Welcome

Sacrament of Reconciliation
(Confession)
with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:
Tue: 6pm - 8pm

Daily Mass:
Mon-Thu: 7:30am
Fri: 9:00am
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.

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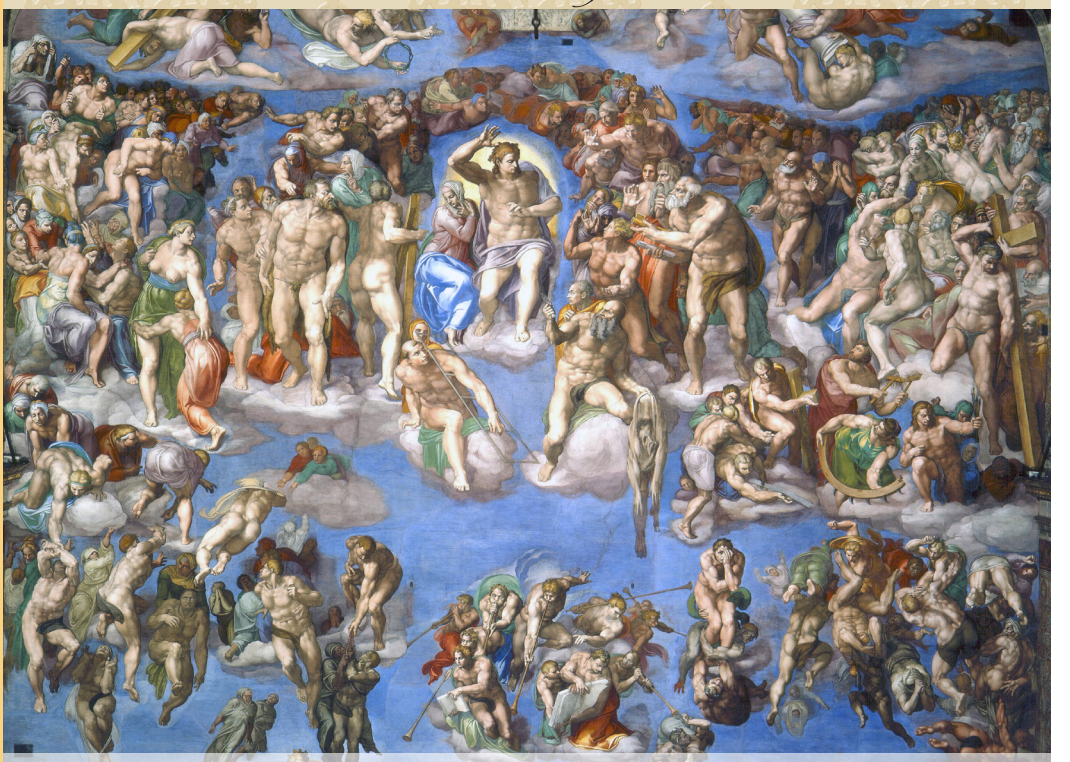

The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe: November 22, 2026

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LITURGICAL SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 22, 2026

Mon, Nov. 23: **St. Clement I**
7:30AM ✞ Robert C. Kaeser, Sr.

Tue, Nov. 24: **St. Andrew Dũng-Lac and Companions**
7:30AM ✞ Cecelia & Frank Farino
7:00PM *Parish Mass of Thanksgiving*
6:00PM-8:00PM *NO Confession*

Wed, Nov. 25: **St. Catherine of Alexandria**
7:30AM ✞ Cliff Pereira

Thu, Nov. 26: **THANKSGIVING DAY**
NO Mass

Fri, Nov. 27:
NO Mass

Sat, Nov. 28: THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT *(Anticipated)*
4:00PM ✞ Rose Jeffery
7:15PM Our Parishioners

Sun, Nov. 29: THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT
7:30AM ✞ Thomas Ivanovich
9:00AM ✞ Michael Mackno
11:00AM ✞ Stella & Henry Dardinski



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 & Frances Inzerra.**



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 ofthe **Jack D'Angelo.**



SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE: We congratulates **Brian and Danielle (Giacinto) McKenna,** who were united in Holy Matrimony on Saturday, November 14, 2026.



