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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.

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"This is the month during which Christians, in their churches and in their homes, offer the Virgin Mother more fervent and loving acts of homage and veneration; and it is the month in which a greater abundance of God's merciful gifts comes down to us from our Mother's throne." Pope St. Paul VI, Encyclical Letter MENSE MAIO, on the month of May.

THE SOLEMNITY OF PENTECOST: MAY 24, 2026

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

Kate Gombos: Director of Communications and
Digital Media, Ext. 107

Ellen Moran: Parish Office Manager, Ext. 101

Marianne Stook: Administrative Assistant, Ext. 112

Michael Goldsmith: Parish Organist

Kristen Gionfriddo: Principal Parish Cantor

Eric Vogel: Coordinator for Social Justice and
Charitable Outreach

Raymond Kingsbury: Coordinator of Youth Ministry

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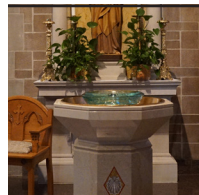
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**LITURGICAL SCHEDULE
FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 24, 2026**

- Mon, May 25: MEMORIAL DAY
MEMORIAL OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, MOTHER OF THE CHURCH**
9:00AM † Michael Macari
10:00AM-2:00PM *Confessions*
- Tue, May 26: St. Philip Neri**
7:30AM † Albert Forno
6:00PM -8:00PM *Confession & Adoration*
- Wed, May 27: St. Augustine of Canterbury**
7:30AM † Edward Cummings, Sr.
- Thu, May 28:**
7:30AM † Cliff Pereira
- Fri, May 29: St. Paul VI**
9:00AM † John Saracino
- Sat, May 30: THE SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY (Anticipated)**
4:00PM † Thomas Tremblay
7:15PM † Leonard & Genevieve Marcello
- Sun, May 31: THE SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY**
7:30AM Our Parishioners
9:00AM † F. David Turchik
11:00AM † Kevin Jones



NEWLY BAPTIZED: The Parish of St. Catherine of Siena warmly congratulates the families of **Andrew Ray Burgess, Molly Debra Perry, Jaxson Avery Bourne and Charlotte Ava Backhaus**, 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.



BANNS OF MARRIAGE: The Parish of St. Catherine of Siena prays for **Alexandra Sosa and Hunter Wnukowski (Bann III) and Marcella Hundt and Nicholas Razzaia (Bann I)** as they prepare to receive the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony.

ALLELUIA!

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 everyone into a living and saving friendship with the Lord Jesus Christ, in the communion of His One, Holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church.

THE PARISH OF
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WELCOMES

*Prayer*MINISTRY

Please remember in your daily prayers all the sick of our Parish and their caregivers, especially:

Marlene Roberts, Ernestine Gaudio, Sigrid Rogowski, Rose Autuori, Bill Taylor, Jack Godo

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.



IN MEMORIAM: The Parish of Saint Catherine of Siena extends to the families of **John Saracino and Thomas Grady**, 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 **Leonard & Genevieve Marcello**.



INFANT BAPTISM should not be delayed, and should be administered within weeks of birth, if possible. Expectant parents are welcome to contact the parish office even prior to the baby's birth to make arrangements. Pre-baptismal formation is necessary for first-time parents.



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 **Barbara Tiriolo**.

✠ A MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR ✠



Dear Friends,

Looking ahead to Sunday, June 7, please mark your calendar and join us for that Sunday's Corpus Christi Procession! It will take place immediately following the 11:00 Mass. We live in an age when our Catholic Faith is increasingly marginalized, ridiculed, and dismissed. So this is one concrete opportunity to bear public witness to our Catholic Faith. We are joyful to be Catholic, and unashamed of our faith in the Lord Jesus Christ.

At the conclusion of the 11:00 Mass, the procession will begin. We will sing Eucharistic hymns along the way. Servers will be continually incensing the Blessed Sacrament. And bells will announce to all the presence of the Lord as He passes by.

