Welcome!

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

TUE: 6pm - 8pm

Daily Mass:

MON-THU: 7:30am

FRI: 9am

FIRST SAT: 8am

CIVIC HOLIDAYS: 9am

Everyone Welcome!

Rosary:

MON-THU: 8am *Everyone Welcome!*

Sunday Mass:

SAT VIGIL:

4pm, 7:15pm

SUN MASS:

7:30am, 9am, 11am *Livestreamed at 4pm Sat.*

New Parishioners:

We warmly welcome new members. Please call our office at (203) 377-3133, ext. 101

Sacrament of Baptism:

Sun: 1pm, 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-THU: 9am - 4:30pm

FRI: Closed

Location:

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THE TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: OCT 6, 2024

Father Joseph A. Marcello, Pastor Father Joseph O. Ocran, In Residence Deacon Patrick Toole, Deacon of the Parish

Robert J. Cavallero: Director of Parish Operations, Ext. 102

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Leah DeVito: Director of Religious Education, Ext. 106

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Raymond Kingsbury: Coordinator of Youth Ministry
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(203) 375-1947

John W. Diercksen: Chair, Parish Finance Council
Atty. Joseph R. Tristine: Chair, Pastoral Advisory Council
Ross Bacarella: Lay Member of the Parish Corporation
Jeff Wright: Lay Member of the Parish Corporation



Mon, Oct. 7: Our Lady of the Rosary † Daniel Moran 7:30AM

Tue, Oct. 8:

⊕ Enrico Marini 7:30AM

6:00PM-8:00PM Confession and Adoration

Wed, Oct. 9: St. Denis and Companions

7:30AM † Kevin J. B. Langdon

Thu, Oct. 10:

7:30AM ♣ Rosa Iemolo

Fri, Oct. 11:

9:00AM † Joni Marie Santamauro

Sat, Oct. 12: THE TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN

ORDINARY TIME (Anticipated)

† Dominick and Florence Sestito 4:00PM

7:15_{PM} Our Parishioners

THE TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN Sun, Oct. 13:

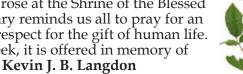
ORDINARY TIME

7:30AM 9:00AM ₱ Duane Howell

† Autuori and Giaquinto Families 11:00AM

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



IN MEMORIAM

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



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

BAPTISM

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

Colton Thomas Dalling

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 his life and in the life of his family.

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:

Marlene Roberts, Ernestine Gaudio, Ivan Capella, Sigrid Rogowski, Michael Fernandes, Rose Autuori, Jack Good, Elaine Annick.

PASTORAL CARE: Please contact the Parish Office to let us know if you have a family member in the hospital. Due to confidentiality regulations, we are not consistently notified by hospitals, and are often unaware of hospitalizations unless we are notified by the family. Contact Mary Ellen Kovacs, Director of Pastoral Care: (203) 377-3133, ext. 104.



The Parish Office will be CLOSED on Mon., Oct. 14, in observance of Columbus Day. The daily Mass on Oct 14 will be celebrated at 9:00am. We will re-open on Tue., Oct. 15, at 9am. We wish all of our parish families a beautiful long weekend.

Please remember in your prayers the family & friends of our Parish serving in the military:

ETV1(SS) Eli Bair, USN LCDR Robert C. Ballard Jr., USN Major Gregg Zavadsky, U.S. Army SPĆ Zachary Kaesmann, ARNG CPL Adam DePasacreta, USMC Riley Payne, Airman Recruit, USN Robert J. Thompson III, U.S. Army 2nd Lt Peter Sandri, U.S. Army



We pray for peace & for all serving in the military.

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 **Margaret Strich**



Dear Friends,

Deacon Toole's favorite church in Rome - and one of my favorites too - is the church of Santa Maria della Vittoria (Our Lady of Victory). Built in the early 17th century, it famously houses Gianlorenzo Bernini's masterpiece, the *Ecstasy of Saint Teresa of Ávila*. The whole church is a stunning baroque gem, and it is entrusted to the care of the Carmelite Fathers.

