

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 Margaret Adame (2-28-19).



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 789 in Worship.

Saturday, March 9

Is 58:9b-14; Lk 5:27-32

7:00 a.m. Robert J. Fitzgerald

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

Sunday, March 10

Dt 26:4-10; Rom 10:8-13; Lk 4:1-13

7:30 a.m. Joan R. C. V. Smurlo

9:00 a.m. Philip Ayoub

10:30 a.m. Edward Joseph Howey

11:00 a.m. French Mass

5:00 p.m. Dominick Cogliandro

Monday, March 11

Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Mt 25:31-46

7:00 a.m. Thomas W. Codd

5:15 p.m. Mary Ritchie

Tuesday, March 12

Is 55:10-11; Mt 6:7-15

7:00 a.m. Francis J. Detscher, Sr.

5:15 p.m. Lucille Tarantino

Wednesday, March 13

Jon 3:1-10; Lk 11:29-32

7:00 a.m. Grace Kaplan Galton

5:15 p.m. Louis A. Chiappetta

Thursday, March 14

Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Mt 7:7-12

7:00 a.m. Robert A. Morelli

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

Friday, March 15

Ez 18:21-28; Mt 5:20-26

7:00 a.m. All Souls

5:15 p.m. Frank and Maria Benvenuto

Saturday, March 16

Dt 26:16-19; Mt 5:43-48

7:00 a.m. Rose Mary McMullan

5:00 p.m. Edward J. Howey

Sunday, March 17

Gn 15:5-12, 17-18; Phil 3:17—4:1; Lk 9:28b-36

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

9:00 a.m. Ross Lodato

10:30 a.m. Leonard Platt

11:00 a.m. John, Vincenzo and Victoria Bellantoni

5:00 p.m. Rose and Jack Callahan

NEXT WEEKEND CELEBRANT SCHEDULE

Saturday, March 16

Reconciliation: Fr. William F. Platt

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

Sunday, March 17

7:30 a.m. Fr. Paul Shankar

9:00 a.m. Msgr. Alan F. Detscher

10:30 a.m. Fr. William F. Platt

11:00 a.m. Msgr. Alan F. Detscher - Italian Mass

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

PARISH EVENTS AND NEWS

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Mar 11 Mar 12	Bible Study Mon – 7:30-9:00 p.m./Tues 10:00–11:30 a.m., Room 101/102
Mar 14	Meditation 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Chapel
Mar 14	Walking with Purpose 9:30 a.m., Lucey Parish Hall
Mar 16	Walking with Purpose 9:30 a.m., Room 101
Mar 15	Pot Luck Dinner 6:00 – 8:30 p.m., Lucey Parish Hall <i>See bulletin for details.</i>
Mar 24	Chapel Concert Series <i>Flute (Jordan Castro) and Organ (Liya Petrides)</i> 3:00 p.m., Chapel



The 2019 Lenten Schedule
can be found at www.stcath.org.

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.

2nd Announcement



Deborah Orrico and Bradford Chonka

Have Made a Promise of Marriage



**Are you looking for an easy way to volunteer?
Do you have a flexible schedule?**

If so, we can really use your support!

Volunteers are needed for occasional help covering our Rectory Reception Desk:

- Answering the phone
- Basic assistance and direction of Rectory visitors
- Approximate 3-hour morning **or** afternoon shifts
- Average 1-2 times per month

We would love to have as many volunteers as possible!

If interested, please contact:

Lisa DeLeo at lisa.deleo@stcath.org
or 203-637-3661 ext. 310.

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 do so at
www.bridgeportdiocese.org/faith-formation/home/
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*.



walking with purpose

All women are invited to join the ladies of Walking with Purpose for one of our Connect Coffees. WWP is a women's Catholic Bible study which strives to bring people closer to Christ through the study of Scripture. No previous bible study experience necessary. Everyone is welcome!

Thursday, March 14 - Lucey Parish Hall
"The Temple, I Invite You In"
~ Special Guest Father Bill Platt

EVENTS AND NEWS

Financial Report

Sunday Offertory (for the last four weekends)

February 2 & 3.....	\$ 13,586**
February 9 & 10.....	\$ 8,032**
February 16 & 17.....	\$ 11,887**
February 23 & 24.....	\$ 15,202**

**May include, 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	# 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
02/11/19 – 02/17/19	\$ -0-	0
02/18/19 – 02/24/19	\$ 10,025	6
02/25/19 – 03/03/19	\$ 3,258	6
TOTAL	\$100,296	181

Another good week! Thank you to our parish families for supporting the TIG Appeal. There is still time to make a donation as the Appeal continues thru the end of April.

Thank you for your prayerful consideration of this important Appeal.