PARISH MASS OF THANKSGIVING: TUE, NOV 24 AT 7PM
Please join us for this favorite annual celebration of our thanks for God's many blessings. Adoration & Confession will NOT take place on Tue, Nov 24, due to the Parish Mass of Thanksgiving.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS: To allow our Parish Staff time to celebrate the Thanksgiving holiday with their families, the Parish Office will be CLOSED Wed, Nov 25 through Fri, Nov 27. The office will reopen on Mon, Nov 30, at 9am. Daily Mass on Nov 25 will take place at 7:30am. Mass will not take place on Nov 26 or 27.

ST. CATHERINE'S WARMLY WELCOMES anyone who is new to our area, anyone who is searching for the truth, or anyone who is lookingfor 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.



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

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 family of **Kathryn M. Balunek,** our prayerful sympathy in the hope of Christ's Resurrection.



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.

A GRAND CELEBRATION

Special thanks to everyone who came out for our fourth annual Grandparent Day!





It was heartwarming to see so many families — parents, grandparents and grandchildren— at Mass. And boy was the church packed!! Then, more than 100 family members and friends gathered at the Family Center to enjoy a walk down memory lane with movies and music from the 50s, 60s, 70s & today, solved word searches together, and created new memories with a family photo at our selfie-station!

Huge thank you to Brother Knights of Council #5806 - **Gary Vastola, Bob Cavallero, Tom Minar, Pat Sebastiano, Mike Piscatelli, Ray Gombos, Jeff DeVito and his daughters Josephine and Gloria, Ray Jakabcin** - for providing hospitality for the event bringing coffee, tea, hot chocolate & goodies and for co-hosting the day. We are also very grateful to our State Warden **Jeff Dussettschleger** who visited St. Catherine's for the special occasion. We were thrilled to have you with us on Sunday!







THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

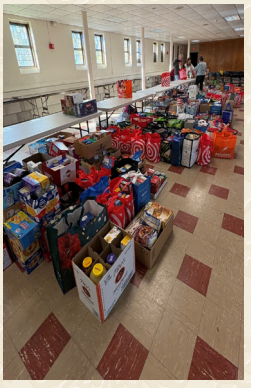
We are thrilled to report that this year's Thanksgiving Food Drive far exceeded our expectations! Again, our parishioners demonstrated their wonderful spirit of generosity. TEN cars—packed to the hilt—were delivered to Blessed Sacrament Church, St. Charles Borromeo Church, St. Mary Church, the Convent of Mary Immaculate, the Trumbull Food Pantry. Our 34 volunteers provided more than 75 hours of service.



A very special thank you to the St. Catherine of Siena School, Rel Ed, Youth Group and our parishioners for their generous support of our annual drive.

A huge thank you to all of our dedicated volunteers without whom this drive would not be possible: **Ray and Sharon Jakabcin, Jerry and Sue Spillane, Bob and Jeannie Cavallero, Erich and Amy Tusch, Mark and Chris Gurevitz, Jack and Janet Lett, Scott and Suzanne Smaniotto, Anthony Smaniotto, Kimberly and Ivy Durvas, Susan Sewersky, Gloria Bender, Eric Vogel, Katie Miller-Creagh, Joseph Miller, Aundrea Eichman, Pat McGannon, Mike Shea, Naomi Macari, Michael Hashemi, George Milano, Mike DiToro, Paul Halverson, Joe LeMay, Roger Bernhammer, Carmine DeFeo, Mike Piscatelli.**





Thanks to **Scott Smaniotto** for organizing and running the drive. We couldn't do any of this without you! Lastly, thanks go out to our **Knights of Columbus Council #5806** for all of their efforts with organizing and conducting this vital drive!

