## **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 - 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday 11:00 a.m. Italian Mass - 3<sup>rd</sup> 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.



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 ioin 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 801 in Worship.

## Saturday, April 6

Jer 11:18-20: Jn 7:40-53

7:00 a.m. Frederick Stefanowicz

5:00 p.m. Mr. and Mrs. Stanley J. Wilczewski and Family

## Sunday, April 7

Is 43:16-21; Phil 3:8-14; Jn 8:1-11

7:30 a.m. Marie DeFina 9:00 a.m. Nick Mecca 10:30 a.m. Clara Comeau

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

## Monday, April 8

Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62; Jn 8:12-20

7:00 a.m. Louis Chiappetta 5:15 p.m. Electra Capalbo

## Tuesday, April 9

Nm 21:4-9; Jn 8:21-30

7:00 a.m. Patricia Shea Draddy 5:15 p.m. Patrick Frost

## Wednesday, April 10

Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Jn 8:31-42 7:00 a.m. Tommy Ashley 5:15 p.m. John A. Calicchio

## Thursday, April 11

Gn 17:3-9; Jn 8:51-59 7:00 a.m. All Souls

5:15 p.m. Rosa Menendez

### Friday, April 12

Jer 20:10-13: Jn 10:31-42

7:00 a.m. Astor (Ozzie) Spezzano

5:15 p.m. Tele Murphy

### Saturday, April 13

Ez 37:21-28; Jn 11:45-56

7:00 a.m. Antoinette M. Longo

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

## Sunday, April 14 - Palm Sunday

Lk 19:28-40; Is 50:4-7; Phil 2:6-11; Lk 22:14-23:56

7:30 a.m. Albert and Josephine Caruso

9:00 a.m. Umile Ceci

10:30 a.m. Francesco, Concetta and Angelo Petrone

5:00 p.m. Giovanni Nasso

### **NEXT WEEKEND CELEBRANT SCHEDULE**

## Saturday, April 13

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

## Sunday, April 14

7:30 a.m. Fr. Mark D'Silva 9:00 a.m. Fr. William F. Platt 10:30 a.m. Fr. William F. Platt 5:00 p.m. Fr. Mark D'Silva

## PARISH EVENTS AND NEWS

CALENDAR OF EVENTS				
April 8	<b>Bible Study</b> Mon – 7:30-9:00 p.m., Room 101/102			
April 11	<b>Meditation</b> 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Chapel			
April 11	Walking with Purpose 9:30 a.m., Lucey Parish Hall			
April 11	St. Catherine Support Circle: "The First Impression. The Handshake. And What's Next" 7:00 – 9:00 p.m., Room 209			
April 11	<b>Dinner with a Cause</b> 6:30 p.m., Lucey Parish Hall			
April 13	Walking with Purpose 9:30 a.m., Room 101			
April 13	Parish Partners Ministry Quarterly Meeting 9:30 – 11:30 a.m., Chapel			

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



## **EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS AND READERS**



Your help is always appreciated, especially during Holy Week. Please sign up for one of the Holy Week Masses. The sign-up sheet is in the sacristy.

## **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. We also invite anyone who has not formally registered to do so at www.stcath.org.





**Amanda Novaes and Angelo Mallozzi** 

Have Made a Promise of Marriage

## ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA SCHOLARSHIPS

**Attention all graduating High School Seniors!** 



Applications for the 2019 scholarships are **now available** on our website at:

## www.stcath.org/faith-formation/religious-education

The St. Catherine of Siena Scholarship Fund provides scholarships and awards to graduating high school seniors who have demonstrated academic excellence and leadership skills through their own participation in church, school and community service activities. These scholarships will be awarded based on the student's participation, and not on family history of participation now or in the past.

The scholarships and awards are funded by contributions from individual parishioners and corporate donors to the St. Catherine Scholarship Fund.

Completed applications must be **postmarked no later** than May 1, 2019.



## ST. CATHERINE'S WELCOMES YOU INTO GOD'S FAMILY

Ted Ostruzka

Samuel Muller

Theodore Gochal

Grace Labella

Liam Rogers

Anna Vives Elizabeth Berzolla Cole Campinell Ryder Mogg Ava Albrycht Lucina Manganiello Shelley Macleod Emerson Turcsanyi James Yeskey Messiah Jean Alexander Venanzi Gabriella Thomas Alyson Rico Amelia DiPaolo Charles Salvatore Brooke Synowiez

Daniel Lane. Jr.

