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-ACTS 4:32



Show us Lord, your love;
and grant us your salvation.

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT: NOVEMBER 29, 2020

Rev. William F. Platt, Pastor
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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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.

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

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

Mass Intentions

Sunday, November 29

8:30 AM Carmela and Carmelo Ambrogio

10:30 AM Clara Comeau

5:00 PM Catherine Sanna

Monday, November 30

7:00 AM Rachel Ann Mastrangelo

Rose Capparelle

Tuesday, December 1

7:00 AM Rachel Anne Mastrangelo

Lenny Marino

Wednesday, December 2

7:00 AM Joan Brennan

Donald Martinelli, Jr.

Thursday, December 3

7:00 AM Maria Tumera

Dolores I. O'Donnell

Friday, December 4

7:00 AM Fr. Vincent J. O'Connor

Pete Taylor

Saturday, December 5

5:00 PM Deceased Members of the

Campisi Mangini and Sirbono Families

Sunday, December 6

8:30 AM Dorothy Masny

Gregg Hughes

10:30 AM John Manuli

Mary and Anthony Lalor

NEXT WEEKEND CELEBRANT SCHEDULE

Saturday, December 5

3:00-4:00 PM (Reconciliation)

Fr. Mark D'Silva

5:00 PM Fr. Mark D'Silva

Sunday, December 6

8:30 AM Fr. William F. Platt

10:30 AM Fr. Christopher Johnson

Financial Report: Sunday Offertory

(for the last four weekends)

October 24 & 25 SC & SA\$21,184*

October 31 & November 1 SC & SA\$13,366*

Special Donations\$200**

Christmas\$50

November 7 & 8 SC & SA\$12,569*

Special Donations\$700**

November 14 & 15 SC & SA\$9,065*

Christmas\$125**

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

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

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS



Dear Parish Family,

We have been watching attendance at all Masses and we know that with the rise in COVID cases, people are not gathering as much as they were in the summer and fall. Coupled with the approaching winter months, and the knowledge that we will need to remove snow and ice from sidewalks as well as sanitize the church after every Mass, prayer service, meeting and gathering, it is with a heavy heart that we inform you that we will have to temporarily eliminate some of the Masses that we have opened. We acknowledge that this is an inconvenience but we ask for your patience as we do our best for our parish family.

We will reassess mid-February to see if we can add Masses back at that time. The new schedules are below.

Fr. Bill

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December through February:

Monday – Friday

7:00 AM **Daily Mass** at St. Catherine's Church – *in-person* and *livestream*

5:15 – 5:45 PM **Distribution of Holy Communion** at front door of Rectory; Mask and Social Distance required.

Saturday

3:00 – 4:00 PM **Confessions** at St. Agnes Church (specific dates in the bulletin)

5:00 PM **Vigil Mass** at St. Catherine's Church – *in-person* and *livestream*

Sunday

7:30 – 8:00 AM **Distribution of Holy Communion** at front door of Rectory; Mask and Social Distance required.

8:30 AM **Mass** at St. Agnes Church – *in-person*

10:30 AM **Mass** at St. Catherine's Church – *in-person* and *livestream*

11:00 AM – **Language Masses** at St. Agnes Church – *in-person*

- French on the 2nd Sunday of the month
- Spanish on the 4th Sunday of the month

5:00 – 5:30 PM **Distribution of Holy Communion** at front door of Rectory; Mask and Social Distance required.

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The **Christmas Eve and Christmas Day schedules are as follows** – please **sign-up early** using the

Sign-up Genius link [here](https://tinyurl.com/AttendMass) (<https://tinyurl.com/AttendMass>)

December 24, 2020

2:00 PM **Mass** at St. Catherine's Church – *in-person* and *livestream*

4:00 PM **Mass** at St. Agnes Church – *in-person*

6:00 PM **Mass** at St. Catherine's Church – *in-person* and *livestream*

7:30 – 9:30 PM – **Distribution of Holy Communion** and **Christmas Blessing** for those who are unable to attend Mass because of vulnerability or Church occupancy restrictions; in front of St. Catherine's Chapel, remaining in your car.

11:30 PM – **Christmas Eve Mass** – *in-person* and *livestream*

December 25, 2020

8:30 AM **Mass** at St. Agnes – *in-person*

9:00 – 10:00 AM - **Distribution of Holy Communion** and **Christmas Blessing** for those who are unable to attend Mass because of vulnerability or Church occupancy restrictions; in front of St. Catherine's Chapel, remaining in your car.

10:30 AM – **Mass** at St. Catherine's – *in-person* and *livestream*

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

2020 Thanks-Is-Giving Appeal

November again invites us to participate in our **Thanks-Is-Giving (TIG)** campaign. Traditionally, this campaign helps us with capital improvements in our parish. This year, we still need to do a capitol project, but we are also inviting you to help us do something different:

We are establishing a **Covid Relief Fund** for those in need, which will be allocated by our new high school/college student youth group who will decide how to best spend the money donated for this project. This year, we are not setting an overall financial goal for the TIG campaign, but instead, we are asking you to open your hearts and help us with the parish needs and to help others in need. [Click here](#) or go to www.stc-sta.org/stewardship for campaign details.

If you are able to donate to the **2020 TIG**, please be as generous as possible, as the needs are great in this unique year we're living in. To donate online, [click here](#) or visit our parish website at www.stc-sta.org/giving/online-giving. Donations can also be mailed in using the envelope in the recent **TIG** mailing to your home.