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**St. Catherine's
Support Circle**

AN INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE

The "Corner Office Perspective" 8.0

In an effort to better understand the ever-changing (and still challenging) job marketplace, we are inviting business executives in our community to participate in **The Corner Office Perspective 8.0** - an SCSC panel discussion to be held Thursday evening, May 16, 2019, starting at 6:30 PM in the Lucey Parish Hall.

We hope you can help.

This will be our eighth year presenting this highly-popular event, which has evolved to reflect changing times. And it will again provide hiring executives from a variety of fields, business sectors, and functions with an "off the record" opportunity to share with job seekers in our parish your unique insights on:

- How your organization makes hiring decisions
- What you look for in a successful candidate
- What are some candidate "non starters?"
- What impact "social media" has had on your recruitment and hiring processes?
- Where do you see the best opportunities for growth in your organization?
- What were some of your "teachable moments" as a job seeker or a hiring manager? ("War stories" are encouraged.)

The evening will be hosted by **Jack Blessington**, former Executive Producer at CBS News and a member of the SCSC Steering Committee. A 6:30 PM networking session will be held before the panel discussion.

Based on feedback from our past seven events, we know that this will be a stimulating, informative program that will be beneficial to job seekers in our community and fulfilling for the participants as well.

If you are, or if you might recommend, a current senior level executive who would like to spend an evening helping fellow community members gain from your (or their) insights, please contact event leader **Miranda DeSantis** at mirandadesantis@me.com or 203-461-0974.

Formed in early 2009, the St. Catherine's Support Circle has provided guest speakers, workshops, and panels to provide job-seeking members of our community with advice and guidance to help them find a new opportunity in a difficult and challenging market. The SCSC Steering Committee includes professionals with experience in human resources, executive search, career coaching, clinical career counseling, general management, education, marketing, public relations, finance, accounting and IT.



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.**

MALTA HOUSE ANNUAL GALA

SATURDAY, MAY 11, 2019 • 6:30 P.M.

HONORING

SHARON FEIGHERY AND JOANNE SALVATORE

COUNTRY CLUB OF DARIEN

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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.

BECOME SOMEONE NEW THIS LENT

March 6 began Lent - the chance to become the person God intends us to be. The desert of Lent allows us time and space to take back control of our environment, and become more present to our families.



Take control. What can we shed? Sort through and declutter drawers, toy closets, or living spaces with the goal of dumping unwanted and unneeded possessions. Choose one area a week during Lent. The end result can be clear space to store newer, more useful goods or the perspective to appreciate what is left.

Become intentional. Family life can become a treadmill of work, school, sports, clubs, and activities. Yet, the ability to say “no” allows us to be intentional about how we choose to spend our time. Our primary need is for our family to connect with God and each other. These connections are from where our strength flows. A “no” to others may be a “yes” to God and family.



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** (children only)
Saturday, March 23 – 9:30 to 11:00 a.m.
in the school building. Children only.
- **First Communion Retreat** (parents and children)
Saturday, March 30 – 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
in the church, Lucey Parish Hall and chapel.

“Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit into the desert for forty days, to be tempted by the devil.”

Gospel Summary – LK 4:1-13

Each year, at the beginning of Lent, the lectionary has us hear the story of the devil tempting Jesus in the desert. This year we hear Luke's version. Following his baptism, Jesus went out into the desert for forty days during which time he ate nothing. Knowing that Jesus would be hungry, the devil tempted him to turn a stone into bread. When Jesus did not, the devil showed him all the kingdoms of the earth, promising Jesus all the glory and power of them if Jesus would worship the devil. Again Jesus refused. Finally, Satan took Jesus to the top of the temple in Jerusalem and told him to jump because God's angels would save him. Jesus refused each of the three temptations by quoting scripture from the book of Deuteronomy thus making clear his obedience to God.

Reflection for Families

Sometimes we think only of the divinity of Jesus and forget how difficult these temptations must have been for the human Jesus. We face far lesser temptations every day and some we resist while others we give in to. When we think of obedience like daily exercises, it becomes habit and we condition ourselves to obey God. Through our example and guidance, parents can help their children do the same thing. If the temptations are hard to resist, we know Jesus understands our difficulty because he went through a similar experience. He will be there for us when we ask for his help.

Bringing the Gospel Into your Family

Now, at the beginning of this Lent, make a list of all the temptations each family member faces at home, at school, at work, in the neighborhood. Next to each temptation write down ways you will work to avoid them. Allow all family members to help one another with suggestions and make a time in each day of Lent to pray for each person as he/she works to resist the temptations he/she faces.

Discussion Starters

1. One thing I've learned from Jesus about temptation is ...
2. Taking some "desert" time in my life would help me ...
3. The best way for me to avoid temptation is to ...

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

“Nothing great is ever achieved without much enduring.”
— St. Catherine of Siena