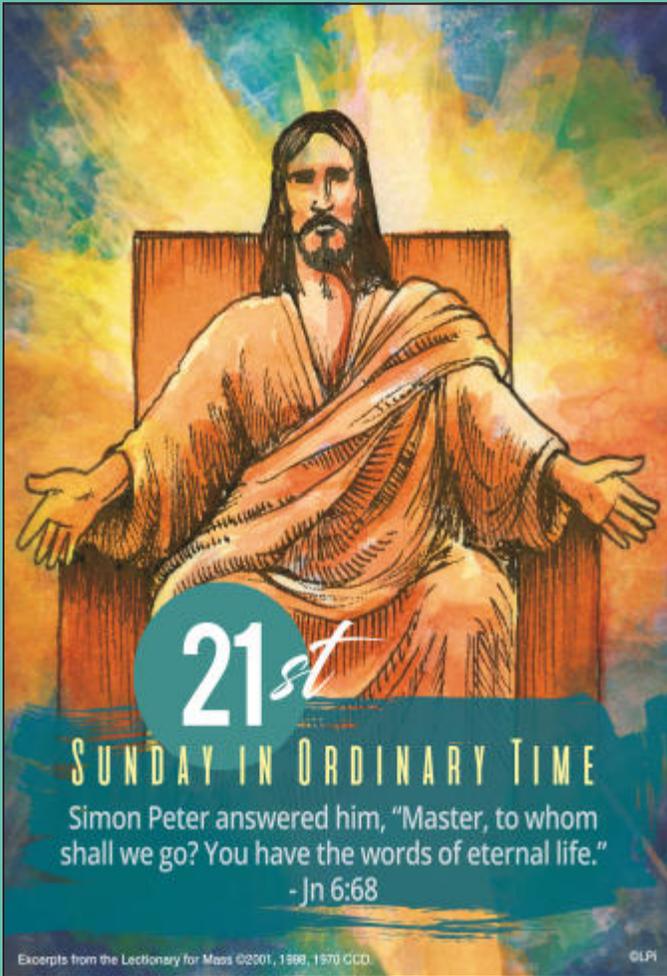




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PARISH SCHEDULE

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.

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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

AUGUST 22, 2021

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

August 22, 2021 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

GOSPEL MEDITATION -- “Far be it from us to forsake the Lord for the service of other gods.” We struggle with our gods. They appear in the forms of things like money, power, prestige, popularity, privilege, and self-fulfillment. We like these “gods” because they make us feel good and ask very little of us in return. When we worship them, we worship ourselves. How can you go wrong with that? We buy into the illusion that if something can give us a comfortable life, free of want and need, then it is worth setting other things aside to pursue it. In essence, we sell our souls. Our struggle with “who is God” and to whom do we belong is a real one and one that can easily find us empty and experiencing disillusionment.

The devil tempted Jesus in the desert and promised him more. We are promised “more.” But in pursuing the more and the satisfying we lose track of the cost, and the cost is great. We sacrifice our very life in pursuit of something disguised as life. We sacrifice truth for something that only “feels” true. While the true and real God certainly promises us many things, many things are also required. It is not about the warm and secure feelings and self-absorption the world wants to provide, but of giving back. There can be no lukewarm stance with regard to faith. If we are in, then faith in Jesus Christ asks us to do some difficult things: work in service of God’s kingdom (not our own), love our enemies, offer no resistance to injury, that we must die to ourselves in order to find ourselves, and trust that Jesus truly gives us his flesh and blood to eat and drink. These are hard things to accept and even harder to put into practice. It is no wonder that many, who may be attracted to Jesus at first, walk away in pursuit of the more self-satisfying gods.

