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# Saint Catherine Roman Catholic Church of Siena

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 30, 2023

A Parish of the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Hartford

## **Mass/Liturgy Schedule:**

Saturday Vigil at 5:00 p.m.

Sunday Masses at 8:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.

Daily Mass at 8:30 a.m., & Livestreamed, Monday through Wednesday, and Friday. (Yearly)

## **Sacrament of Reconciliation:**

Saturday from 4:00 p.m. until 4:30 p.m.

Monday from 6:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

Or by appointment, please call the parish office.

## **Baptisms and Baptismal Preparation:**

Please call the parish office at 860 658 1642

## **Sacrament of Holy Matrimony:**

Please call the parish office at 860 658 1642 at least 6 months in advance

## **Choir Practices:**

Adult—Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m. in Russell Hall.

Youth—Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. in the Music Room.

## **Bulletin Deadline: Monday at 10:00 a.m.**

### **Website News: email to:**

[StCatherineWebMaster@Comcast.net](mailto:StCatherineWebMaster@Comcast.net)

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Tel: 860 658 1642 /Fax: 888 297 3134

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St. Catherine of Siena Parish-West Simsbury CT

# WELCOME!

We welcome all visitors who are celebrating with us today. As is our custom at St. Catherine of Siena, please remain in your pew for the singing of the first and last designated verses of the recessional hymn.

**Parish Office Hours: Monday-Friday  
9:00 a.m. through 2:00 p.m.**

*The St. Catherine Parish Legacy Fund is committed to ensuring the long-term stability of our parish and its ministries. Please consider a gift in lieu of flowers upon a loved one's passing as a way to ensure our community will thrive well into the future.*

**Pastor:** Reverend Michael Whyte, 860 658 1642

## **PARISH STAFF**

### **Administrative Assistant-Parish Office**

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Mr. Christopher Berg, 860 658 1642

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Mr. Michael Grappone, 860 658 1642

### **Parish Council President**

Mrs. Kathleen Mangiafico, 860 869 8468

### **Finance Council Chairman**

Mrs. Jennifer Orzell, 860 729 1079

### **Parish Legacy Fund Chairman**

Mr. Peter Pabich, 860 810 5069

### **Parish Lay Trustees**

Mrs. Colleen Langlais, 860-508-0487

Mr. Robert Hensley, 860-916-5057

Thanks for worshipping with us.

If you would like to join our parish family, fill out a yellow membership form found in the vestibule or atrium and mail it to us, drop it in the collection basket or call us at 658 1642.

## *We Welcome You to Our Family of Faith!*

## WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS



- **Saturday, July 29th @ 5:00 p.m.** Mass for *Karin Krennek, birthday remembrance*, requested by her family;
- **Sunday, July 30th @ 8:00 a.m.** Mass for *Michael Conway*, requested by Prayer Shawl Ministry;
- **Sunday, July 30th @ 11:00 a.m.** Mass for *Rose Renna*, requested by her family;
- **Monday, July 31st @ 8:30 a.m.** Mass for *Ron Dudley*, requested by Tom & Rosemary Clarke;
- **Tuesday, August 1st @ 8:30 a.m.** Mass for *Max O'Meara*, requested by the O'Bryan Family;
- **Tuesday, August 1st @ 9 a.m.** *Adoration*;
- **Wednesday, August 2nd @ 8:30 a.m.** Mass for *Anthony Paolucci*, requested by Carmen & Teri Mascaro;
- **Wednesday, August 2nd @ 9:00 a.m.** *Rosary*;
- **Friday, August 4th @ 8:30 a.m.** Mass for *Peter Haverly, 1st anniversary*, requested by the Bruno Family;
- **Friday, August 4th @ 9:00 a.m.** *Chaplet of Divine Mercy*;
- **Saturday, August 5th @ 5:00 p.m.** Mass for *Sandra Bowe*, requested by Susan and Dick Lindberg;
- **Sunday, August 6th @ 8:00 a.m.** Mass for *Diane Rozwadowski, birthday remembrance*, requested by son, George; Prayer Shawl Ministry, and,
- **Sunday, August 6th @ 11:00 a.m.** Mass for *The Conway Family*, requested by the Acker Family.

