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ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA AND ST. AGNES

Of one heart and mind

-ACTS 4:32



I should like you to be free of anxieties.

The Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 31, 2021

Rev. William F. Platt, Pastor
Rev. Christopher Johnson, Priest in Residence

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.

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.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Confessions will take place on the 1st Saturday of every month at St. Agnes Church or by appointment.

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

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

Mass Intentions and Celebrant Schedule

Sunday, January 31

8:30 AM **Intention:** Vivienne Finn

Celebrant: Msgr. Alan F. Detscher

10:30 AM **Intention:** Mugan and Joyce Families

Celebrant: Fr. William F. Platt

Monday, February 1

7:00 AM Joseph DeSimon

Tuesday, February 2

7:00 AM Wyatt Butler

Thursday, February 4

7:00 AM Bernice Teporter

Mary Anne Riccio

Friday, February 5

7:00 AM Marcel & Anna D'Silva

Saturday, February 6

5:00 PM Michael Lombardo

Sunday, February 7

8:30 AM Earl V. Fleig

10:30 AM Bonnie Bancroft

Financial Report: Sunday Offertory

(for the last four weekends)

January 2 & 3 SC & SA	\$18,100*
Christmas Donations	\$21,140
January 9 & 10 SC & SA	\$14,223*
Christmas Donations	\$3,920
Other Holidays	\$95
January 16 & 17 SC & SA	\$14,919*
Christmas Donations	\$1,650
January 23 & 24 SC & SA	\$8,303*
Christmas Donations	\$505

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

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

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

2020 Thanks-Is-Giving Appeal Status

Total Donations as of January 24, 2021: **\$150,053**
(includes COVID Relief Fund).

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!



Congratulations to our new *St. Catherine of Siena and St. Agnes* **Student Cares Team!**

All High School or College Age (only) students were invited to apply to be part of the **STC and STA 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. The students accepted to this team are:

Adriana Jones	Catherine Ruf
Molly Kriskey	Cristofer Santanna
Amy Maher	Karina Sethi
Claire Maher	Patrick Sullivan
Bryn McConnell	Mark Vollmer
Alex Robles	

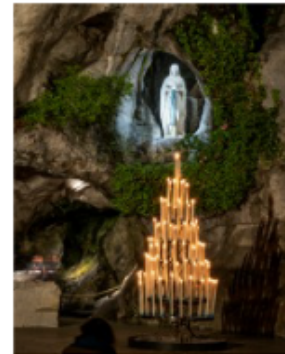
They will begin their work discerning how and where to distribute the **\$20,000** raised for COVID relief.

World Day of Prayer for the Sick

Thursday, February 11, 2021
7 PM on Zoom

All, especially the sick, the handicapped, and the frail are invited to a virtual celebration of the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes and World Day of Prayer for the Sick.

This evening will include Mass and the spiritual blessing of the sick, followed by a recitation of the Rosary.



Register at

<https://forms.gle/Ynrzmdmohblmnhpi7> or focus your smart phone cameras on the QR Code →



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

Robert Adovasio	Isabel Ballesteros	Patrick Colangelo	Rose Fiorita
Deacon Vincent Heidenreich	Olga Iacobazzo	Lina Iacono	Mark J. Marino
Matt Massulli	Lucy Mendenhall	Joe Roe	Barbara Weltz

Please also pray for the deceased members of our parish, especially for

Christopher "CJ" Ceci (1-16-21)

FAITH FORMATION for YOUTH and ADULTS

Youth Faith Formation

Please refer to the Parish website for more details (www.stc-sta.org).

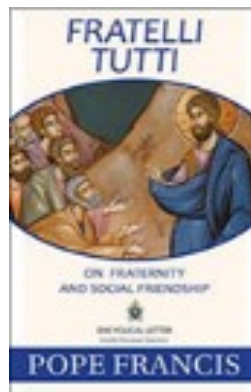


Adult Faith Formation



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 **February 15th** at **7:00 PM** via Zoom link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88692914895>

You can purchase or download a free copy from the internet. If you are interested, please email Lori Wilson at Lori.Wilson@stc-sta.org to confirm your attendance.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Food drive for New Covenant Center January 30 and 31

**NEW
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CENTER**

focused on
hunger prevention
and social services
for a better life

A PROGRAM OF CATHOLIC CHARITIES

The Social Justice Committee of St. Catherine and St. Agnes will be sponsoring a collection of non-perishable food items for New Covenant Center in Stamford on the weekend of January 30 and 31. Donated food can be left on the stairs to the right as you enter St. Catherine's church and in the vestibule at St. Agnes.

