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 Lorenzo J. Curcio (4-30-19).



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 840 in Worship.

Saturday, May 4

Acts 6:1-7; Jn 6:16-21

7:00 a.m. Aidan Paul Mulhern

5:00 p.m. Rocco and Carmela Capalbo

Sunday, May 5

Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41; Rv 5:11-14; Jn 21:1-19

7:30 a.m. Louis A. Chiapetta
9:00 a.m. Rosaria and Lorenzo Bria
10:30 a.m. All the Members of this Parish
5:00 p.m. Ruth and Fred Caruso

Monday, May 6

Acts 6:8-15; Jn 6:22-29

7:00 a.m. Louis Chiappetta 5:15 p.m. Michael Willaim Koch

Tuesday, May 7

Acts 7:51—8:1a; Jn 6:30-35 7:00 a.m. Lucille Tarantino 5:15 p.m. Terence Cunniffe

Wednesday, May 8

Acts 8:1b-8; Jn 6:35-40 7:00 a.m. All Souls

5:15 p.m. Henry and Nancy Zerbarini

Thursday, May 9

Acts 8:26-40; Jn 6:44-51 7:00 a.m. Dennis McKenna 5:15 p.m. Natalie Puente

Friday, May 10

Acts 9:1-20; Jn 6:52-59 7:00 a.m. Anne Mertens

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

Klumpp and Craig Families

Saturday, May 11

Acts 9:31-42; Jn 6:60-69 7:00 a.m. Electra Capalbo

5:00 p.m. David and lolanda, Gabriele and

Battista, and Ernestina Santoro

Sunday, May 12

Acts 13:14, 43-52; Rv 7:9, 14b-17; Jn 10:27-30 7:30 a.m. Rosina Capalbo and Teresa Petrone

9:00 a.m. Marlaine Hynes

10:30 a.m. The Degiacomo Family 5:00 p.m. All the Members of this Parish

NEXT WEEKEND CELEBRANT SCHEDULE

Saturday, May 11

Reconciliation: Fr. William F. Platt 5:00 p.m. Fr. Paul Shankar

Sunday, May 12

7:30 a.m. Fr. Mark D'Silva 9:00 a.m. Fr. James V. 10:30 a.m. Fr. Mark D'Silva 5:00 p.m. Fr. Mark D'Silva

PARISH EVENTS AND NEWS

CALENDAR OF EVENTS		
May 9	Meditation 7:00 – 7:30 p.m., Chapel	
May 16	St. Catherine's Support Circle "The Corner Office Perspective" 6:30 – 9:00 p.m., Lucey Parish Hall	
May 22	Protecting God's Children Session 6:30 p.m., Lucey Parish Hall	
May 30	Family Mass Meeting 7:00 p.m., Lucey Parish Hall	
June 1	Spring Cabaret 6:00 p.m., Lucey Parish Hall	



Calling all parishioners interested in making the Family Mass at 9:00 a.m. on Sundays more inviting and fun for families (especially those with younger children). Our goal is to make the Mass more inclusive for children and their families and to build the community of our large number of families. Looking for ideas, volunteers, and participants.

We will be outside after Masses on **May 12th and May 19th.** Please stop by and say hello to learn more. We will hold a longer meeting to discuss and formulate on **May 30th at 7:00 p.m. in the Lucey Parish Hall**. We look forward to meeting you all.

For information or questions, please contact Alison Walsh & Suzanne Coyne - stcatherinefamilymass@gmail.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. We also invite anyone who has not formally registered to do so at www.stcath.org.



3rdAnnouncement

Elizabeth Kelley and Ryan Sweeney

Have Made a Promise of Marriage





Saturday, June 1, 2019 6:00 p.m.

Our second annual *Spring Cabaret* dinner-show will take place in Lucey Parish Hall on *Saturday June 1, 2019, at 6:00 p.m.* Our exceptional musicians and guest artists will once again wow and dazzle will their performances of the classical, Broadway, and popular repertoire.

This year's four-course Italian Dinner and desert will be catered by Corbo's Corner Deli. The cost for the evening is \$50 per person and tickets will be available soon!



Mother's Day Diaper Drive May 11 – 12, 2019 (at all Masses)

Did you know???

- Nearly 1 in 3 American families struggle to afford diapers.
- The average cost to diaper a child is almost \$1,000/year.
- There is no federal or state assistance diaper purchases.
- Childcare settings require a supply of diapers; without it, parents can't work.

Please bring a box (or two!) of any size diapers, and place in the bins in the back of the church. You can also drop them off **until May 16**th if you forget to bring them to Mass.

Mothers for Others is a local organization which supports the well-being of underserved families by providing diapers and baby equipment for children from birth to 3 years old. More information can be found at mothersforothers.org

EVENTS AND NEWS

Sunday Offertory (for the last four weekends)

March 30 & 31	\$ 9,504**	
April 6 & 7	\$ 13,233**	
April 13 & 14	\$ 13,154**	
April 20 & 21	\$ 46,895**	
**May Include Easter, 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.



This week parishioner Bill Baker will feature, on his Podcast "Beliefs", another parishioner, Tom Gallagher, CEO and Publisher of Religion News Service. Tom is making a major announcement about the future of religion news in America.

To listen, go to "Beliefs" on any podcast platform (e.g., iTunes, Podbean, Spotify, Google Play, Alexa, etc.) or on your computer www.religionnews.com/beliefs.

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.

MALTA HOUSE ANNUAL GALA

SATURDAY, MAY 11, 2019 , 6:30 P.M.

