Welcome!

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

with Adoration of the **Blessed Sacrament:**

Tue: 6pm - 8pm

Daily Mass:

Мо**N-Т**ни: 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

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Mon-Thu: 9am - 4:30pm

Fri: Closed

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THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER: MAY 25, 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 **Leah DeVito:** Director of Religious Education, Ext. 106 Mary Ellen Kovacs: Director of Pastoral Care, Ext. 104

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Digital Media, Ext. 107

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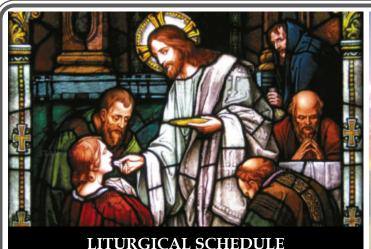
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Michael J. LaBella: Chair, Parish Finance Council Atty. Joseph R. Tristine: Chair, Pastoral Advisory Council **Ross Bacarella:** Lay Member of the Parish Corporation **Jeff Wright:** Lay Member of the Parish Corporation



FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 25, 2025

Mon, May 26: MEMORIAL DAY St. Philip Neri

9:00am ‡ Ernest A. Greywacz III

10:00am-2:00pm Confession

Tue, May 27: EASTER WEEKDAY

St. Augustine of Canterbury

Wed, May 28: EASTER WEEKDAY

7:30ам 🕆 John & Theresa Candelora

Thu, May 29: THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

7:30AM † Daniel Richard Macioce, Sr. 9:00AM † Melissa Fry Yerrington 12:10PM † Michael James Plucker

7:00_{PM} Our Parishioners

Fri, May 30: EASTER WEEKDAY

Sat, May 31: THE VISITATION OF THE

Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00AM † Michael Macari 10:00AM † Eve Hendricks

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

(Anticipated)

Sun, June 1: SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



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

Joseph & Mary "Shirley" Barrett.



SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE: The Parish of St. Catherine of Siena congratulates Nicholas and Marlena (Murphy) Williams who were united in Holy Matrimony on Sat, May 17, 2025



THE PARISH OF ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA WARMLY WELCOMES

He has been raised.

-Mark 16:6

... 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, Sigrid Rogowski, Michael Fernandes, Rose Autuori, Jack Godo, Elaine Annick.

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



BAPTISM: The Parish of St. Catherine of Siena warmly congratulates the families of Christian Joseph Vazzano and Yvette Wynn Ortiz who were 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 their lives & in the lives of their families.



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

Genevieve & Leonard A. Marcello



Banns of Marriage: The Parish of St. Catherine of Siena prays for Natalie Acone and Nicholas Federico (Bann III), Bridget Fatse & Scott Cunningham (Bann II), as they prepare to receive the

as they prepare to receive the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony.



<u>IN Memoriam:</u> The Parish of Saint Catherine of Siena extends to the family of **Ivan Capella** our prayerful sympathy in the hope of Christ's Resurrection.

Dear Friends,

Saint Teresa of Ávila (16th century, Spanish, Carmelite), one of the greatest masters of prayer and spirituality in the long history of the Church, once wrote:

From long experience I have learned that there is nothing like holy water to put devils to flight and prevent them from coming back again. They also flee from the Cross, but return; so holy water must have great virtue. For my own part, whenever I take it, my soul feels a particular and most notable consolation. In fact, it is quite usual for me to be conscious of a refreshment which I cannot possibly describe, resembling an inward joy which comforts my whole soul. This is not fancy, or something which has happened to me only once; it has happened again and again, and I have observed it most attentively. It is, let us say, as if someone very hot and thirsty were to drink from a jug of cold water: he would feel the refreshment throughout his body. I often reflect on the great



importance of everything ordained by the Church, and it makes me very happy to find that those words of the Church are so powerful that they impart their power to the water and make it so very different from water which has not been blessed.

Thus we have it on no less an authority than the great St Teresa of Ávila, Virgin and Doctor of the Church, of the efficacy of holy water.

