Welcome

Sacrament of **Reconciliation:** Confession

6:00pm - 8:00pm **TUESDAYS: THURDAYS:** 7:00am - 7:25am

Adoration of the **Blessed Sacrament:**

TUESDAYS: 6:00pm - 8:00pm

Daily Mass:

MONDAY-THURSDAY: 7:30am CIVIC HOLIDAYS: 9:00am Open to the Public, and Livestreamed. Available on-demand during the day.

Rosary:

MONDAY-THURSDAY: 8:00am FRIDAY: 7:30am Open to the Public and Livestreamed.

Sunday Mass: SATURDAY VIGIL:

4:00pm, 7:15pm SUNDAY MASS:

7:30am, 9:00am, 11:00am *Livestreamed at 4:00pm Saturday.* Available on-demand thereafter.

New Parishioners: *We warmly* welcome you, and invite you to register in our parish community. Please call our office at (203) 377-3133, ext. 101

Sacrament of Baptism: **SUNDAY:** 1:00pm, by appointment. Pre-Baptismal instruction is required for first-time parents. Please call our office at (203) 377-3133, ext. 101

Parish Office Hours:

MON-THURS: 9:00am - 4:30pm FRIDAY: 9:00am - 1:00pm

Location: *In Historic Nichols* 220 Shelton Road Trumbull, CT 06611 (203) 377-3133 www.stcathtrumbull.com office@stcatherinetrumbull.com





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JANUARY IS THE MONTH OF THE HOLY NAME OF JESUS

THE SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: SUNDAY, JANUARY 16, 2022

SAT, Jan 15: Mass: Livestreamed at 4:00pm, on demand thereafter

Father Joseph A. Marcello, Pastor Father Philip G. Bochanski, In Residence Deacon Patrick Toole, Deacon of the Parish

James J. Panullo: Director of Parish Operations, Ext. 102 Dr. William H. Atwood: Director of Music and Coordinator of

Liturgical Ministries, Ext. 105 Lindsay Tristine: Director of Religious Education, Ext. 106 Mary Ellen Kovacs: Director of Pastoral Care, Ext. 104 Ellen Moran: Parish Office Manager, Ext. 101 Kate Gombos: Coordinator of Communications, Ext. 107 Raymond Kingsbury: Coordinator of Youth Ministry, Ext. 111 youthgroup@stcatherinetrumbull.com Eric Vogel: Coordinator for Social Justice and Charitable Outreach

Nancy Lucas: Safe Environments Coordinator Louis B. Spina: Parish Custodian

Rachel Ambrosio: Principal, St. Catherine of Siena School

(203) 375-1947 John W. Diercksen: Chair, Parish Finance Council Atty. Joseph R. Tristine: Chair, Pastoral Advisory Council Kenneth M. Martin, Jr.: Lay Member of the Parish Corporation Atty. Marian E. Whiteman: Lay Member of the Parish Corporation



MASS INTENTIONS & LITURGICAL SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 16, 2022

Monday, Jan. 17: 9:00AM

[Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day] Eileen Kaeser and Robert Kaeser Jr

Tuesday, Jan. 18: 7:30AM & Angelo & Sandy Recine 6:00PM-8:00PM Confession and Adoration

Wednesday, Jan. 19:

Thursday, Jan. 20: 7:00AM-7:25AM Confessions

7:30AM 🕆 Msgr. John Breslin St. Fabian 7:30AM 🕆 Ćarmela Spina

Friday, Jan. 21: St. Agnes 7:30AM Rosary for Priestly Vocations 7:00PM Pro-Life Holy Hour and Scriptural Rosary

Saturday, Jan. 22: DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE LEGAL **PROTECTION OF UNBORN CHILDREN** SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD (THE THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME) Anticipated 4:00PM [⊕] Joseph Pedwano (*Livestreamed*) 7:15PM ♣ The Diercksen and McAllister Families Sunday, Jan. 23: SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD (THE THIRD SUNDAY **IN ORDINARY TIME)**

7:30AM 🕆 Kathryn Faulkner 9:00AM [‡] James Rafferty Blessing of 6th Grade Bibles 11:00AM Our Parishioners

SANCTUARY LAMP

The Sanctuary Lamp, which indicates and honors the Real Presence of Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist, burns this week in memory of

Rose Thibodeau

The Sanctuary Lamp is available to be memorialized each week. The offering to dedicate the candle above the tabernacle, *is* \$50.00. Please call the Parish Office at (203) 377-3133.

