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## The Epiphany of the Lord

"They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary, his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed for their country by another wav." (Mt 2: 10-12)



### **PARISH SCHEDULE**

**Sunday Masses:** Saturday: 4 p.m. Sunday: 7 a.m., 9 a.m. and 11 a.m.

**Weekday Masses:** 

Monday-Friday: 6:45 a.m.; Saturday: 7 a.m.

Traditional Latin Mass: Monday: 7 p.m.

Holy Day Masses: 6:45 a.m., 12:10 p.m. and

6:30 p.m. on the Holy Day

Rosary: Daily at 6:20 a.m.

**Eucharistic Adoration**: In the chapel on Thursdays 7:15 a.m. - 5 p.m., Mondays 6-6:50 p.m. and First Friday/Saturday 6 p.m. - 6:45 a.m.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Saturdays from 3-4 p.m. and Mondays 6-6:50 p.m. in the chapel or by appointment by contacting one of the priests.

**Sacrament of Baptism:** 1 p.m. on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month. Please call the parish office for more details.

**Sacrament of Matrimony:** Engaged couples must contact one of the parish priests at least 8 months prior to making other wedding plans.

**Sacrament of the Sick:** Please contact one of our parish priests.

Saint Catherine of Siena Parish, 781-762-6080 Fr. Stephen Donohoe, Pastor x112 Fr. Timothy Hynes, Parochial Vicar x127 Fr. Maxwell Chukwudiebere, Parochial Vicar x118 Frank Tremblay, Deacon

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**Our Mission:** St. Catherine of Siena Parish is a Roman Catholic community established in Norwood, MA in 1890. Responding to our baptismal call to holiness, we seek to live the teachings of Christ in the Roman Catholic tradition through worship, education, service and evangelization.

All are welcome in Christ! "...To those sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints with all who are invoking the name of our Lord Jesus Christ in every place... Grace and peace to you from God our Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ. I give thanks to God continuously for you because of the grace of God that has been given to you in Christ Jesus. By that grace, in all things, you have become wealthy in him... He too will strengthen you, even until the end, without guilt..." Introduction of First Letter of Saint Paul to Corinthians



### **Epiphany**

People can come into our lives, sometimes for a very short time, and make a big impression. The power of the encounter can change our life, renew our hope, or strengthen our resolve. It can even set us on a new course, leading us to places, causes and people we never imagined meeting.

The Magi, or astrologers as Matthew calls them, arrive to pay homage to the newborn Jesus. A star had guided them on their quest and when they left, they avoided Herod and went on their way. Their gifts represented the kingship of Christ (gold), His divinity (incense) and his redemptive suffering (myrrh). The story of the Magi reminds us that the whole world has come to recognize and worship a Savior, and the impact of this short visit would reverberate through the ages.

Like the Magi, our life is a journey of faith. We encounter Christ in hundreds of ways. Each momentary encounter has the potential of changing lives, healing wounds, easing suffering and restoring faith. Those we meet along the way are fellow pilgrims who also search for grace and life. Follow the star of faith and offer your gifts of love. Christ will surely lead you.

~James Gaffney © Pilot Bulletins

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Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all! This has truly been a beautiful and prayerful season. I just want to take the time to acknowledge several people who have made this season a beautifully and prayerfully MUSICAL season! First, I would like to thank the members of the Adult Choir, the Children's Choir and the parents and guardians of the Children's Choir, including Linda Caniff for her work. Thank you very much for your hard work the last few weeks. I would like to thank our cantors Laurie Szablewski, Michael Burke, Letitia Stevens, Kristen Campbell as well as Alison LaRosa for your leadership week in and week out. I would like to thank our instrumentalists Ellen O'Neil and Sam Thurston and our pianist Mary Kantor for adding so much to our celebrations. I would like to thank the staff of Saint Catherine's for always being there to answer questions and for their support. Finally, I would like to thank all for your ongoing support musically and otherwise from the pews. May you all continue to experience peace and joy during this blessed Season!

> Joe Scolastico Director of Music and Organist



### Readings To-Go!

Epiphany of the Lord January 7, 2024

Scan QR code to see this week's readings!

### Are you registered with us?



If not, click on this code and fill out the requested fields. It only takes a few minutes. If you have any difficulty, please contact the parish office and we are happy to assist you!

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### **PARISH SUPPORT**

December 24, 2023: \$13,770 Clergy Trust: \$21,445 December 31, 2023: \$8,637.17 Solemnity of Mary: \$1,309



Thank you to everyone who supports our parish. There are a number of options when it comes to stewardship:

1. Online Giving -- For those who are able, online giving is a great way to regularly support our parish whether you are able to attend Mass or not. Just visit our website at: www.stcatherinenorwood.org

and click on Online Giving or scan the code shown here to get started. We have seen a significant increase in the number of families selecting online giving, and we are grateful for the stability this provides our parish finances.