## OFFERTORY COLLECTION:

Thank you for your financial support of our parish! In these uncertain times, it is my hope that our parish provides to you both spiritual support and practical support—*Catholic Action*—by feeding our neighbors, investing in our children and youth, and keeping all of our parish's stakeholders in the 'Spiritual Loop', if you will! We are able to livestream the Masses, provide unique and creative Faith Formation, Youth Ministry; we are able to continue our 6 ministries which feed, care and provide assistance to our neighbors in need—because of your generous and continuing financial support. Without it, our doors would close and our programs would be reduced.

*Thank you for parishioners like you!  
Thank you for using both our online Faith Direct services or for mailing your envelope to:  
Post Office Box 184, West Simsbury, Conn. 06092*

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| Weekly Loose Cash/Checks:   | \$ 5,345.00 |
| Faith Direct weekly giving: | \$ 4,151.46 |
| Total:                      | \$ 9,496.46 |
| Other Generous Giving       |             |
| Various                     | \$ 85.00    |

## Upcoming Parish Meetings & Events

### July

- Sat, 29th—Carnival Meeting, RH, 9 a.m.
- Sat, 29th—Confession, 4 p.m.
- Sun, 30th—St. Elizabeth House, prkng lot, 3:45 p.m.
- Sun, 30th—Youth Ministry, RH, 6 p.m.
- Mon, 31st—Confession, 6 p.m.

### August

- Tues, 1st—Adoration, Church, 9 a.m.
- Wed, 2nd—Rosary, Church, 9 a.m.
- Fri, 4th—Chaplet of Divine Mercy, 9 a.m.
- Sat, 5th—Confession, 4 p.m.
- Sun, 6th—Homebound Communion
- Mon, 7th—Confession, 6 p.m.
- Tues, 8th—Adoration, Church, 9 a.m.
- Wed, 9th—Rosary, Church, 9 a.m.
- Fri, 11th—Chaplet of Divine Mercy, 9 a.m.
- Fri, 11th—Youth Ministry, RH, 6 p.m.
- Sat, 12th—Carnival Meeting, RH, 9 a.m.
- Sat, 12th—Confession, 4 p.m.
- Sun, 13th—Youth Ministry, RH, 6 p.m.
- Mon, 14th—NO Confession

+++++ Vigil Mass for Assumption, Mon, 6:30 p.m.  
Holy Day Masses, Tues, 8:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.  
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## Sanctuary Lamp

*For Peter Winiarski,  
for health and healing,  
requested by  
his parents.*





## Altar servers wanted!

If you are in 4<sup>th</sup> grade and have been considering being an altar server—and wish to serve God and your parish church—then join the altar server squad. Call the parish office at 658-1642. The next training will be at 10 a.m. on Saturday, August 12th. It is so easy, fun and you get to serve the Lord while you are already at Mass! —Fr. Michael

The annual Catholic Appeal is on-going. If you haven't made a contribution yet please prayerfully consider doing so. Donation materials were mailed to registered parishioner households and may also be found in the vestibule and the atrium. Thank you.



**Family Movie Night**  
**Thursday, August 24th**  
**Fun starts at 6:45pm**

**Frozen 2**  
**A feel-good, sing along  
movie**  
**everyone is sure to enjoy!**

Bring your favorite blanket, pillow and/or chair!

Popcorn and water will be provided. This is an outdoor event to be moved inside if weather does not permit.

Sign up via the sign-up genius  
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/409084EAF2FA64-family>



**St. Catherine of Siena Faith Formation**  
**Zach Wood, Director; [zwood@stcsimsbury.org](mailto:zwood@stcsimsbury.org); 860-658-4737.**

**Please use this link to register your children for our upcoming faith formation classes as soon as possible:**

**<https://forms.ministryforms.net/viewForm.aspx?formId=3fb7036f-1436-4110-97cc-76a32183eb88>**

**Faith Formation is seeking additional teachers for a variety of grades. Please contact Zach Wood at the number above if you are interested in joining this important ministry!**

**Save the Dates for Women's Ministry Events:**

- All women are invited to join us for 1 day retreat here at St. Catherine of Siena Church on **Wednesday September 20th from 9:30a.m.-3:30 p.m.** *"Becoming Full of Grace: A Quiet Reflective Retreat on Mary, the Mother of God"* is a day of prayer and reflection we delve deep into the profound significance of Mary, the Mother of God, and discover how to cultivate a stronger connection to Jesus through her intercession. Using a workbook specifically created for this day, you will explore the transformative power of the Marian devotions, prayers and scripture. Allow the gentle whispers of Mary's presence to awaken your heart and lead you into a profound encounter with Jesus. Please sign up using this <https://bit.ly/3Qc15W3>. An accurate headcount is necessary for food and workbooks.

