Lent 2023

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

TUESDAYS: 6:00pm - 9:00pm

Daily Mass:

MONDAY-FRIDAY: 7:30am SATURDAY: 8:00am CIVIC HOLIDAYS: 9:00am Everyone Welcome!

Rosary:

MONDAY-FRIDAY: 8:00am SATURDAY: Follows the 8am Mass

Everyone Welcome!

Sunday Mass:

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

7:30am, 9:00am, 11:00am Livestreamed at 4:00pm Saturday.

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: Closed

Location: *In Historic Nichols* 220 Shelton Road Trumbull, CT 06611

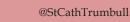
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THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT [LAETARE SUNDAY] SUNDAY, MARCH 19, 2023

Mass: Livestreamed Saturday at 4:00pm, on demand thereafter

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

Kenneth M. Martin, Sr.: Interim Director of Parish Operations, Ext. 102

Katring Koat: Director of Sacred Music & Organist Ext. 105

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Mary Ellen Kovacs: Director of Pastoral Care, Ext. 104

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Digital Media, Ext. 107

Ellen Moran: Parish Office Manager, Ext. 101

Raymond Kingsbury: Coordinator of Youth Ministry, Ext. 111

Eric Vogel: Coordinator for Social Justice and

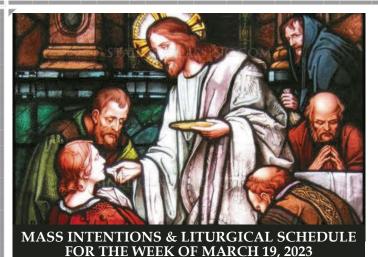
Charitable Outreach

Denise Huertas: Safe Environment Coordinator

Patrice Kopas: Interim 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



Monday, Mar. 20: St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

STATION AT: SANTI QUATTRO CORONATI

7:30AM † Joseph Boccaccio 7:00PM Our Parishioners followed by zeppole

Tuesday, Mar. 21: LENTEN WEEKDAY

STATION AT: SAN LORENZO IN DAMASO

Wednesday, Mar. 22: LENTEN WEEKDAY

STATION AT: SAN PAOLO FUORI LE MURA

7:30AM ₱ Kari Voget

Thursday, Mar. 23: LENTEN WEEKDAY

St. Turibius

STATION AT: SANTI SILVESTRO E MARTINO

7:30AM ♣ Juan Alicea

Friday, Mar. 24: Anniversary of the

Church's Consecration

STATION AT: SANT' EUSEBIO ALL'ESQUILINO 7:30AM Rosary for Priestly Vocations

7:00PM Stations of the Cross

Saturday, Mar. 25: The Annunciation of the Lord

STATION AT: SAN NICOLA IN CARCERE

8:00AM & Albert D. Rogo

THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

[Anticipated]

4:00PM ♣ Philip Lucy

7:15PM † Deceased Members of the Jakabcin Family

Sunday, Mar. 26: THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

STATION AT: SANT PIETRO IN VATICANO

7:30AM Our Parishioners 9:00AM † Linda Cerino

11:00AM ₱ Patrick & Marion Meagher

IN MEMORIAM

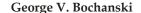
The Parish of Saint Catherine of Siena extends to the family of

Paulette L. Rondeau-Jones

our prayerful sympathy in the hope of Christ's Resurrection.

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





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.



Please remember in your daily prayers all the sick of our Parish and their caregivers, especially:
Louisa Russo, Marlene Roberts, Beatrice Krafcik, Ernestine Gaudio, Lee Ellen Romano, Helen Mizia, Ivan Capella, Sigrid Rogowski, and Robert Glovinski.
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.



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
SPC Zachary Kaesmann, ARNG
PFC Adam DePasacreta, USMC
Riley Payne, Airman Recruit, USN
Robert Joseph Thompson III, U.S. Army
Christopher Smaniotto, U.S. Army



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 support@stcatherinetrumbull.com.

BAPTISM

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

Madison Jean Southard

who was 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 her life and in the life of her family.



