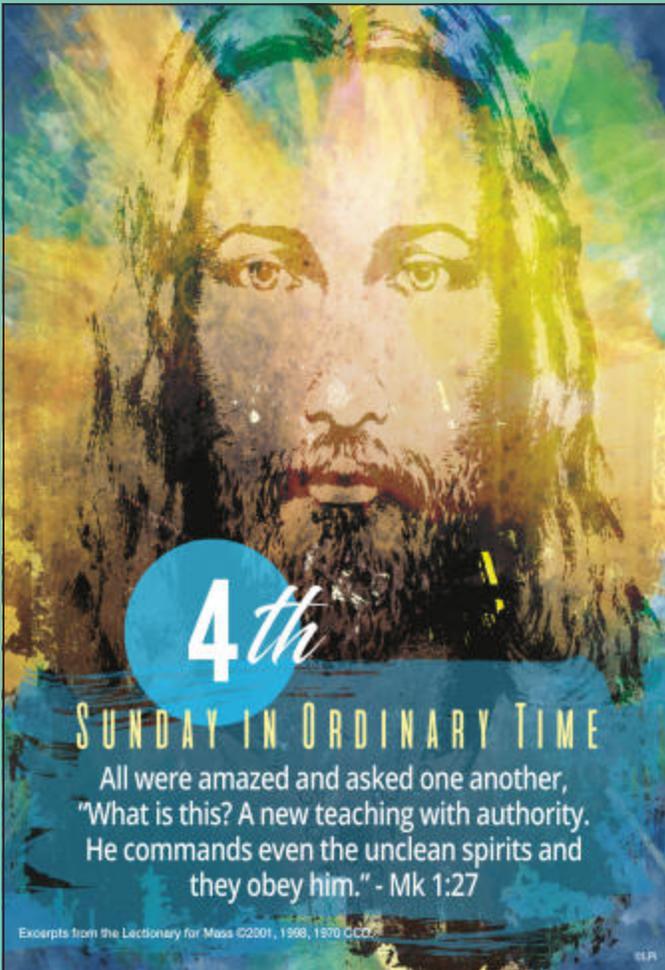




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PARISH SCHEDULE

Sunday Masses: Saturday: 4 p.m.
 Sunday: 7 a.m., 9 a.m. and 11 a.m.

Weekday Masses: Monday-Friday: 6:45 a.m.
 Saturday: 7 a.m.

Holy Days: 4 p.m. Vigil day before the Holy Day. On the Holy Day, 6:45 a.m., 12:10 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.

Holiday Masses: 9 a.m. (8 a.m. if there is a town parade)

Rosary: Daily at 6:20 a.m.

Eucharistic Adoration: Thursdays 7:15 a.m. - 5 p.m.
 First Friday/Saturday 6 p.m. - 6:25 a.m. in church

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturdays: 3-4 p.m. in chapel. Please enter through main church sacristy door and follow directions.

Sacrament of Baptism: 1 p.m. on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month. Parent Pre-Baptism class is held on the 1st Sunday of the month. Please call 781-769-5354 ext. 273.

Sacrament of Matrimony: Engaged couples must contact one of the parish priests at least 8 months prior to making other wedding plans.

Sacrament of the Sick: Please contact one of our parish priests.

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Our Mission: St. Catherine of Siena Parish is a Roman Catholic community established in Norwood, MA in 1890. Responding to our baptismal call to holiness, we seek to live the teachings of Christ in the Roman Catholic tradition through worship, education, service and evangelization.

All are welcome in Christ! "...To those sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints with all who are invoking the name of our Lord Jesus Christ in every place... Grace and peace to you from God our Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ. I give thanks to God continuously for you because of the grace of God that has been given to you in Christ Jesus. By that grace, in all things, you have become wealthy in him... He too will strengthen you, even until the end, without guilt..." Introduction of First Letter of Saint Paul to Corinthians

JANUARY 31, 2021

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

January 31, 2021 Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
GOSPEL MEDITATION

Most of us are quiet people who desire to live a good and holy life, promote the values and mission of the Gospel as best we can and desire to one day inherit the surprise of life eternal God promises to us. We are not trail blazers. We are simple people who want to do the simple things of life well. But there are others who left a more profound impact along the way of the paths they walked. Folks like Dorothy Day, Martin Luther King, Thomas Merton, Gandhi, St. Teresa of Calcutta, and many others left lasting impacts and legacies. Like Moses, they show us by word and deed who God is and what integrity and a purpose driven life look like. They show us how to be holy. We need Moses people like these to give us inspiration, hope and an example of holy living.

We do not need to do what they did or even mirror their relationship with God. Each one of us is God's special creation, with a purpose and soul known only to us. We need to learn how to open up and bring, without compromise, our soul-ness to life. We know when someone is authentic and centered because they always point to truth, even though they struggle and sin themselves, and they embody an unspoken timeless wisdom that just sounds and feels right. Jesus taught with this same type of authority and it astonished many who listened. We do not need to move mountains, advance a cause, write books or become notable. All we have to do is become credible witnesses of the faith we profess. Moses people can teach us how to do this.