The mission of New Covenant Center is to provide a nutritious meal to all those who are hungry. By creating a safe, warm and compassionate environment, we are taking the first steps toward empowering men, women and children to reach their full potential and regain their dignity and self-respect.

Please check the expiration dates on the food that you donate. We cannot accept items that have been opened or that have expired.

Thank you for your consideration and generosity!

... New Covenant Center also Needs Volunteers to help fulfill their mission. . .

Current Volunteer Opportunities

Kitchen: (NCC Staff Hands Out Meals at Cafe Entrance)

Lunch: (Monday – Sunday) **Prepare:** 10:15 AM – 11:45 AM; **Box Meal:** 11:45 AM – 12:30 PM

Dinner: (Monday – Saturday) **Prepare:** 2:30 – 3:45 PM; **Box Meal:** 3:45 – 4:30 PM

Bagel Baggers: (Tuesday) **Any time during afternoon**

Sorting Fruit + Vegetable: (Monday) 10:15 AM– 12:15 PM; (Friday) 3:00 – 4:30 PM

Pantry:

Shelf Stockers: (Monday + Wednesday) 11 :00 AM– 1:00 PM; (Friday) 2:00 – 3:30 PM

Food Bank Delivery Receivers: (Monday + Thursday) 10:30 AM – 12:30 PM

Food Rescue Receivers: (Friday) 3:00 – 4:30 PM; (Saturday) 10:15 AM – 12:15 PM

Assistant Shoppers (Must be a minimum age of 18):

(Tuesday + Thursday) 10:30 AM – 12:30 PM; 12:30 – 2:30 PM; 2:30 – 4:00 PM; (Friday) 10:30 AM– 12:30 PM; 12:30 – 2:00 PM

Front Desk Reception (Must be a minimum age of 18):

(Tuesday + Thursday) 10:30 AM – 12:30 PM; 12:30 – 2:30 PM; 2:30 – 4:00 PM; (Friday) 12:00 – 2:00 PM

Volunteers are currently being scheduled on a week to week basis. Please e-mail the Volunteer Coordinator, David Lovegreen at: DLovegreen@CCFC-CT.org for details and to schedule volunteer activity.



Career Opportunity



We are continuing our search for a **Full-time / Part-time Receptionist** to work in the Parish Office on the *St. Catherine of Siena* campus. Please contact **Lori Wilson**, Lori.Wilson@Stc-Sta.org for details on this position and to submit your resume.

We look forward to hearing from you!

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Virtual Open House**



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Apply online at www.CasCt.org

MORE COMMUNITY NEWS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

Food & Essentials Drive for Neighbor to Neighbor Continues



The Social Justice Committee of St. Catherine of Siena and St. Agnes continues the Food & Essentials drives for Neighbor-to-Neighbor every Tuesday from 9:00 - 11:00 AM as long as weather permits. The need is not going away.

[CLICK HERE](#) or visit www.stc-sta.org/community-news for details on items needed and drop-off procedures.

We are still also collecting new knit caps—our goal is 600, hand-knit or purchased. If you wish to help in this endeavor, please start knitting. Simple patterns and excellent *YouTube* tutorials are online: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=szX6slq2Q8Y>

Thank you to ALL for your ongoing dedication to this critical mission!



HAVE ANY TO SHARE?

IF SO, WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

INSPIRATIONS

We hope you have been enjoying our weekly *Inspiration* e-mail written by our parishioners, staff and clergy. We want to continue this regular communication and are welcoming new content from everyone in our church community—please consider sharing with us an expression of what inspires your faith, belief or understanding of God!

If you'd like to help with this, you can find reference examples of our previous "Weekly Inspirations" posted on our website at this link: <https://www.stc-sta.org/weekly-bulletins>. We welcome stories, reflections, graphics and all forms of liturgically-themed encouragement that you think could inspire others in our parish. We also love to coordinate our inspirational messages with the Liturgical Calendar and/or other current news events whenever possible. . . and a 500 word limit is requested.

Please contact our *Director of Communications*, Kim Kiner, at Kim.Kiner@Stc-Sta.org with your questions and submissions.

Thank you for considering sharing what inspires your faith with others!



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