The procession will go out from the front doors of the church, head south on Shelton Road, and then will turn west onto Center Road, reaching the N.I.A. Gazebo, where Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament will be imparted. Then we will retrace our steps back to church, where a final Benediction will be imparted from our altar. It should take about an hour after Mass. But Jesus hung on the Cross for us for three hours! There will be cold water available in the lobby of the church after the procession for everyone.

The canopy which will be held over the Blessed Sacrament during the procession is nearly 150 years old, and was made by Fraefel & Co. in St. Gallen, Switzerland, which was one of the world leaders in ecclesiastical embroidery at the time. In the culture in which we live, beautiful liturgical objects in the service of the Sacred Liturgy sometimes provoke the ritual question: Does Our Lord really need something like that? The answer is: of course He doesn't need it! But - He deserves it.

The canopy is embroidered with Eucharistic images, as well as four lines taken from the Corpus Christi sequence, *Lauda Sion*, written by St. Thomas Aquinas over seven centuries ago: *ECCE PANIS ANGELORUM // FACTUS CIBUS VIATORUM // VERE PANIS FILIORUM // NON MITTENDUS CANIBUS*. Translated, this means *BEHOLD THE BREAD OF ANGELS // MADE THE BREAD OF THOSE ON THE WAY [TO HEAVEN] // TRULY THE BREAD OF THE CHILDREN [OF GOD] // WHICH ON DOGS MAY NOT BE SPENT*. (This last line is a reference to Matthew 15:26, in which Jesus said "It is not right to take the bread of the children and throw it to the dogs.")

So, please mark your calendar, and join us for this important and beautiful event for all of us.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

John Marcello



SOCIAL JUSTICE AND CHARITABLE OUTREACH

Social Justice and Charitable Outreach initiatives are a campus wide effort at St. Catherine's. Through a dedicated group of volunteers, St. Catherine's SJCO and the Knights of Columbus conduct 5-6 annual charitable drives during each pastoral year. Balanced in nature, they provide food, winter clothing, and toiletry essentials, critical infant and child care supplies, and Christmas and Easter holiday cheer to our neighbors in need in inner-city Bridgeport and locally in Trumbull.

WHO BENEFITS? depending on the drive, St. Charles Borromeo Church, St. Mary Church and Blessed Sacrament Church; the Convent of Mary Immaculate; the Trumbull Food Bank; the Merton Center; and the McGivney Center. You -- the parishioners at St. Catherine's -- have not grown weary of giving. It is evident that you recognize Christ in our brothers and sisters of the surrounding communities. Whether it's an item dropped off at the church or a monetary donation, your gifts are deeply appreciated and truly impactful! If you ever have a chance to take a look in the church hall on the Sunday noon of a collection, or accompany us for a delivery on a Monday morning – you will be convinced of the importance of what we do as a parish.

SPECIAL THANKS TO: The drives are only successful because of those who serve as a drive leader, most notably **Katie Miller-Creagh** & her son **Joseph Miller** who continue to serve as leaders for our Christmas Giving Tree, and **Scott Smaniotto** of the Knights of Columbus Council #5806. **Gloria Bender** continues as a pillar of organizational strength for all drives. There were many, many happy households on Christmas and Easter morning – thanks to your gifts and their dedication. The families of St. Catherine of Siena School (thank you, **Michelle Powrie**), Religious Education (thank you, **Leah DeVito** and **Karyn Wade**) and Youth Group (thank you, **Ray Kingsbury**) continue to play a large part in our drives. A steady, loyal, hard-working corps of parishioners is always there to receive, distribute and deliver gifts. The support of the Parish Staff is always critical. You know who you are -- thank you for your service, so important to continued success.

The 2026-2027 Schedule of Drives will be announced in June.

If you'd like to be a SJCO volunteer, obtain your VIRTUS certification, and send me an email (see below) I will then put you on our roster to be notified of upcoming volunteer opportunities.

