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Of one heart and mind

-ACTS 4:32

REJOICE
TO THE EXTENT THAT
you share IN
THE SUFFERINGS OF CHRIST,
SO THAT
WHEN HIS GLORY
IS REVEALED, *you may also*
REJOICE EXULTANTLY.

I PETER 4:13

The Seventh Sunday of Easter

May 24, 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—On Hold until further notice

REGULAR MASSES

SATURDAY – St. Catherine

5:00 PM (Vigil)

SUNDAY – St. Catherine

7:30, 9:00 (Family Mass), 10:30 AM & 5:00 PM

SUNDAY – St. Agnes

8:30 and 10:00 AM

DAILY – St. Catherine Chapel

Monday through Friday at 7:00 AM & 5:15 PM

HOLY DAY – St. Catherine

Eve: 5:15 PM (Vigil)

Holiday: 7:00 AM, 12:10 PM, & 5:15 PM

MASSES IN OTHER LANGUAGES – St. Catherine

September to June (Chapel)

French Mass - 2nd Sunday 11:00 AM

Italian Mass - 3rd Sunday 11:00 AM

Spanish Mass - 4th Sunday 11:00 AM

Year-round (Chapel)

Korean Mass - Every Sunday 5:00 PM

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

St. Catherine Chapel – Every 1st Friday of the Month

Immediately following 5:15 PM Mass

RECONCILIATION - Sacrament of Penance

St. Catherine (Sacristy) Saturday: 3:00 - 4:00 PM

or by appointment at **St. Catherine** or **St. Agnes**

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SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (Individual or during Mass)

Please call the Rectory to arrange for Baptism.

Attendance at a Pre-Baptism Session is required –
3rd Saturday: 1:30 p.m. in the Rectory

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

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



Mass Intentions

MASSES said Privately

Sunday, May 24

7:30 a.m. Diana Borges
9:00 a.m. Luciano, Yolanda and Renato Degani
10:30 a.m. Mary K. Daly
5:00 p.m. David Anderson

Sunday, May 24 - St. Agnes

8:30 a.m. Patricia Orrico Rostkowski
10:00 a.m. All Souls

Monday, May 25

9:00 a.m. Alana Castano

Tuesday, May 26

7:00 a.m. All Souls
5:15 p.m. Leonard Marino

Wednesday, May 27

7:00 a.m. Fr. Joseph A. Ganley
5:15 p.m. Mary June Gelin

Thursday, May 28

7:00 a.m. All souls
5:15 p.m. Joan O'Sullivan Strand

Friday, May 29

7:00 a.m. *All Souls*
5:15 p.m. Vincent Barnett

Saturday, May 30

5:00 p.m. Eleanor Gagliardi

Sunday, May 31

7:30 a.m. Etalo Ceci
9:00 a.m. Judie McDonald
10:30 a.m. For all Members of this Parish
5:00 p.m. Catherine Sanna

Sunday, May 31 - St. Agnes

8:30 a.m. All Souls
10:00 a.m. Mary Markey

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

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

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

Toni Stabile Anwen Stern

Matt Mussulli Deacon Vincent Heidenreich Rose Fiorita
Nancy Mecca Frances Franklin Clayton Chauvin

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

Silvio Archino (5-3-20) Lorraine deCillis (5-5-20)

EVENT HAPPENINGS

Stay connected with our Team and your fellow parishioners online!



Check our updated schedule on the **Home Page** of our website at: www.STC-STA.org and join our **Daily Worship Offerings Streamed and Online** from there, the **link below** or on our **Facebook** page.

[VIEW THE LIVE STREAM](#)
from [Zoom](#) link [HERE](#)

View / Print [Sunday Worship Aid with Music here](#)
(or on Home page of website)

[Update on Outdoor Mass Celebration:](#)

The process of obtaining a permit to gather for outdoor Mass from the *Town of Greenwich* is continuing. We will keep you informed as the dialogue unfolds. As of now, we will only **Live Stream one Mass on Sunday at 10:30 AM** via the link above.



To celebrate **Pentecost**, the descent of the Holy Spirit on the Church, we are going to **pray the Holy Spirit Novena starting May 22nd!** It is a powerful and moving novena that is meant to help us open ourselves up to the third person of the Holy Trinity. Even though we pray this novena as a preparation for the feast of **Pentecost**, you can also pray a novena to the Holy Spirit any time that you want. So, let us pray with great confidence and trust in our God who is all Good and Loving.

[Find/click the novena prayers at this link](https://www.praymorenovenas.com/novena-to-the-holy-spirit)
(<https://www.praymorenovenas.com/novena-to-the-holy-spirit>)
for the Novena to the Holy Spirit that we will be
praying together for Pentecost, starting with **DAY 1—May 22!**



No-Contact Food Drive: 2 Ways to Help

The **Social Justice Committee** of the *Parish of St. Catherine of Siena and St. Agnes* will be helping **Neighbor to Neighbor** in their growing need by collecting food in a no contact format. **Starting on May 26** there will be a car or SUV with an open trunk in the parking lot across from St. Catherine's church on **Tuesdays from 9:00 am to Noon**. Please drop your bagged grocery donations in the trunk, and we will take them to **Neighbor to Neighbor**.