Scott Smaniotto Director of Community Programs Knights of Columbus Council #5806
Eric Vogel, Coordinator for Social Justice and Charitable Outreach: Caritas@stcatherinetrumbull.com

Advent 2026

'Tis the season to make some time for peace and prayer to prepare our hearts for the coming of Christ at Christmas.

Mass

SAT at 4pm & 7:15pm
SUN at 7:30am, 9am, 11am
MON-THU: 7:30am, *followed by Rosary,* FRI: 9am

Adoration

TUE, DEC 1, 15, 22: 6-9pm
FRI, DEC 4: 10am-3pm

During one of the most hectic times of the year, we're happy to provide this oasis of peace and quiet, in the presence of Our Lord Himself, in the Blessed Sacrament.

Confession

TUE, DEC 1, 15, 22: 6-9pm

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

Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception

TUE, DEC 8: Mass at 7pm
Mass is also celebrated at 7:30am & 12:10pm

Our Blessed Mother, under the title of the Immaculate Conception, is the Patroness of the USA. Our celebrations will honor Our Lady & ask her protection on our country, our families, & our parish.

Christmas Tree Lighting, Carols & Cocoa

SAT, DEC 12: *follows the 4pm Mass.*

Join us for a special tradition at St. Catherine's. Following the 4pm Mass on Sat, Dec 12, we'll go to the front lawn for our Eleventh Annual Tree Lighting! Hot Chocolate & Cookies to follow!

Christmas Opłatki

Available in the Sacristy after Mass or at the Parish Office. $2 per package.

Bambinelli Sunday

SUN, DEC 20: *at the 9am Mass.*

Bring your figurine of the Baby Jesus from your home Nativity for a special blessing on the Fourth Sunday of Advent.

Annual Parish Giving Tree

Provide essentials and cheer for families in need at St. Charles Borromeo Church, Blessed Sacrament Church, St. Mary Church, The Convent of Mary Immaculate, The McGivney Center.

The Giving Tree will be in the Church Lobby on TUE, NOV 24. Collect an ornament *(or more)* and fulfill the wish listed on the card. Gifts should be returned with the ornament securely attached during Drive Through collection on SAT, DEC 12 or to the Church Lobby by DEC 13.

Ways to Donate:
Drive-Through Sat, Dec 12, 10am-12pm.
At any Mass through Dec 13.
Financial donations welcome.
Use online giving with the QR code here or the link on our Parish Website. Or mail a check to the Parish Office. Write "Giving Tree" in the memo line.
Surplus funds will be directed to the organizations.

Info: Christmas@stcatherinetrumbull.com

If you or someone you know is in need of help this Advent and Christmas season, please let us know.

ROSARY WALK



More than 75 parishioners joined Father Marcello, Deacon Angiolillo, and the team of MCs after the 11am Mass last Sunday to pray the Glorious Mysteries of the Rosary in Nichols Village Cemetery. Among them were members of Knights of Columbus Council 5806, the Parish Youth Group, and families from our Rel Ed program. *November is especially dedicated to prayer for the faithful departed, so they prayed for departed members of St. Catherine's parish as well as those buried in the cemetery there.*









#GIVINGTUESDAY - DEC 1

The World's Biggest Day of Generosity. This year, #GivingTuesday takes place on Tue, Dec 1. St. Catherine's invites you to participate in #GivingTuesday in the following powerful and prayerful ways:

- Make a financial pledge to the **Annual Parish Appeal**
- Participate in the **Annual Parish Giving Tree** (details in this bulletin and at StCathTrumbull.com)
- Come to **Adoration** on Tuesday, Dec 1, anytime between 6-9pm, and offer your prayers for someone.

Gingerbread Bash

Mark your calendar and join us for St. Catherine's 5th Annual Gingerbread Bash — a special day for the whole family!

Build a gingerbread nativity while preparing for the birth of Jesus. You'll hear the Christmas story, sing songs, play games, & discover the good news of Jesus through candy canes. *It's a truly sweet way for your family to prepare for the birth of Jesus!*

Join us for the Gingerbread Bash on Sun, Dec 6, *follows the 9am Mass. $20/family includes one nativity kit & breakfast. Additional nativity kits are $10/each.*

You're absolutely not going to want to miss it!

