



St. Mary-St. Catherine Of Siena

Roman Catholic Parish

Charlestown, Massachusetts ▪ Archdiocese of Boston

Est. April 18, 2006

stmarystcatherine.org

June 23, 2019

Welcome! To visitors to our Parish, to those who have recently moved into the area and to those comfortable and nourished here—*Welcome To All*. And, regardless of your status in the Church, your marital state, your ethnicity, your prior religious experience, your personal history, background or sexual orientation, please know that you are accepted and respected at Saint Mary–Saint Catherine of Siena Parish. Please introduce yourself to the priest and register as a member of our Parish.

Mission Saint Mary–Saint Catherine of Siena is an urban, Roman Catholic Parish formed in 2006 from two historic Charlestown parishes. We are an intentionally inclusive community welcoming all of the many people who make up our diverse neighborhood. Because our lives are nourished by the Eucharist, we strive to build a vibrant Parish that develops and strengthens our faith and worship. With a goal of being community-oriented in the Spirit of the Gospel, we are involved in the local and global issues of our times. We are therefore dedicated to service, action, and compassion

Misión St. Mary's–St. Catherine of Siena es una parroquia urbana, Católica Romana, formada en 2006 de la unión de dos parroquias históricas de Charlestown. Somos una comunidad intencionalmente inclusiva que acoge a toda clase de personas que constituyen nuestro diverso vecindario. Porque nuestras vidas están alimentadas por la Eucaristía, nuestra intención es establecer una parroquia vibrante que desarrolle y fortifique nuestra fe y nuestro culto. Con la meta de estar orientados hacia la comunidad en el Espíritu del Evangelio, estamos comprometidos en los asuntos locales y globales de nuestros tiempos. Estamos, por lo tanto, dedicados al servicio, a la acción y a la compasión.

CORPUS CHRISTI

The other day I was thinking about my first memory of going to Mass. It was in Dorchester at St. Peter's Parish. Theirs is a magnificent church building and the upper church is especially beautiful. Most memorable for me are the windows that contain some of the richest blues I have ever seen. Of course, changes in the liturgy were in Latin. Often and so the priest(s) and sang the various the *Dies Ire* had a fascinating.



the richest blues I have that time was before the Mass was a memorial wore black vestments parts. Even back then mournful sound. It was

At St. Peter's learned more about about the nature of as I prepared for my Because I lived very near the Church and had to pass by it each day on my way to school, early on I got into the habit of stopping in for a visit. I continued the practice through high school, college and in fact until today.

Grammar School I the presence of Jesus and the sacrifice of the Mass First Holy Communion.

The **real presence** of the Son of God in the Most Blessed Sacrament seems to me to manifest in such a profound way the nature of God's love for us. Saint Pope John Paul II wrote, *"The Eucharist, as Christ's saving presence in the community of the faithful and its spiritual food, is the most precious possession which the Church can have in her journey through history"*.

You and I have inherited a gift too immense to measure or easily grasp. It is for certain a mystery and can only be approached through the window of love. For me, all of the fears and worries of life and of death are somehow manageable in the presence of the God of life who chooses to remain with us – to be available, accessible and present to us day in and day out. Throughout the ages men and women have found comfort and consolation in the awareness of Christ's presence, especially in the Eucharist.

The Mass is the *"source and summit of the Church's life"*. Everything we need to know about God is contained in this celebration. The depth and nature of God's compassion, mercy, and love for us are all found here. The challenge to each of

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Mass Schedule

Saturday – St. Mary Church

4:00 p.m.

Sunday – St. Mary Church

8:00 a.m.

10:30 a.m. Family Mass

6:00 p.m. (in Chapel during Summer months)

Daily Mass Mon.-Fri., 8:00 a.m. at **St. Catherine of Siena Chapel** (entrance on Soley St. side of Church)

Holidays 9:00 a.m. in Chapel

Reconciliation 3:45 p.m. Saturday in Church or by appointment

Baptism Visit stmarystcatherine.org/sacraments/ for our 2017 schedule or call Sr. Nancy at (617) 242-4664. Preparation classes are held for Parents and Godparents on the preceding Friday of the monthly baptism at 7PM in the Parish Center.