2. Parish Envelopes — If you are not enrolled in online giving and you regularly contribute to offertory at Mass, we encourage you to receive envelopes so we can credit you with your donations. Contact the parish office, and we can assist you.

3. If online giving is not an option for you, and you are not able to attend Mass, you can mail your donation or drop it off at the rectory using the mail slot in the front door. For security reasons, we ask you to not leave envelopes in the external mailbox. Thank you!

For the Reception of Holy Communion: At the direction of the ushers, please make your way to the altar rail and fill in all available spaces. You may stand or kneel to receive. Please do not kneel if it is difficult for you. If you are not able to come forward, please remain in your bench and a priest or deacon will come to you.

Please do not leave purses or other valuables in your bench unattended.



In 2023, the St. Vincent de Paul Conference at Saint Catherine's served more than 450 of our neighbors in need in Norwood. Altogether the group provided more than \$30,000 in financial help (including

\$14,652 toward housing assistance, \$19,028 toward utilities, and \$2,219 toward food assistance).

Many thanks to the parishioners of Saint Catherine of Siena Church. We could not provide this assistance without the generosity and support of our parish. May God continue to bless you and all we serve throughout the new year.

Next weekend's second collection benefits the St. Vincent de Paul Society. Please make checks payable to Saint Catherine's. The parish will then give one check from all the donations to our St. Vincent de Paul Society.

### **Mass Intentions**

Saturday, January 6

7 a.m. In reparation for the offenses committed

against the Immaculate Heart of Mary

4 p.m. John J. Weiss, Sr. (5th Anniversary)

Sunday, January 7

7 a.m. Pro Populo

9 a.m. Kenneth A. Elliot (1st Anniversary)
11 a.m. Walter Rogers (2nd Anniversary), Dylan

Rogers, and the Rogers and McGrail

**Families** 

Monday, January 8 6:45 a.m. David McDonald

Tuesday, January 9

6:45 a.m. Virginia "Ginni" Tremblay (1st Anniversary)

Wednesday, January 10

6:45 a.m. Joseph and Helena Abely and Family

Thursday, January 11

6:45 a.m. Elizabeth Liberto

Friday, January 12

6:45 a.m.

Saturday, January 13

7 a.m.

4 p.m. Thomas, Mary, Eamonn, and Paraic

Keady, Bridie Burke, and Thomas and

Mary Concannon

Mass Intentions are booked up to three months in advance. We are currently accepting intention requests through April 2024. Please call 781-762-6080 or email parish@stcatherinenorwood.org.

### Week of January 7th

The Altar Bread and Wine are offered in memory of Walter Rogers, Dylan Rogers, and the Rogers and McGrail Families.

The Sanctuary Candles are lit in memory of Walter Rogers, Dylan Rogers, and the Rogers and McGrail Families.



Please remember our beloved deceased, especially Mary Boyle whose funeral was celebrated at Saint Catherine's this week.



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### COFFEE AND DONUTS

Please join us in the gym after the 9 a.m. Sunday Mass for coffee, donuts and fellowship.



All are welcome!



### January 8th EPIPHANY REFLECTION

BY FR. HYNES

Every Monday 9:30 AM Chapel of St.Catherine's

Playtime & fellowship to follow each week, ending at 11:00 AM

### January 15th INTEGRATING FAITH AND FAMILY

BY A VETERAN MOM

January 22nd
INTERACTIVE FAMILY ROSARY

January 29th
ADORATION & BENEDICTION

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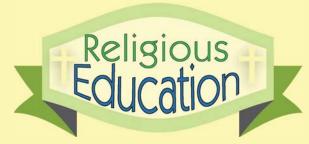






## **Eucharistic Adoration**

Mondays 6-6:50 p.m.
Thursdays after 6:45 a.m. Mass - 5 p.m.
First Friday/Saturday All Night Vigil



### **UPCOMING CLASSES:**

GRADES 1 and 2

Sunday, January 7th, 10:15-11:15 a.m. Sunday, January 14th, 10:15-11:15 a.m.

**GRADES 3-5** 

Family Catechesis Sunday, January 7th 10:15-11:15 a.m.

GRADES 6-7

Family Catechesis Sunday, January 14th, 10:15-11:15 a.m.