Scan this QR code to register.

Capacity limited. Registration closes at capacity or by Sun, Nov 29.

RELIGIOUS ED



Confirmation: Registration forms for Confirmation are Past Due. If you haven't submitted yours, please email them in ASAP.

Saint and Seek: This month, we're talking about **Our Lady of Mercy.** Bring your kids to Mass at St. Catherine's anytime during the month of October. SEEK and FIND a little gift to take home! Our gift to you is at the window for St. Charles Borromeo. His feast day was on the 4th of this month.

Classes This Week! Class on Nov 22. No Class 11/24 or 11/25

Leah DeVito, DRE: reled@stcatherinetrumbull.com

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

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Last Sunday, the youth group discussed God's mercy, the sacrament of confession, and how to prepare well - as we approach Advent - for the coming of Christ.

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!!**

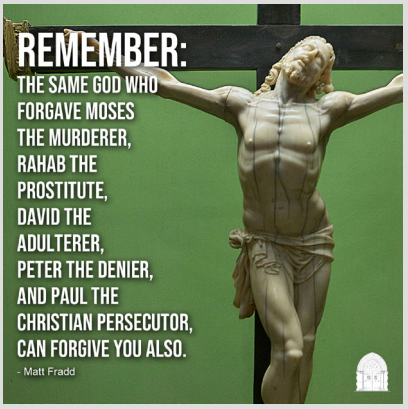
EVERY SUNDAY | 6-8pm
INFO: RKingsbury@stcatherinetrumbull.com

GOSPEL: FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT



Jesus said to his disciples: "Be watchful! Be alert! You do not know when the time will come. It is like a man traveling abroad. He leaves home and places his servants in charge, each with his own work, and orders the gatekeeper to be on the watch. Watch, therefore; you do not know when the lord of the house is coming, whether in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or in the morning. May he not come suddenly and find you sleeping. What I say to you, I say to all: 'Watch!'" *Mark 13: 33-37*

CONFESSIONS



Remember: the same God who forgave Moses the murderer, Rahab the prostitute, David the adulterer, Peter the denier, and Paul the Christian persecutor, can forgive you also.

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

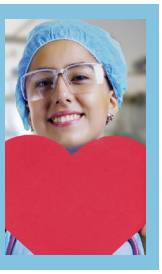
FRI: St. Theresa, 7:30-8am, 4:30-5:30pm

SAT: St. Lawrence, Shelton, 4-4:45pm;
St. Mark, Stratford, 3:30-4:30pm;
St. Stephen, 3:30-4:30pm;
Christ the King, 4-4:45pm;
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

Resources for adults, teens & kids are at stcathtrumbull.com to help you prepare.

PARISH NURSES



Blood Pressure Screenings:
THIS Weekend: NOV 21/22. Looking ahead, next session will be: Dec 19/20. After the 4pm Mass on Sat after all Masses on Sun. Info: **Cheryl Basztura 203-261-5851**



2026 ANNUAL PARISH APPEAL

Our mission of faith, worship, & service here at St. Catherine's is a rock of stability for our parishioners and our larger community. Together with our Parish Finance Council & Trustees, we are reaching out to everyone in our Parish, asking everyone's active participation in this year's Appeal.

The 2026 Annual Parish Appeal goal is $150,000, which enables us to meet the ongoing, fixed costs of maintaining our beautiful campus, and help to stay current with fixed operating costs.

Donate Online securely with our Online Giving Platform. The link is on the parish website: stcathtrumbull.com

All of us make up St. Catherine's. Every gift counts. We are so grateful that you are a part of our Parish Community. Thank you.



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;* **Hudson Gershon,** *Marine Recruit;* **Matthew Ferrante,** *USArmy.*



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 November 14-15, 2026
Weekly: $3,724 Monthly: $345 Online: $10,406
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