The Six Effects of Confession

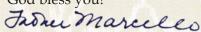
Dear Friends,

This week we reprint a helpful article below by Father Joseph Martin Hagan, O.P., a young Dominican friar who is an alumnus of Notre Dame, was ordained to the priesthood in 2019, and serves as Parochial Vicar of St. Vincent Ferrer and St. Catherine of Siena Parishes in Manhattan.

Remaining Confession times at St. Catherine's this Lent are:

Tuesday, March 21, 6-9 pm Tuesday, March 28, 6-9 pm Reconciliation Monday, April 3, <u>3</u>-9 pm Tuesday of Holy Week, April 4, 6-9 pm Good Friday, April 7, 10 am – 12 noon

God bless you!





THE SIX EFFECTS OF CONFESSION

By Fr. Joseph Martin Hagan, O.P. | DOMINICANA

During Lent, many Catholics return to the sacrament of Penance, some after a few weeks, others after many years. Most of us approach Confession seeking forgiveness of sin and the alleviation of a guilty conscience. Perhaps to our surprise, the sacrament has even more to offer.

In <u>one succinct paragraph</u>, the Catechism lists six spiritual effects of the sacrament of penance. For a more fruitful reception of this sacrament, let's briefly examine each one.

Effect #1: Reconciliation with God by which the penitent recovers grace

This first effect reveals the real horror of sin. By mortal sin, we separate ourselves from God and refuse His grace. By Confession, we are reunited with God. God dwells in us through grace, and by that grace, our souls <u>magnify</u> the Lord. And should we have sinned only in small, venial ways, the sacrament of Penance wipes those away too.

Effect #2: *Reconciliation with the Church*

Sin also separates us from the Church. This separation is often experienced on a very basic level. Sin pulls us away from our families. It isolates us from our friends. It sours our relationships at work. By Confession, God restores us to the Church. We return to our families and friends with more love to give.

Effect #3: Remission of the eternal punishment incurred by mortal sins

By mortal sin, we condemn ourselves to hell. Thankfully, through Confession, God freely pardons this punishment. It would be wrong to imagine that God is stingy with such a pardon. As our loving, merciful Father, He delights in pardoning us. He even gives us the very grace to draw us to Confession. At the words of absolution ("I absolve you…"), all the angels and saints rejoice at this remission. They await our entrance to the heavenly banquet.

Effect #4: Remission, at least in part, of temporal punishments resulting from sin

By our sins, whether venial or mortal, we suffer in this present life. Every sin contains some disorder, and this disorder is the sin's own punishment. If I overindulge my desire for cheese, I'll soon feel quite uncomfortable. God usually allows us to drink these dregs of our own folly, especially when we are unrepentant. When we humble ourselves and confess, God remits this punishment, at least in part. Whether we choose the easy way or the hard way, God wants to teach us how to love.

Effect #5: Peace and serenity of conscience and spiritual consolation

Many think of devout Catholics as harboring guilt complexes. Such a caricature ignores the power of Confession. This sacrament truly brings peace, even if unfelt in the moment. Anecdotally, it is the repeated experience of the faithful that we leave Confession light-hearted, joyful, and renewed in God's love.

Effect #6: An increase of spiritual strength for the Christian battle

Whether we recognize it or not, the Christian life is a battle. We all fight our inner old man, certain of whose tendencies linger after our baptism. Everyday, we are tempted to forget the true God, to use our neighbors, and to seek our selfish pleasure. In this daily battle, even the saints stumble and fall, even if only in small ways. Confession forgives these failures, and it also strengthens us to overcome vices with virtue. Ultimately, Christ is the true victor. He is our strength. He is our salvation.



MASS FOR THE SOLEMNITY OF SAINT JOSEPH

Patron of the Universal Church Mon, Mar 20, 7:00pm Then! Join us in the Church Hall for Zeppole

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

BE THE GOOD: The greatest act of love was Jesus giving His life for us on the cross. Such an amazing act deserves our love. Each act of kindness we do for others is a gift of love to Jesus. Each family is asked to do 5 acts of kindness during Lent. With each act of kindness, remem-

Believe there is good in the world

ber to pass along a kindness card to inspire more kind acts.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES!!

