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**29<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

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"But it shall not be so among you. Rather, whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant; whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all. For the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many." - Mk 10:43-45

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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.

**Saint Catherine of Siena Parish, 781-762-6080**  
 Rev. Stephen Donohoe, Pastor  
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 Rev. Thomas Sullivan, Parochial Vicar  
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 Mr. Joseph Scolastico, Director of Music/Organist x126  
 Mrs. Stephanie Beatrice-Gonzalez  
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 Mr. Bob Calarese, Parish Business Manager  
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 Mrs. Laura Hayes, Administrative Assistant  
 Mrs. Amy Campbell, Administrative Assistant

**St. Catherine of Siena School, 781-769-5354**  
 Ms. Beth Tanner, Principal  
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 Mrs. Linda Canniff, Director of Tuition and Financial Aid x275  
 Mr. John Farrell, Director of Facilities & Grounds x269

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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

**OCTOBER 17, 2021**

**TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Today is the day! Since the summer, Father Donohoe and the campaign committee volunteers have been making calls, handing out brochures, mailing letters, and requesting times to discuss the many components of this important capital campaign.

October 16 and 17 is Commitment Weekend for Saint Catherine of Siena's *Inspiring Hope* campaign, the date by which every family has been asked to make a decision regarding their level of support for this campaign.

As of last weekend, Saint Catherine's has **raised more than \$1.6 million toward this incredible effort from just the first 75 gifts!** Our is to raise \$2,000,000 in pledged commitments and we hope we can get there today through your generosity.

As a reminder, *Inspiring Hope* is designed to:

- Repair the church tower and surrounding roofs
- Resurface and re-imagine the parking lot / school play area
- Upgrade the HVAC system in the school and gymnasium
- Replace the middle school roof and upgrade the classrooms
- Install new flooring, re-align pews, and paint the church's interior
- Add an accessible ramp entrance to the north side of the church
- Support faculty and principal development and special initiatives in Catholic Schools across Eastern Massachusetts

Campaign Goal: \$2 Million



Thank you for your support. We look forward to sharing an update on our progress with you next week.

**GOSPEL MEDITATION:** “What do you wish me to do for you?” Whether we realize it, this is a question God is always asking. It’s an important question because the answer we provide will reveal a great deal about where our hearts lie. Our requests of God can often appear very noble and altruistic. They consist of requests for healing for someone in need of prayers, successful resolution of a personal conflict, assistance in overcoming a disease and myriad other desires for both ourselves and others. We are especially concerned about those we love and can easily find ourselves bringing their struggles to God for a hearing in our prayer.

Is that really all that prayer is about? The woman in today’s Gospel, having been put in her place by Jesus, was only looking out for the wellbeing of her sons. She was doing what mothers do, protecting and securing the livelihood of her children. But she was sadly mistaken, her request was not granted. We all make this same misguided mistake from time to time. The goal of prayer is not to convince God of the worthiness of our agenda or to gain a hearing. Sometimes we believe that the more we multiply our prayers or discover the right combination of supplications that we will receive more of God’s attention. That’s not how it works. Even though God desires to hear, know, and be an intimate part of what is on our minds, it goes much deeper.

What we need from God is a relationship. It’s a relationship that guides and immerses us in the very stuff of life and in the direction of the Gospel. This relationship sees God’s kingdom and agenda, not our own, as what is most important. It builds the strength of character necessary to bring God’s Gospel into a world that may not receive it with open arms. It may cause us discomfort and suffering. We are asked to heroically journey with God through suffering, hardship, ridicule, and even death! Ultimately, our desire from God must become our desire for God. It is only when this happens that the powerful words “thy will be done” will be found with sincerity and humility on our lips. Whatever God wishes becomes what we wish as we see this glorious union of wills. Our humble lives will then become powerful witnesses, and what happens to us in God’s eternal kingdom the result of his mercy. We become true servants and find ourselves discovering God’s definition of success. That definition has nothing at all to do with status, income, or privilege.

## Mass Intentions

Saturday, October 16

7:00 a.m. Eileen Woodworth  
4:00 p.m. Patrick and Mary Scanlon and  
Sr. Barbara Scanlon

Sunday, October 17

7:00 a.m. Pro Populo  
9:00 a.m. Albert D. Pelaggi, Florence Pelaggi and  
Michael Pelaggi  
11:00 a.m. Maire, Bridie and Kate Costello and  
Coleman, Pat and Nora Costello

Monday, October 18

6:45 a.m. Edward and Frances Hayes

Tuesday, October 19

6:45 a.m. Michael Lovecchio

Wednesday, October 20

6:45 a.m. For an end to abortion and the success of  
the 40 Days for Life campaign

Thursday, October 21

6:45 a.m. Delia and Patrick O'Toole, and Richard F.  
Morrissey, Jr. and his mom, Marjorie

Friday, October 22

6:45 a.m. Joseph, Virginia and David Mitchell

Saturday, October 23

7:00 a.m. Special Intention  
4:00 p.m. Bridie Burke (Birthday Remembrance)

Mass intention requests are accepted up to three months in advance. We are now accepting requests through January 2022. Please call 781-762-6080 or email [parish@stcatherinenorwood.org](mailto:parish@stcatherinenorwood.org).