Pastor

Fr. James J. Ronan

Pastoral Associate

Sr. Nancy Citro, SNDdeN

Business Manager

James Santosuosso

Social Ministry Director

Thomas J. MacDonald

Pastoral Assistant, Faith Formation

Katy Fleming

Director of Music

Katie O'Reilly (Interim)

Administrative Assistant

Dianne Ludy

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Clergy In Residence

Fr. Jerome Gillespie

Fr. Ken Chemizie O.C.D.

Fr. Anthony Nweke C.S.S.p.

Visiting Clergy

Fr. Pat Universal

Hispanic Ministry

Blanca Paz

Vice Chairs Pastoral Council

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Nancy Higgins

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us to live what we celebrate is the constant echo that follows us when we leave the sacramental banquet. The invitation to communion, over and again, nourishes us and reminds us of Jesus' desire to befriend us like no other.

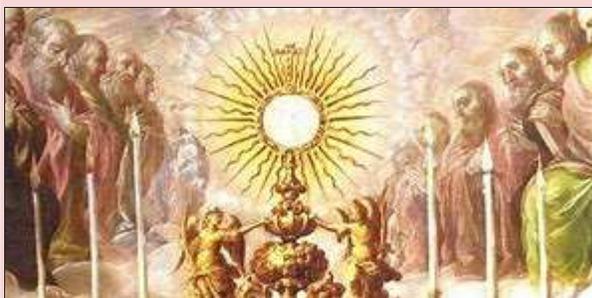
This is the Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ. The strength offered you and me in the daily/weekly sacrifice of the Mass is incalculable. It is time to revisit our personal journey of faith around the Eucharist and to celebrate with humility and joy this most precious gift. It is time to remember to bring to this encounter with the God of life all our fears, hopes, and dreams, and to find the strength to look forward in hope.

Fr. Ronan

EUCCHARISTIC CHAPEL AVAILABLE TO ALL

Paying a visit to the Lord Jesus in the Most Blessed Sacrament, taking a few moments out of a busy day to pray and celebrate the faith – what a wonderful gift to give Our Lord and ourselves! And now, in Charlestown, there is a lovely Eucharistic Chapel open to the public every weekday from 9 to 5 at the Parish Center on 46 Winthrop St. This beautiful old building includes a simple space for prayer and reflection. Please feel free to drop by when you are out and about. Right across from the Training Field and a bit up from the fire station, you will find the building. All are welcome to visit.

Also, at St. Catherine of Siena Chapel on the corner of Warren & Soley Streets each Friday afternoon from 5:30 to 6:30 all are welcome to participate in Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction. Stop by for a few moments or join us for longer. We look forward to praying with you.



June 23 ~ Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood (Corpus Christi)

Today we celebrate this great gift that Jesus gave us. He promised that He

would be with us always and He left us the sacrament of His Body and Blood. Do I stop and think how great this gift is? Do I consider Who I am receiving in this sacrament? Do I believe that each time I receive Communion I am given what I need to be and to become the "body of Christ?" As you leave Mass today, take Jesus with you and bring Him to everyone we meet.

**The Church is handicap-accessible on Soley Street.
The Chapel is handicap-accessible on Winthrop Street.**

**Parish Center
& Eucharistic Chapel**
46 Winthrop Street **617-242-4664**

Saint Mary Church
55 Warren Street

Saint Catherine of Siena Chapel
Warren and Soley Street

Social Ministry Office
49 Vine Street **617-580-8305**

Good Shepherd School
20 Winthrop Street **617-242-8800**



“Esto es mi
cuerpo.
Ésta es mi
sangre”.

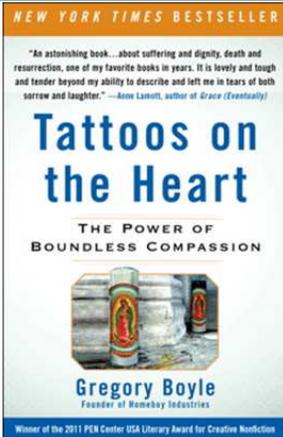
Celebramos el domingo pasado la fiesta de la Santísima Trinidad, el misterio de Dios, las matemáticas imposibles de Dios El Dios amor en su intimidad más íntima. Hoy, fiesta del Corpus Christi, fiesta del Cuerpo y de la Sangre de Cristo, celebramos la fiesta del amor de Dios al mundo y a los hombres y de su presencia entre nosotros para siempre. En la puerta de algunos sagrarios hay un pelicano, esa ave de pico larguísimo, porque creían que los pelicanos alimentaban a sus crías con su propia carne y su propia sangre y se daban en alimento a sus crías. El pelicano es una imagen poética de Cristo que alimenta a sus hijos dándonos su propia carne y su propia sangre.