St. Oscar Romero was an amazing man and a Moses figure for sure. He saw God in the burning bush and brought the flame of Gospel faith to the poorest of the poor, challenging the evils of the society in which he lived. He was tireless and persistent. He must have gotten very close to the problem because it cost him his life. He suspected it would. St. Romero said, "When we leave Mass, we ought to go out the way Moses descended Mt Sinai: with his face shining, with his heart brave and strong to face the world's difficulties." We can learn from this wisdom. If we allow the power of the Mass to truly transform us, we will leave that holy encounter changed. Our face will shine, and we will have courage. We can then bring what we have received to life's challenges. That sounds doable, doesn't it? Because of the example of our simple holiness, people will be amazed.

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Please honor all safety protocols while in church:

- Masks are required.*
- Please do not remove safety rope marking off pews.
- Maintain social distance of at least six feet between members of different households.
- Approach the Holy Communion stations in a **SINGLE FILE** line using the arrows on the floor as guides.
- If you are feeling ill or are experiencing any flu-like symptoms, please do not come to church. (See below)

* Children two and under are exempt. For children ages 3-5, masks are at the discretion of the parents.

If you have any of the following symptoms, *no matter how mild*, please do not come to church:

- **Fever**
- **Sore throat**
- **Cough**
- **Difficulty breathing**
- **Muscle aches**
- **Nausea/diarrhea**
- **Loss of taste or smell**
- **Congestion not related to allergies**

Please also stay home if any of the following apply:

- **You have been in close contact with someone with COVID-19.**
- **You have been told by a doctor you need a COVID-19 test.**
- **You have been tested for COVID-19, but you have not received your results.**
- **You have travelled outside of Massachusetts within the past 14 days and are subject to the state's travel order (see Mass.gov for details).**

PARISH OFFICE AND MASS CARDS

The Parish Office remains closed to outside visitors, but our staff members are working regular hours and are happy to assist you either over the phone or via email. If you need a Mass card, please call 781-762-6080 ext.110 or email parish@stcatherinenorwood.org. Cards will be prepared for you and left in the black file box outside the front door of the rectory. Cards are usually available for pick up same day during the week. We apologize for the inconvenience, but cards are not available for in-person purchase.

Meetings with the priests are by appointment only. Please call 781-762-6080 ext. 112 for Fr. Donohoe, ext. 115 for Fr. Medeiros or ext. 127 for Fr. Sullivan.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, January 30
7 a.m. Deceased Members of the Luongo Family
4 p.m. Charles Bart, Sr. (4th Anniversary)
Sunday, January 31
7 a.m. Pro Populo
9 a.m. Deceased Members of the Iacono Family
11 a.m. Mary, Thomas and Patrick Keady
Monday, February 1
6:45 a.m. Francis Hickey (Birthday Remembrance)
Tuesday, February 2
6:45 a.m. Joao, Maria and Antero Brancos and the
Neves and Rocha Families
Wednesday, February 3
6:45 a.m. Elizabeth "Betty" Cullen
Thursday, February 4
6:45 a.m. Ellen Gavin
Friday, February 5
6:45 a.m. Deceased Enrollments
As of Monday, February 1st, we are accepting Mass intentions through May 2021. Please email parish@stcatherinenorwood.org or call 781-762-6080 ext. 110.

Week of January 31st

The Altar Bread and Wine are offered in memory of Charry Marie Espinosa.

The Sanctuary Candles in the church and chapel are lit in memory of Charry Marie Espinosa.

Grand Annual Appeal

Thank you to everyone who has contributed to our Grand Annual collection. To date, we have received \$138,778 from 514 donors. Our goals are \$170,000 and 520 donors. All gifts, no matter the amount, are gratefully accepted and appreciated. We hope that all households that are able will participate. Donations may be placed in any offertory basket, dropped off at the rectory using the mail slot in the front door, or can be made online using the QR code below.

GIVING

Thank you to everyone who has continued to support our parish during this difficult time. We are grateful for your generosity.

At this time, we are not going to be passing the offertory basket at Mass. Baskets are placed at the exits at the end of Mass, and you are welcome to leave your donation in one of them. Other options include:

1. Online Giving -- For those who are able, online giving is a great way to regularly support our parish whether you are able to attend Mass or not. Just visit our website at: www.stcatherinenorwood.org and click on Online Giving or scan the code shown here to get started.



2. If online giving is not an option for you, you can mail your envelopes or drop them off at the rectory using the mail slot in the front door. For security reasons, we ask you to not leave envelopes in the external mailbox. Thank you!

