Lent 2025

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) with Adoration of the **Blessed Sacrament:** Tue: 6:30pm - 9pm

Daily Mass:

Мом-Тни: 7:30am Тие & Тни: 6:00рт 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:

Мол-Тни: 9am - 4:30pm FRI: Closed

Location:

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



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LENT FAMILY RETREAT

THE FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT: MARCH 9, 2025

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

David Quigley: Director of Parish Operations, Ext. 102

Raymond Kingsbury: **Denise Huertas:**

Atty. Joseph R. Tristine:

Zac Schurman: Director of Sacred Music & Organist, Ext. 105 Leah DeVito: Director of Religious Education, Ext. 106 Mary Ellen Kovacs: Director of Pastoral Care, Ext. 104 Kate Gombos: Director of Communications and Digital Media, Ext. 107 Ellen Moran: Parish Office Manager, Ext. 101 Marianne Stook: Administrative Assistant, Ext. 112 Rita Buchetto: Parish Office Assistant, Ext. 109 Eric Vogel: Coordinator for Social Justice and Charitable Outreach Coordinator of Youth Ministry Safe Environment Coordinator

Michelle Powrie: Principal, St. Catherine of Siena School (203) 375-1947 John W. Diercksen: Chair, Parish Finance Council Chair, Pastoral Advisory Council **Ross Bacarella:** Lay Member of the Parish Corporation Jeff Wright: Lay Member of the Parish Corporation



LITURGICAL SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 9, 2025

Lenten Weekday

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SAN LORENZO IN PANISPERNA

✤ Anthony Molochko

Mon, Mar. 10: Station at: 7:30am

Lenten Weekday San Pietro in Vincoli † Anthony Gallo

Thu, Mar. 13: Station at: 7:30am 6:00pm

Fri, Mar. 14: Station at: 9:00am 7:00pm

Sat, Mar. 15: STATION AT:

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Sun, Mar. 16: Th Station at: SA 7:30am サ 9:00am サ 11:00am サ



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 **Daniel J. Moran**. *The Parish of Saint 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:

Prayerministry

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

Contact Mary Ellen Kovacs, Director of Pastoral Care: (203) 377-3133, ext. 104.



<u>IN MEMORIAM:</u> The Parish of Saint Catherine of Siena extends to the family of **Charles Miller**

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



<u>BAPTISM</u>: The Parish of Saint Catherine of Siena warmly congratulates the family of

Jayla Frances Santos

who was Baptized in the Name of the Father, & of the Son, & of the

Holy Spirit. We pray that the grace of this Sacrament will bear abundant fruit in her life & in the life of her family.



<u>PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY</u>: Please remember in your prayers the family & friends of our Parish serving in the military. We pray for peace & for all serving in the military.

ETV1(SS) Eli Bair, USN LCDR Robert C. Ballard Jr., USN Major Gregg Zavadsky, U.S. Army SPC Zachary Kaesmann, ARNG CPL Adam DePasacreta, USMC Riley Payne, Airman Recruit, USN Robert J. Thompson III, U.S. Army 1st Lt Peter Sandri, U.S. Army

Dear Friends,

One of the "ingredients" of Lent – one that many people have never experienced – is Stations of the Cross.

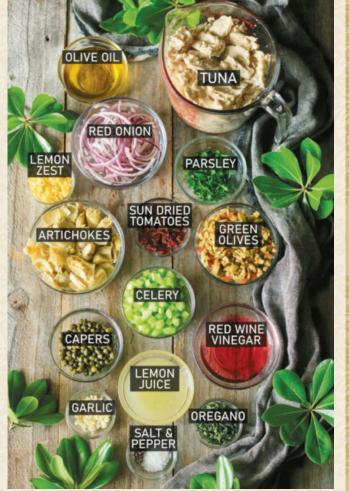
Here's a personal memory I have from childhood:

Every Friday evening during Lent when I was growing up, my family would sit down to a supper consisting of a plain cheese pizza (because of the abstinence from meat on Fridays in Lent), and we'd often eat that at my grandmother's house. And my grandmother would make this wonderful Lenten salad: lettuce, tuna fish (Sclafani yellowfin tuna in olive oil, drained), with olives, oregano, salt and pepper, and oil and red wine vinegar. It was so good!