When St. Thérèse of Lisieux made her one and only pilgrimage to Rome in November of 1877, she visited that church to see the statue of her patron saint, St. Teresa of Ávila. Thérèse went to Rome in hopes of speaking with Pope Leo XIII, and asking his permission to become a Carmelite nun even though she had not yet reached the minimum age.

If you were to visit that church today, you would see immediately on your right a side chapel dedicated to St. Thérèse, which was rededicated in her honor soon after her canonization in 1925 by Pope Pius XI. High above the large painting of her are the words ROSAS MEMENTO SPARGERE. It is a prayer to her: "REMEMBER TO SCATTER ROSES."

St. Thérèse (whose feast day was this past Tuesday, Oct. 1) famously said before she died that she would like to spend her heaven doing good upon the earth, and that she would let fall from Heaven a shower of roses. The countless people who have invoked her intercession through the years (myself included) attest that, very often, roses have uncannily crossed their paths soon after invoking the prayers of this great and powerful saint.

Cardinal Sean O'Malley, the Archbishop of Boston, once mentioned in a homily this fascinating detail:

In 1935, St. Thérèse's sister Pauline received a letter from an Italian nun stationed in Egypt that contained a delightful surprise. The nun explained that many years earlier her father came home from his duties in the papal household and told the family at dinner about a beautiful French girl who had implored the Pope to allow her to enter a Carmel in France even though she was under age. He had tears in his eyes as he told the story, and the family was deeply moved as they listened. When the nun read the account in the autobiography, the book fell from her hands. She realized that the girl her father had seen was St. Thérèse.

Next time you walk along the south side of the church (the side aisle that leads toward St. Joseph's shrine) notice that above our window of St. Thérèse are inscribed those same words: ROSAS MEMENTO SPARGERE. St. Thérèse is a great friend in Heaven to all who call upon her. Try it – you'll see!

God bless you!

Farm marceles





MOTHER-DAUGHTER SUNDAY

Sunday, October 20, 9am Mass Join us for a celebration of Motherhood!

October is especially dedicated to the Rosary in honor of Mary, our heavenly mother. So it's the perfect time to celebrate the mothers and daughters of our parish!

Mothers and daughters will receive a special blessing from Father.

> Reception to follow. Everyone is Welcome!



CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD — SUNDAYS AT 9AM

Our 9am Sunday Mass focuses on helping our youngest parishioners develop a love for & understanding of Christ, His Word, & the Mass. Children ages 5-10 join friends in the Church Hall following

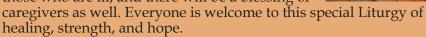


the opening prayers. They work with a catechist to understand the readings at an age-appropriate level. This is a formal worship experience adapted to make it relevant to the lives and experiences of children. Children return to Mass for the Consecration. The Playground is open after Mass! Come play with friends on our school's beautiful playground. INFO: LEAH DEVITO: leahcdevito@gmail.com

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Saturday, October 19, 1:00pm

We will celebrate a special Liturgy for anyone who is seriously ill, together with their family and/or caregivers. The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick will be administered to those who are ill, and there will be a blessing of



Who Should Attend? Those whose health is seriously impaired by sickness or old age. Those soon to have surgery which will include the use of general anesthesia. Elderly people who have become notably weakened, even though no serious illness is present. Seriously ill children who have sufficient use of reason to be strengthened by the sacrament.





Have you (or someone you know) been asked to be a Godparent for Baptism or a sponsor for Confirmation, but needed to decline? Have you been Baptized, made First Communion, but never received the Sacrament of Confirmation? Do you know someone who is interested in becoming Catholic?

ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA IS OFFERING A CLASS FOR JUST THIS CIRCUMSTANCE!