Who is it for: All women

When: Wednesday September 20, 2023

Time: 9:30am-3:30pm

Where: St. Catherine of Siena Church

What to bring: your bible, a pen and rosary. Optional: any other reading material you wish to bring.

What will be provided: workbook, Sacrament of Reconciliation, lunch, snacks and beverages

RSVP by September 11, 2023 on this <https://bit.ly/3Qc15W3>

*Funding provided by the Forward with Faith Campaign*

Email Michelle Page with any questions [pagekoe@gmail.com](mailto:pagekoe@gmail.com)

- **September 21st at 7 p.m.** all women are invited to our Faith & Fellowship Potluck Dinner. This is our kick off gathering for the year where we will be breaking bread together and enjoying fellowship while hearing about how our gatherings and activities for the fall incorporate our theme for the year, TRUST.

**~~CARNIVAL VOLUNTEERS NEEDED~~—Saturday, September 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

**CARNIVAL HELP NEEDED** – Teen and adult volunteers are needed to help run our Carnival games. This is a great way for individuals of all ages and families to get involved with our parish! All are welcome and invited to join us! **Earn Confirmation service hours while having fun with your family and friends.**

**JOIN US ON SATURDAY, JULY 29<sup>th</sup> from 9-11 a.m.** to help paint our carnival games. Even 1 hour will help! If you are able to help, please use this sign up genius link: <https://bit.ly/425opHz>. **Confirmation service hours available!**

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16<sup>th</sup> - TEEN AND ADULT VOLUNTEERS** are needed to help run games at the Carnival. Help make this day fun for all! Sign up for one shift or all day with your family or friends. Use this sign up genius link to sign up to help! There is something for everyone.

**<https://bit.ly/430dDU5>**

# YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

**PLEASE REGISTER FOR YOUTH MINISTRY 2023-2024. TIME TO REGISTER! Free t-shirt at our FALL KICKOFF meeting if you have registered. Please use this link to register and/or to update any information.** We welcome ALL middle and high school teens! **Sign up using this link:** [forms.gle/BSSZDAMuArYuH4c88](https://forms.gle/BSSZDAMuArYuH4c88) for junior or senior high. Come see what YM is all about!

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**—Sign up to help run a game at our **CARNIVAL, to be held on SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16<sup>th</sup>**. Please use this sign up genius link and sign up with your friends or family to help: <https://bit.ly/430dDU5> **Help us make this event fun for all—sign up now so you can get the game and shift you want!**

**THIS SATURDAY MORNING—VOLUNTEERS** are also needed to help **paint games** and get them ready for the Carnival. If you can help for even 1-2 hours, please join us on **SATURDAY, July 29<sup>th</sup> from 9-11 a.m.** Please use this link to sign up: <https://bit.ly/425opHz>. Confirmation service hours available!

## Senior High

**THIS WEEKEND—SUNDAY, JULY 30<sup>th</sup>—WATER GAMES AND A PICNIC IN THE PARK—from 6-8 p.m. BE PREPARED TO GET WET! Meet under the big tree in front of the church near the parking lot.** Bring a towel to sit on, a picnic dinner and join us for some fun and crazy water games, and so much more! We'll provide the popsicles and pink lemonade! Dress to get wet—rain or shine! Invite a friend too! Please sign up using this sign up genius link: <https://bit.ly/46Yp2GH>

## Junior High

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 11<sup>th</sup>—WATER GAMES AND A PICNIC IN THE PARK—6:00-7:30 p.m. Meet under the big tree in front of the church near the parking lot.** Bring a towel to sit on, a picnic dinner, and join us for some fun and water games! We will provide the drinks and popsicles and more fun! **BE PREPARED TO GET WET!** Rain or shine! Invite a friend too! Please sign up using this sign up genius link: <https://bit.ly/43iJTkF>

*Follow us on Instagram at [scatherine\\_youthministry](https://www.instagram.com/scatherine_youthministry) and check out our pictures.*

## PLEASE JOIN ME...

Please join me in wishing Adriana Farrell, our current assistant in youth ministry, all the best as she will be leaving our YM program at the end of this month. Adriana has been an important member of our youth ministry team over the last year, most recently working on organizing Carnival games and helping with our upcoming fall Kickoff meeting and other YM events. In the fall, she will be returning to the Cobb Montessori School as an assistant in the upper elementary classroom. I can't thank Adriana enough for all her great work—her contributions to youth ministry, her creativity, and for getting me very organized this past year. We will miss her and wish her all the best!