## Week of October 17th

The Altar Bread and Wine are offered in memory of John "Jack" Tangney.

The Sanctuary Candles in the church and chapel are lit in memory of John "Jack" Tangney.

## PARISH SUPPORT

October 10, 2021: \$11,001  
Holy Father and Missionary Efforts: \$2,206

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](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!

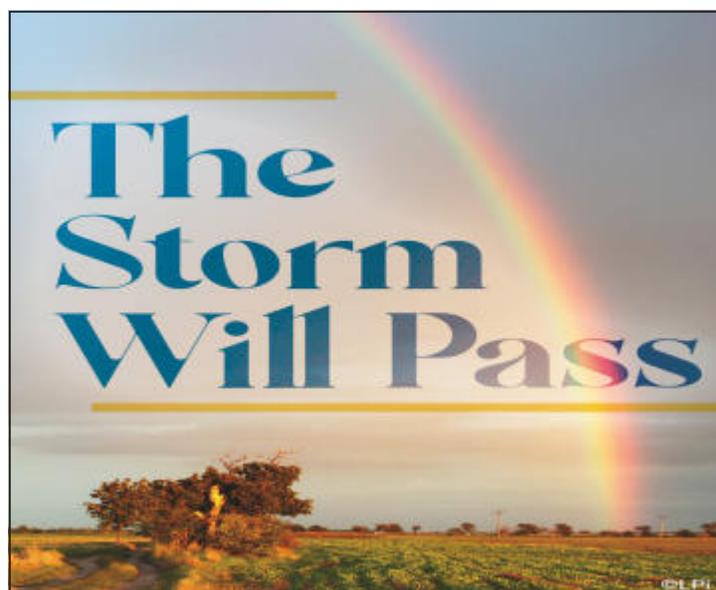


Our Adult Choir is returning! And we are looking for new singers! Rehearsals are on Thursday nights from 7:30 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. and we sing at the 11 a.m. Mass and other special events. We will be distanced and masked. We will start out with lots of basic vocal technique, so if you have always wanted to join a choir and been hesitant, now's the time! Please see Joseph Scolastico, Music Director, with any further questions or email at [musicdirector@stcatherinenorwood.org](mailto:musicdirector@stcatherinenorwood.org). Stay tuned for information regarding Children's Choir!

## VISITS TO THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND

If you know any parishioners of Saint Catherine's who are unable to attend Mass due to physical limitations, health concerns or because they are recovering from illness or surgery, please let us know! Our priests care for parishioners who are homebound, in nursing homes or hospitals by offering the Sacrament of the Sick and making sure they regularly receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist. Saint Catherine's also has a dedicated team of Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion who make home visits. Please call our Pastoral Associate, Doris Hallee, at 781-769-5354 ext. 273 or email [dhallee@stcatherinenorwood.org](mailto:dhallee@stcatherinenorwood.org) for more information.

**Please note:** If someone is in a hospital or care facility and requires an emergency visit from a priest, you should contact the hospital or nearest parish.



## CYO BASKETBALL



Registration is now open for the 2021-22 CYO Basketball season, which begins the end of November. Teams will begin forming in October and will include a high school boys team grades 9-10, a high school boys team grades 11-12, and a high school girls team grades 9-12. Cost to play is \$145 per player. Players MUST live within the parish boundaries of Saint Catherine's or Saint Timothy's, or be able to show they belong to one of the parishes.

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Online sign up link: <https://form.jotform.com/212468257285160>. The link will be active until October 20th.

Please contact Rick Roche at [r1435@mac.com](mailto:r1435@mac.com) with any questions. Please also contact if you are interested in coaching this season. Two to three coaches for the boys' teams are needed.

## 40 Days for Life -- Sept. 22nd - Oct. 31st

The 40 Days for Life Campaign will begin again on September 22<sup>nd</sup> through October 31<sup>st</sup>. We will be praying in front of Planned Parenthood, 1055 Commonwealth Ave., Boston, from 7 am to 7 pm every day. We invite you to join us. We have clergy led prayer vigils 5 days a week. You can find our schedule at [www.40daysforlife.com/boston](http://www.40daysforlife.com/boston) or check the church bulletin boards. If you cannot come to the vigil site, please pray from your home or church. Prayer is powerful. Fr. Thomas Sullivan will be leading the vigil at 2 pm on Sunday, October 17th on the sidewalk in front of Planned Parenthood, 1055 Commonwealth Ave. in Boston, and Bishop Robert Reed will lead it on October 31st. For more information, call Rita Russo at 781-762-4391 or email [40daysforlifeboston@gmail.com](mailto:40daysforlifeboston@gmail.com).