But truth is truth. If we cannot accept it from the lips of Jesus Christ, then where else will we find it? To whom can we go? There is only one source of truth and life, Jesus Christ. Jesus has the words of eternal life and if we do not go to him, then where else will we find this gift? But we must be faithful and buy into the whole package deal that requires sacrifice and fidelity. When we do, we find ourselves, through the Body and Blood of Christ, connected to the Source of all life and then intimately bound with our brothers and sisters. We all have to decide whether we want to stay or go and if we can accept what Jesus has to say. It’s a choice we all have to make.

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**SAINT CATHERINE OF SIENA SCHOOL
29TH ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT**

MONDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2021

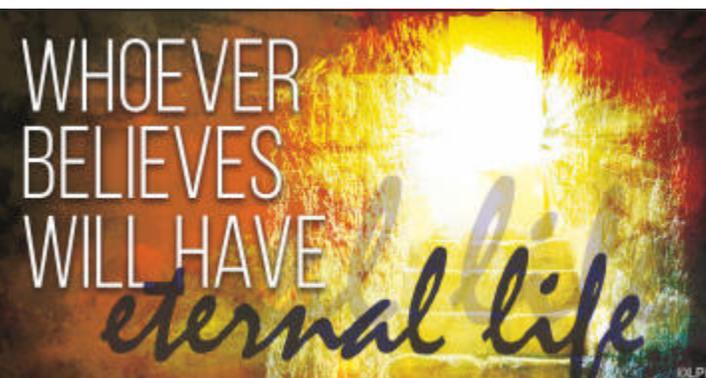
**8:30 AM REGISTRATION
9:30 AM SHOTGUN START**

BROOKMEADOW COUNTRY CLUB

- Vaccinated people are no longer required to wear masks or socially distance in our church, as per guidelines issued by the State of Massachusetts. The State does advise that non-vaccinated people continue to wear masks.
- It is understood that people may continue wearing masks for a variety of reasons. These decisions will be respected.
- The parish and pastor will not be policing the population. Every parishioner and family is expected to make a sound, reasonable decision.

Music guides with lyrics to this weekend’s hymns and the Responsorial Psalm are available on the tables near the doors of the church.

Please help us keep our church clean by taking any items you bring into the church back out of the church when you leave. This includes music guides and bulletins.



Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 21
7:00 a.m.
4:00 p.m. Bridget and Philip Folan
Sunday, August 22
7:00 a.m. Pro Populo
9:00 a.m. Emily Anne Maher
11:00 a.m. Robert Palladino
Monday, August 23
6:45 a.m. The Living and Deceased Members of the D'Amico Family
Tuesday, August 24
6:45 a.m. John Goggin (1st Anniversary)
Wednesday, August 25
6:45 a.m. Frank Battles
Thursday, August 26
6:45 a.m. Elizabeth "Betty" Cullen
Friday, August 27
6:45 a.m. Charles J. McCarthy (20th Anniversary)
Saturday, August 28
7:00 a.m. Thomas Croghan
4:00 p.m. Tommy Gover

Mass intention requests are accepted up to three months in advance. Requests are now being accepted through November 2021. Please email parish@stcatherinenorwood.org or call 781-762-6080.

Haiti Relief: Next weekend, August 28th and 29th, there will be a second collection to support Catholic Relief Services and the Church in Haiti following the devastating earthquake of August 14th. Please make checks payable to Saint Catherine's with "Haiti Earthquake Relief" in the memo line. The basket will be passed a second time to support this emergency relief collection.

PARISH SUPPORT

August 15, 2021: \$9,018

Thank you for your continued support!

Thank you to everyone who continues to support our parish. While we encourage you to continue your stewardship to our parish through online giving, for your convenience, we are now passing the basket at Mass.

Other ways to give 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!



Pastoral Ministries

ALL VOLUNTEERS: Annual CORI Forms Due

All parish volunteers, new or returning, are required to complete the 2021-2022 CORI form. Please note that last year's form, or forms from prior parishes or places of employment do not fulfill the CORI requirement for this upcoming year.