I am excited to introduce Sandra Cinquegrana as our new Assistant to Youth Ministry. Sandra and her family have been involved in many ministries here at St. Catherine including youth ministry, so she is very familiar with our program and events. She has been a parent volunteer for over six years, and is probably best known for the amazing Carnival Prize Tent and all the prizes that she organized and selected at our Carnival last year. I am happy to say that she will be running the Carnival Prize Tent once again this year! Sandra has been a chaperone on our Boston Mission Trip and has joined us at many of our YM meetings, so she already knows many of our teens, and is excited to join our ministry and parish team!

**Welcome Sandra!**

## Parishioner's Corporal Works of Mercy & Parish Ministry News

July 30th is the next service date for St. Elizabeth House. Sign up at:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F44ADAD2DA64-stelizabeth35>

### PANTRY PARTNERS

The next distribution date for Pantry Partners will be August 19th. This ministry provides fresh fruit, vegetables and protein to 20 families in the community. Thank you so much for your continued support!

### STREET SANDWICH MINISTRY

Our Street Sandwich Ministry collection is scheduled for the weekend of Saturday, August 19<sup>th</sup>, Sunday, August 20<sup>th</sup>, and Monday, August 21<sup>st</sup>. Sandwiches can be dropped off Saturday and Monday mornings from 8-9:30 a.m., and Sunday from 9-6 p.m. this weekend. A sign up quantity of 1 means 12 sandwiches, or 1 dozen. A sign up of 12 means 144 sandwiches.

Sandwiches of any kind are needed-sub rolls, bread, pita bread, wraps, filled with deli meats/cheese of any kind, including egg salad, tuna salad, chicken salad, or any kind of protein. Please **NO CONDIMENTS OR LETTUCE. Please be sure all sandwiches are individually wrapped.**

Please deliver individually wrapped sandwiches (foil, baggies, or cellophane) to the kitchen **using the outside kitchen entrance (near the garage/shed)**. If you are able to help make sandwiches, please use this sign up genius link:

<https://bit.ly/3KfduoG>

Confirmation service hours available.

### FEED THE HUNGRY

**Lunch Service on Aug 19th**

Please sign up by Weds., Aug 16th. We're serving those in need! Can you volunteer? There are 3 ways to help:

1. **Serve Lunch In-Person:** Carpool from St. Catherine at 9:45 a.m. to St. Elizabeth's House in Hartford. At the shelter we will serve a meal for residents as well as for other food insecure guests. We will be done by 1:00 p.m. and return to Simsbury afterwards.

2. **Prepare a cold salad.** Make your favorite macaroni or potato salad to serve 10-12 people. Deliver your dish in a disposable container to Russell Hall kitchen on Saturday, Aug 19th between 8:30-9:30 a.m.

3. **Make sandwiches:** Please see the weekly bulletin "Street Sandwich Ministry" section to sign-up.

Sign Up at <https://bit.ly/FTHLunchAug19>

Questions? Contact Rich Sickinger at 860-558-6940. [richsickinger@gmail.com](mailto:richsickinger@gmail.com).

## YES YOU "CAN" – TAKE WHAT YOU NEED/LEAVE WHAT YOU CAN

*Located in St. Catherine's kitchen*

We continue to help support various needs of local families with food needs and food insecurity. This would not be possible to do without your ongoing generosity and support! Thank you to all of you!

This month, we continue to look for donations of **coffee and tea, pasta, macaroni and cheese, canned fruits and vegetables, and cold cereals**. All donations can be delivered using the kitchen entrance. Our pantry is open to all from 9 a.m. – 6:00 p.m., but not available during Mass.

**PLEASE - NO EXPIRED FOODS OR OPENED CONTAINERS.**

Thank you for your ongoing support of our St. Catherine food pantry.