Frederick Smith

Reynolds Bos
Peyton Harris
Calvin Hempstead
Elinor O'Donohue
Camden Rose
Thomas Tidgwell, Jr.
Mary Belton
Harlow Lencsak
Maximus Gospodinoff
Emma Garvey
Conroy Ervin
Caroline Lane
Elle Ostrom

Sebastian Saavedra-Enica Camila Martinez Robles Gil

## **EVENTS AND NEWS**

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## **Sunday Offertory** (for the last four weekends)

March 2 & 3	\$	12,749**
March 9 & 10	\$	9,969**
March 16 & 17	\$	13,145**
March 23 & 24	\$	11,538**
**May Include Monthly, Annual (AEG) and/or	· (C	DLG)
Offertory	•	Ť



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.

## **CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES COLLECTION**

Thanks you for your generous support of The Catholic Relief Serves Collection and for helping Jesus in disguise. Your contributions make a difference for the poor and marginalized around the world.

If you missed the collection, it's not too late to give! Just visit <a href="https://www.usccb.org/nationalcollections">www.usccb.org/nationalcollections</a>, and click on the "How to Give" link on the left.

## THANKS-IS-GIVING APPEAL 2018 – 2019



It's a wrap! The TIG Appeal has ended and we are happy to report that the final total of gifts and pledges is \$112,000. Your Pastor and your Finance Council are grateful for your continued support and generosity to the parish. Thanks to you, our parish family, we have been able to accomplish much through the annual TIG Appeal.

### **DINNER WITH A CAUSE**

Featuring: Annunciation House, El Paso Texas



Thursday, April 11
Lucey Parish Hall
6:30 p.m. - light supper
7:15 – 8:30 p.m. - presentation

The St. Catherine of Siena Social Justice Committee invites you to attend its annual Dinner with a Cause featuring organizations that support the principles of social justice.

Sr. Doreen Glynn CSJ, Albany Province Justice Coordinator of the Srs. of the St. Joseph Carondelet and sister of our own Barbara Glynn, will be here to detail her experiences as a volunteer at the Annunciation House in El Paso Texas. For the past three years Sr. Doreen has travelled to El Paso to help with the influx of immigrants who are seeking asylum.

To RSVP for this dinner, or if you would like to volunteer to help with the event, please email Betsy Parker at <a href="mailto:parkerelizabeth@sbcglobal.net">parkerelizabeth@sbcglobal.net</a> by April 8.



The mission statement of Annunciation House: In a Gospel spirit of service and solidarity, we accompany the migrant, refugee, and economically vulnerable peoples of the border region through hospitality, advocacy, and education. We place ourselves among these poor so as to live our faith and transform our understanding of what constitutes more just relationships between peoples, countries, and economies.

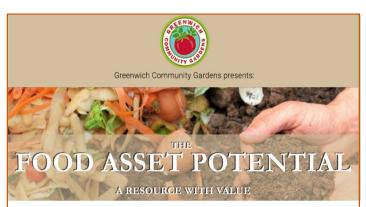
#### YOU CAN BE AN ALTAR SERVER!



As long as a child has received first communion, they can be trained to serve. Altar Servers are generally asked to serve two Masses each month.

If interested, please RSVP to our coordinator, Connie Murljacic, at cmurljac@gmail.com.

## **EVENTS AND NEWS**



MONDAY, APRIL 8 6:30 - 8:30 COLE AUDITORIUM

#### Learn

- The importance of diverting organic matter out of the waste stream.
- Baldor's Zero Organics to Landfill company-wide goal in 2019
- · About DEEP's work to support managing organics in CT.
- How social impact investors are leveraging capital, funding viable solutions.
- · What "Zero Waste" means and how it connects to food.
- · Simple actions you can take to eliminate "food waste".

### **Get Inspired**

Shorts: The Soil Story, The Compost Story ReFED

#### **Discuss**

Moderator: Thomas McQuillan, Baldor Specialty Foods Panelists: Sherill Baldwin, CT DEEP; Amy McCrae Kessler, Turning Earth; Michelle Sterling, Scarsdale Conservation Advisory Council.

Tickets available via greenwichcommunitygardens.org

## CARE FOR THE SICK AND AGING



If you or someone you know is homebound or going to be in the hospital and would like Confession, Holy Communion or Anointing of the Sick, please call the Rectory: 203-637-3661.

Just because you cannot make it to Mass, it does not mean you should be separated from the beautiful graces of the Sacraments and your St. Catherine Family of Faith.



## "The First Impression. The Handshake. And What's Next."

## Thursday, April 11 from 7 – 9 p.m. in Room 209

We've all been there. You walk into the interview room. Your host gives you a quick visual once-over; you do the same to her/him. There's the handshake. Probably tension in the air. Brief silence. The interview begins. And ...