JOIN US FOR A RELAXED CONVERSATION MON, OCT 7 7:00PM CHURCH HALL

At this relaxed info session, you will learn more about becoming Catholic & receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation. You'll have a chance to ask all of your questions, or just listen in. Join us on Mon, Oct 7 at 7pm or contact the Parish Office directly.

DEACON PATRICK TOOLE will be leading our OCIA program. The Order of Christian *Initiation for Adults (OCIA) prepares can*didates to be received as members of the Catholic Church.

Potential candidates are often found among family members or friends of our Parish community.

Information: office@stcatherinetrumbull.com or 203-377-3133



BLESSING OF STUFFED ANIMALS

Sun, Oct 6, 9am Mass

God loves everything that has great meaning to us including our stuffed animals!

Bring your favorite stuffed animal (stuffie) to the 9:00am Mass on Sun, Oct 6.

Show your stuffie best Mass behavior. Father Marcello will bless all in attendance!



BLESSING OF ANIMALS: SUN, OCT 6 @ 2PM In the Side Parking Lot

HAT COAT & SWEATER DRIVE: THIS WEEKEND OCTOBER 5-6

The Annual Hat, Coat & Sweater Drive provides warmth and clothing for families in need at St. Charles Borromeo Church, Blessed Sacrament Church,



St. Mary Church, The Convent of Mary Immaculate and The Thomas Merton Center in inner-city Bridgeport.

Items Needed: hats, winter coats, sweaters, mittens, gloves, scarves for men, women, and children. *Children's coats are important items.* **NOTE:** Items must be clean and in new or excellent condition (no rips, stains, soiled items). We want to respect the dignity of those who will be receiving our gifts. No summer clothing.

WAYS TO DONATE:

- Drive Through: Sat, Oct 5, 10am-12pm, & Sun, Oct 6, 11am-12pm, Church Hall
- At All Masses: Oct 5 & 6.
- Financial Contributions Welcome: Use online giving with the QR code. Or mail a check to the Parish Office. Put "Coat Drive" in the memo line.

Thank you for your generosity! The parishes and community organizations who benefit from these drives send their deep gratitude for your ongoing generosity.

INFO: Eric Vogel, Coordinator for Social Justice and Charitable Outreach. Caritas@stcatherinetrumbull.com or 210-878-8181



MUSIC CONCERTS FALL 2024

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SAT, OCT 19 | 5:15pm | Reception to Follow Works of: F. Mendelssohn, J.S. Bach, R. Schumann, M. Duruflé, L. Vierne, O. Messiaen Zac Schurman, organ

> ADVENT MUSIC EXTRAVAGANZA SUN, DEC 8 | Time TBA

Olivia Ericsson, mezzo-soprano, Zac Schurman, organ

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

CLASSES THIS WEEK: Sun, 10/6; Tue, 10/8; Wed 10/9.

REL ED FORMS: If you haven't turned in your Rel Ed forms, please scan and email them to us.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR AND SAVE THE DATES for these fun family events this fall at St. Catherine's!

- MOTHER / DAUGHTER SUNDAY: Oct 20, 9am
- **Grandparent Sunday:** Nov 10, 9am Mass
- GINGERBREAD BASH: Sun, Dec 8, follows 9am Mass
- CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING: Sat, Dec 14, follows the 4pm Mass

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HOLY HOUR OF REPARATION

Sun, Oct 6, 4pm

The purpose of this Holy Hour will be to offer prayer and adoration to the Lord Jesus, who is truly present in the Holy Eucharist, in reparation for the sins,



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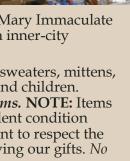
sacrileges, and irreverences committed against Him in this Sacrament of His love. Fr Marcello will be the celebrant, and will impart Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at the conclusion of the hour.