Info: Eric Vogel, *Coordinator for Social Justice and Charitable Outreach at Caritas@stcatherinetrumbull.com*





CORPUS CHRISTI

THE SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST: SUNDAY, JUNE 7

One of the most beautiful Masses of the year in which we will especially honor our Lord who is truly present in the Holy Eucharist! The 11am Mass will be followed by a Eucharistic Procession through the streets of Nichols. Benediction at the NIA Green.

"When we go before the Blessed Sacrament, let us open our heart; our good God will open His. We shall go to Him; He will come to us; the one to ask, the other to receive. It will be like a breath from one to the other."

- ST. JOHN VIANNEY



SAVE THE DATES!

Farewell Mass and Reception for Father Ocran

Sunday, May 31, 11am Mass
Reception to follow. Everyone is Welcome!

Deacon Toole's 15th Anniversary of Diaconate Ordination

Sunday, June 14, 11am Mass
Reception to follow. Everyone is Welcome!



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; SGT 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; SGT Christopher Smaniotto, U.S. Army; 1LT Adam J. Giammattei, U.S. Army.



MEMORIAL DAY

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 stcathtrumbull.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 25, in observance of Memorial Day. We will reopen on Tue, May 26, at 9am.

DAILY MASS: Daily Mass on Mon, May 25 will be celebrated at 9am.



SUMMER

Summer is Right Around the Corner!

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. Do you have plans to Travel This Summer?** Attend Mass wherever you go this summer. Visiting another church for Sunday Mass is a real blessing to your family. Masstimes.org 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.

RELIGIOUS ED

REGISTRATION FOR THE 2026-2027 YEAR will open in June. Look for an email from Mrs. DeVito

SAINT & SEEK: May is all about our Blessed Mother! Our gift to you is at the window of St. Anne.

Leah DeVito, DRE: reled@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 our Online Giving platform to make your weekly offertory gift to the parish. Thank you!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR OFFERTORY

THE WEEKEND OF MAY 16TH - 17TH
WEEKLY: \$3,711 MONTHLY: \$706 ONLINE: \$9,169
TOTAL: \$13,586

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



THE SETON COLLABORATIVE STRENGTHENING PARISHES AND SCHOOLS

The Seton Collaborative is a new diocesan nonprofit created to strengthen our parishes and schools by transforming how they operate so they can better serve their communities and support both academic excellence and spiritual growth.

By identifying efficiencies, standardizing and automating processes, sharing best practices, developing staff, and leveraging economies of scale, the Seton Collaborative helps ministries focus more fully on their mission of forming disciples and educating future generations.

The mission of the Seton Collaborative is to promote growth and innovation in schools and parishes by contributing expertise, creativity, resources, and capital to drive renewal across the Diocese of Bridgeport.

As Bishop Frank J. Caggiano reminds us,

“For the Church to be renewed, we must unlock the talents that have been given to us. And for the Church to grow, we need to collaborate.”

Through the Bishop's Appeal One in Christ, your support makes this vital work possible.

As of April 17, we have received \$64,590 from 143 donors bringing the parish to 47% of its \$136,300 goal.

2026BishopsAppeal.org



CONFESSION

MON: Christ the King, 7-8pm; *cancelled on Holy Days & Civic Holidays*

TUE: St. Catherine's, 6:30-9pm; *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, 4-4:45pm;

St. Pius X, 4-5pm;

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

SUN: St. Lawrence, 11-11:30am

St. Theresa, 7-7:30am, 8:30-9am,

10-10:30am, 11:30am-12pm

“GOD NEVER TIRES OF FORGIVING US.

WE ARE THE ONES WHO TIRE OF SEEKING HIS MERCY.”

- POPE FRANCIS



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NEXT WEEKEND'S READINGS Deacon Toole leads an in-depth look at the readings for the coming weekend with explanation, prayer, & discussion. Weds 6:30pm, Church Hall. FREE.

THE SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY: God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him. Whoever believes in him will not be condemned, but whoever does not believe has already been condemned, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God. *John 3:16-18*

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