Items Needed:

Peanut Butter and Jelly Oatmeal
 Canned Meats (Chicken, Chili, Vienna Sausages, *Chef Boyardi* Ravioli)
 Tuna Canned Fruit Black or red kidney beans (dried or canned)
 Cereal Rice Soup Brown paper grocery bags

We are also asking for donations towards **food gift cards** to *Stop-N-Shop* or *Shop Rite*. Please only mail donation checks to the Parish Office made out to **"The Parish of St. Catherine of Siena and St. Agnes"** with **"Food Gift Cards"** in the Memo line.



Thank you for your generosity!



Parishioner Reflection

by Barbara Glynn

In John's gospel, Chapter 14, Jesus promises that the Holy Spirit will be with the church for all time. Not only will the Holy Spirit "be with you always," but he will also "be in you." The important words are "with you" and "always." In these unprecedented times of fear, uncertainty, suffering and loss brought about by the Coronavirus, it is easy to be discouraged, hopeless and to question the Holy Spirit's presence in the midst of so much pain.

The early church, whose history is told in Luke's *Acts of the Apostles*, took full advantage of the promise of Jesus, that the Spirit would be present and with them when Peter and John imposed hands on the Samaritans in chapter eight and "they received the Holy Spirit." This is just one example of the work and presence of the Holy Spirit in the early church. It should not be surprising that the *Acts of the Apostles* is often referred to as the gospel of the Holy Spirit. From time to time in history, charismatic leaders, prophets, and saints have lived fully in the reality of the power of the spirit. Such was Pope St. John XXIII when he called for a new Pentecost in the Second Vatican Council.

The vision of Vatican II for the Church was that the Church should be a sign of joy and hope in the world. In these days of the pandemic, as it ravages the world, we wonder where God is and where all the joy and hope have gone. But we just need to remind ourselves that no one can box in the Holy Spirit. All the gifts are here and the same Spirit Jesus promised is with us and within us. Just look at the untold numbers of selfless acts that are occurring among ordinary people as we journey through these hard days. Look at the incredible work of the medical personnel who have labored under very difficult circumstances. Look at the tireless grocery workers, stocking shelves, and checking us out, mail carriers, UPS and Fed Ex drivers, long haul drivers bringing goods to our stores, bus drivers and train engineers getting essential workers to where they need to be, all of these folks putting their lives at risk for us. If we cannot see the presence of the Holy Spirit in these actions, we have no one to blame but ourselves. So, as we get close to the feast of Pentecost, here are a couple of questions to challenge each of us: What experience of the Holy Spirit have I had on my personal journey through this pandemic? And how can I be a sign of hope and joy to others this week?

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Supporting your Parish Gets Easier with *Text-to-Give!*

Online Giving (OLG) and **Automatic Electronic Giving (AEG)** are simple ways to make your Offertory donations with your *VISA, MasterCard, American Express* credit cards or by Check. Now, our new, convenient **Text-to-Give** enhancement feature for **OLG** users provides you an even easier way to give to our collections. You can now text any amount to our parish-specific number: **203-633-7524** to donate to our regular Offering (default Fund)—special collection fund donation options coming soon. Simply follow the prompt instructions to complete your text transactions!

Please visit our parish website: www.stc-sta.org/giving/online-giving or contact the **Business Office** for further details on our **Online Giving** program.

Financial Report

Sunday Offertory

(for the last four weekends)

April 25 & 26 SC & SA	\$12,467*
Easter Collection	\$1,145
May 2 & 3 SC & SA	\$17,692*
Easter Collection	\$1,075
Special Donations	\$1,420**
May 9 & 10 SC & SA	\$12,640*
Easter Collection	\$2,050
Special Donations	\$1,396**
May 16 & 17 SC & SA	\$12,163*
Easter Collection	\$100

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

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

If you are able, please continue to support the work of the parish financially by either signing up for **Online Giving** or mailing in your weekly donations. We are sincerely grateful to all those who have already begun this practice and are hopeful that more will be able to help us maintain our budget in this way during these uncertain times.

Thank you for your consideration!



PARISH PARTNERS HOTLINE

ALL PARISHIONERS IF YOU NEED TO TALK,
CONTACT **PARISH PARTNERS HOTLINE:**

203-637-3661 EXT 375

MESSAGES CHECKED DAILY

PARISH PARTNERS IN PRAYER

LET US ALL JOIN IN PRAYER
WE ARE PRAYING NOW SILENTLY, WHEREVER WE ARE

8:00 AM and **8:00 PM**

FAVORITE PIX of the WEEK

Celebrating the Month of Mary
at our Parish



Be still and know that I am God...
Psalm 46:10

Kitchen time in the Rectory



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