CONFIRMATION 7TH GR: Saint Reports due Mar 31. *Info online*.

CONFIRMATION 8TH GRADERS: Letter to Father Marcello: Due March 29. Confirmation Service Hours & Reflection: were due March 15. Please turn them into class asap. Confirmation Retreat: Saturday, April 1, 9 am – 1 pm in the Family Center. Attendance is mandatory for Confirmation candidate (8th grade only). No parent or sponsor required to attend. Confirmation Date: Sunday April 30, 1:30pm & 3:30pm. Bishop Caggiano will be the celebrant.

CLASSES: Regular classes this week: March 19, 21, 22. LINDSAY TRISTINE, DRE: reled@stcatherinetrumbull.com



DELIVER EASTER BASKETS MARCH 25-26



KofC Council #5806 is conducting an **Easter Basket Drive** to benefit St. Charles Borromeo Church, Blessed Sacrament Church, and St. Mary Church in Bridgeport.

HERE'S HOW IT WORKS: Pick up an empty Easter Basket at any Mass this weekend (3/18-19). Fill your basket with Easter goodies: *Easter Grass, Chocolate bunnies, jelly beans, peeps, chocolate/candy, books, puzzles, games, etc.* Note: For safety, candy should be wrapped in original packaging.

RETURN YOUR COMPLETED EASTER BASKET wrapped in clear cellophane and ready to deliver:

- 1. **Contact Free Drive Through:** Sat, Mar 25, 10am-12pm, & Sun, Mar 26, 11am-12pm. *Church Hall*.
- 2. At All Masses on March 25-26.
- 3. **Financial Donations:** Checks payable to St. Catherine of Siena, write "Social Justice" in the memo line. Or Use Online Giving with the QR Code here.



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URGENT REQUEST: Fr. Skip at Blessed Sacrament Church has reached out with an urgent request for baby clothes for his parish families. Kindly leave your items at the SOME box in the church lobby. If you have a large donation, please contact Eric at caritas@stcatherinetrumbull.com.

THIS SUNDAY FATHER-SON SUNDAY 9AM MASS

Join us in celebrating fatherhood in honor of St. Joseph, *Patron of the Universal Church and Foster Father to Jesus Christ*. Fathers and sons will receive a special blessing from Father during the 9am Mass on Sunday,



March 19. *Then!* Come to the Family Center for some donuts and a short father-son game of basketball D-A-D (*like H-O-R-S-E*) or cornhole.

MEMORIAL MASS FOR GEORGE BOCHANSKI: SAT. APRIL 1. 12:00PM

Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of **George V. Bochanski, Jr.** (Mar 2, 1949 - Mar 8, 2023).

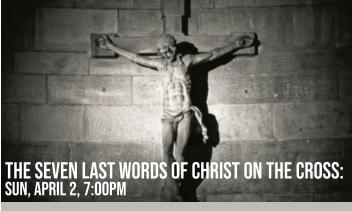


He is survived by his wife of more than 50 years, Kathleen; their son, Father Philip G. Bochanski; four more sons and a daughter; their spouses; and 13 grandchildren.

The funeral Mass was celebrated last Tuesday at St. Philomena Church, in Lansdowne, PA.

At St. Catherine's, we will celebrate a Memorial Mass on Saturday, April 1, at 12:00pm. All are welcome.

Let us all continue to keep the Bochanski Family in our prayers. *Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May his soul, and the souls of all the faithful departed, rest in peace. Amen.*



On Palm Sunday, April 2, at 7:00pm, there will be a concert featuring "Les sept paroles du Christ sur la croix" by Charles Gounod, sung by eight guest singers and conducted by our Director of Sacred Music & Organist, Katrina Keat.

It will feature meditations on each of the seven last words of Christ interspersed throughout.

Please join us for this prayerful and meditative event as we head into Holy Week.

