



I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble.

The Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 14, 2021

Rev. William F. Platt, *Pastor*
Rev. Christopher Johnson, *Priest in Residence*

Deacon Renato Berzolla
Deacon Vincent Heidenreich
Deacon Robert Henrey, *Retired*
Deacon John Linsenmeyer
Deacon Eduardo Rodrigues

SACRAMENTAL SCHEDULE

Our updated Mass Schedule, Attendance Guidelines / Directions and *SignUpGenius* link are posted on the **Home Page** of our website at: www.STC-STA.org

Please note: Per guidelines from Bishop Caggiano, everyone must sign up to attend weekend Masses in person.

[VIEW THE LIVESTREAM from LocalLive link HERE](#)

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Parish Office Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00 AM-2:00 PM
Saturday 9:00 AM-1:00 PM

Faith Formation Office Hours:
By appointment—please call Kelly Myers at extension 328.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

(Individual only)

Please call the Rectory to arrange for a Baptism and a Pre-Baptism Session for parents.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Please call the Rectory 9-12 months before proposed wedding date to arrange for marriage preparation.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Confessions will take place on the 1st Saturday of every month at St. Agnes Church or by appointment.

Please access **Daily Readings** at this web link:

<http://usccb.org/bible/readings/>

Mass Intentions and Celebrant Schedule

Sunday, February 14

8:30 AM **Intention:** All Parishioners
Celebrant: Fr. Christopher Johnson
10:30 AM **Intention:** Dr. Jack Prunier
Celebrant: Fr. William Platt
11:00 AM (French Mass)
Intention: All Parishioners
Celebrant: Fr. Gilbert D'Souza

Monday, February 15

7:00 AM **Intention:** Joseph A. Masciandro

Tuesday, February 16

7:00 AM **Intention:** All Souls

Ash Wednesday, February 17

7:00 AM **Intention:** All Parishioners
12:10 PM **Intention:** All Souls
5:15 PM **Intention:** All Parishioners

Thursday, February 18

7:00 AM **Intentions:** Edward Burns

Friday, February 19

7:00 AM **Intentions:** Sheila Cleaves

Saturday, February 20

5:00 PM **Intention:** Evelyn Schmidt
Jean Daniels
Charles Shibetti
Celebrant: Msgr. Bronkiewicz

Sunday, February 21

8:30 AM **Intention:** James P. Lenihan
Celebrant: Fr. William Platt
10:30 AM **Intention:** Mary Beth O'Reilly
Celebrant: Fr. Christopher Johnson

Financial Report: Sunday Offertory

(for the last four weekends)

January 16 & 17 SC & SA	\$14,919*
Christmas Donations	\$1,650
January 23 & 24 SC & SA	\$8,303*
Christmas Donations	\$505
January 30 & 31 SC & SA	\$8,920*
Christmas Donations	\$150
February 6 & 7 SC & SA	\$23,665*

***Offertory** includes **Monthly, Annual (AEG)** and **Online Giving (OLG)**

****Special Donations** to Parish for help with ongoing Operating Budget

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS



ASH WEDNESDAY February 17

Mass will be celebrated in
St. Catherine of Siena Church (and *Livestreamed*)
at **7:00 AM & 12:10 PM**

and
in **St. Agnes Church** at **5:15 PM**.
Ashes will be distributed during all Masses.
Sign-up for in-person attendance is **required**;
[SignUpGenius Link Here](#)

Distribution of Ashes outside of Mass at
St. Catherine's Chapel will be between
9:00-10:00 AM, 3:00-4:00 PM and **7:00-8:00 PM**

Ash Wednesday and **Good Friday** and **all the Fridays of Lent** are **days of abstinence from meat** for everyone over the age 14. If for some reason you are not able to abstain from meat on a Friday, you are encouraged to perform some other form of penance.

Ash Wednesday and **Good Friday** are also **days of fasting** for all who are 18 years of age, until their 59th birthday. On these days only one full meal is eaten, and two lesser meals may be eaten if needed.



Loaves & Fishes

A Lenten Offering to Feed our Fairfield County Neighbors

February 17-March 31

On **Ash Wednesday**, we
will begin taking up a
collection throughout Lent
to help the following
Soup Kitchens and
Food Pantries serve over

1.3 Million meals every year in Fairfield County:

- **New Covenant Center**, Stamford
- **Morning Glory Breakfast Program**, Danbury
- **The Thomas Merton Center**, Bridgeport

Proceeds of **Loaves & Fishes** goes directly to
provide food for the neediest in our community
—any amount you can give will make a difference.