La puerta de nuestro sagrario es muy hermosa, no tiene un pelicano como la puerta de mi antigua parroquia de la Anunciación, pero sí tiene a José de Calasanz, rodeado por sus hermanos, recibiendo por última vez la comunión, tal como Goya la imaginó y la pintó. Hace ya muchos años hice un viaje a Guinea Ecuatorial y me contaban una de las prácticas de las de las religiones animistas. Cuando muere un hombre al que consideran como un hombre bueno, un santo diríamos nosotros, lo entierran pero por la noche los habitantes del poblado, para participar de su espíritu, se reúnen y comen parte de sus entrañas. Y había, en aquellos días, un Escolapio tan bueno que sólo esperaban su muerte para poder participar de su espíritu.

Por macabro que esto pueda parecerse no deja de tener cierta semejanza con esta fiesta que celebramos este domingo, Fiesta del Cuerpo y la Sangre de Cristo. Cristo, pelicano divino, alimenta a sus hijos hambrientos de sentido y de más vida que esta pobre vida con el pan de vida y la copa de la salvación y así nosotros podemos participar también del espíritu del único hombre bueno que jamás ha existido. Lo que Jesús empezó el Jueves Santo con doce hombres en aquella primera Eucaristía se continúa aquí y ahora y Jesús alimenta a multitud de cristianos esparcidos por todo el mundo.

Ser cristiano, ser católico, es asistir a la Eucaristía, la escuela de la acción de gracias, sin prisas, sin reloj, y celebrar el día del Señor. Cada domingo es el día del Corpus Christi. Cada domingo se hace verdad el milagro de la multiplicación del pan y del vino de Caná. Ya sé que la sociedad de hoy es la sociedad del chándal y las adidas, la sociedad del entretenimiento, del fútbol y el carusel deportivo, de curar en la cama la fiebre del sábado noche, pero nosotros queremos y necesitamos alimentar el espíritu en la acción de gracias. La Eucaristía es comida comunitaria, es el pan partido, y es invitación a continuarla y vivirla en el mundo de los hombres, nuestro mundo. Jesús nos manda en el evangelio de la multiplicación de los panes: “Dadles vosotros de comer”.

En esta sociedad de la avaricia y del egoísmo según el Papa Francisco “fracasa un banco y es una tragedia, la gente muere de hambre y no pasa nada”. Hoy, Fiesta del Corpus, Día de la caridad, de Cáritas, nosotros somos urgidos, no por compasión, no por filantropía, sino por mandato del mismo Jesús a multiplicar el pan y a dividir nuestros bienes para cumplir con el “dadles de comer vosotros”. Invitación a vivir sencillamente para que los otros puedan sencillamente vivir. El mundo pertenecerá no a los que le canten bonitas canciones de amor sino a aquellos que mejor les demuestren su amor.



About The Book

“Destined to become a classic of both urban reportage and contemporary spirituality” (*Los Angeles Times*)—*Tattoos on the Heart* is a series of parables about kinship and redemption from pastor, activist, and renowned speaker, Father Gregory Boyle.

Thirty years ago, Gregory Boyle founded Homeboy Industries, a gang-intervention, rehabilitation, and reentry program in Los Angeles, the gang capital of the world. In *Tattoos on the Heart*, his debut book, he distills his experience working with gang members into a breathtaking series of parables inspired by faith.

From giant, tattooed Cesar, shopping at JC Penney fresh out of prison, you learn how to feel worthy of God’s love. From ten-year-old Pipi you learn the importance of being known and acknowledged. From Lulu you come to understand the kind of patience necessary to rescue someone from the dark—as Father Boyle phrases it, we can only shine a flashlight on a light switch in a darkened room.

This is a motivating look at how to stay faithful in spite of failure, how to meet the world with a loving heart, and how to conquer shame with boundless, restorative love.