Also by Livestream | Event is FREE | Everyone is Welcome

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FROM THE CHOIR

The General Instructions of the Roman Missal gives the following directions for Lent: *it is not permitted to decorate the altar with flowers, and*



the use of musical instruments is allowed only so as to support the singing. However, it goes on to say that Laetare Sunday and other solemnities (such as the feast of St. Joseph) are exceptions to this rule. Laetare Sunday (the fourth Sunday of Lent) takes its name from the Introit, or Entrance Antiphon of that day. The incipit, the short musical phrase that begins this chant, reads, "Laetare Jerusalem" or, "Rejoice Jerusalem". Thus the nickname "Laetare Sunday".

Laetare Sunday marks the midpoint of Lent. On this day, the faithful are allowed some signs of joy to encourage them to persevere in their Lenten resolutions. Today it is permitted to have flowers on the altar and more organ music, and the penitential purple vestments are exchanged for a more joyous rose. Similarly for the feast of St. Joseph, flowers and more extensive use of the organ are permitted, the Gloria is sung, and the vestments are white. Following these celebratory occasions, we renew our commitment to our Lenten observances as we draw near to the Paschal Triduum, the most sacred time in the liturgical year.

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ANNUAL BISHOP'S APPEAL

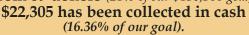
The 2023 Annual Bishop's Appeal, which emphasizes and provides works of charity, formation in faith, education and catechesis has now begun. "One in Christ" is the theme of the 2023

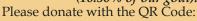


Annual Bishop's Appeal and Bishop Caggiano believes this message is more important than ever as we work towards unity in our Church and in our society. In that spirit, he asks all of us to consider the many ways the Appeal unites the diocese in service, compassion and faith.

Our parish goal this year is \$136,300. We ask each of our families to help our Parish in reaching its goal by supporting the Appeal as generously as your means will allow.

THANK YOU! As of March 10, we have received 103 gifts worth \$29,090 from 89 donors (21% of our \$136,300 goal).







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HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

Sun, Mar 19: Chopped "Youth Group Style"



Peeking ahead: Mar 26: Wheel of Fortune; Apr 2: Easter Egg painting and getting outside! Come join us each Sunday from 6-8pm to meet with friends, have fun and enjoy some tasty food! Open to all High School students, 8th graders, and their friends. INFO: MR. KINGSBURY

LENT 2023

MASS SCHEDULE

The Holy Eucharist is the source and summit of our faith!

SAT at 4:00pm & 7:15pm

SUN at 7:30am, 9:00am, 11:00am

MON - FRI at 7:30am; SAT at 8:00am

CONFESSION

TUESDAYS 6:00-9:00pm, with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament RECONCILIATION MONDAY: APR 3, 3-9pm Please take advantage of this opportunity this Lent. Guides to help you prepare are available in the Church Lobby and on the Parish Website.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

FRIDAYS at 7:00pm MAR 24, 31; APR 7 (*Apr 7 at 6pm*)

SPECIAL EVENT: Join us for supper before Stations on Friday, March 24. Dinner begins at 6:00pm, followed by Stations at 7:00pm. \$10/person or \$20/family. Cash or check at the door.

During the Stations of the Cross, we accompany Jesus Christ from the tribunal of Pontius Pilate to His Cross and to His tomb. Generations of Catholics have found deeper meaning in Lent through the prayerful experience of Stations of the Cross.

ACTS OF CHARITY

EASTER BASKET DRIVE: MAR 25-26

Donations accepted at all Masses during the above weekends. Drive-through donations are welcomed on Sat. 10am-12pm & Sun. 11am-12pm. Financial Donations are greatly appreciated!