LOW GLUTEN HOSTS:

Celiac disease affects many people. Those suffering from Celiac cannot ingest gluten. If you or a family member would benefit from a low gluten host or from the Precious Blood at the celebration of the Eucharist, please see a Priest or Deacon in the Sacristy before Mass.

THE PARISH OF **ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA** WARMLY WELCOMES...

...anyone who is new to our area, anyone who is searching for the truth, or anyone who is looking for a spiritual home. We are joyfully and faithfully Roman Catholic in belief and practice - a community of faith, worship, service, and formation - and with open hearts we invite all our brothers and sisters into a living and saving friendship with the Lord Jesus Christ, in the communion of His One, Holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church.

Prayerministry

Please remember in your daily prayers all the sick of our Parish and their caregivers, especially:

Louisa Russo, Marlene Roberts, Beatrice Krafcik, and George Bochanski.

To add a name, contact Mary Ellen Kovacs, Director of Pastoral Care: (203) 377-3133, ext. 104.

PASTORAL CARE: Please contact the Parish Office to let us know if you have a family member in the hospital. Due to hospital confidentiality regulations, we are no longer consistently notified by hospitals, and



are often unaware of hospitalizations unless we are notified by family members. Contact Mary Ellen Kovacs, Director of Pastoral Care:

(203) 377-3133, ext. 104.

RESPECT LIFE

The white rose at the Shrine of the Blessed Virgin Mary reminds us all to pray for an increased respect for the gift of human life. This week, it is offered in memory of **Carmella and Edward Bounty**

BAPTISM

The Parish of Saint Catherine of Siena warmly congratulates the families of

Gracelvn Antoinette Nocerino and Michael Edward James Blamey

who were Baptized in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. We pray that the grace of this Sacrament will bear abundant fruit in their lives and in the lives of their families.





র MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR ক

Sunday of the Word of God

Dear Friends,

Next weekend, for the third year now, the whole Church will observe what Pope Francis has instituted as the **Sunday of the Word of God**, "a Sunday given over entirely to the word of God, so as to appreciate the inexhaustible riches contained in that constant dialogue between the Lord and his people," as the Pope said when he established this new observance in the Church in 2019. Since then, the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time has been and will be observed each year as the Sunday of the Word of God. This is because "ignorance of Scripture is ignorance of Christ" said St. Jerome, who was perhaps the most accomplished Scripture scholar in history.

People often ask me how they can pray with Scripture. So, in preparation for the Sunday of the Word of God next weekend, I am happy to again offer a brief primer on *Lectio divina*, which is method of prayerfully, meditatively reading and praying with Sacred Scripture. Here's how to do it:

Ask the Holy Spirit to help you to pray well, and then choose a scriptural text to focus on. I recommend beginning with a brief passage – certainly no more than a chapter, perhaps even just a sentence or two – in one of the four Gospels. Read along until a particular passage or sentence strikes you or resonates with you. Then slowly **read and re-read** (*lectio*) that scriptural text. Naturally you will want to understand its content and meaning, guided by the question: *What does the biblical text say in itself*? Think about that for a bit.

Then comes **meditatio** (*meditatio*), which centers around the question: *What does the biblical text say to us, to me?* Here, let yourself be moved and challenged, asking the Holy Spirit to speak to you through the sacred text. Take as long with this as you want.

Following this comes **prayer** (*oratio*), which asks the question: *What do I say to the Lord in response to his word*? In other words, how does this strike you? What are you inspired to thank God for? To ask Him for? To praise Him for? Prayer is the primary way through which God's Word transforms us.

Finally, conclude with **contemplation** (*contemplatio*), taking up, as a gift from God, the question, *What conversion of mind, heart and life is the Lord asking of me?* What concrete resolution can I implement in my life as a result of this time of prayer with God's Word?