Please make checks payable to
“Catholic Charities” and mail to:
Catholic Charities Office
Catholic Center
238 Jewitt Avenue
Bridgeport, CT 06606



Please pray for the sick members of our parish, especially for

Robert Adovasio	Isabel Ballesteros	Patrick Colangelo	Rose Fiorita
Deacon Vincent Heidenreich	Olga Iacobazzo	Lina Iacono	Mark J. Marino
Matt Massulli	Lucy Mendenhall	Joe Roe	Barbara Weltz

Please also pray for the deceased members of our parish, especially for
Bill Copeland

Presidents' Day Holiday Schedule

In observance of *Presidents' Day*, our Parish Offices will be closed on **Monday, February 15**.

Our regularly scheduled **Mass** will be held at **7:00 AM**, which will be open for **In-Person attendance** and **Livestreamed** from St. Catherine's Church. There will be **no Distribution of Holy Communion** outside of Mass on *Presidents' Day*.

FAITH FORMATION for ADULTS and YOUTH

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Lenten Retreat in Daily Life ~ A special opportunity!



You are invited to participate in a Lenten Retreat in Daily Life which will run from Ash Wednesday until the start of Holy Week ~ Palm Sunday. Let's journey as a parish family together towards Easter and in our journey, become closer to our loving God and allow God's love to be the foundation of all we do.

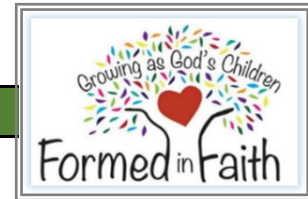
It is a guided, self-paced retreat with a direction for every day. You will receive a resource which can either be emailed or picked up at the rectory. In addition, you will be invited to participate in an optional Zoom call to reflect on the experiences that are happening in the retreat.

[Click here](#) to sign-up or email Lori Wilson directly.

Fratelli Tutti – Third Encyclical - by Pope Francis

In this encyclical, the pope reflects on human solidarity and friendship. He addresses women and men as his sisters and brothers and calls us to consider what our familial connection calls us to. Our next meetings will be on **February 15th at 7:00 PM and March 8th at 8pm** via Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88692914895>
Please email Lori Wilson at Lori.Wilson@stc-sta.org to confirm your attendance.

YOUTH FAITH FORMATION



FAITH FORMATION CALENDAR		
Month of February	Living Our Faith: To bury the dead	Write cards and send to a grieving family. If interested, please email Kelly Myers.
Sunday, 2/21/21	Lenten Family Prayer Service	Explore what the church says we should do during Lent and consider how we can 'live our faith' and prepare our hearts for Easter. Zoom Session at 6:30pm.
Week of 2/21/21	~~~~~	ZOOM CLASSES (see Catechist Schedule below for details) ~~~~~
Fri, 2/26/21 Sat, 2/27/21	Sacrament of Confirmation	St. Catherine: 2/26/21 at 6pm or 2/27/21 at 10am or 2pm St. Agnes: 2/27/21 at 12pm
Month of March	Living Our Faith: To shelter the homeless	Raise funds and donate to Inspirica who is trying to break the cycle of homelessness by helping achieve and maintain permanent housing and stability in peoples lives. If interested, please email Kelly Myers.
Month of March	National Read Across America Day	Read scripture from the Bible (details to follow).
Saturday, 3/6/21	Sacrament of First Reconciliation	St. Catherine from 12pm - 2pm or St. Agnes from 2pm - 4pm Sign Up Genius will be posted in February.
Week of 3/21/21	~~~~~	ZOOM CLASSES (see Catechist Schedule below for details) ~~~~~
Sunday, 3/28/21	Stations of the Cross	Students will lead prayer service (details to follow). Zoom Session at 7:30pm.

Catholic Brain (<https://www.catholicbrain.com/login>)

Fr. John is back! Please follow the below directions to create a new account.

- Step 1: Click on 'Student'. It is the 4th tab on the top of the screen.
- Step 2: Enter your child's name and your email account. You only need to register 1 child.
- Step 3: Create a user-name and password.
- Step 4: Enter STC76605 for the 'School Code'.
- Step 5: Pick your child's grade and enter 'St Catherine and St Agnes' as Parish name.