And then, we'd all come here to St. Catherine's for Stations of the Cross. And that was what we did on Friday evenings in Lent.

Many Catholics have never in their lives prayed the Stations of the Cross. But it is something every Catholic should be familiar with. So on the Friday evenings of this Lent, I invite your family to:

Have a simple, meatless Lenten supper as a family. (No devices! Just family time). And then come here as a family for Stations of the Cross at 7:00 p.m. Stations lasts for about 35 minutes.



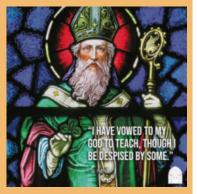
When you look around the church, you see the 14 Stations on the walls. If you were to go to Jerusalem, you can still see today where everything took place, and where Jesus carried the Cross, was crucified, and buried. Because most of us can't go to Jerusalem, we follow along spiritually, right from our church, along the Way of the Cross. It is incredible how much meaning applies to our own lives from the Stations.

Whether you are in the habit of coming to Stations every year, or you never have experienced Stations before, I invite you to make that one of your "ingredients" of Lent this year. It could be the beginning of a wonderful family tradition – and I hope it will be!

God Bless You, From Marceleo

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

LENT FAMILY RETREAT: Sun, Mar 9 (make up Tue, Mar 11, 6pm). Join us for Mass at 9am. Then come to the Family Center to learn more & make a concrete & actionable family plan to get the most out of these 40 days. <u>Required for all Rel</u>



Ed students and their families. Counts as a class. Attendance is taken.

SAINT AND SEEK: March's saint of the month is St. Patrick. Come SEEK the window for St. Patrick & GET a little gift from us!

CONFIRMATION: *Info is on the parish website.*

Chastity Talk is March 25 & 26; *required in either Year 1 or Year 2*.

All Confirmation Prep students should be working on their community service hours. Hours and Reflection are due March 12.

Letter to Father Marcello due March 26.

Confirmation Sponsor forms & Registration forms are now past due. If you haven't submitted yours, do so ASAP.

FIRST RECONCILIATION is March 18 & 19.

CLASSES THIS WEEK: No regular classes this week, March 9, 11, 12, due to Lent Family Retreat!

Leah DeVito, DRE, reled@stcatherinetrumbull.com

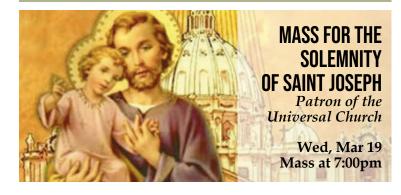
FATHER-SON SUNDAY: SUN, MAR 16, 9AM MASS

Join us in celebrating fatherhood in honor of St. Joseph, Patron of the Universal Church and Foster Father to Jesus Christ. Fathers & sons will receive a special blessing during the 9am Mass on Mar 16.



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.

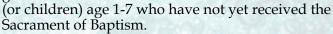


THE DAY TO BAPTIZE Your Child

Sat, Mar 29, 2025

If your child was not baptized as a baby, St. Catherine's wants to help!

St. Catherine's is offering a Baptism Day event especially for parents or guardians with a child



Parents or guardians will gather for an informal presentation on the Sacrament, some formation, and we'll answer all of your questions. Both parents must attend. Continental breakfast provided. Godparents, family & friends are welcome in church at 11:15am, when the children will be Baptized.

SCHEDULE OF THE DAY:

Formation: Saturday, March 29, 9:00am-10:30am.

Baptism: Sunday at 2:00pm * 2:00pm Baptism limited to the first 24 children (both Baptisms on Saturday are full). FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED.

Cost: FREE. Reserve by Mar 14 with the QR code or at stcathtrumbull.com.

If your child is under the age of 1 or over the age of 7, if Godparents can't attend, or if your family cannot provide Godparents, please call the Parish Office for info. We'll be happy to help!

You do not have to be a St. Catherine's parishioner. Everyone is Welcome!

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

CONFESSION

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 stcathtrumbull.com to help you prepare.



