

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 Gerald James Billone (2-20-19),
Marilyn Giordan (2-21-19) and
Clementina E. Fronio (12-24-18)*



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 888 in Worship.

Saturday, March 2

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

7:00 a.m. John Bellantoni

5:00 p.m. Francis Szymborski

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

Monday, March 4

Sir 17:20-24; Mk 10:17-27

7:00 a.m. Irene Parente

5:15 p.m. Joseph M. Ghiloni

Tuesday, March 5

Sir 35:1-12; Mk 10:28-31

7:00 a.m. Dolores R. Elliott

5:15 p.m. Gennaro Noce

Wednesday, March 6 - Ash Wednesday

Jl 2:12-18; 2 Cor 5:20—6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

7:00 a.m. All the Members of this Parish

12:10 p.m. Jevney L. Muskus

5:15 p.m. Pasquale Capparelle

7:30 p.m. Philip Ayoub

Thursday, March 7

Dt 30:15-20; Lk 9:22-25

7:00 a.m. All Souls

5:15 p.m. Nancy J. Gaynor

Friday, March 8

Is 58:1-9a; Mt 9:14-15

7:00 a.m. Fernando Gaudiano

5:15 p.m. Armando and Lydia Antonucci and Family

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

NEXT WEEKEND CELEBRANT SCHEDULE

Saturday, March 9

Reconciliation: Fr. William F. Platt

5:00 p.m. Fr. Paul Shankar

Sunday, March 10

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

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

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

11:00 a.m. French Mass

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

PARISH EVENTS AND NEWS

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Mar 5	Bible Study 10:00 – 11:00 a.m., Room 101/102
Mar 7	Meditation 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Chapel
Mar 7	Walking with Purpose 9:30 a.m., Room 102
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 8, 9, 10	St. Catherine's Players <i>Footloose, The Musical</i> Tickets available at www.stcath.org
Mar 9	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>

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.



Mass will be celebrated
in the Church at
7:00 a.m., 12:10, 5:15 and 7:30 p.m.
Ashes will be distributed
during all Masses.

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday
are days of both fasting
and abstinence from meat.

Fasting on these two days is required of all who are 18 years of age or older up until their 59th birthday. Fasting consists of only one full meal. However, two lesser meals which together are less than the principle meal may be eaten, if needed or desired. The weekdays of Lent traditionally have been considered as fast days, although one may wish to fast on these days, fasting on weekdays is purely optional. Because Sundays celebrate the resurrection of the Lord, fasting is prohibited on Sundays.

Abstinence from meat is binding on all Catholics on the Fridays of Lent as well as on Ash Wednesday. Abstinence is required of all who are 14 years of age or older. If someone is unable to abstain from meat on a Friday of Lent, they are urged by our Bishops to perform some other form of penance.

1st Announcement



Deborah Orrico and Bradford Chonka
Have Made a Promise of Marriage



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!

Saturday, March 9 - Room 101
"Reaching Your Child's Heart"

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



Get your tickets for the final performance weekend!
~ March 8, 9, 10 ~
Tickets available at the rectory or online at www.stcath.org (Community Life).

Student Discounted Performance:

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

Students (6 through 12th grade) showing school ID at the door pay only \$10.00

These tickets are not available online.



EVENTS AND NEWS

Financial Report

Sunday Offertory (for the last four weekends)

January 27 & 28.....	\$ 16,155**
February 2 & 3.....	\$ 13,586**
February 9 & 10.....	\$ 8,032**
February 16 & 17.....	\$ 11,887**

**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
02/11/19 – 02/17/19	\$ 0	0
02/18/19 – 02/24/19	\$ 10,025	6
TOTAL	\$ 97,038	175

Wow! The week of February 18th was a great one! Take a look at the results in the above chart. Thank you so much to our parish families for your great generosity and support to this year's TIG Appeal. With your help, we will certainly reach \$100,000.

Because of our late start this year, the Appeal will continue through April. Please consider making a donation. Your Finance Council is grateful for your support to this important parish Appeal.

Thank You! Thank You!! Thank You!!!



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Facebook page:
[@stcatherineofsienachurchriverside](https://www.facebook.com/stcatherineofsienachurchriverside)



**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. Website www.stcath.org, then link to Community Life, and then to the SCSC page.

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 website. 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

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.



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.**



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

LENTEN FISH FRY AT ENDERS ISLAND



Enders Island is a scenic 11-acre island in Mystic, CT where men and women from all walks of life come to experience renewal, healing and inspiration.

Every Friday during Lent, they host the Stations of the Cross and a Fish Fry. Stations of the Cross are said between meal times at 6:00 p.m. in the Chapel of Our Lady of the Assumption.

For more information call 860-536-0565 or visit www.endersisland.com/fishfry



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.



BRINGING A LITTLE
COMFORT TO THE TROOPS.

Thank you for the tremendous response to the Confirmation Class' drive for the troops. The amount of donations was amazing!

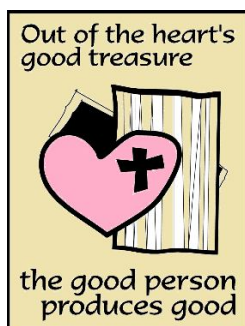
A note from United for the Troops:

"St. Catherine of Siena Church . . . Thanks to your support, our deployed military will continue receiving gift boxes bringing them 'a little comfort from home'".

*The will of God will never take you
where the Grace of God
will not protect you.*

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.
- **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.



"A good person out of the store of goodness in his heart produces good, but an evil person out of a store of evil produces evil; for from the fullness of the heart the mouth speaks."

Gospel Summary – LK 6:39-45

Today's Gospel reading could be viewed as a collection of mini-teachings and practical discipleship reminders. At its conclusion, Jesus says, "A good person out of the store of goodness in his heart produces good, but an evil person out of a store of evil produces evil; for from the fullness of the heart the mouth speaks" (Luke 6:46).

Reflection for Parents

The beginning of today's Gospel reading contains much food for thought for parents and all teachers of the faith. Jesus asks, "Can a blind person guide a blind person?" (Luke 6:39) and he says, "When fully trained, every disciple will be like his teacher" (Luke 6:40). Today, take time to think about what you are doing to grow in your knowledge of the Catholic faith and in your relationship with God. Realize the importance of your role as the primary teacher of the faith to your child. Ask for the help and wisdom of the Holy Spirit in fulfilling this valuable ministry.

Bringing the Good News Into your Family

Focus your family on the last portion of today's Gospel reading, Luke 6:43-45. Invite family members to give examples of what it means to bear good fruit. For example, "Bearing good fruit means telling the truth" or "Bearing good fruit means sharing God's love with others." Explain that the Bible names nine fruits of the Holy Spirit that are examples of good fruit. Invite your family members to listen as you read Galatians 5:22-23. Review the Fruits of the Holy Spirit as they are named in the Galatians passage: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control.

Discussion Starters

In place of discussion starter questions, work together to create a Fruits of the Holy Spirit poster or mobile. Invite everyone to take part in cutting out a total of nine fruit shapes from various colors of construction paper. On each shape write one of the Fruits of the Holy Spirit. Either create a poster of the Fruits of the Holy Spirit or use hangers and yarn or string to create a mobile for display near your family prayer table or in a place where family members will see it. Then pray together, "Holy Spirit, help us always to bear good fruit!"

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

"We've had enough exhortations to be silent.
Cry out with a thousand tongues –
I see the world is rotten because of silence"
— St. Catherine of Siena