



# Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time - September 8, 2024

Rev. William F. Platt, Pastor

Rev. Christopher J. Perrella, Parochial Vicar

Rev. Miguel Bernal, Priest in Residence

Director of Greenwich Hispanic Ministry

**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

(Specific dates confirmed weekly in bulletin.)

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

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday

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

**5:15 PM** – **Daily Mass** at St. Agnes Chapel

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament\*** 

\*(suspended during Church renovation)

Wednesdays – 8:30 AM — 4:00 PM in St. Catherine's Church

Rosary

Tuesdays - 6:00 PM in St. Agnes Chapel

All Masses at St. Catherine of Siena Church are in-person and livestreamed.

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

Saturday 10:00 AM-2:00 PM

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

#### **Rosary on Hiatus**

Please note, Rosary on Tuesdays at 6:00 PM in the Chapel will be on hiatus for the month August and will resume Tuesday. September 10th at 6:00 PM.



\*Schedule subject to change

3rd Announcement Mark Kelley & Lauren DeVito 2nd Announcement

Matthew Kelley & Jesslyn Lammerts Have made a Promise of Marriage

#### Mass Intentions and Celebrant Schedule\*

#### Saturday, September 7

3:00 - 4:00 PM Confessions

Celebrant: Fr. Christopher J. Perrella

5:00 PM Intention: Gino Lupinacci

Celebrant: Msgr. Alan F. Detscher

Sunday, September 8

7:30 AM Intention: Carmel Signa

Celebrant: Fr. William F. Platt

9:00 AM Intention: William DeLeo

Celebrant: Fr. Christopher J. Perrella

10:30 AM Intention: Charlotte Casgrain

Celebrant: Msgr. Alan F. Detscher

11:00 AM French Mass

Intention: Msgr. William Toohy

Celebrant: Fr. Gilbert D'Souza

5:00 PM Intention: Teresa Trevino

Celebrant: Fr. Christopher J. Perrella

6:30 PM Intention: Oscar Barahona (Living)

Celebrant: Fr. Miguel A. Bernal

#### Monday, September 9

7:00 AM Intention: Anthony Benvenuto 5:15 PM Intention: Ryan Joseph McCormack

Tuesday, September 10

7:00 AM Intention: Alma Fornero 5:15 PM Intention: Jean Arcoite

Wednesday, September 11

#### **Chapel open 8 - 4 for Private Prayer**

Thursday, September 12

7:00 AM Intention: Lawrence J. Glynn 5:15 PM Intention: Nancie Gavin

Friday, September 13

7:00 AM Intention: Eileen Lutz

5:15 PM Intention: Joan J. & John J. Murphy

Saturday, September 14

3:00 - 4:00 PM Confessions

Celebrant: Fr. Christopher J. Perrella

5:00 PM Intention: Gino Lupinacci

Celebrant: Msgr. Alan F. Detscher

Sunday, September 15

7:30 AM Intention: Don Olberding

Celebrant: Msgr. Larry Bronkiewicz

9:00 AM Intention: Glenn Gomez

Celebrant: Fr. Christopher J. Perrella 10:30 AM Intention: Guiseppe Antonio Pollifrone

Celebrant: Fr. Michael Boccaccio

11:00 AM Intention: Romano Family

Celebrant: Msgr. Alan F. Detscher

5:00 PM Intention: Connie Caporizzo

Celebrant: Fr. William F. Platt 6:30 PM Intention: Eulalia Carrera

Celebrant: Fr. Miguel A. Bernal

#### PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

# Sunday Offertory Thank you for supporting your Parish.

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Last Year: \$14,140

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#### Saint Catherine of Siena and Saint Agnes Parish

2024 Bishop's Appeal as of 8/16/24	
Bishop's Appeal Goal:	\$278,000
Total Pledged:	\$175,560
	( 63%)

211 Donors



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To make a gift, or for more information, please visit us at 2024 BishopsAppeal.org, call (203) 416-1470 or scan QR code with your phone.



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

Rafael Alexander Gonzalez-Jacobo

Baptized into God's family on September 1, 2024



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

Wilmar Acevedo Joan Bartilucci Claudia Bouchard John Bambino Scion Estrella Stephen Cheung Loretta DiMaio John Hickey Olga lacobazzo **Lorraine Mallen** Leslie Nash Vinnie Yax Austin Shanley Barbara Weltz **Tom Maigret** Monica Patino

Nilda Yoakum Deacon Eduardo Rodrigues Faustino Garcia Morales

Cecilia Robin Maravilla

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

### PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS (Continued)

#### **Adult Faith Formation**

"Bible Study" Wednesdays Sept 11- Nov 13 9:45-11:30 in the Lucey Parish Hall

Guided by Barbara Glynn and Barbara Linton

"Panorama of the Old Testament" by Stephen J. Binz—Published by Little Rock Scripture Study. (\$17.95)

Please check this link to get more information, to purchase the book, and to listen to the introduction by Catherine Upchurch:

https://litpress.org/Products/6372/Panorama -of-the-Old-Testament



#### **ACTIVELY SEEKING!**

The Parish of St. Catherine and St. Agnes is actively seeking 1 important role in our parish.

