# Holy Week Schedule

# Sacrament of <u>Reconciliation</u> (Confession)

Mon: 3:00pm - 9:00pm Tue: 6:30pm - 9:00pm Fri: 10:00am - 12:00pm

# **Daily Mass:**

(this week only): Mon-Wed: 7:30am Tue: 6:00pm TRIDUUM SCHEDULE INSIDE

Rosary: Mon-Wed: 8am

### **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. No charge. Please call our office (203) 377-3133, ext. 101

### **Parish Office Hours:**

Mon-Thu: 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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Today's celebration can be said to be bittersweet. It is joyful and sorrowful at the same time. We celebrate the Lord's entrance into Jerusalem to the cries of his disciples who acclaim him as king. Yet we also solemnly proclaim the Gospel account of his Passion. In this poignant contrast, our hearts experience in some small measure what Jesus himself must have felt in his own heart that day, as he rejoiced with his friends and wept over Jerusalem. - POPE FRANCIS

# PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD: APRIL 13, 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
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
· ollo and the	Charitable Outreach
Raymond Kingsbury:	Coordinator of Youth Ministry
Denise Huertas:	Safe Environment Coordinator
Michelle Powrie:	Principal, St. Catherine of Siena School
	(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



### LITURGICAL SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 13, 2025

Mon, Apr. 14:	Monday of Holy Week
Station at: 7:30am	Santa Prassede all'Esquilino
3:00рм-9:00рм	<b>R</b> ECONCILIATION <b>M</b> ONDAY Confessions
<b>Tue, Apr. 15:</b> Station at: 7:30am 6:00pm 6:30-9:00pm	Tuesday of Holy WeekSANTA PRISCA ALL'AVENTINOThe Genevieve MarcelloOur ParishionersConfession and Adoration
Wed, Apr. 16: Station at: 7:30am	Wednesday of Holy Week [Spy Wednesday] Santa Maria Maggiore
<b>Thu, Apr. 17:</b> Station at: 8:00ам 7:00рм	HOLY THURSDAY SAN GIOVANNI IN LATERNO Morning Prayer SOLEMN MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER Adoration at the Repository until Midnight
Fri, Apr. 18: <u>Station at:</u> 8:00ам 10:00ам-12:00рм 3:00рм 6:00рм	FRIDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD [GOOD FRIDAY] SANTA CROCE IN GERUSALEMME Morning Prayer Confessions LITURGY OF THE PASSION AND DEATH OF THE LORD Stations of the Cross
Sat, Apr. 19: Station at: 8:00am 1:00pm 8:00pm	HOLY SATURDAY SAN GIOVANNI IN LATERANO Morning Prayer Blessing of Food (Church Hall) THE GREAT VIGIL OF EASTER IN THE HOLY NIGHT Our Parishioners
Sun, Apr. 20: Station at: 8:00am 10:00am	EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD SANTA MARIA MAGGIORE Our Parishioners The Narciso & Ramos Families

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12:00pm

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.

# Prayerministry

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 Godo, 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.



**OFFICE HOURS:** To allow our Parish Staff time to spend Good Friday & Easter with their families, the Parish Office will be closed on Fri, Apr 18 & Mon, Apr 21. The office will reopen on Tue, Apr 22, at 9am.



**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 **Genevieve Marcello** 



**PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY:** 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

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### Dear Friends,

Welcome to Holy Week!

This week is THE most consequential week of the entire year, because it brings us to the most significant events in the history of the universe.

Holy Week culminates in the Paschal Triduum of Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday, the three days which changed the world forever. During the Masses and Liturgies of the Paschal Triduum, we do not simply re-create or remember events which happened long ago. Rather, these liturgies enable us to enter into the very reality of the original events themselves. In the power of the Holy Spirit, we enter into communion with the Lord Jesus Himself as He institutes the Eucharist, suffers in the Garden of Gethsemane, is condemned to death, dies on the Cross, is buried in the sepulcher, and truly rises to new life.

You will find in today's bulletin a listing of the liturgical events of Holy Week. As you are reading this, I extend to you a personal invitation to be with us, here in church, for the liturgies of the Paschal Triduum, especially the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday, the Liturgy of the Passion and Death of the Lord on Good Friday, and the Great Vigil of Easter in the Holy Night on Holy Saturday.