Back in the 4th century, the Deacon, Saint Ephrem, said this, in words still fully applicable today:

Who is able to understand, Lord, all the richness of even one of your words? There is more that eludes us than what we can understand. We are like the thirsty drinking from a fountain. Your word has as many aspects as the perspectives of those who study it. The Lord has colored his word with diverse beauties, so that those who study it can contemplate what stirs them. He has hidden in his word all treasures, so that each of us may find a richness in what he or she contemplates.

God bless you! From marcello



JANUARY 15/16 – THIS WEEKEND – **IS THE WEEKEND TO JOIN THE KNIGHTS!** Meet our members after any of the Sunday Masses. Enjoy a cup of coffee & a donut and learn more about our vibrant council.

Join a vibrant group of men connected by our Catholic faith and dedicated to service at St. Catherine's and in the wider Trumbull and Bridgeport communities. Through acts of charity, service to others, and time spent in prayer, we make a positive difference in the

lives of our neighbors every day!

Knights of Columbus Council #5806

meets on the 3rd Thursday of each month. Join us for our next meeting: Jan 20 at 7pm in the Church Hall. Light refreshments.



GARRETT COVINO, Grand Knight St. Catherine of Siena Council #5806 gcovino5@comcast.net

USE THE QR CODE TO JOIN: kofc.org/join

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

NEXT SUNDAY! BLESSING OF BIBLES FOR ALL 6TH GRADERS: Join us at the 9am Mass for a special Liturgy on the Sunday of the Word of God. Fr. Marcello will bless your Bible which you'll use during Rel Ed classes for the remainder of this year.



SERVICE OPPORTUNITY: 8th Graders are invited to participate in Friday's Holy Hour for Life. 2-2.5 hours toward Confirmation Service requirement. Contact Mrs. Tristine to sign up!

CLASSES THIS WEEK: No Class on Sun, Jan 16. Happy Martin Luther King Jr Day. Classes will take place on Jan 18 & 19.

MASKS: Masks required during Rel Ed. Please help your child(ren) remember to bring their mask to class.

Lindsay Tristine, DRE. reled@stcatherinetrumbull.com



HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP: SUNDAYS 6-8PM

JAN 16: Glow in the Dark Últimate Frisbee. Plus: Q&A with Father Marcello and Make Your Own Grilled

Cheese station with toppings and fillings Peeking Ahead: JAN 23: Nerf Gun Battles;

JAN 30: TBD (cooking/ culinary related). All high school students & their friends, are welcome! **RSVPs** appreciated, but not required!

RAYMOND KINGSBURY: Youthgroup@stcatherinetrumbull.com

"One thing I ask of you: Never be afraid of giving. There is a deep joy in giving, since what we receive is much more than what we give."

ST. MOTHER TERESA Do Something Beautiful for God

Social Justice/Knights of Columbus **TOILETRIES DRIVE: February 5 & 6**

We all know how a hot shower makes us feel renewed and refreshed. And *especially during the pandemic* how frequent handwashing has become a more central part of our daily routines. What if we didn't have soap?

Our brothers and sisters most in need don't ever take a vacation from poverty or homelessness. Please consider helping them feel that same sense of renewal by helping with our **Parish Toiletry Drive**. Every little bit helps and every little bit makes a difference to someone that has none.

ITEMS REQUESTED: Toothbrush, Toothpaste, Dental Floss, Mouthwash; Soap, Body Wash; Deodorant; Shampoo, Conditioner; Facial Cleansers or Wipes; Hand and Body Lotion, Hand Sanitizer; Sunscreen; Shaving Supplies: Disposable Razors, Shaving Cream; Hair Brush, Comb; Period Products; Nail Files, Nail Clippers, Tweezers; Trial/ travel or regular size items welcome and appreciated. Note: The Merton Center especially needs travel size items.