THIS WEEKEND - LENTEN FOOD DRIVE: MAR 8 & 9

BENEFITS: Blessed Sacrament Church, St. Charles Borromeo Church, St. Mary Church, Convent of Mary Immaculate, Trumbull Food Pantry, St. Catherine Parishioners.

ITEMS REQUESTED: *Tuna* (canned & individual packets); Boxes of Pasta; Pasta Sauce; Beans of all varieties/colors (in cans



& in both small and large bags); Rice (in both boxes & bags, small & large); Mac & Cheese; Peanut Butter & Jelly (small & large containers); Canned Spaghetti/Ravioli; Instant Mashed Potatoes; Fruit Cups; Cereal (regular & individual size); Oatmeal; Boxed Juice; Canned Soups; Pancake Mix; Coffee (Ground & instant). The use of reusable grocery store bags for donations is highly desired.

WAYS TO DONATE: Drive Through: Sat, Mar 8, 10am-12pm, & Sun, Mar 9, 11am-12pm, Church Hall. At All Masses on Mar 8 & 9, Church Lobby. Financial Donations Welcome: Checks payable to St. Catherine of Siena, write "Social Justice" in the memo line. Or Use Online Giving with the link on the Parish Website.

Coordinated by Knights of Columbus Council 5806 Scott Smaniotto at **smani11@sbcglobal.net**

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

NEXT WEEKEND'S READINGS: Come learn more

about the meaning & message of the upcoming weekend's readings. **Deacon Patrick Toole** leads an in-depth look at the readings for the coming weekend with explanation, prayer, & discussion. Study materials provided FREE. No sign-up required. Weds 6:30pm-8pm in the Church Hall.

THE SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT: Jesus took Peter, John, and James and went up the mountain to pray. While he was praying his face changed in appearance and his clothing became dazzling white. And behold, two men were conversing with him, Moses and Elijah, who appeared in glory and spoke of his exodus that he was going to accomplish in Jerusalem. Peter and his companions had been overcome by sleep, but becoming fully awake, they saw his glory and the two men standing with him. As they were about to part from him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good that we are here; let us make three tents, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." But he did not know what he was saying. While he was still speaking, a cloud came and cast a shadow over them, and they became frightened when they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my chosen Son; listen to him." After the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. They fell silent and did not at that time tell anyone what they had seen. Luke 9:28b-36

LENT 2025 Mass Schedule

Nothing is more important than coming to Mass together as a family!

SAT at 4:00pm, 7:15pm; SUN at 7:30am, 9:00am, 11:00am; MON - THU at 7:30am; FRI at 9:00am; SAT at 8:00am; TUE & THU at 6:00pm

CONFESSION: TUESDAYS 6:30-9:00pm *with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament*

Reconciliation Monday: MON, APR 14, 3-9pm

Take advantage of this opportunity this Lent! Guides to help you prepare are in the Church Lobby & on the Parish Website.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

FRIDAYS at 7:00pm - MAR 14, 21, 28, APR 4, 11 (Good Friday, Apr 18 at 6:00pm)

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

Food Drive: MAR 8-9 | Easter Baskets: APR 5-6

Donations: Sat. 10am-12pm & Sun. 11am-12pm. For the Easter Basket Drive, pick up an empty basket on Mar 22 & 23. *Financial Donations appreciated!*

LENT FAMILY RETREAT (Rel EdFamilies)

SUN, MAR 9 (*Make up Tue, Mar 11*) All Rel Ed families will attend Mass at 9am. Then we'll learn more and make a concrete & actionable family plan to get the most out of these 40 days.

LENTEN PARISH MISSION: MAR 29 - APR 1

Don't miss this special opportunity for our *Lenten Parish Mission* that will take us more deeply into the meaning and spirituality of Lent, with the goal of bringing us to a deeper friendship with Christ and a deeper love for our Catholic Faith. Join us for any Mass on Mar 29 or 30, and for evening reflections from 7-8pm on Mar 30 - Apr 1.

THE PASCHAL TRIDUUM

The Liturgies of the most beautiful and meaningful week of the entire year.