Forms can be found at each of the church entrances and on the website: www.stcatherinenorwood.org. Please print and complete both sides of the form. Our priests will be available after the daily or week-end Mass to verify your license and to sign the back of the form. Office staff at the rectory is also available during work hours.

For questions, call 781-769-5354 Ext. 273 or email dhallee@stcatherinenorwood.org

Thank You!

Heartfelt thanks goes out to Kathleen Henry who has accepted to bring Holy Communion monthly to the residents of Norwood Healthcare. Kathleen has served in this ministry in prior years and is returning to help in a time of need. We hope to continue building our team so that our beloved parishioners at the nursing home can continue to receive Our Lord on an ongoing basis. It means everything to them to be able to be nourished, strengthened and renew spiritually by Jesus, the Bread of Life.



Adult Faith Formation: A SNEAK PEEK for '21-'22



Plans are underway for our fall, winter and spring programs for 2021-2022. More details regarding dates and locations will soon follow, but for now, the following will be offered:

A Biblical Walk through the Mass. A 5-session series by Ascension Press "explores the extraordinary roots of the Liturgy and reveals what it all means and why it matters. This fascinating tour of the Mass will renew your faith and deepen your love for and devotion to the Holy Eucharist."

No Greater Love: A Biblical Walk through Christ's Passion. A 5-session series by Ascension Press in which Edward Sri guides you through the last hours of Christ's life.

Bible-In-A-Year. Can't attend programs on site? How about learning from home? A daily Bible-study led by Fr. Mike Schmitz will take you through the entire Bible in one year. The material is organized according to the twelve periods of Salvation History and uses Ascension Press color-coded Bible Timeline to help you get the "big picture" of the Bible.

Can't do a series? Each month, various speakers will be giving one-night presentation on topics related to various Catholic themes of faith, prayer, spirituality, saints, etc. More detailed information to follow.

Wedding Banns

Bann 3: *Matthew Jameson Duguay
& Kathleen Margaret O'Day*



40 Days for Life

**Powerful Pro-Life Prayer Launch
Saturday, September 18th**

6:00 p.m. Mass with Fr. Michael McNamara
Saint Catherine of Siena Church

7:00 p.m. Speaker
Steve Karlen

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Coffee will follow.

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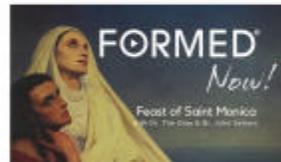
AUGUSTINE: A VOICE FOR ALL GENERATIONS WITH MIKE AQUILINA

During this very special week for the Augustine Institute, we celebrate both our patron, St. Augustine, and his mother, St. Monica! As a preeminent Doctor of the Church, Augustine has been said to be "the holiest of the wise and the wisest of the holy." To celebrate this great Church Father, please enjoy Augustine: A Voice for all Generations!



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FORMED NOW: THE FEAST OF SAINT MONICA

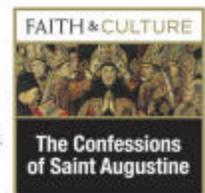


Throughout her life, St. Monica constantly prayed for the conversion of Augustine, her beloved son. In a moment of desperation, she even asked for the bishop's help. In response, he said, "the son of those tears surely will not perish." Truly, as this bishop remarked, Monica's tearful prayers helped build her son into the Doctor of Grace. In this video, join Dr. Gray and Dr. Sehorn as they discuss more about this great Saint.

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**THE FAITH AND CULTURE PODCAST:
THE CONFESSIONS OF ST. AUGUSTINE**

In this episode of the Faith and Culture podcast, Joseph Pearce and Dr. John Sehorn discuss the most towering Church Father of the West, St. Augustine. Together, Pearce and Sehorn describe the purpose of Augustine's Confessions, the relatability of this Saint, and his impact on the world in his own time and culture. Finally, they discuss what we can learn from Augustine today.



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Adorers Needed. Can you help?