Several times I have been asked through the years whether we have a dispenser of holy water and, until now, we haven't, but I am happy to say that now we do. It is located in the side lobby of the church. Feel free to take some holy water whenever you'd like.

It's always a good idea to keep some holy water in your house, and to sprinkle it around from time to time. Prayers to Our Lady and / or to St. Michael the Archangel to ask their protection on your home and your family are good to say when sprinkling holy water around the house. Holy Water bottles are readily available online, and are inexpensive.

Some people keep a holy water font near the door of their home, and bless themselves with holy water when they are leaving home or arriving back home. Both practices are commendable and praiseworthy.

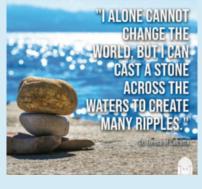
Above all, holy water is a reminder of our Baptism, when we renounced Satan and promised to serve God faithfully, in his Holy Catholic Church. Dipping our finger into holy water and making the Sign of the Cross on ourselves is a powerful reminder of this, and it is something we ought to do regularly and devoutly.

God Bless You,

Filme Marcello

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Be A Catechist: Our Rel Ed program would not be possible without the vital work of our



catechists, classroom aides, and hallway monitors. We are currently looking for volunteers for the 2025/26 Rel Ed school year. Here are some awesome reasons it could be YOU!

- 10. The best way to learn is to teach.
 9. Catechists tell the truth.
 - 8. Sharing the faith is an honor.
- 7. Your own faith will come alive.6. You become an active part of the most active part of your parish.
 - 5. A catechist is a role model.
- 4. You will be practicing stewardship.
- 3. You show your own family that you value religious education.
 2. It's fun.
 - 1. It's what we are called to do.

2025-2026 REGISTRATION **O**PENS **S**OON! Look for information by email from Mrs. DeVito.

Contact Leah DeVito, DRE, to find out more: reled@stcatherinetrumbull.com

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

This year, our Youth Group embraced faith, fellowship & fun through a diverse lineup of events. We kicked off



in September with games & reflections on inspiring Catholic stories (Joe Reali & Padre Pio). All fall, we celebrated feast days, engaged in Faith & Fitness nights, & explored Catholic traditions. One highlight was when the students made apple pies for the day care of the Convent of Mary Immaculate in Bridgeport for Thanksgiving.

Advent & Christmas brought celebrations of faith, with Christmas Jeopardy, and a joyful Secret Santa party. In the new year, our activities ranged from Bible Olympics and a Dave & Busters outing to a glow-in-the-dark Biblical Easter Egg Hunt, blending spiritual growth with engaging activities. We concluded with the parish Easter Basket drive, Adoration & Confession, our annual Nerf Wars, and more. Meetings will resume in September. If there is a young person in your life who would enjoying being part of the fun, please tell them about Youth Group!

INFO: RKingsbury@stcatherinetrumbull.com

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD:

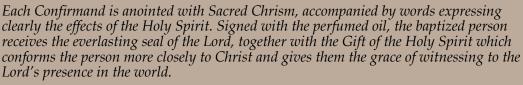
Gracious and loving God, we thank you for the gift of our priests. Through them, we experience your presence in the sacraments. Help our priests to be strong in their vocation. Set their souls on fire with love for your people. Grant them the wisdom, understanding, and strength they need to follow in the footsteps of Jesus. Inspire them with the vision of your Kingdom. Give them the words they need to spread the Gospel. Allow them to experience joy in their ministry. Help them to become instruments of your divine grace. We ask this through Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns as our Eternal Priest. Amen. (c) Usccb

≪ CONFIRMATION ≪

Together with the entire parish, we congratulate the 71 young men & women of our parish who were confirmed in the Faith of the Church.









In Gratitude to the Most Reverend James Massa, Auxiliary Bishop of Brooklyn, Father Marcello, and our dedicated Catechists and Assistants for helping to prepare the students for the Sacrament of Confirmation: Leah DeVito, DRE; Michelle Powrie, Principal, SCSS; Raymond Kingsbury, Religion Teacher, SCSS; Karyn Wade, Head Catechist. Kate Gombos, Director of Communications & Rel Ed Assistant; Kate Gombos, Dawn Greco, Kathleen Keating, Madelyn Meagher, Catechists. Special thanks to Bill Atwood, Organist, and our musicians of the parish and Liturgical Masters of Ceremonies for contributing to this wonderful day.