TO BENEFIT: Trumbull Food Bank; The Merton Center; St. Mary Church; Blessed Sacrament Church; St. Charles Borromeo Church; Convent of Mary Immaculate; St. Catherine of Siena Parishioners

FIVE WAYS TO DONATE:

- Contact Free Drive Through: Sat, Feb 5, from 10am-1. 12pm, & Sun, Feb 6, from 11am-12pm, Church Hall.
- At All Masses on Feb 5 & 6, Church Lobby.
- SCSS Families: SCSS Families can 3. donate at school before Jan 30.
- During RelEd Classes on Jan 30, 4. Feb 1 & 2 in the Family Center.
- 5. **Financial Donations:** Checks payable to St. Catherine of Siena, write "Šocial Justice" in the memo line. Or Use Online Giving with the QR Code



Requests for Volunteers to Follow

ERIC VOGEL, Coordinator for Social Justice and Charitable Outreach: Caritas@stcatherinetrumbull.com

#MyCatholicHome

Please email us your family's photo of the **Épiphany Blessing of** Chalk in your home to help inspire others to remain close to God during the upcoming year, and al-



ways. We would like to post them (with your permission) on our social media platforms, #MyCatholicHome. Send your photos to support@ stcatherinetrumbull.com

WITH ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA

Can't make it to Washington DC for the MARCH FOR LIFE on JAN 21 in Washington, DC? Please join us for a

HOLY HOUR FOR LIFE THIS FRIDAY NIGHT!

at St. Catherine of Siena, Trumbull Friday, January 21, 7-8pm (*in person or by Livestream*)

A time of Eucharistic Adoration during which a Pro-Life Scriptural Rosary will be prayed. Concludes with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. Everyone is welcome. Especially for those who cannot travel to Washington, DC for the March for Life, but would like to join in the prayers for and witness to the sanctity of life.

Next Sunday's Gospel:

SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD (THE THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME)



MARCH for LIFE

Next weekend's Sunday Gospel reading is provided here, so that we can think and pray about it, and be ready to receive it into our minds and hearts when it is proclaimed at Mass.

Since many have undertaken to compile a narrative of the events that have been fulfilled among us,

just as those who were eyewitnesses from the beginning and ministers of the word have handed them down to us, I too have decided, after investigating everything accurately anew, to write it down in an orderly sequence for you, most excellent Theophilus, so that you may realize the certainty of the teachings you have received. Jesus returned to Galilee in the power of the Spirit, and news of him spread throughout the whole region. He taught in their synagogues and was praised by all.

He came to Nazareth, where he had grown up, and went according to his custom into the synagogue on the sabbath day. He stood up to read and was handed a scroll of the prophet Isaiah. He unrolled the scroll and found the passage where it was written: *The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, and to proclaim a year acceptable to the Lord.* Rolling up the scroll, he handed it back to the attendant and sat down, and the eyes of all in the synagogue looked intently at him. He said to them, "Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing." *Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21*

PRAY FOR THE UNBORN: Lord, Creator of Life, you have blessed us with the privilege of bringing new life into the world. May your Holy Spirit open our hearts and minds to recognize Your special gift of children, and Your great love for each of



us created in Your image and likeness. You sent Your son Jesus to redeem us and through love He entered our world. We now turn to Mary, our Mother, for her intercession as we struggle to protect innocent unborn children. Following Mary's example may we proclaim the truth of our faith, assist those in crisis and protect those most vulnerable. We ask this through Christ, Our Lord. Amen.

Faith in Action: Novena for Life

In the nine days surrounding the **49**TH **ANNUAL MARCH FOR LIFE**, our Parish will be praying this **Novena for Life** at daily Masses from Jan 19-27. We invite you to pray it with us at Mass or in your daily prayers at home. **9 DAYS FOR LIFE** is a multi-faceted novena for the respect and protection



of human life. Each day's intention is accompanied by a short reflection and suggested actions. Follow along on our Parish's Facebook page too. Info: **9daysforlife.org**.

Heavenly Father, thank you for the precious gift of life. Help us to cherish and protect this gift, even in the midst of fear, pain, and suffering.

Give us love for all people, especially the most vulnerable, and help us bear witness to the truth that every life is worth living.

Grant us the humility to accept help when we are in need, and teach us to be merciful to all.

Through our words and actions, may others encounter the outstretched hands of Your mercy. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen

With holiday celebrations over, many of us are feeling pretty wiped out, physically and emotionally and maybe even financially. So to offer you a bit of a boost, here are some short quotes that will inspire and give strength. Take a moment to reflect on these words of God — heavenly help for the new year ahead.