Please contact <u>evelyn.wilson@stc-sta.org</u> if you are interested or have a referral.

-Director of Discipleship



The Social Justice Committee of St. Catherine of Siena and St. Agnes

The Social Justice Committee will have its first meeting of the season on Thursday, September 12, at 7:30pm via zoom. We will discuss the calendar, the Dinner with a Cause, the timing of the committee meetings, and any suggestions that you have for action. Please RSVP to Betsy Parker, Chair, to receive the Zoom link:

socialjustice@stc-sta.org . We always enjoy new ideas.



#### **Director of Youth Faith Formation**

Erin Teske has been a parishioner at St. Catherine's since 2017, when she moved to the neighborhood from New York City. She lives in Riverside with her husband, Paul, and their four kids: William (8), Nora (6), Audrey (4), and Sloan (1). Erin and Paul are both from Michigan, where they met in school at the University of Michigan. They continue to be avid Michigan sports fans.

Erin is a lawyer, and has been working as a civil litigator in New York City for more than 14 years, with a focus on audit malpractice defense and Article 8 securities litigation. She was most recently practicing as a Member in the New York City office of an AmLaw 200 firm. She is looking forward to taking her passion for justice and the truth into the domain of faith formation. Erin is excited about the opportunity to work with and meet the needs of fellow parishioners in the context of the faith formation programs at our church, and to build a community for our kids which will serve them now and for years to come.

### PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS (Continued)



#### FAMILY FELLOWSHIP Welcomes All Families!

- Please join us on Sunday, September 15, 2024, after the 9:00 AM & 10:30 AM Masses outside on the lawn next to St. Agnes Chapel.
- Enjoy snacks, crafts and fun!!
  - In the event of inclement weather, we will be hosting downstairs in the Lucey Parish Hall.

The mission of FAMILY FELLOWSHIP is to bring families together through Christ.



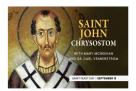
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## Week of September 08, 2024



#### A Bible Study on the Annunciation

In this video, Dr. Ben Akers leads us through a brief study of Luke 1:26–38, highlighting some of the key Old Testament passages evoked by Gabriel's words. The reflection concludes with some thoughts on how we can imitate Mary's Yes in our own life, especially in this time of suffering.



#### St. John Chrysostom | Catholic Saints

From Antioch, the political center of the fifth-century world, arose a golden-tongued preacher and bishop: St. John Chrysostom. Listen to Dr. Carl Vennerstrom and Mary McGeehan discuss the life and preaching of this great doctor of the Church who gave us countless powerful prayers and homilies.

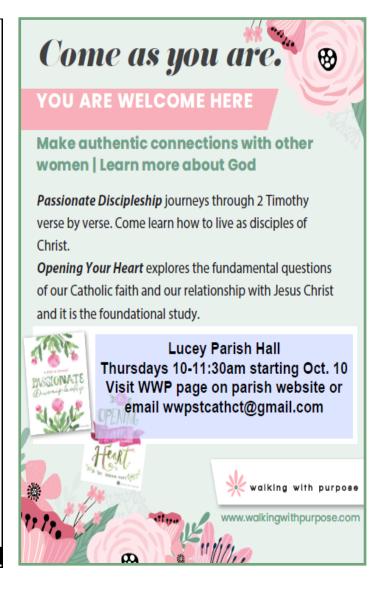


### The Eyes Have It | Benjamin Cello | Episode

Glow Worm is losing her glow, and her eyes are going with it! It'll take the ministrations of mother and expert Lady Iris to help Glow Worm fix her eyes on Jesus and see with a heavenly perspective.

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# **POT LUCK**

EVERYONE BRINGS SOMETHING TO THE TABLE!

Join your fellow parishioners of St. Catherine of Siena and St. Agnes to celebrate our shared community at our

FALL Kick-Off PotLuck Dinner
Friday evening, September 20th 6:00pm-8:30
In the Lucey Parish Hall

**BYO Happy Hour ~ Dinner~Dessert** 

**EVERYONE** is invited-all ages.

What to bring to share: beverages, appetizers, main dish, vegetable sides, salads, desserts....