For more information, contact:
Beth Lindberg,
Religious Education Coordinator
religiouseducation@stcatherinenorwood.org

### A Celebration of Convalidation (2/11/2024)

Married couples desiring holy matrimony in the Catholic Church are invited to convalidate their marriage on World Marriage Sunday, February 11, 2024 at the Cathedral of the Holy Cross, Boston at 3:00 PM with Bishop Mark O'Connell as the celebrant. A convalidation ceremony is an opportunity for couples married outside of the Church to enter into a marriage covenant in the Catholic tradition. For more information, email

Emily Elliott@rcab.org or visit our registration page at

https://www.evangelizeboston.com/event/marriage-convalidation-ceremony/.

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Coday you revealed in Christ your eternal plan of salvation and showed him as the light of all peoples. Now that his glory has shone among us you have renewed humanity in his immortal image.

-Epiphany Roman Rite

Abundant Life, the new pro-life group at Saint Catherine's, has put together a display board to showcase parish life. We would love pictures of new babies, baptisms, weddings, new parishioners, parish events, and news for the board. A special feature will be "Family of the Month." We need YOUR pictures to make this happen. You may call or email, 781-762-4391 or

<u>rita.a.russo@gmail.com</u>, or leave them in the envelope below the board with your contact info. It is located in the vestibule, between the front doors, and will be updated monthly. Come and see it!

### **Confidential Help for Crisis Pregnancies:**



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Surrendering the Secret- 508-397-7280

### **January Pro Life Events**

Each January, churches across the country commit themselves to observing the sanctity of human life while praying for our nation and the pro-life movement.

### Wednesday, January 10

The Abundant Life Group meets at 7 p.m. in the school cafeteria on the second Wednesday. We will have prolife news, a short video, discussion, and update the Parish Life Board. All are welcome. Join the pro-life effort at our parish!

### Saturday, January 13

Helpers of God's Precious Infants. Join us to pray all 3 mysteries of the Holy Rosary in front of Planned Parenthood, 1055 Commonwealth Ave., Boston, second Saturday at 9 a.m.

### Friday, January 19

MARCH FOR LIFE IN WASHINGTON, DC. Livestreamed on EWTN.

### Saturday, January 20

Pro-life Mass at The Fatima Shrine, 155 Washington St., Brighton, every 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday at 10:30 a.m.

### Monday, January 22

6:45 a.m. Mass intention: Day of Prayer for Legal Protection of the Unborn

A Holy Hour for Life will be held in January at Saint Catherine's. The date and time will be announced in the bulletin.



### THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

The origin and foundation of Christian Baptism is Jesus. Before starting his public ministry, Jesus submitted himself to the baptism given by John the Baptist. The waters did not purify him; he cleansed the waters. "He comes to sanctify the Jordan for our sake . . . to begin a new creation through the Spirit and water" (St. Gregory Nazianzen, Liturgy of the Hours, I, 634). Jesus' immersion in the water is a sign for all human beings of the need to

die to themselves to do God's will. Jesus did not need to be baptized because he was totally faithful to the will of his Father and free from sin. However, he wanted to show his solidarity with human beings in order to reconcile them to the Father. By commanding his disciples to baptize all nations, he established the means by which people would die to sin—Original and actual—and begin to live a new life with God.

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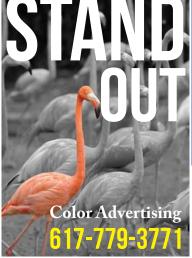


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Fr. Tom Nestor has served as pastor at the Collaborative Parishes of Resurrection and Saint Paul in Hingham for the past ten years, and previously served at St. Eulalia's in Winchester for 17 years. A Harvard graduate and native of West Roxbury, Fr. Nestor is known for fostering a sense of community wherever he goes.

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### **CONGRATULATIONS!**

During the Christmas break, 3rd grade teacher Mrs. Roseanne Dulong was one of 30 educators from New England to receive the Wasabi Fenway Bowl 2023 Honor Roll Award at Fenway Park. Recipients were recognized for having gone above and beyond to support their students and school communities. Congratulations to Mrs. Dulong for shining God's light brightly in her classroom each day and living the SCS motto "See Christ in Others. Be Christ for Others."



"Rosanne knew since she was a child that she wanted to be a teacher. She achieved that, and is still going strong having taught generations of children with her unfailing kindness and understanding of young minds. She fought through a serious bout of cancer several years ago and has continued teaching and working multiple jobs to support her family. She's always putting everyone ahead of herself."

Before break, the girls basketball teams said goodbye to the old Hawks logo on the gym floor. It was replaced with the SCS logo while the students enjoyed their vacation.