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**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**  
*Can You Watch with Me for 1 Hour*  
(Jesus to the Apostles-Matthew 26:40)

**Every Thursday, 7 a.m.- 5 p.m.**  
**Saint Catherine of Siena Church**  
**First Friday/Saturday**  
**All Night Vigil- 6 p.m.- 6:30 a.m.**  
**Saint Catherine of Siena Chapel**

*If you would like to sign up, go online to Saint Catherine's website or on the weekly signup sheets located in the vestibule of the church.*

## The Ministry of Praise and Mercy celebrates 5 years of Prayers

The *Ministry of Praise and Mercy* began here at Saint Catherine's as an outreach to the elderly and infirm, sick or homebound 5 years ago. Its purpose is to let those who can no longer attend Mass and participate in activities at the church, know they can still contribute in an important and vital way in the spiritual life of the parish right in their own homes. By offering their daily prayers, works, joys and sufferings, they can intercede for the conversion of souls and for strength and healing for those in need. Every month each member receives, through the mail, a list of prayer intentions for our parish and the universal Church. Also available for each member is a book of prayers, a small crucifix and a framed certificate of membership.

If you know someone who would be interested in participating in this ministry, there are sign-up forms at the wall racks in the vestibule of the church. If you have questions or would like more information please contact: Lorraine Allan-617-763-4093.

## Augustine Institute

**Why Almsgiving?** by Dr. Michael Barber -- Advent, the season in which we prepare for Christmas, is a penitential season. One of the key acts of penance that the Church recommends is almsgiving. But why? Citing the Old and New Testaments, the Catechism, and his own engaging personal stories, professor and author Dr. Michael Barber explains the "inner logic" of almsgiving, and how this often-misunderstood aspect of our faith is a critically important good work, related to our own unmerited redemption in Jesus Christ. -- *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.*



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**Important Dates for Religious Education**

**Class Dates for Grades 1-2**

Sunday, 10/17 10:15-11:15 a.m.  
 Tuesday, 10/19 4-5 p.m.  
 Sunday, 11/7 10:15-11:15 a.m.  
 Tuesday, 11/9 4-5 p.m.  
 Sunday, 11/14 10:15-11:15 a.m.  
 Tuesday, 11/16 4-5 p.m.

**Next Date for Family Catechesis**

Sunday, 11/6 10:15-11:15 a.m.  
 Grades 3-8  
 Large group with families  
 SCS Cafeteria

**Next Dates for One Day Class Intensives for Grades 9-10**

Sunday, 10/17  
 Thursday, 11/11  
 Wednesday, 12/29

**Parish Family Rosary Mission**

**“The family that prays together, stays together.”  
 (Venerable Fr. Patrick Peyton)**



Beginning Sunday, October 3rd, the Parish Family Rosary will resume each Sunday afternoon at 4 p.m. at Saint Catherine of Siena Church. All are invited to join in this Rosary at home on livestream or in person in the church.

If you would like to sign up to lead the Rosary with a group of friends or your family, please contact:

Lorraine Allan -- lma4171@gmail.com  
 Judi Scherban -- Judith.scherban@gmail.com  
 or Leah Ramsdell -- ymindirector@gmail.com

**FORMED** PICK OF THE WEEK  
 Oct 17, 2021

**WATCH**  
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**FORMED NOW: ST. LUKE AND THE EUCHARIST**

Join Dr. Tim Gray and Dr. John Sehorn as they dive into the joy of the Eucharist found in the Gospel of St. Luke the Evangelist.

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**SAINT JOHN PAUL THE GREAT BY JASON EVERT**

Discover the five great loves of Pope Saint John Paul II as Jason Evert, renowned Catholic speaker and author, shares remarkable stories about this saint's life from those who knew him, including bishops, students whom he taught, and Swiss Guards who interacted with him daily. Jason presents a wealth of insights about this holy man who promoted devotion to Divine Mercy and Marian consecration, helped defeat communism in Europe, wrote the Theology of the Body, and embraced young people like no other.

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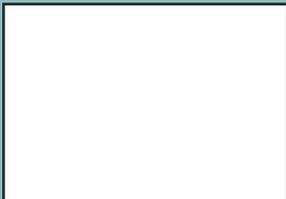
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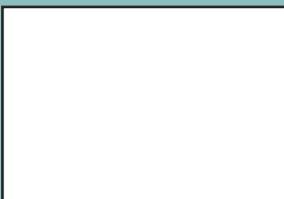
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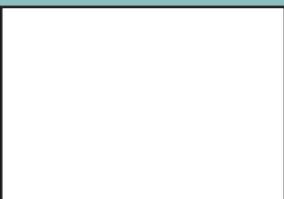
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MASS WITH CARDINAL SEÁN

On Thursday, October 7, we were honored to welcome Cardinal Seán to Saint Catherine of Siena School to celebrate Mass for the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary. Thank you Cardinal Seán!