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July 9 - 13, 2019

Raffle tickets are now available!

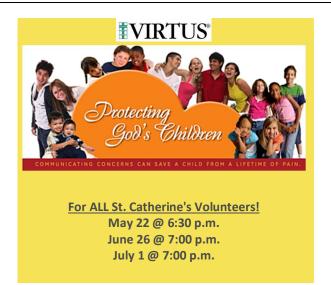


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What could you do with an extra \$30,000? Think about it and then pick up some raffle tickets! Buy some for friends and co-workers, Mother's Day, Father's Day, birthday or graduation gifts.

For more information, please contact: Betsy Parker, Raffle Chair, at parkerelizabeth@sbcglobal.net.

EVENTS AND NEWS



The Protecting God's Children program educates and trains adults (clergy, teachers, staff, volunteers, parents) about the dangers and warning signs of abuse, the ways to prevent abuse, the methods of properly reporting suspicions of, and responding to allegations of abuse.

ATTENTION CARNIVAL VOLUNTEERS!

If you would like to volunteer, in ANY capacity at St. Catherine's (or any parish), you must attend a VIRTUS session. These sessions will be held here prior to the Carnival for those who would like to volunteer. Please choose one:

May 22 – June 26 - July 1

Lucey Parish Hall

A light dinner will be provided.

Please take advantage of this great opportunity!

Preregistration is required - visit www.virtus.org to register for one of these sessions.

Please contact Betty Lundgren at 203-637-3661 ext. 331 with any questions.

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.



The Corner Office Perspective 8.0: More Insights from Insiders

Thursday, May 16, 2019 from 6:30 – 9:00 PM Lucey Parish Hall

This is the eighth year we're offering "The Corner Office Perspective," an event we've continuously fine-tuned to reflect the dynamic employment marketplace.

And whether you're seeking your next career opportunity, want to get an insider's perspective of how business "gets done," or simply want to network with community members with common life interests---this is an event for you.

As before, The Corner Office Perspective will feature an "off the record" panel discussion with senior hiring executives from the community working in a variety of organizations, functional areas, and professional fields. This will be an interactive evening and topics we expect to cover include:

- The impact of the current low unemployment rate on hiring decisions and job search strategies
- Personal business life experiences, successes, challenges, and insights gained as job seekers, hiring managers, and business executive - to include "aha!" moments
- Where are the best areas for job growth in their organizations and the economy
- What they, and their organizations, seek in a new employee
- Any other business-related questions that you might want to ask.

A 6:30 PM networking reception with refreshments will be held prior to the event. We expect this to be another informative and fun evening, and we're happy to once again combine a job market discussion with a networking event and to draw on the expertise of some truly talented people from our community.

To reserve a space at the SCSC table, please RSVP to Miranda DeSantis, our event chairperson, at mirandadesantis@me.com.

St. Catherine's Support Circle was formed in early 2009 to support people seeking jobs in challenging economic environment. The group continues to encourage participation by both job seekers and those interested in providing their advice and support. For information and recommended resources for job seekers, visit our page on www.stcath.org. The SCSC steering committee includes professionals who have experience in diverse areas including human resources, executive search, career coaching, clinical career counseling, general 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 Steering Committee Chairman Bob Sloane at rsloane@optonine.net



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.



Catechists are needed for the 2019-2020 school year.

Please consider sharing your love for our Lord with the children of our parish.

For more information, contact the Faith Formation office at 203-637-3661 X330.



Faith Formation classes for this school year ended the end of April. For their end of year project, all the classes for grades 1-5 chose one saint, learned all about that saint, and then presented what they learned to all the other children and to the parents.



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Wednesday, May 15th 7 pm – 9 pm

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Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.

Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep."

Gospel Summary - Jn 21:1-19

For the third time since his resurrection, Jesus appeared to the disciples. It seems that the disciples had returned to their former lives—where they had lived before they left to follow Jesus because they were fishing in the Sea of Galilee. Jesus stood on the shore and called out to the men in the boat asking if they had caught anything. The disciples replied that they had caught nothing. Jesus then instructed them to cast their net on the right side of the boat. When they did, they had a huge catch of 153 fish. They knew from this sign that it was Jesus on the shore. When they came ashore, Jesus cooked their breakfast of fish. When they finished eating, Jesus asked Peter three times if Peter loved him. This was a great example of reconciliation because the opportunities for Peter to affirm his love of Jesus matched the same number of times he denied knowing him. It was then that Jesus commissioned Peter to care for the sheep in Jesus' flock.

Reflection for Families

As parents we know a great deal about caring for sheep in the flock. We work long, hard, and diligently to make sure that our children receive the physical, emotional, and spiritual care they require. We are challenged by this Gospel reading to move outside our immediate "flock" and care for all of God's children. Our own children will learn the essence of this Gospel when they see us reconcile with others and go outside our small worlds to help others.

Bringing the Gospel Into your Family

Jesus invites us to follow him in the ordinary ways of our lives. An example of following Jesus can be seen in the reconciliation that transpired between Jesus and Peter. Out of paper, cut out some fish. On each paper fish invite every family member to put the name of someone they might need to reconcile with during this Easter season. You might even help one another decide on what action you will take.

Discussion Starters

- 1. One time when Jesus "filled my net" was when. . .
- 2. When Jesus asks me, "Do you love me? I show my love by. . .
- 3. I help take care of Jesus' sheep by. . .

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

"God is closer to us than water to fish."

~ St. Catherine of Siena

"We must accept finite disappointment, but never lose infinite hope."