Interestingly, most Masses begin with the Sign of the Cross and end with a blessing. During the Paschal Triduum, the Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper begins with the Sign of the Cross, but there is no blessing at the end. The Good Friday Liturgy has no Sign of the Cross at the beginning, and no blessing at the end. There is no Sign of the Cross at the beginning of the Easter Vigil, but it does end with a solemn blessing. This is because those three liturgies are one liturgy, split over three days. They are best experienced together. I invite and encourage you to be present for all three of them.

Let us be sure to pray for each other during these intensely grace-filled days, and let us especially pray for those who have been distant from the Lord and the Church, that the graces of these days will move them to return to the love and mercy of God the Father, who sent His Son to purchase, with His Blood, the salvation of the world.

God Bless You, From Marcello

# RELIGIOUS Education

HOLY THURSDAY PROCESSION: Students are strongly encouraged to attend Holy Thursday Mass on April 17 at 7pm and participate in the Procession to the Reposito-

ry. Community Service Hours offered for those preparing for Confirmation.

SAINT AND SEEK: Come SEEK the window for Blessed Chiara Lude Badano & GET a little gift from us!

**BE THE GOOD:** Rel Ed families are doing small acts of kindness & sharing kindness cards in the community hoping to inspire more kind acts this Lent. Together, we can cast a stone across the water to create many ripples.

Please Pray for our First Holy Communion Candidates

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: Rehearsal will be Thursday, May 8. First Holy Communion Masses are on Saturday, May 10, at 10am or 12:30pm. Mass assignments were emailed home.

# PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES

**CONFIRMATION PREP YEAR 1:** Saint Reports are now past due. Please turn them in ASAP. All students should be thinking about their Confirmation Service Hour requirements. Info is on the Parish Website.

**CONFIRMATION PREP YEAR 2:** All Confirmation materials are now past due. *Info is on the parish website.* If you haven't submitted yours, do so ASAP. **Rehearsal** will be Monday, May 12. **Confessions and Interviews** will take place on Tuesday, May 13. **Confirmation** will take place on Thursday, May 15.

NO CLASSES THIS WEEK: Enjoy your Spring Break.

Leah DeVito, DRE, reled@stcatherinetrumbull.com

**LOW GLUTEN HOSTS:** 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.





**PALM SUNDAY** April 12: 4:00pm, 7:15pm April 13: 7:30am, 9:00am, 11:00am

**MONDAY OF HOLY WEEK** Morning Mass: 7:30am Reconciliation Monday. Confessions Heard: 3-9pm

> **TUESDAY OF HOLY WEEK** Morning Mass: 7:30am Evening Mass: 6:00pm Confession & Adoration 6:30pm-9:00pm

WEDNESDAY OF HOLY WEEK Morning Mass: 7:30am

# THE PASCHAL TRIDUUM

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

HOLY THURSDAY ← April 17 Morning Prayer 8:00am Solemn Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:00pm (kindly arrive by 6:45pm for Father Marcello's explanation of the Mass)

Mass is followed by Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament at the Repository until Midnight. The faithful are invited and encouraged to spend significant time in Adoration with Christ. They may also choose to visit the Blessed Sacrament in seven churches this evening, in accordance with ancient custom.

GOOD FRIDAY ← April 18 Morning Prayer 8:00am Confessions Heard 10:00am-12:00pm The Liturgy of the Passion and Death of the Lord at 3:00pm (kindly arrive by 2:45pm)

Stations of the Cross at 6:00pm

HOLY SATURDAY ← April 19 Morning Prayer 8:00am Blessing of Food 1:00pm in the Church Hall **The Great Vigil of Easter** at 8:00pm (kindly arrive by 7:45pm) Nots: <u>NO</u> 4:00pm or 7:15pm Mass on Holy Saturday

Easter Sunday ≪ April 20 \*\* Note the Special Easter Schedule \*\* Holy Mass at 8:00am, 10:00am, and 12:00pm

Saint and Seek! Believe

"TALKING

DOESN'T

ABOUT GOD

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Blessed Chiara Luce Badan

MUCH. I HAVE

**IMPORTANCE.**"

there is good in the world

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# 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.



# EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

On the first day of the week, Mary of Magdala came to the tomb early in the morning, while it was still dark, and saw the stone removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and to the other disciple whom Jesus loved, and told them, "They have taken the Lord from the tomb, and we don't know where they put him." So Peter and the other disciple went out and came to the tomb. They both ran, but the other disciple ran faster than Peter and arrived at the tomb first; he bent down and saw the burial cloths there, but did not go in. When Simon Peter arrived after him, he went into the tomb and saw the burial cloths there, and the cloth that had covered his head, not with the burial cloths but rolled up in a separate place. Then the other disciple also went in, the one who had arrived at the tomb first, and he saw and believed. For they did not yet understand the Scripture that he had to rise from the dead. John 20:1-9

# TO PARENTS OF OUR Children: Relax!

God put the wiggle in children. Don't feel you have to suppress it in God's house. Everyone

is welcome here at St. Catherine's! You may find it helpful to sit in the pews near the front, where it is easier to see and hear. Don't hesitate to quietly explain the parts of the Mass. Sing the hymns and songs, pray and voice the responses together with your children. They learn liturgical behavior by copying YOU! If you need to leave Mass with your child, please feel free to do so, but please do come back! As Jesus said, "Let the children come to Me." Remember that the way we welcome children in Church directly affects the way they respond to the Church, to God, to Christ, and to one another. Let them know that they are at home here! To all the members of our Parish: a smile of encouragement is always welcome to parents with small, active children. The presence of children is a GIFT to the Church! They give us a future full of hope.

# CONFESSION DURING Holy week

Resources for adults, teens & kids are at stcathtrumbull.com and in our Church Lobby to help you prepare.

### Monday of Holy Week. Reconciliation Monday 3:00-9:00pm

- St. Catherine of Siena
- St. Lawrence Shelton: 505 Shelton Ave, Shelton
- St. James: 2070 Main St, Stratford
- St. Thomas: 1719 Post Rd, Fairfield

### **Tuesday of Holy Week**

St. Catherine of Siena: 6:30-9:00pm with adoration St. Theresa Trumbull: 7pm-8:30pm

Wednesday of Holy Week [Spy Wednesday] St. Pius X, Fairfield, 7–8pm

# **Holy Thursday**

St. Theresa Trumbull: 3:30-4:30pm

### **Good Friday**

- St. Catherine of Siena: 10am-12pm
- St. Theresa Trumbull: 11am-12pm & 4:30-5pm
- St. Mark, Stratford, 11am-12pm

# **Holy Saturday**

- St. Theresa Trumbull: 10:30-11:30am
- St. Mark, Stratford, 11am-12pm
- St. Pius X, Fairfield, 4–5pm

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



DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY: Apr 27 Confession: 1:30pm & Holy Hour: 3pm

PAPER SHREDDING EVENT : Sat, May 3, 9am-12pm

MAY CROWNING: Sun, May 11, 11am

Ascension of the Lord Thu, May 29, 7:30am, 12:10pm, 7pm A Holy Day of Obligation

PENTECOST (Adult Confirmation): Sun, Jun 8, 11am

THE FEAST OF CORPUS CHRISTI with Eucharistic Procession Sun, Jun 22





# PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD:

God our Father, from eternity You appointed Your only begotten Son to be the High Priest of the human race. Pour forth, we beseech You, Your Holy Spirit upon our families, that vocations to the priesthood may be multiplied. Lord Jesus, give us holy priests: to offer up the sacrifice of the Mass; to lead the little ones to You; to strengthen the faith of believers; to preach the Gospel to all peoples; to bring forgiveness to sinners; to feed souls the Bread of Life; to comfort the suffering & dying, and to spread Your Kingdom in our midst. Mary, Mother of our High Priest, pray for us and obtain for us many holy priests. Amen.

# 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?

Tell them about Youth Group!! We meet on Sunday evenings from 6-8pm.

UP NEXT:

- APR 13: Annual Nerf Wars
- APR 20: No Meeting. Happy Easter.

INFO: RKingsbury@stcatherinetrumbull.com

# ANNUAL Bishop's Appeal

The 2025 Annual Bish-



Parish of Saint Catherine of Siena

Faith + Food + Fun

op's Appeal provides works of charity, formation in faith, education & catechesis. "One in Christ" is the theme of the 2025 Annual Bishop's Appeal. Bishop Caggiano believes this message is more important than ever as we work towards unity in our Church and society.

He asks all of us to consider the many ways the Appeal unites the Diocese in service, compassion and faith. 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 April 3, we have received 194 gifts from 171 donors totaling \$80,001 bringing the parish to 57% of its \$136,300 goal.



Please donate with the QR Code:

# CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

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.

LEAH DEVITO: leahcdevito@gmail.com





**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!

Our Publication Schedule was shortened this week. We'll report Offertory for the weekend of April 12/13 on April 19/20

**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 QUIGLEY,** *Director of Parish Operations* **DavidMQuigley@stcatherinetrumbull.com** 





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