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2021 National Prayer Vigil for Life

Watch & Pray with Cardinal Seán on CatholicTV: Sunday, January 24

- Culture of Life Mass at 12:30 pm, 7:00 pm, and 11:30 pm; will also air on WLVI-TV at 8:00 am

Friday, January 29

- Holy Hour for Life from 7:00-8:00 am (leading into Closing Mass for the National Prayer Vigil for Life from the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Washington, DC)
- Mass for Giving Thanks to God for the Gift of Human Life will air at 11:00 am and rebroadcast at 8:30 pm

Join at the National Vigil for Life via CatholicTV: Thursday, January 28

- Rosary at 8:00 pm
- Opening Mass at 8:30 pm
- Holy Hour at 10:00 pm

Friday, January 29

- Holy Hour for Life from 7:00-8:00 am with seminarians from St. John Seminary
- Closing Mass at 8:00 am

An Ethics Assessment of COVID-19 Vaccine Programs

This article appeared in the Charlotte Lozier Institute's May 2020 issue of On Point. While too lengthy to publish in this bulletin, it is available on the parish website by clicking on the COVID-19 Update button on the homepage.

Augustine Institute

Totally His: Living in the Love of the Father by Sr. Bethany Madonna -- Our weaknesses and our wounds can often make us feel inadequate. But as Sr. Bethany Madonna, S.V. illustrates with her insightful humor and profoundly memorable stories, bringing these weaknesses and wounds to God the Father can allow us to become strong with the Father's strength, and to be healed by the Healer. "The Father Himself loves you... He wants to be with you, at every moment; in every suffering, every pain, every desire and longing." *This item and others are available at the Lighthouse Catholic Media kiosk located at the front of the church. If you have any questions, comments or want to request any LCM items, please call Tim at 781-762-4451.*

American University Women for Life Virtual Meeting

Thursday, February 4th at 7 p.m.

Addiction in the Community and the Impacts of COVID-19

Vanessa Loukas Ryan, MSN, FNP-C, CARN-AP
Clinical Nurse Educator

Vanessa will discuss the impact of COVID on individuals with substance use disorder.

To register for this Virtual Zoom Meeting, please send your full name and phone number to Lorraine at lma4171@gmail.com or 617-763-4093 by noon on February 2nd. You will receive a meeting ID and Password on the morning of February 4th.

Cardinal Seán's dispensation from the Sunday Mass obligation will continue for the foreseeable future. Everyone is encouraged to consider their own health and personal circumstances in making the decision about whether to return to Mass at this time. Saint Catherine's will continue to livestream all Masses -- Saturday at 4 p.m., Sunday at 7 a.m., 9 a.m. and 11 a.m., and daily at 6:45 a.m. Daily Mass is at 7 a.m. on Saturday.

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AND FAITH FORMATION NEWS

With Thanks

Thanks to everyone who adopted a Confirmandi to pray for during the weeks leading up to Confirmation! We are so appreciative of your prayers and support!

Confirmation Rehearsals:

Sunday, January 31st, 12:15-1p (for the 10 a.m. Confirmation ceremony)

Sunday, January 31st, 1:15-2p (for the 11:30 a.m. Confirmation ceremony)

Sunday, January 31st, 2:15-3p (for the 1 p.m. Confirmation ceremony)

Students should attend the rehearsal that corresponds to the time of their Confirmation ceremony on February 6th. The student's sponsor or a parent **MUST** attend the rehearsal with their student.

Confirmation Dress Code:

Young men are expected to wear dress pants, a dress shirt, a tie, and dress shoes (**NO** sneakers). Jackets are optional though many choose to wear them.

Young ladies are expected to wear skirts or dresses that hit at the knee because you will be bowing before the altar when you enter. Spaghetti straps or strapless tops **MUST** be covered by a sweater. We encourage young ladies to wear shoes with a low/lower heel to prevent tripping or slipping as you will be walking down the aisle and getting up several times during the course of Confirmation.



If you missed this activity live, it is available to view on your own time on Facebook at [scsfamilyconnections](https://www.facebook.com/scsfamilyconnections).

Join us on Thursday, January 28th at 4 p.m. for our next episode of God on the Go!

This month we'll be exploring the tradition of Candlemas which takes place on February 2nd. We'll be making our own Candlemas Candles to celebrate so you'll need the following supplies:

- *A print out of the Holy Family
- *A glass prayer candle or a glass holder with a candle
- *Modge Podge and Paintbrush

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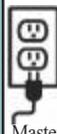
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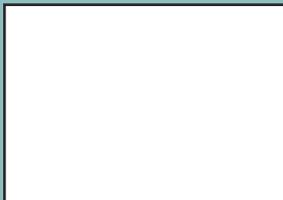
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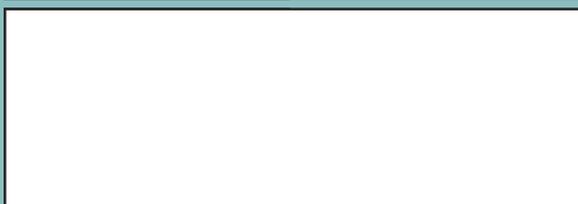


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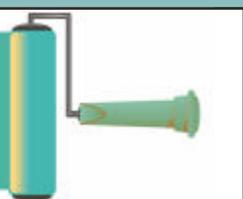
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