On Thursday, April 11, the SCSC will present an interactive work session featuring a team of professionals who will cover such topics as:

- · Managing the "First Impression"
- Dressing for success
- Nailing the "30-second Introduction"
- Preparing for the interview
- Fielding the "most asked" interview questions
- Making the best first impression in a networking meeting

To get the most value from this session, we recommend that you (a) Develop and bring to the April 11th meeting your own 30-second introduction (For guidance and a template example please log on to the parish web site www.stcath.org, then link to Community Life, then link to the SCSC page) (b) Come to the April 11 meeting dressed as you would for a first interview. SCSC steering committee member Chris Tella will be the meeting facilitator.

RSVP required to meeting co-Chair Tony Murljacic via **tonym.scsc@gmail.com** to confirm your attendance.

# Lenten Reflections

Whether we have decided to do something new this Lent, or have continued our own traditions, our Lenten practices transform us and imprint on us memories that carry deep meaning. Let this story invite you to look into your life and discover your own powerful and meaningful Lenten moments.

#### Mom knew best ~

Back in the days when kids could walk to church safely early in the morning, I would go to 6:30 Mass at the parish. I had to walk about four or five blocks when in 6th grade, I used to stop for a friend across the street and we went together. One day, in the middle of Lent, a bitter cold morning, I stopped for Pat and found she wasn't going, I went back home. My surprised Mother asked what I was doing home. "Pat is not going," I replied. I'll never forget the look on my Mother's face as she replied, "Who are you going to Mass for, God or Pat?" Needless to say, I went out to Mass. That question, and lesson, have stuck with me for the rest of my life. Mary, PA





## 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.

#### We held a children's First Communion workshop.

The children learned about The Last Supper, transubstantiation, and St. Imelda, the Patroness of First Communicants.



Join us on April 26 from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. in the Lucey Parish Hall. This is the last **Family Fun Night** for the school year! All children registered in religious education for grades 1-5 and their families are invited to attend.

Please RSVP to Emma Doring at 203-637-3661 ext. 330 by April 23.

"Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her."

## Gospel Summary - JN 8:1-11

Although most scholars believe that this story of the woman caught in adultery was not part of John's original writings, it is nevertheless an excellent example of Jesus' style. First of all, some of the religious leaders tried to trick Jesus into going against the law of Moses by *not* having the woman stoned or going against the Roman law that did not allow the Jewish people to impose the death sentence. Again, Jesus seemed trapped, but drew in the sand with his finger until he presented his answer. In an effort to demonstrate the forgiveness God had for his people, Jesus challenged the Pharisees to throw a stone if they were without sin. Of course, none could throw a stone and slowly the crowed drifted away. When only the woman remained, Jesus showed mercy toward her and told her to resist further sin.

#### **Reflection for Families**

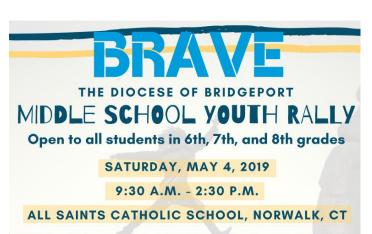
Of course we will never fully know what Jesus drew in the sand. Whether his drawing was with purpose or not has been lost to history and most likely would not change the story. An important lesson we can gain from his action is that he took the time to gather his thoughts before speaking. How often do we say the first thing that comes to mind and end up regretting it? Thinking first helps us present a Christ-like presence to others even if we are dealing with a serious conflict.

### **Bringing the Gospel Into your Family**

Ask each family member to help create a list of "pet peeves" or annoying habits in others. Give each member a chance to consider the list and see if they claim ownership of any of the actions listed. Ask one another how this exercise is like the woman and the Pharisees in today's Gospel. What will you do to "throw a stone" at the guilty person? What action can you take that resembles the action of Jesus? Pray for support to accomplish this action.

## **Discussion Starters**

- 1. I received a second chance that made a difference in my life when...
- 2. One judgment I hold from the past still causes me pain. In order to let go of it, I need to...
- 3. The person I most identify with in this Gospel story is. . . because . . .



NATIONALLY KNOWN SPEAKER & MUSICIAN, STEVE ANGRISANO!

8:45 | Registration & Check - In 9:30 | Day Begins and includes: Keynote, Music, Lunch, Games, Confession, Service Project, and Adoration!

Service Project, and Adoration!
1:30 | Optional Parent Session

\$25.00 per student

Register online by April 23, 2019, at www.bridgeportdiocese.org/faith-formation Questions? Call the Office of Faith Formation at 203-416-1670





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## **THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK**

"It is human to sin, but diabolic to persist in sin."

~ St. Catherine of Siena, The Dialogue of Saint Catherine of Siena