The St. Robert Bellarmine Apostolate, which exists to support and strengthen individuals with Down syndrome, their families and their caregivers, is hosting the event. The Apostolate welcomes and encourages everyone to be present for this special and prayerful time. Attendees need not be members of the Ŝt. Robert Bellarmine Apostolate.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #5806

IOIN US! We are a vibrant group of men connected by our Catholic faith & dedicated to service at St. Catherine's & in the Trumbull & Bridgeport communities. Through acts of charity, service to others, & time spent in prayer, we make a positive difference in the lives of our neighbors every day! We meet on the 3rd Thursday of each month. Next Meetings: October 17 and November 21 at 7pm in the Church Hall. Light Refreshments.

> IOIN THE KNIGHTS AT kofc.org/join St. Catherine of Siena Council #5806



OPENHOUSE

TUE, NOV 12 8:30-10:30am Prek3 - Grade 8 203-375-1947



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NEXT WEEKEND'S READINGS:

Come learn more about the meaning & message of the upcoming weekend's readings! **DEACON PATRICK TOOLE** will be leading an in-depth look at the readings for the coming weekend with explanation, prayer, & discussion. *Study materials provided. FREE. No signups.* **Weds now through Dec 4** (except 10/23 & 11/13) **6:30pm-8:00pm in the Church Hall**

28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME.

As Jesus was setting out on a journey, a man ran up, knelt down before him, and asked him, "Good teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus answered him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: You shall not kill; you shall not commit adultery; you shall not steal; you shall not bear false witness; you shall not defraud; honor your father and your mother." He replied and said to him, "Teacher, all of these I have observed from my youth." Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said to him, "You are lacking in one thing. Go, sell what you have, and give to the poor and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." At that statement his face fell, and he went away sad, for he had many possessions. Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it is for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!" The disciples were amazed at his words. So Jesus again said to them in reply, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for one who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." They were exceedingly astonished and said among themselves, "Then who can be saved?" Jesus looked at them and said, "For human beings it is impossible, but not for God. All things are possible for God." Mark 10:17-27

CONFESSION can sometimes seem daunting or difficult. There might be many reasons we can think of to not go. **But regular Confession isn't scary**. It is life-changing and life-giving!

We are happy to provide the schedule for the Sacrament of Penance at parishes in the area:

MON: Christ the King, 7–8pm; cancelled on Holy Days & Civic Holidays; TUE: St. Catherine's, 6–8pm; with Adoration; WED: St. Pius X, Fairfield, 7–8pm; THU: St. Theresa, 7–8:30pm; FRI: St. Theresa,



7:30–8am & 4:30–5:30pm; **SAT:** St. Lawrence, Shelton, 4–4:45pm; St. Mark, Stratford, 3:30–4:30pm; St. Stephen, 3:30–4:30pm; Christ the King, 4:00–4:45pm; St. Pius X, Fairfield, 4:00–5:00pm; St. Theresa, 3:30–4:30pm; **SUN:** St. Lawrence, Shelton, 11-11:30am; St. Theresa, 7-7:30am, 8:30-9am, 10-10:30am, 11:30am-12:00pm

HAS IT BEEN A WHILE? Resources for adults, teens & kids are at steathtrumbull.com to help you prepare.

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

Do you know a high school student who loves to hang with friends, have fun, and enjoys a yummy treat too?



Sundays 6-8pm

UP NEXT: OCT 6: Discussion on the presidential election & our faith. OCT 13: *No Meeting, Columbus Day Weekend*. OCT 20: Faith & Fitness - Wiffle Ball.

INFO: RKingsbury@stcatherinetrumbull.com

Giving Back to God

OFFERTORY: We are very grateful to everyone who is using our Online Giving platform. Your generous and steadfast support keeps our parish running. Use this QR code to make your weekly offertory gift to the parish. Thank you!



THANK YOU FOR YOUR OFFERTORY!

THE WEEKEND OF SEPTEMBER $28^{\text{TH}} - 29^{\text{TH}}$ WEEKLY: \$4,571 MONTHLY: \$140 ONLINE: \$9,280 TOTAL: \$13,991

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