Can You Watch with Me for 1 Hour

(Jesus to the Apostles-Matthew 26:40)

Signup for Eucharistic Adoration hours is easy on the St. Catherine's website. However, if you do not use the online Adoration signup and would like to sign up for Adoration hours, there is now a weekly signup sheet available in the vestibule of the church. Out of reverence and respect for the Blessed Sacrament, it's important there always be an adorer present. Please prayerfully consider a time that you can spend with Our Lord.

Adoration hours are every Thursday, 7 a.m.-5 p.m. and First Friday/Saturday All Night Vigil- 6 p.m.-6:30 a.m.

Augustine Institute

Totally His: Living in the Love of the Father -- 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.*



Your Family belongs
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...in Faith Formation

Dear Families of incoming 9th and 10th grade students,

I wanted to take a moment to clarify the process for registering your student for the Confirmation program as well as the format as I have received some questions. I am hoping this information will be helpful to you.

First, and most importantly, every student MUST be registered for the program. That means we must have the attached registration form on file for your student prior to their attending a one day intensive class. Simply signing up for a one day class DOES NOT register your student. We are required to have registration paperwork on file for ALL students regardless of grade and whether or not they have participated in the program in the past. Registration does not "roll over" from one year to the next. If you have signed up for a one day intensive through the Sign Up Genius link but have not yet submitted a registration form (attached), you must do so ASAP otherwise your student will not be considered to be enrolled in the program. If you are waiting to have your student attend a one day intensive class until November or after, that is fine but we ask that you please send in their registration paperwork NOW so we have an accurate idea of the number of students who will be confirmed.

Secondly, if you need to sign up for a one day intensive class, the Sign Up Genius Link is below. If the date you need is at the 30 person capacity, please reach out to me and let me know. We will be able to accommodate additional students on each date if needed.

Finally, the requirements for each grade level along with specific information about when students will be Confirmed is included below.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090948ADA92CA1FE3-confirmation>

If you have a student entering 10th grade in the fall of 2021

1. Your student will be expected to attend a ONE DAY intensive class between August and January 2022.
2. Your student will be expected to complete additional course requirements at home using the materials we will provide. *Please be aware that we will ask students to attend Confession during the 3-4 weeks prior to Confirmation.*
3. Your tenth grader will be Confirmed on FEBRUARY 5th at either 10a or 1p. More information to follow. **ONLY STUDENTS IN GRADE 10 WILL MAKE THEIR CONFIRMATIONS IN FEBRUARY 2022.**

If you have a student entering 9th grade in the fall of 2021:

1. Your student will be expected to attend a ONE DAY intensive class between August 2021 and August 2022.
2. Your student will be expected to attend a short 3-4 hour retreat in the fall of 2022 (likely October), this will include an opportunity to attend Confession.
3. Your students will be expected to complete additional course requirements at home using the materials we will provide.
4. Your ninth grader will be Confirmed in late October/early November. **Students in NINTH GRADE ARE NOT ELIGIBLE TO BE CONFIRMED IN FEBRUARY 2022 REGARDLESS OF WHEN THEY ATTEND THEIR ONE DAY INTENSIVE CLASS OR BECAUSE OF OLDER SIBLINGS MAKING THEIR CONFIRMATIONS IN FEBRUARY.**

Teachers Needed!

Even though the program looks different this year, we still need volunteers!

Teachers needed for grades 1-2

We are in need of 3 1st grade teachers on Sunday

3 1st grade teachers on Tuesday

1-2 teachers for grade 2 on Tuesdays

Volunteers to assist with Sunday morning sessions for grades 3-8

Volunteer for all or some of the monthly sessions!

A great option for students in grades 9-12 looking for volunteer hours!

Adults to serve as small group leaders on our 1 day Confirmation intensive classes. Sessions meet on different days/times so choose what works for your schedule!



If you are interested in teaching first or second grade, volunteering to assist at Sunday morning sessions for grades 3-8, or serving as a small group leader for the one day Confirmation intensives or you would like more information, please contact Leah at:

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