THE SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

A Holy Day of Obligation

Thursday, May 29

Mass at 7:30am, 9:00am, 12:10pm and 7:00pm (7:00pm is the Main Parish Mass)





Mass, with Eucharistic Procession to follow with the MOST REVEREND FRANK J. CAGGIANO, BISHOP OF BRIDGEPORT

SUNDAY, JUNE 22 🤝 MORNING

The Solemnity of Corpus Christi, with Eucharistic Procession to follow

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 SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER: Lifting up his eyes to heaven, Jesus prayed saying: "Holy Father, I pray not only for them, but also for those who will believe in me through their word, so that they may all be one, as you, Father, are in me and I in you, that they also may be in us, that the world may believe that you sent me. And I have given them the glory you gave me, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may be brought to perfection as one, that the world may know that you sent me, and that you loved them even as you loved me. Father, they are your gift to me. I wish that where I am they also may be with me, that they may see my glory that you gave me, because you loved me before the foundation of the world. Righteous Father, the world also does not know you, but I know you, and they know that you sent me. I made known to them your name and I will make it known, that the love with which you loved me may be in them and I in them." John 17:20-26

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

"BE ASHAMED

WHEN YOU SIN:

DON'T BE ASHAMED

WHEN YOU REPENT

SIN IS THE WOUND

MEDICINE.

REPENTENCE IS THE

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.



MEMORIAL DAY CONFESSIONS: Confessions will be heard for four hours on Memorial Day, from 10am-2pm. Anonymous & face-to-face confessions available. Has it been a while for Confession? Resources for adults, teens and kids at steathtrumbull. com will help you prepare. Lights will be on and we'll be waiting for you! What a great way to start the summer!

HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS: The Parish Office will be closed on Mon, May 26, in observance of Memorial Day. We will reopen on Tue, May 27, at 9am.

DAILY MASS: Daily Mass on Mon, May 26 will be celebrated at 9am.



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



We're all looking forward to warmer weather, more relaxed schedules, and summer celebrations. A few thoughts, as we prepare for this warm & wonderful season:

- 1. Warmer weather brings lighter wardrobe, and therefore we offer this gentle reminder about the importance of coming to church modestly dressed. This is a concrete way to honor the dignity of God's house, where Our Lord dwells in the tabernacle. Thank you for expressing your love for God's house through respectful dress and demeanor in church.
- **2.** Traveling This Summer? Attend Mass wherever you go this summer. Visiting another church for Sunday Mass is a real blessing to your family. <u>Masstimes.org</u> will help you find a local Catholic Church and all of the available Mass Times wherever you will be.
- **3.** Take a piece of St. Catherine's with you while you're away. Please sign up to receive our weekly e-blast, like us on Facebook, follow us on Instagram, subscribe to our YouTube channel and stay connected to our parish community wherever you are this summer! Links on our website or search for us at @ StCathTrumbull.
- **4. Continue to support St. Catherine's** parish community while you are away with Online Giving. It's safe. It's easy. You stay in control: how much you give, when, and by what means (credit card, bank EFT). To register, please click on the Online Giving logo on our Parish website.

ANNUAL BISHOP'S APPEAL



The 2025 Annual Bishop'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 May 16, we have received \$98,666 from 209 donors bringing the parish to 72% of its \$136,300 goal.



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Grade 3 had a beautiful day celebrating May Crowning! The students honored Mary with flowers, prayers, and songs.



We're so proud of our third graders for leading this meaningful celebration!

MEMORIAL MASS

for

EVE HENDRICKS

Saturday, May 31. 10:00am EVERYONE IS WELCOME

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.



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 our Online Giving platform to make your weekly offertory gift to the parish. Thank you!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR OFFERTORY!

The Weekend of May 17^{th} - 18^{th} Weekly: \$4,800 Monthy: \$475 Online: \$9,163 Total: \$14,438

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