« "My God will fully supply whatever you need, in accord with His glorious riches in Christ Jesus." - PHILIPPIANS 4:19

≪ "He gives power to the faint, abundant strength to the weak'." - ISAIAH 40:29

≪ "Cast all your worries upon him because he cares for you." - PETER 5:7

≪ "Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest." - MATTHEW 11:28

≪ "I command you: be strong and steadfast! Do not fear nor be dismayed, for the Lord, your God, is with you wherever you go." - JOSHUA 1:9

s "*My deliverance and honor are with God, my strong rock; my refuge is with God.*" - PSALMS 62:8

so "Can a mother forget her infant, be without tenderness for the child of her womb? Even should she forget, I will never forget you." - ISAIAH 49:15

source of the strength of the strength of the strength of the strength of the will soar on eagles' wings; they will run and not grow weary, walk and not grow faint." - ISAIAH 40:31

≪ "In peace I will lie down and fall asleep, for you alone, Lord, make me secure." - PSALMS 4:9

≪ "I urge you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God, your spiritual worship." - ROMANS 12:1

Keep these in your home for daily encouragement in the year ahead!



Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

The Parish Office will be CLOSED on Mon, Jan 17, 2022 for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. It will reopen on Tue, Jan 18, at 9am. Daily Mass on Mon, Jan 17, will be at 9:00am.



We are very grateful to everyone who is using our Online Giving platform. Your generous and steadfast support keeps our parish running through these challenging times. Please use this QR code to make your



weekly offertory gift to the parish. Or use our convenient **Text to Give** option to give. Text your amount and "Offertory" to 860-606-3859. *After a short one time setup, Text to Give is a quick and easy way to make future donations directly through text messages.* Thank you!

CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS will be mailed to all parishioners who have contributed \$250 or more to the parish in 2021. Statements will be mailed by Jan 31, 2022. If you do not receive a statement, contact the parish office at (203) 377-3133 and a copy will be provided for you.

DONATION ENVELOPES: With the increase use of online giving, we are now offering you three different options to receive church envelopes: (1) Receive all envelopes bimonth-ly (2) Receive only special envelopes quarterly; (3) Receive no envelopes. Indicate your preference by emailing your name, mailing address, and preference to <u>marydineen@</u> <u>stcatherinetrumbull.com</u> by Feb 14. Parishioners can also opt to receive monthly emails with details about the special collections including links to donate. *We will discontinue sending envelopes to anyone who has not made a donation to St. Catherine's since 2019 unless they email their preference.*

THANK YOU For Your Offertory

Some staff members have been out of the office feeling under the weather, and we've been working with a skeleton crew.

WE WILL PUBLISH OFFERTORY FOR THE WEEKENDS OF DEC 25-26, CHRISTMAS, THE SOLEMNITY OF MARY, JANUARY 1-2, 8-9, AND 15/16 AS SOON AS WE ARE ABLE.

Info: JAMES J. PANULLO, Director of Parish Operations (203) 377-3133 or JamesPanullo@stcatherinetrumbull.com

CARING FOR OUR PARISH FAMILY

Are you (or a St. Catherine's parishioner you know) experiencing need or facing food insecurity this holiday season? Our Social Justice and Charitable Outreach team has resources to help. We do not turn anyone away. We encourage parishioners who may be facing



an unexpected circumstance such as a layoff, illness or have concerns going to the store to reach out to us. Assistance is by appointment only to ensure confidentiality.

Contact ERIC VOGEL at <u>caritas@stcatherinetrumbull.com</u>

LEAVE A LEGACY!

Remember St. Catherine of Siena Parish in your will! Doing so is a meaningful and tangible way of leaving a legacy that will benefit future generations of Catholics in our



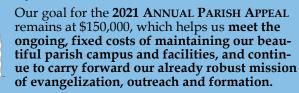
community. JAMES J. PANULLO, Director of Parish Operations (203) 377-3133 or JamesPanullo@stcatherinetrumbull.com

2021 ANNUAL PARISH APPEAL

We're soooo close!!

As of Thu, Jan 6: We have received pledges from 336 Families, which brings us to 94% of our goal. *Thank you!* Scan this QR Code to DONATE NOW:





Remember: all gifts are tax deductible!

Our mission of faith, worship, & service here at St. Catherine's is a rock of stability for community during these uncommonly difficult times. Together with our Parish Finance Council and Trustees, we are reaching out to all the families in our Parish, asking everyone's active participation in this year's Appeal.

