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DECEMBER 27, 2020

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Rev. Mark D'Silva, *Parochial Vicar*
Rev. Christopher Johnson, *Resident Priest*

Deacon Renato Berzolla
Deacon Vincent Heidenreich
Deacon Robert Henrey, *Retired*
Deacon John Linsenmeyer
Deacon Eduardo Rodrigues

SACRAMENTAL SCHEDULE

Our updated Mass Schedule, Attendance Guidelines / Directions and *SignUpGenius* link are posted on the **Home Page** of our website at: www.STC-STA.org

Please note: Per guidelines from Bishop Caggiano, everyone must sign up to attend weekend Masses in person.

[VIEW THE LIVESTREAM from LocalLive link HERE](#)

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Parish Office Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00 AM-2:00 PM

Saturday 9:00 AM-1:00 PM

Faith Formation Office Hours:

By appointment—please call Kelly Myers at extension 328.

Mass Intentions

Sunday, December 27

8:30 AM Helen and William Lumzer

Rosaria and Lorenzo Bria

10:30 AM Raffaele, Antonio and Pietro Diaso

Maria and donato Sinisi

11:00 AM For All Parishioners

Monday, December 28

7:00 AM Elizabeth Sorese

Giuseppe Antonio Pollifrone

Tuesday, December 29

7:00 AM Helen and Jim Toth

Wednesday, December 30

7:00 AM Anthony Lofrisco

Thursday, December 31

7:00 AM Mr. and Mrs. Daniel J. O'Donnell, Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. John J Fanning

Friday, January 1

7:00 AM All Parishioners

Saturday, January 2

5:00 PM Rocco and Carmela Capalbo and

Deceased Family Members

Sunday, January 3

8:30 AM Robert Silva

10:30 AM Marion and Thomas Dobson

Sally and Raymond Urso

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

(Individual only)

Please call the Rectory to arrange for a Baptism and a Pre-Baptism Session for parents.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Please call the Rectory 9-12 months before proposed wedding date to arrange for marriage preparation.

Please access **Daily Readings** at this web link:

<http://usccb.org/bible/readings/>

Financial Report: Sunday Offertory

(for the last four weekends)

November 21 & 22 SC & SA\$13,405*

Special Donations\$170**

November 28 & 29 SC & SA\$7,358*

Special Donations\$330**

December 5 & 6 SC & SA\$15,1378*

Special Donations\$250**

December 12 & 13 SC & SA\$28,999*

Christmas Donations\$11,140

Other Holidays\$380

*Offertory includes **Monthly, Annual** (AEG) and **Online Giving** (OLG)

****Special Donations** to Parish for help with ongoing Operating Budget

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Worship Schedule: Special Event on January 1

Solemnity of Mary

7:00 AM at St. Catherine's Church
- *In-person* and *Livestream*
Celebrant - Fr. William F. Platt

12:10 PM at St. Catherine's Church
- *In-person* and *Livestream*
Celebrant - Fr. Mark D'Silva



All **Worship Schedules** are posted on the *Home Page* of our website: www.stc-sta.org. Please sign up for in-person attendance using the *Sign-up Genius* link:

<https://tinyurl.com/AttendMass>

Our Fond Farewell. . .

Thank you to Fr. Mark D'Silva for all of his work and ministry at our parish. On **January 2, 2021** he will begin his ministry as the *Parochial Administrator* of *Sacred Heart Church* in Greenwich. Fr. Mark has been a blessing and will be missed. **We will celebrate him** when it is safe to gather after the pandemic.



*The Parish of
St. Catherine of Siena and St. Agnes
congratulates and welcomes*

John Lyons Labella

&

Adrian Nicholas Yukich

*Baptized into God's family on
December 19, 2020*



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

Matt Massulli Lucy Mendenhall Lina Iacono
Deacon Vincent Heidenreich Rose Fiorita
Frank Hyson Sheila Raymond Olga Iacobazzo
Barbara Weltz Isabel Ballesteros
Mark J. Marino

*Please also pray for the deceased members
of our parish.*

PLEASE NOTE:

- **Fr. Christopher Johnson** will be away from December 11, 2020 to January 14, 2020.
- **Fraudulent E-mails and Text Messages** continue to be sent to our parishioners from **FAKE accounts** while **appearing to come from Fr. Platt**. Please be assured that his **true address is Pastor@stc-sta.org**, and he would **NEVER** ask for money through e-mails or texts!

2020 Thanks-Is-Giving Appeal Status

Total Donations as of December 13, 2020:
\$112,575.

If you would like to make your donation to **The 2020 TIG** campaign now via our **ONLINE GIVING** tool, [click here](#) or visit our parish website at www.stc-sta.org/giving/online-giving. Donations can also be mailed to the rectory at **4 Riverside Avenue, Riverside, CT 06878.**

Thank you for your consideration and support!



Of one heart and mind
-ACTS 4:32

Invitation to Apply for Students

All High School or College Age (only) students are invited to apply to be part of the **St. C and St. A Student Cares Team** that decides how to spend the *COVID-19 Relief Funds* we have raised this year through our *Thanks-Is-Giving (TIG)* campaign.

