



The fifth
Sunday in
Ordinary Time:
February 9, 2025

Rev. William F. Platt, *Pastor*

Rev. Christopher J. Perrella, *Parochial Vicar*

Deacon Renato Berzolla

Deacon Robert Henrey, *Retired*

Deacon John Linsenmeyer

Deacon Eduardo Rodrigues

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sunday

7:30 AM – Mass, St. Catherine's Church

9:00 AM – Family Mass, St. Catherine's Church

10:30 AM – Traditional Mass, St. Catherine's Church

5:00 PM – Teen Mass, St. Catherine's Church

MASSES IN OTHER LANGUAGES

St. Catherine's Church

6:30 PM – Spanish Mass

St. Agnes Chapel

11:00 AM – French Mass - 2nd Sunday of the month

– Italian Mass - 3rd Sunday of the month

Saturday

3:00 — 4:00 PM – Confessions at St. Catherine's Church

(Specific dates confirmed weekly in bulletin.)

5:00 PM – Vigil Mass, St. Catherine's Church

Daily

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday

7:00 AM – Daily Mass, St. Catherine's Church

5:15 PM – Daily Mass, St. Agnes Chapel

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Wednesdays – 8:30 AM — 4:00 PM,

St. Catherine's Church

Rosary

Tuesdays – 6:00 PM, St. Agnes Chapel

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Parish Office Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00 AM-4:00 PM
Saturday 10:00 AM-1:00 PM

Please call the Parish Office to schedule dates for
Baptisms, Weddings and Sacrament of Reconciliation
(1st Saturday of every month or by appointment)

This week's READINGS

Sunday: Is 6:1-2a, 3-8; 1 Cor 15:1-11 or 15:3-8, 11; Lk 5:1-11

Monday: Gn 1:1-19; Mk 6:53-56

Tuesday: Gn 1:20—2:4a; Mk 7:1-13

Wednesday: Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17; Mk 7:14-23

Thursday: Gn 2:18-25; Mk 7:24-30

Friday: Gn 3:1-8; Mk 7:31-37

Saturday: Gn 3:9-24; Mk 8:1-10

Mass Intentions & Celebrants Schedule

Saturday, February 8

3:00 – 4:00 PM **Confessions**
Celebrant: Fr. Christopher F. Perrella

5:00 PM **Intention:** Frances Funke
Celebrant: Fr. Lionel Pacheco

Sunday, February 9

7:30 AM **Intention:** Jean, Dottie, Patricia, Doreen & Jo
Celebrant: Fr. Christopher F. Perrella

9:00 AM **Intention:** Carl & Ursula Van Aken
Celebrant: Msgr. Alan F. Detscher

10:30 AM **Intention:** Jeannemarie Baker (living)
Celebrant: Fr. Christopher F. Perrella

5:00 PM **Intention:** All Parishioners of STC-STA
Celebrant: Fr. William F. Platt

6:30 PM **Intention:** David Moreno
Celebrant: Fr. Agustin Espina

Monday, February 10

7:00 AM **Intention:** William Kelly

5:15 PM **Intention:** Patricia Ann Urso

Tuesday, February 11

7:00 AM **Intention:** Gretta Maguire & Esther Donaghy

5:15 PM **Intention:** Milka & Zoran Jerkovic

Thursday, February 13

7:00 AM **Intention:** Donald C. Hardin, III

5:15 PM **Intention:** Christine E. Woods

Friday, February 14

7:00 AM **Intention:** Stephen Wilson

5:15 PM **Intention:** Terence Cunniffe

Saturday, February 15

3:00 – 4:00 PM **Confessions**
Celebrant: Fr. Christopher F. Perrella

5:00 PM **Intention:** Frank Pulick
Celebrant: Fr. Lionel Pacheco

Sunday, February 16

7:30 AM **Intention:** Annunziata & Lorenzo Nania,
Rose & Frank Bombace

Celebrant: Fr. Christopher F. Perrella

9:00 AM **Intention:** Glenn Gomez
Celebrant: Msgr. Alan F. Detscher

10:30 AM **Intention:** All Parishioners of STC-STA
Celebrant: Fr. Christopher F. Perrella

11:00 AM **Intention:** Antonio Lisio
Celebrant: Msgr. Alan F. Detscher

5:00 PM **Intention:** Marica Kalaw
Celebrant: Fr. William F. Platt

6:30 PM **Intention:** Josephina Martinez
Celebrant: Fr. Agustin Espina

*Schedule subject to change

PARISH NEWS



Please pray for the sick members of our parish, especially for:

Scion Estrella Wilmar Acevedo Joan Bartilucci Claudia Bouchard John Hickey
Stephen Cheung Loretta DiMaio Bonnie Elezaby Barbara Weltz Jay Bartomioli
Tom Maigret Faustino Garcia Morales Vinnie Yax Leslie Nash Olga Iacobazzo
Lorraine Mallen Cecilia Maravilla Monica Patino Hugo Bernal Maria Cano
Catherine Colangelo Deacon Eduardo Rodrigues

Please also pray for the deceased members of our Parish, especially for: **Gregory Paul Purdy, Patricia Ann Urso & Donald Carson**

PARISH SUPPORT



Thank you for supporting your Parish.