THE PASCHAL TRIDUUM

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HOLY THURSDAY & April 6

The Solemn Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7pm, Adoration at the Repository until midnight

GOOD FRIDAY ← April 7

Morning Prayer: 8am; Confessions: 10am-12pm

The Liturgy of the Passion and Death of the Lord at 3pm

Stations of the Cross at 6:00pm

HOLY SATURDAY ← April 8

Morning Prayer: 8am

Blessing of Food: 12pm & 3pm, in the Church Hall The Great Vigil of Easter at 8pm

Note: NO 4pm or 7:15pm Mass on Holy Saturday

EASTER SUNDAY & April 9

** Note the Special Easter Schedule**

Holy Mass at 8am, 10am, and 12pm

THE PARISH NURSES:

BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING THIS WEEKEND: Sat, Mar. 18, after the 4pm Mass & Sun Feb. 19, after all Masses.

The Parish Nurses conduct blood pressure screenings after Mass once a month and maintain a health-related bulletin board. INFO: CHERYL BASZTURA 203-261-5851

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FOR THE WEEKEND OF MARCH 11TH - 12TH

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BE THE GOOD

The SCSS students participate in the Be the Good program.



PRAYER TO OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE FOR THE CAUSE OF LIFE

Our Lady of Guadalupe, we turn to you who are the protectress of unborn children, and we ask that you intercede for us, so that we may more firmly resolve to join you in protecting all human life. Let our prayers be united to your perpetual motherly intercession on behalf of those whose lives are threatened, be they in the womb of their mother, on the bed of infirmity, or in the latter years of their life. Help us to joyfully and steadfastly witness to the goodness and dignity of all human life, so that our firmness of purpose may give courage to those who are fearful and bring light to those who are blinded by sin. O Virgin Mother of God, present our petitions to your Son, and ask Him to bless us with the abundant life He came to bring, and ask Him to bless our culture and our whole society with a deepened respect and reverence for the irreplaceable gift of every human life. Through Christ our Lord. Amen

40 DAYS FOR LIFE is a Lent campaign to end abortion, which features peaceful vigils outside abortion facilities around the world. St. Catherine's parishioners are participating locally with prayer vigils on the sidewalk in front of Commerce Park, 4697 Main St, Bpt, where Planned Parenthood is located. If you are interested in participating, email us (address below) with the days/times you are available through Apr 1. There are proven results that 40 Days for Life campaigns have closed abortion facilities through its public witness of prayer, the most effective weapon for an end to abortion and conversion of hearts.

There is reason for hope. Let us respond with love. Info: caritas@stcatherinetrumbull.com



PAPER SHREDDING

Sat, Apr 22, 9am-12 Noon, rain or shine! Are your confidential papers piling up with no time to shred

them? Shredding will be: done on-site, while you wait, by a professional shredding truck. Individuals & businesses welcome. In the Parish parking lot. \$10/box or \$25/3 boxes (standard paper box). Cash or check, payable to St. Catherine of Siena.

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NEXT SUNDAY'S GOSPEL: FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

The sisters of Lazarus sent word to Jesus, saying, "Master, the one you love is ill." When Jesus heard this he said, "This illness is not to end in death, but is for the glory of God, that the Son of God may be glorified through it." Now Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus. So when he heard that he was ill, he remained for two days in the place where he was. Then after this he said to his disciples, "Let us go back to Judea." When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb for four days. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went to meet him; but Mary sat at home. Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that whatever you ask of God, God will give you." Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise." Martha said, "I know he will rise, in the resurrection on the last day." Jesus told her, "I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" She said to him, "Yes, Lord. I have come to believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, the one who is coming into the world." He became perturbed and deeply troubled, and said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Sir, come and see." And Jesus wept. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him." But some of them said, "Could not the one who opened the eyes of the blind man have done something so that this man would not have died?" So Jesus, perturbed again, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone lay across it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the dead man's sister, said to him, "Lord, by now there will be a stench; he has been dead for four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believe you will see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus raised his eyes and said, "Father, I thank you for hearing me. I know that you always hear me; but because of the crowd here I have said this, that they may believe that you sent me." And when he had said this, He cried out in a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, tied hand and foot with burial bands, and his face was wrapped in a cloth. So Jesus said to them, "Untie him and let him go." Now many of the Jews who had come to Mary and seen what he had done began to believe in him. John 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45



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