If you are interested in applying to be part of this team, please fill out this form: [Click Here](#) or go to <https://forms.gle/tQhi9BYdiDRSeSB4A>.

Interviews will take place the week of **January 4th** and the committee will be in place to begin their work by **January 15th**. If you have any questions, please email Lori Wilson at Lori.Wilson@stc-sta.org

FAITH FORMATION for YOUTH and ADULTS

Youth Faith Formation

God, our heavenly Father,

In Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, we see a model of family love.

Help our family mirror the understanding, patience and acceptance, we see in this Holy Family.

We pray that our home can be a place of safety for each member.

Help us to treasure the time we have together, to look for the best in each other, to forgive quickly, and to mirror the love you have for us.

We pray that all families live in peace, without violence, rejection, or division.

We thank you for each member of our family!

Amen

Written by Lori Wilson



Adult Faith Formation



Spiritual Direction

Enter holy ground...if you have a desire to deepen your faith and get in touch with your God Moments, moments when you know for sure that God is present, Spiritual Direction might be the answer. It is for anyone who is seeking a deeper connection with God. You and the director look at God's movement and presence in your life.

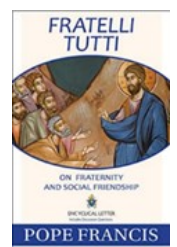
Please email Lori Wilson if you are interested at Lori.Wilson@stc-sta.org.

Fratelli Tutti – Third Encyclical - by Pope Francis

In this encyclical, the pope reflects on human solidarity and friendship. He addresses women and men as his sisters and brothers and calls us to consider what our familial connection calls us to.

Our next meeting will be on December 28th at 7:00 PM via *Zoom* to discuss Chapter 3.

You can purchase or download a free copy from the internet. Please email Lori Wilson at Lori.Wilson@stc-sta.org if you are interested so that she can forward the *Zoom* invite.



COMMUNITY NEWS



St. Catherine's Support Circle

presents. . .

Job Search for Challenging Times: Tips for Resilience, Well-being, Mindfulness and More!

via Zoom

Thursday, January 7, 2021 from 7:00-8:30 PM

Start 2021 off well! Join Miranda DeSantis, HR leader and mindfulness practitioner to learn about practices and tools you can implement right away to feel clear, calm and energized to take the actions needed to boost your job search. During this interactive session Miranda will share tips for stress management, cultivating a mindset for success and energy management

[Click here](http://www.stc-sta.org/community-life/st-catherine-s-support-circle) (www.stc-sta.org/community-life/st-catherine-s-support-circle) for details on what you'll learn from this session and RSVP information. **RSVP is required.**

Luke McQuillan's Holiday Fundraiser



for Yale New Haven Children's Hospital

It's that time of year again...for Luke McQuillan's Holiday Fundraiser for Tween and Teen Patients at Yale New Haven Children's Hospital!

Please watch Luke's 2-minute video with important Covid-related changes for 2020. Click on the YouTube link below.

<https://youtu.be/BWyEATMqtdM>

If you are able to support these kids, please click on the second link below.

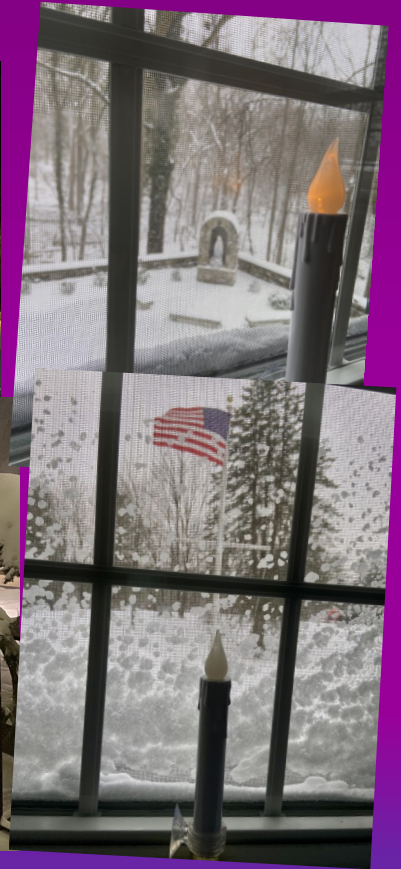
<http://www.givetoynhh.org/lukefundraiser>

We wish you all a Happy and Healthy Holiday Season!

The McQuillan Family
Thomas, Meg, Genna and Luke

FAVORITE PIX of the WEEK

St. Agnes campus embracing the snow and the season!



Blessings abound at St. Catherine's!

Last week's 7 trunks full of donations for *Neighbor-to-Neighbor* - a record for us! Thanks in large part to the work of 10 year-old Conor O'Brien who mobilized students at the *International School at Dundee* to join him in his mission to help feed our neighbors in need. "And a little child will lead them. . ."



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