Please remember in your prayers the family & friends of our Parish serving active duty in the military, especially:

Eli Bair, USN LCDR Robert C. Ballard Jr., USN Major Gregg Zavadsky, U.S. Army Major Caitlin McGowan, U.S. Army SPC Zachary Kaesmann, ARNG PFC Adam DePasacreta, USMC



We pray for peace and for all serving in the military. We would like to list your family and friends currently serving active duty in our armed forces in the bulletin. Kindly email the name/s of your active duty family and friends to <u>support@stcatherinetrumbull.com</u>.

HEALING AND HOPE AFTER ABORTION Have you suffered an abortion? Experience God's love and mercy. Begin the journey of healing. INFO on postabortion healing, visit hopeafterabortion.com or sistersoflife.org/hope-and-healing-after-abortion. Call the Sisters of Life: 866-575-0075 hopeandhealing@sistersoflife.org. For men, call Theresa Bonopartis at Lumina: (877) 586-4621 or Lumina@postabortionhelp.org.

PRECONSECRATED LIFE DISCERNMENT RETREATS: Are you seeking to discover God's will for your life? **The Daughters of Holy Mary of the Heart of Jesus** offer discernment retreats for young women. They are an opportunity to be with the Lord in the Eucharist and discover the beauty of a total consecration to God through talks, prayer, testimonies, Holy Mass, silence. You have nothing to lose and the greatest LOVE to encounter. Jan 28-30, Mar 25-27, Oct 14-16. Info or to register, call 740-346-2625. *May Our Lady of the Sacred Heart show Herself your Mother and Guide to reach the fullness of life for which you were created!*



St. Catherine of Siena School (203) 375-1947 www.stcatherinesienatrumbull.org

Open House: SCSS invites all interested families to attend our Open House on Wed, Feb 2, at 8:30am. Meet teachers, administrators, and students. Tour our beautiful campus. *Come to see for yourself what makes SCSS such a special place for your child.* Register at stcatherinesienatrumbull.org

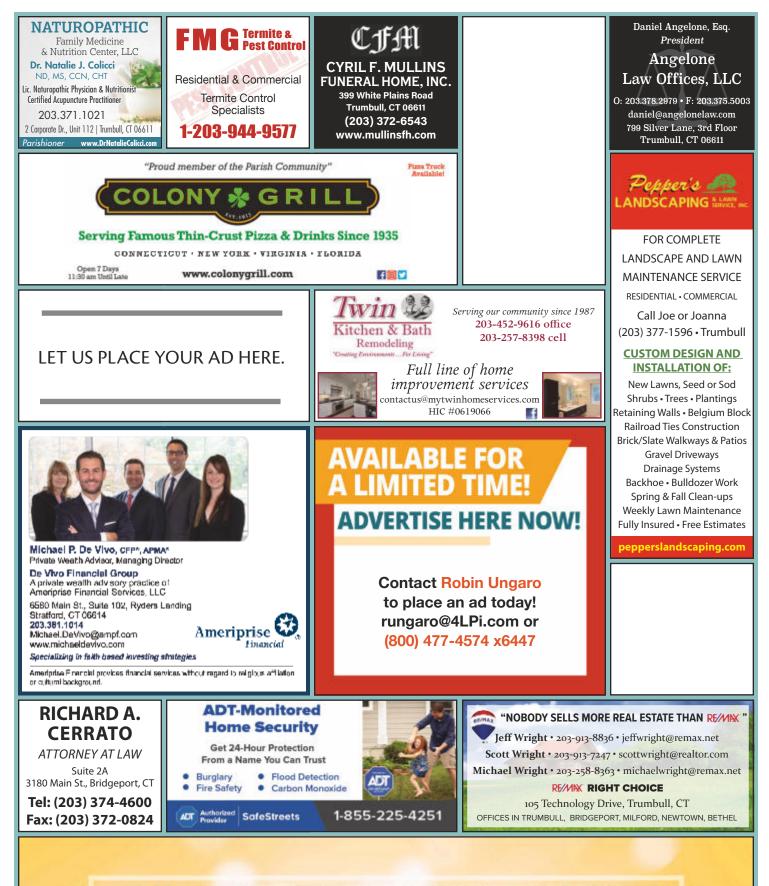




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