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## 7<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER

"I do not ask that you take them out of the world but that you keep them from the evil one. They do not belong to the world any more than I belong to the world. Consecrate them in the truth. Your word is truth." - Jn 17:15-17

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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.

**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.

**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

MAY 16, 2021

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

## GOSPEL MEDITATION

God remains where love remains. When a believer realizes without doubt that God is love, it is a powerful moment. Being able to place our resurrection trust in this fundamental truth allows us to experience God's presence in all of our experiences: the good and the bad, positive and negative, life enriching and destructive events we encounter. It is no wonder that St. Paul so accurately tells us that it is love that endures all things and lasts. How can God not endure or ever fade away? Because he is God, Jesus also guarded and protected his disciples as the endearing shepherd who always had their best interest at heart.

If we become too immersed in the world, we lose touch with these deeper realities. We can become so preoccupied with preserving what we have created or think that we need, forgetting that it is not building our city that really matters, but God's. Jesus clearly did not belong to the world and, by virtue of his resurrection, he tries to get us to understand that we do not either. The truth brings us to other worldly, more divine places and takes our eyes off of the concerns that often captivate our fears and storm our senses.

Life can easily erode our faith. Think of your life over the last couple of weeks. What challenged your faith and distracted your divine glance? Even being overly stimulated with technology and social media can erode our sense of confidence and cause us to forget who we really are. We need to distance ourselves from the world in order to experience the joy that Christ offers. The world will never like the word of God. It is too challenging and too perplexing. The world mistakenly believes that it can survive on its own. It is a mistaken judgment that may cost people a lot in the end. It is all so very simple: God remains when we love one another. If in all the business of our lives and all that each day brings, the good and the bad, we follow the call and path of love, we will walk with God. There is nothing to fear and anxiety finds no home.

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## Please honor all safety protocols while in church:

- Everyone, regardless of vaccination status, is required to wear a mask while in church.\*
- Please do not remove safety ropes from any other pews in the church.
- 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.
- When receiving, remove your mask briefly, receive in your hand, consume the host and then replace your mask.
- If you are feeling ill or are experiencing any flu-like symptoms, please do not come to church.

\* 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).

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.



## Mass Intentions

Saturday, May 15  
7:00 a.m. For the Homeless and Those Struggling with Addiction  
4:00 p.m. Michael Fernandes

Sunday, May 16  
7:00 a.m. Pro Populo  
9:00 a.m. Patrick Folan (20th Anniversary)  
11:00 a.m. Francis McDonagh (4th Anniversary)

Monday, May 17  
6:45 a.m. Walter Rogers (For Healing)

Tuesday, May 18  
6:45 a.m. Patrick Carroll

Wednesday, May 19  
6:45 a.m. Thomas Rooney

Thursday, May 20  
6:45 a.m. Elizabeth "Betty" Cullen

Friday, May 21  
6:45 a.m. Brendan Walsh

Saturday, May 22  
7:00 a.m. Jack Garrity  
4:00 p.m. Foca and Barbara Conidi

We are now accepting Mass intention requests through August 2021. Please email [parish@stcatherinenorwood.org](mailto:parish@stcatherinenorwood.org) or call 781-762-6080.

## A Note from Joe Scolastico, Music Director



Besides organ and choral music, one of my favorite types of music is Bossa Nova, the Latin Jazz music that came out of Brazil in the 1960s. Some of you may know some of these songs such as "The Girl from Ipanema," "Quiet Nights of Quiet Stars," and "One-Note Samba." One of my favorite Bossa Novas is a song (in English called) "It's Time to Sing." Well, *It's Time to Sing!*

I wrote about guidance about singing just the Mass parts and that we are waiting to hear when we can return to full singing. Two weeks ago, the Archdiocese gave us new guidance regarding singing. Starting Pentecost, we may go back to full congregational singing! This includes not only the Mass parts, but the Responsorial Psalm and hymns as well! This is very welcome news indeed, as we continue to get back to normal. And, what an appropriate day, the Birthday of the Church! One can easily see this as providential. However, at this time, we cannot have missals and hymnals, so for the time being, we will be using music handouts. They will be available as you come into the church, both on the front tables and near the handicapped entrance. Because they cannot be recycled from Mass to Mass, it is very important that you take the handout with you. This is also important for the general cleanliness of the church. That all being said...*It's Time to Sing!*

## Are you registered with us?

Registering is easy. Visit our parish website at [www.stcatherinenorwood.org](http://www.stcatherinenorwood.org) and fill out the form under Register or call the parish office at 781-762-6080 and we are happy to assist you. Welcome!



## 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](http://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!

## 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 or want to schedule a Mass intention, please call 781-762-6080 (ext.110 if the recording picks up) or email [parish@stcatherinenorwood.org](mailto:parish@stcatherinenorwood.org). Mass 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.

## Family Rosary Mission

### Sundays at 4 p.m.

Here at Saint Catherine's at 4 p.m. each Sunday afternoon, one of our parish families leads us in praying the Most Holy Rosary for peace in our families, in our country and in our world. We invite you to join us either here in the church or at home on livestream ([stcatherinenorwood.org](http://stcatherinenorwood.org)).

Contact:

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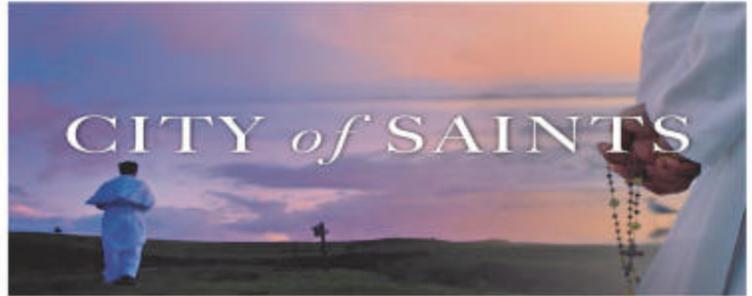
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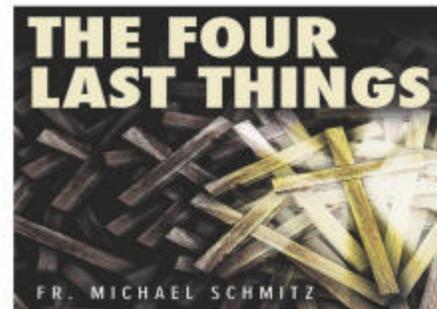
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St. Catherine of Siena Parish  
Religious Education and Faith Formation News



Thank you to Dan Busler for the beautiful photographs of our First Communion celebrations. To view the entire gallery, please visit: <https://danbusler.photoshelter.com/gallery-collection/St-Catherine-2021-1st-Communion/C0000F.0003.QQ04>



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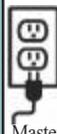
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