Holy Thursday ≪ April 17, at 7:00pm **The Mass of the Lord's Supper** Adoration at the Repository until midnight

Good Friday ≪ April 18, 3pm The Liturgy of the Passion and Death of the Lord

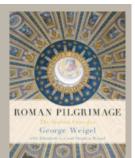
Stations of the Cross at 6:00pm

Holy Saturday ∽ April 19 **The Great Vigil of Easter** at 8:00pm

Easter Sunday ↔ April 20 Mass at 8:00am, 10:00am, and 12:00pm

ROMAN PILGRIMAGE

This Lent, make the venerable pilgrimage to the "Station Churches" of Rome without leaving the comfort of your home, using George Weigel's book, ROMAN PILGRIMAGE: THE STATION CHURCHES as your guide.



The pilgrimage to the Station Churches is a beautiful but relatively little-known aspect of the Church's life, a hidden treasure which we're happy to make more widely known.

ROMAN PILGRIMAGE is available in hardcover on Amazon.com for \$39.99, and the Kindle edition is available for \$23.99, and the audio book is free.

We highly recommend this excellent resource as a companion to the journey of prayer and conversion which is Lent!

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: MAR 9: Lent workshop; MAR 16: St. Patrick's Day Meal & Party; MAR 23: Glow in the Dark Night. INFO: RKingsbury@stcatherinetrumbull.com

ANNUAL BISHOP'S APPEAL

Introducing Julie & Jeff Press, our Lay Chair Couple for the 2025 Annual Bishop's Appeal effort at St. Catherine's!



Julie & Jeff will serve as our parish's Lay Chair Couple this year at St. Catherine's. They will be the public face of our annual drive to support the charitable efforts of the Catholic Church in Fairfield County to those who are most in need. Jeff & Julie will speak at all the Masses on In-Pew Sunday, which will take place in the Easter Season. Julie & Jeff are active parishioners at St. Catherine's & live here in Trumbull with their sons Ryan, 10, and Blake, 6.

In their words: "We are honored to help lead the initiative for the Bishop's Appeal as the parish Lay Chairs at St. Catherine's. We believe in the future of the Church, and we know that the top areas that gifts to the Bishop's Appeal are allocated to are crucial to the Church's future, and to the well-being of our community. Those include:

To teach and preach the Gospel, providing for the formation of future priests, as well as the Bishop's Scholarship Fund; **Serving our Community**, which supports Catholic Charities of Fairfield County and pastoral care of the sick and the elderly; **Together in Faith**, which supports retired priests, as well as the diocesan Institute for Catholic Formation; and Some **new initiatives**, which include supporting the St Stephen Ministry, the various new Guilds in the Diocese of Bridgeport, as well as the Bishop's initiative of the Seton Collaborative.

We believe that, with your support, we can not only hit our parish goal of \$132,000, but surpass it!"

PRAY FOR THE UNBORN: The life-saving 40 Days for Life prayer campaign takes place 3/5 - 4/13 on the sidewalk at 4697 Main St, Bridgeport. Vigil hours: 7am-7pm. Special prayer rallies: Wed 3-4 pm & Sat 10-noon. Please join us as we provide a prayerful, prolife witness for conversion of hearts and an end to abortion for the sake of so many pre-born children. Info: 40daysforlife.com or madelynmeagher@yahoo.com.

PARISH NURSES

BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENINGS: Next Weekend: Feb Mar 15/16. Looking ahead: Apr 26/27, May 17/18. After the 4pm Mass on Sat after all Masses on Sun. The Parish Nurses conduct monthly blood pressure screenings and maintain a health-related bulletin board.



Info: Cheryl Basztura 203-261-5851



OPEN HOUSE: MAR 19.9-11AM & 1-2PM

Learn more about our vibrant & growing school whre the rich tradition of Catholic education is thriving!



www.StCatherineSienaTrumbull.org 203-375-1947 190 Shelton Road, Trumbull



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

THANK YOU FOR YOUR OFFERTORY! THE WEEKEND OF MARCH 1st - 2ND WEEKLY: \$3,930 MONTHY: \$1,056 ONLINE: \$11,600 TOTAL: \$16.586

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.

DAVE **Q**UIGLEY, Director of Parish Operations **DavidMQuigley@stcatherinetrumbull.com**





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