Sunday February 2, 2025: \$7,413

Online Giving for the week: \$3,570

Total Offertory: \$10,983

Last Year: \$9,219

1) If you prefer to make your donations online, please consider using one of the following:

Online Giving (OLG) allows you to make your Sunday Offertory and all other donations by credit card or bank check. Visit www.stc-sta.org/stewardship/online-giving

2) Scan our QR code :



*St. Catherine of Siena and St. Agnes
congratulates & welcomes*

Paige Rose Muller

*Baptized into God's family on
February 1, 2025*



An Important Note About Accessible Parking and Entry Doors:

With our exterior church renovation complete, we now have a total of eight (8) parking spaces in proximity to the church for our parishioners with mobility issues. During weekend and weekday mass times there will be four (4) spaces reserved for handicapped parking in front of the rectory and an additional four (4) spaces in the lower parking lot adjacent to the parish hall side entrance. From there, you can use the elevator up to the church. Please note that two of the spaces in front of the rectory will be marked for accessible parking at all times, along with all four of the spaces in the lower lot.

At the main entrance in the front of the church, the lefthand-side door remains an assisted entrance with an automated door that is controlled by an exterior and an interior button. The lower-level parish hall entrance also has an automated door that can be opened from both the outside and inside.



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TICKETS



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February 28 + March 7 at 8 pm

March 1 + March 8 at 7 pm

March 2 + March 9 at 2 pm



Emmaus Retreat

The weekend retreat provides a safe, non-judgmental environment to reignite and deepen one's faith through prayer, discussion, and meals. Through presentations, small group discussions and other activities, the Emmaus retreat provides opportunities to share feelings, experiences, and challenges as we strive to live a faith-based life and help guide our families and our communities on the right path.

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT:

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YOUNG CATHOLIC
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Young Catholic Professionals Fairfield County. a group of Catholic young adults dedicated to serving Catholics aged 21-39 through faith-based networking, mentorship, and professional development opportunities.

Upcoming Events:

AI and the Soul: Faith-Centered Strategies for Technology in Daily Life

- **Date:** February 21, 2025
- **Time:** 6:30 PM Networking | 7:20 PM Talk
- **Location:** The Mansion at St. Philip's, Norwalk
- **Description:** Explore the rise of artificial intelligence and how Catholics can thoughtfully respond to and use these technologies in their lives.

You Inc. - Unlocking the Power of Your Personal Brand

- **Date:** March 14, 2025
- **Time:** 6:30 PM Networking | 7:20 PM Talk
- **Location:** The Mansion at St. Philip's, Norwalk
- **Description:** Discover how to shape your unique identity, elevate your influence, and create a brand that drives lasting success.

Those interested can visit www.youngcatholicprofessionals.org/chapter/fairfield-county or follow us on social media at [@YCPFairfieldCounty](https://www.instagram.com/YCPFairfieldCounty)

PARISH NEWS



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Share the Love on Valentine's Day

Potluck Supper & "Undies" Collection

 Please join us in sharing as a community this day that celebrates love & friendship and at the same time kick off the collection for the Undies Project.

February 14, 2025 6:00pm -8:30pm ♥ Lucey Parish Hall

BYO Happy Hour ♥ Dinner ♥ Dessert

 Suggested items to share:

 Beverages, Appetizers, Main Dish, Vegetables, Sides, Salads & Desserts

 We will also be collecting, NEW undergarments for women, men & children in need.

 Undergarment donations MUST be NEW and in ORIGINAL packaging.


Please RSVP by February 11, 2025

 Please email: psloane22@gmail.com

THIS WEEK ON

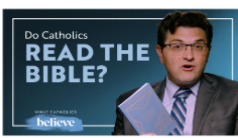
FORMED

 Week of February 09, 2025




Sts. Benedict and Scholastica | Littlest Saints

 A pair of holy twins, a cave, and a group of naughty monks... this is the story of Saint Benedict and Saint Scholastica.



The Bible (Part 2) | What Catholics Believe

 Join Dr. Mark Giszczak as he answers some of the Internet's most popular questions about the Bible. What is the difference between the Old Testament and the New Testament? Do Catholics read the Bible? Find out in this episode of What Catholics Believe.



Catholic Community

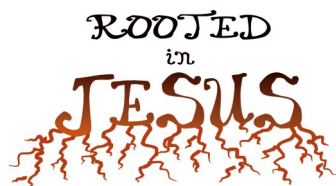
 Based on the historical records and the personal testimony of his fellow friars, this is the amazing true story of the life of the famous stigmatic monk, St. Padre Pio, a contemporary saint who died in 1968.

