



Everyone Brings Something to the Table.

Join your fellow parishioners at

St. Catherine's Community Celebration Dinner

Happy Hour ~ Dinner ~ Ice Cream Social

Friday, March 15, 2019

6:00 to 8:30 PM

Lucey Parish Hall

Please bring a favorite dish ready to serve and share:

♦ Appetizers ♦ Salads ♦ Meatless Entrees* ♦ Vegetable Sides ♦ Ice Cream Toppings, Cookies, Bars ♦

*Please also bring a **Bottle** to add to the community table!*

*Since our meal will take place on a Friday in Lent, Fr. Platt has asked that we showcase our delicious **meatless** cuisine.

RSVP with names in your party and the category of food you will bring to:

Pam Sloane (psloane@optonline.net) **by Thursday, March 14.**



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.

Prayer When Stressed



Lord there is so much going on in my life.

I feel stressed, anxious and overwhelmed.

I know You will guide me through all that is happening and strengthen me as I walk with You, but I struggle to trust You completely.

Help me to entrust all that concerns me to Your care.

I know You will work everything out for my greater good and Your glory, but I am still impatient, so bless me with patience.

Grant me the courage I need to face the challenges in my life and send supportive family and friends to listen to me, understand me, and lift me up in prayer.

When I feel alone or afraid let me feel Your love and presence.

I surrender everything to You and ask for the grace to rest in Your peace.

Amen.

catholic christian.tumblr.co

“Give to everyone who asks of you, and from the one who takes what is yours do not demand it back.”

Gospel Summary – LK 6:27-38

In today's Gospel reading, Jesus spells out what it means to honor the Commandment of love. It means loving your enemies, doing good to those who hate you, blessing those who curse you, and praying for those who mistreat you. It means giving to everyone who asks of you and doing to others as you would have them do to you. The ending of this passage includes four additional directions concerning the way of love—stop judging, stop condemning, forgive, and give.

Reflection for Families

Today is a good day to take a love inventory. Jot down the eight practical directions given in the Gospel Summary regarding honoring the Commandment of love: love your enemies; do good to those who hate you; bless those who curse you; pray for those who mistreat you; stop judging; stop condemning; forgive; and give. On a scale of 1-5, with 5 being “living in love,” rate yourself as a parent, as a spouse, and as a follower of Jesus Christ. Where are you living in love? Where is there room for growth and change?

Bringing the Gospel Into your Family

Create a family love inventory that includes four of the practical directions given in today's Gospel: do to others as you would have them do to you; lend expecting nothing back; forgive; and give. Explain the scale of 1-5, with 5 being “living in love.” Rate yourselves two times. First, rate yourselves as a family according to how you show love to one another. Second, rate yourselves as a family according to how you show love to those outside of your home—for example, how you show love to neighbors, friends, other family members, and so forth. Ask yourselves where you are living in love and where there is room for growth and change. Make a family action plan and follow the plan.

Discussion Starters

1. Someone who loves others like Jesus asks us to love is . . .
2. For me, the hardest part of Jesus' Commandment to love is . . . because . . .
3. This week I will show love to . . . by . . .

Important Dates **and INFORMATION**

- **First Communion Parent Meetings:** (*choose one*)
Monday, March 11 – 7:00 p.m. in the Chapel
Wednesday, March 13 – 7:00 p.m. in the Chapel
Thursday, March 14 – 10:00 a.m. in Room 204
- **First Communion Children's Workshop**
Saturday, March 23 – 9:30 to 11:00 a.m.
in the school building.



Follow Bishop Caggiano on Facebook for inspirational words and videos.



Bishop Frank J. Caggiano

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

“the soul always fears until she arrives at true love”
— St. Catherine of Siena