COMMUNITY NEWS



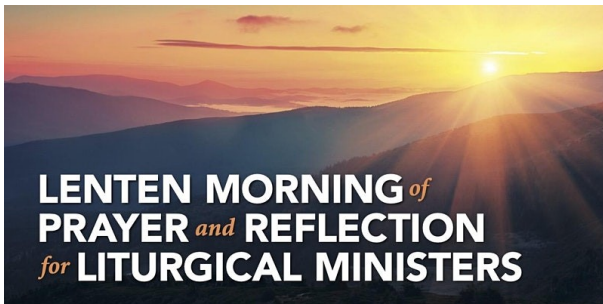
St. Catherine's Support Circle

An SCSC Presentation Via Zoom

Networking to Build your Social Network and Make a Great Transition **Thursday, February 18, 2021 from 7:00-8:30 PM**

Join Linda Van Valkenburgh, owner and certified executive career coach of *My Executive Career Coach*, LLC in Stamford, CT. Linda will focus on the several key networking tools and has great business experience in a broad range of corporate environments, including marketing, advertising engineering, entrepreneurial partnership, Industrial manufacturing, and full-time career development work experience.

[Click here \(www.stc-sta.org/community-life/st-catherine-s-support-circle\)](http://www.stc-sta.org/community-life/st-catherine-s-support-circle) for details on what you'll learn from this session and RSVP information. **RSVP is required** to Meeting Chair, Chris Brugo at cbrugo@gmail.com.



Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Lectors, Ushers and Parish Musicians are invited to come together and reflect on the meaning of Lent for their lives today, their ministry and their parish communities.

Join us for this online webinar, which will include inspiring talks and an opportunity to unite together in prayer with other parish liturgical ministers.

Presenter: Fr. Paul Turner, S.T.D., *Pastor*, Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Kansas City, MO, and author of numerous books with *Liturgical Press*, *World Library Publications* and *Liturgy Training Publications*

Date: Saturday, March 6, 10:00 AM-11:30 AM

Registration fee: \$15

Location: Online Webinar - Learn from the comfort of your own home!

More information and registration: morningofprayer.eventbrite.com

Contact: liturgy@archny.org or 914.968.6200 x8177



The **New Day "Journey Through Loss to Healing" Program** is now taking reservations for its Spring Session via Zoom. Meeting time to be determined based on responses.

You are not alone in your loss. We are here to accompany you on your journey to healing.

SPRING SESSION: 9 Thursdays

March 18, 25

April 8, 15, 22, 29

May 6, 13, 20

(No class: *Holy Thursday*, April 1)

Contact: Parish Partners Ministry • 203-637-3661 Ext. 375 • e-mail: parishpartners4@gmail.com

MORE COMMUNITY NEWS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

Career Opportunity



We are continuing our search for a **Full-time Receptionist** to work in the Parish Office on the *St. Catherine of Siena* campus.

For **Job Description** and application procedures, please [click here](#) and contact **Lori Wilson**, 203-637-3661 ext. 315; Lori.Wilson@Stc-Sta.org to discuss this position and to submit your resume.

We look forward to hearing from you!

You're Invited to Participate in our Survey and Have Your Voice Heard!

We are currently in the process of developing our first **Pastoral Plan** for our recently combined Parish and are seeking your input! On February 4th, we are launching a parish-wide survey for you to share your insights with us that will help us develop the very best plan possible to meet your pastoral needs.

Please respond to our **e-mail** or **postcard mailing** request and/or go to the **survey link** on the top right corner of the **Home Page** of our **website** at www.stc-sta.org to give us your thoughts—the survey should take 10-15 minutes and your response is completely confidential.

We look forward to hearing from you by the **February 19th Deadline**, and thank you in advance for letting us hear your thoughts!

Food & Essentials Drive for *Neighbor to Neighbor* Continues

The Social Justice Committee of *St. Catherine of Siena* and *St. Agnes* continues the Food & Essentials drives for Neighbor-to-Neighbor every Tuesday from 9:00 - 11:00 AM as long as weather permits.
The need is not going away.

[CLICK HERE](#) or visit www.stc-sta.org/community-news for details on items needed and drop-off procedures.

We are also still collecting new knit caps—our goal is 600, hand-knit or purchased. If you wish to help in this endeavor, please start or keep knitting!

Thank you to ALL for your ongoing dedication to this critical mission!



FAVORITE PIX of the WEEK

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