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"When he had finished speaking he said to Simon, 'Put out into deep water and lower your nets for a catch.' Simon answered, 'Master, we have been hard at it all night long and have caught nothing, but if you say so I will lower the nets'. Upon doing this they caught such a great number of fish, that their nets were at the breaking point... At the sight of this, Simon Peter fell at the feet of Jesus saying 'Leave me Lord, I am a sinful man.'"

Remember when Jesus met the brothers, they were fishermen, destined to be fishers of men. The scene can be easily reproduced – the sea, boats, lapping water, the aroma of fish, but that is not the point. I too, am part of the picture. I'm in the boat, and now?

May we see the boat as our church. May we respond as Simon did and 'lower the net,' reach out to someone who is around us, but not yet responding to our invitation. Drop the net again telling them of what Jesus, the church, the sacraments mean for them. Come on board, Peter the fisherman responded and then began a new mission. We are Simon Peter for others today.



On behalf of Jewish Family Services of Greenwich, we would like to express our heartfelt gratitude for your generous contribution to our holiday gift drive. Your purchase of gift cards, valued at \$750, brought joy and warmth to the children and families we serve during this special season.

At JFS of Greenwich, we are dedicated to bridging gaps in services and fostering dignity and choice for all. Your support makes a tangible difference in the lives of those we serve, particularly during the holidays when hope and connection are so vital.

Rachel Kornfeld
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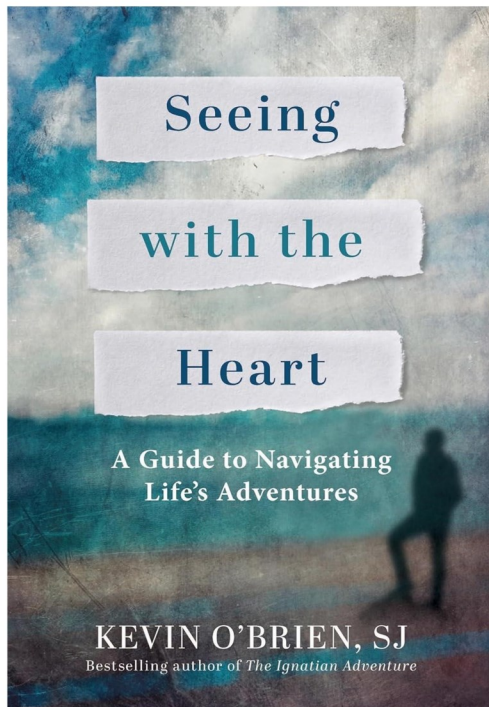
Volunteer Opportunity: Share Your Time and Compassion!

Our Parish Partners Ministry of Hope is seeking kind-hearted volunteers to support our homebound parishioners. Many of them are unable to attend Sunday Mass or receive Holy Communion in person. But you can help by offering your time to either:

- Visit homebound parishioners to bring them the Holy Eucharist
- Provide rides to Saturday or Sunday Mass for those who need transport

If you have a few hours to spare each month and would love to serve others in this rewarding ministry of outreach, we would be deeply grateful. Whether you're able to drive someone to church or visit them at home, your generosity will be a true blessing.

To sign up or learn more, please contact Jeannemarie Baker at (203) 637-3661 (ext. 375) or ParishPartners@stc-sta.org. Thank you for considering this meaningful opportunity to share Christ's love with our fellow parishioners!



All women are invited to a Women's Spiritual Book Group

Join us for an 8-week study of Father Kevin O'Brien's book "Seeing with the Heart".

When: Thursdays 10-11:30am

Where: St. Catherine of Siena & St. Agnes Lucey Parish Hall

Opening Kickoff Thursday, January 23

Book Group Discussions Jan. 30 – Mar. 20 (snow day: 3/27)

Please [register online](#) (no fee) and [purchase book](#).

*** Includes talk by Father O'Brien in the Chapel after 5pm Mass on Sunday, January 26***

Questions? Contact wwpstcathct@gmail.com

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NEW DAY BEREAVEMENT PROGRAM SPRING SESSION REGISTRATION NOW OPEN:

Wednesday mornings 10:00 – 11:30am March 5 – April 30
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Your loss may be recent or long ago. We are here to help you on your journey to healing where you are invited to share your story, and to find comfort in a supportive, confidential environment. God will support you in your sorrow, and He will walk with you as you begin your journey through loss to healing. Meetings take place in a small-group confidential setting at: Parish of St. Catherine of Siena & St. Agnes 4 Riverside Avenue Riverside, CT 06878 Meetings are led by trained bereavement facilitators. There is no charge. Please submit a Program Inquiry Form on the following website: Ctcemeteries.org/newday or contact Jeannemarie at 203-637-3661 – ext. 375 at the Parish Partners Ministry





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