Thank you for your consideration and support!



Masks Work. Really. We'll Show You How.



[Click here](#) to read a great *New York Times* article with explanation about how masks work and that we all need to wear them appropriately.

A D V E N T *Lessons & Carols*



Please join us for a live streamed **Lessons and Carols** on **Sunday, December 13, 2020** starting at **6:30 PM**.

Take an hour of prayerful, scripture and music to prepare for the coming of Christ this Christmas.

Music by our own musicians.

Reading by Bill Baker.

All are welcome via Livestream only!

Tell your friends.

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

*Liam Michael Corvino
Vincenzo Librandi
Briget Remy Kelly
George Roberts
Benedetto Roberts*

**Baptized into God's family
on**

November 21 & 22, 2020



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

Matt Massulli Lucy Mendenhall Lina Iacono
Deacon Vincent Heidenreich Rose Fiorita
Olga Iacobazzo Isabel Ballesteros

***Please also pray for the deceased members of our parish, especially for
Valerie G. Stanger (11-17-20)***



FAITH FORMATION for YOUTH and ADULTS

Youth Faith Formation

Please see below for some details on our program. Additional information can be found on the Youth Faith Formation website.

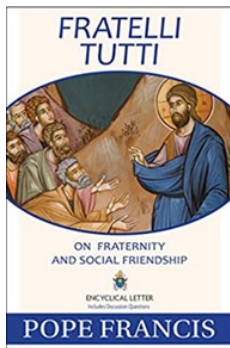
Registration for the 2020-2021 Faith Formation is now closed.

Overview

- Pflaum is used in K – 8th grade. The 9th grade Confirmation class does not use Pflaum.
- Digital Access - Sign-in address: <https://pflaum.zinioapps.com/my-library/>
 - Your email is the code provided in the initial email (i.e., VS-0001@10128271.com)
 - If you require a password reset, email Kelly Myers who will contact the Publisher.
- Printed Materials – Email Kelly Myers to request a copy. Materials are printed on a quarterly basis. Unit 1 and Unit 2 materials are currently available. Unit 3 will be ready for pick up at end of December and Unit 4 will be ready at end of February.
- There is no difference between the digital and printed materials.
 1. Student Lessons - These are the weekly lessons that need to be completed each week. Unit 1 is dated Sept 20th – Nov 8th and Unit 2 is dated Nov 15th – Jan 10th. All students should start with the lesson dated Oct 18th which coincides with the start of the program. Also, the lesson that should be completed the week of Nov 1st, is the assignment that is dated Nov 1st.
 2. What the Church Believes Handbook – This is the handbook that complements the weekly lessons. The lesson will indicate when to use the handbook.
- There are 2 ways to submit completed work.
 1. If you are using printed materials, return the printed lessons for Unit 1 and Unit 2 when you pick up Unit 3 and I will return to your child's catechist.
 2. If you are using the digital platform, take a picture of the work and email to your child's catechist.
- Some catechists may give additional work that coincides with the lesson. Any additional work will be communicated directly from the catechist.
- Pflaum is a 'reader' platform and the children cannot 'write' within the platform. My suggestion is to pick up the printed materials or print the lesson at home.
- The children will be invited to 1 *Zoom* class per month and the calendar is located on the webpage. A signed *Zoom* consent form is required to be invited to the monthly class.



Adult Faith Formation




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 first meeting was on November 23 and we discussed the first two chapters. You can still join us for our next discussion of Chapters 3 & 4 on **December 7** from **7:00-8:00 PM** via *Zoom*. If you would like to read this together, please purchase or you can 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.

FAITH FORMATION for YOUTH and ADULTS



YOU ARE
INVITED!

Advent Retreat in Daily Life for Adults: A 10-day guided retreat in the comfort of your own home, on your own time. December 6-15, 2020

Give yourself an early Christmas gift. (space is limited to 20 people.)

How will this work????

- **December 6, 2020, from 3:00- 4:00 PM**, we will begin together as a community with an orientation to the retreat and an opening prayer via [Zoom](#).
- You will commit to spending 20 – 30 minutes in prayer each day using a resource that will be emailed to you.
- You have the choice to book a private session to talk about your prayer experiences.
- **December 15, 2020 from 7:00 – 8:00 PM**, we will close the retreat together with a prayer service via [Zoom](#).
- You will be ready to celebrate the Birth of Christ in your hearts and homes more fully.

Email Lori Wilson at Lori.Wilson@stc-sta.org to sign up.

COMMUNITY NEWS



In case you missed it:

Deacon Robert Henrey presented his four part series. . .

The Ancient Near East: Land of Babel

via Zoom

In this series of presentations, Robert Henrey shared his interest in the highly diverse historical and cultural environments that characterized the **Ancient Mesopotamian and Mediterranean world**. He gave an overview of the events that made it possible for narratives and traditions to develop, especially those underlying the scriptures, and be eventually recorded thereby ensuring their transmission down the generations.

[Click here \(www.stc-sta.org/community-news\)](http://www.stc-sta.org/community-news) for series details and to view Parts 1-4.

As we conclude the Fall session of our **New Day Bereavement Program**, we pray that our participants have found comfort and hope for the journey forward.

Please reach out to our ministry if you would like information on the Spring session, which will continue to be held on [Zoom](#).

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