\*All foods need to be labeled as to contents.\*

TO HELP WITH THE PLANNING, **RSVP** WITH NUMBER IN YOUR PARTY AND WHAT YOU WILL BRING TO: <u>PSLOANE22@GMAIL.COM</u>. BY SEPT. 18TH



Top 5 Insights on Your Job Search from a Career Coach

A SCSC Zoom Meeting Thursday, September 12th, 7:00 to 8:15 PM

Transitioning roles is always challenging, particularly when someone is later in their career. Join us to hear from Jim Daly, a career transition coach with 35 years of experience specializing in later stage career changes. Jim will share the lessons he has learned from his journeys and provide his Top 5 Insights on how to successfully navigate transitions and accelerate positive change.

#### About the Presenter:

Jim has been a strategic HR leader and hands-on coach to leaders and those navigating transitions. He partners with client companies and individuals on development and transition issues. Jim's most recent HR leadership role was the Interim Chief People Officer for Accordion Partners, a private equity consulting firm. Prior to that he has held the role of Chief Human Resources Officer for Affinion Group and Standard & Poor's, following the global credit crises. Throughout his career he has held human resources leadership positions for several Fortune 500 corporations including Kraft General Foods and News Corporation. He was also a principal in a venture investment fund for early-stage companies

**RSVP Required**: To receive a link to attend the Zoom session, <u>please RSVP by Monday, September 9th</u> to the meeting chair, Michelle Bucaria at <u>michelle.bucaria@yahoo.com</u>. You will receive a link the week of the meeting.

The St. Catherine's Support Circle was formed in early 2009 to support people seeking jobs in the challenging economic environment. The group continues to encourage participation by both job seekers and those interested in providing their advice and support. To read about helpful information and recommended resources for job seekers, visit the parish website: www.stc-sta.org/community-life/st-catherine-s-support-circle

<u>The SCSC steering committee</u> includes professionals who have experience in diverse areas including human resources, executive search, career coaching, clinical career counseling, general management, education, marketing, public relations, finance, accounting, and IT. If you have similar experience, and would be interested in joining your fellow professionals on the committee, please contact SCSC Chairman Bob Sloane at <a href="mailto:reloane0@gmail.com">reloane0@gmail.com</a>



#### St. Catherine of Siena-St. Agnes Parish

I am pleased to share the news that the Parish has retained **David Alfano, CPA**, and his accounting firm, **Alfano & Co. LLC**, located in Old Greenwich, to perform the day-to-day accounting and business management services (e.g., payroll, bill paying preparation) for the Parish, effective immediately. This move has been under consideration for several months. In early summer the Finance Council recommended to Father Bill Platt that such a move would be prudent given the nature of the Parish assets and activities. Without hesitation, Father Platt fully supported this plan. This represents a major, positive change in the life of the Parish enabling finance to serve the Parish mission.

David Alfano, a Providence College graduate (1987), is a member of the Connecticut Society of CPAs. Several years ago, David served on the St. Catherine's Parish Finance Council. Subsequently, he also served as Chair, Finance Council, at First Congregational Church, here in town. For more information on David and his firm, see <a href="https://www.alfanocpa.com">www.alfanocpa.com</a>.

In addition, the Finance Council recommended to Father Platt that the Parish retain the services of **Christopher Eck, CPA, CrFA**, and his firm, **Eck Tax and Accounting**, to undertake a review of this past fiscal year's financial statements. This work has begun. In addition, Chris will undertake quarterly reviews of the financial statements during this new fiscal year (July 1, 2024-June 30, 2025). It is expected that Chris will undertake an audit of the financial statements next summer.

Chris is a graduate of Sacred Heart University here in Fairfield County (2007) and is a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and is also a member of the American College of Forensic Examiners International. For more information on Chris Eck and his firm, see <a href="https://www.ecktax.com">www.ecktax.com</a>.

Father Platt, our Parish trustees, MJ Desnoyers and Jamie Benincasa, and the Finance Council believe that the combination of services of David Alfano, CPA, and Christopher Eck, CPA, positions the Parish well in terms of financial accountability, performance and stewardship.

Tom Gallagher

Chair, Finance Council

#### **Members of the Parish Finance Council**

Jamie Benincasa, Parish Trustee. Head of Sales at Flextrade Systems LLC, a global leader in broker-neutral, execution and order management trading platforms for equities, foreign exchange, options, futures and fixed income.

Marie Josée (MJ) Desnoyers, Parish Trustee. MJ earned a Business Degree at McGill University and worked for IBM in various roles both in Canada and in the US for over twenty-three years. She is fluent in both French and English.

**Tom Gallagher**, Chair. President & Filmmaker, Religion Media Foundation; lawyer, journalist and former investment professional at Goldman, Sachs & Co.

**Susan Hanna**, Managing Director, GE Capital (retired).

**Rhonda Morley**, Parish Council Co-Chair. Worked on Wall Street for almost twenty years before retiring to raise her children. She received an AB in Economics from Mount Holyoke College.

Julio Ojea Quintana, Managing Director, North America Corporate Bank, J.P. Morgan.

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