Tattoos on the Heart is a great book! Greg Boyle loves the young people he works with and he makes us love them too. Through his hilarious and heartbreaking stories he shares their lives and what they teach us.

It’s a book that will stay with you long after you finish it. A book you will recommend to others. A perfect summer read. – Kathy Devaney



The month of June is traditionally dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, as are the Fridays of the year.

“In 1672, Christ appeared to a French Visitation nun, [St. Margaret Mary Alacoque](#). Over a series of visits, Our Lord revealed to St. Margaret Mary the importance of devotion to His Sacred Heart. He asked that His heart, wounded on the cross and continually wounded by the ingratitude of humankind for his sacrifice for them, be venerated and adored as an embodiment of His Divine mercy and love.”

We can help show our love and dedication to Jesus by frequently receiving the sacraments of Holy Communion and Penance. Strengthened by the grace of these sacraments and by drawing closer and closer to Jesus in our prayerful relationship with Him, we can more faithfully walk in His footsteps.



Campaign for the Future of Our Catholic Faith

The St. Mary's Church Restoration Project

Last September, with the support of a wonderful team of parishioners, we carried out the Inspiring Hope Campaign. The principle objective was to raise funds for the painting and restoration of artwork at our beloved Church. One hundred and twenty parishioners pledged and contributed \$6___ to the project.

The Campaign concluded in January and a lot has been happening over these past 6 months. First, I formed a small committee of volunteers from the parish including, among others: architects, construction project managers, and finance professionals to

assist in the oversight of this important project. We concluded early on that it was critically important to properly define the scope of this project by creating detailed specifications and drawings.

Simply asking for quotes to "paint the inside of the church" produced vastly different responses and provided an inadequate framework within which to manage the project and its cost. Accordingly, we engaged Building Conservation Associates (BCA), a renowned historic preservation consultant, to assist us in developing detailed specifications, soliciting bids and selecting a contractor to perform the work.

The committee and BCA have met on numerous occasions over the past few months to review the results of their research and preliminary scoping documents. While this process involved taking samples of existing paint layers (old and new), our goal is not necessarily to replicate the original color scheme. Rather, our objective is to restore the inside of this incredible church to a clean, refreshed, and beautiful condition in a financially responsible manner.

This will likely entail several phases, the first of which will be the much-needed painting of the interior. We expect to finalize the specification documents in July and be in a position to solicit and review bids in August. In the meantime, we will be sharing with you some of the extraordinary original architectural drawings and pictures we've discovered during our investigative phase.

We are all looking forward to seeing some concrete activity in the church! At the same time, it is our responsibility to launch this most important project in the very best way ensuring excellent results! More to come!

Committee Members:

Lee Eisman Mike Frawley, Dennis Hanson, Lisa Howe (BCA), Nick Kramer, Meghan Melvin, Fr. Ronan, James Santosuosso, Ryan Walsh



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THE PARISH IS EAGER TO CREATE A NEW ITEM FOR COMMUNICATING WITH PARISHIONERS AND WE WILL SOON LAUNCH AN ONLINE NEWS-

LETTER. IF YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW HAVE SPECIAL TALENTS IN PULLING TOGETHER CREATIVE, SMART, AND EFFECTIVE TOOLS SUCH AS THIS – WE WOULD DEARLY LIKE TO HEAR FROM YOU AND OR YOUR IDEAS!!

FR. RONAN

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Ministry to the Sick & Homebound

We welcome the opportunity to provide the Sacraments of Confession, Communion, or Anointing of the Sick to anyone who is confined to home, either on a short or longer term basis, as we want to do our best to help them receive the graces these sacraments have to offer and feel connected to our community.

Please call us at 617-242-4664 if you, a relative or neighbor is open to having a home visit for some friendly conversation and prayer.

Our Stewardship Prayer by the Welcoming Committee



Heavenly Father, instill in our hearts a spirit of love and compassion. May we foster a welcoming parish community with acceptance and respect for all. Inspire us to make a difference by being generous with our time and talents. Please send your Holy Spirit among us to remind us to follow Jesus and his teachings in all aspects of our lives. As we end this Mass, may we go forth and spread goodwill among our neighbors, friends, and fellow parishioners. Through Christ, our Lord. Amen



BANNS OF MARRIAGE



III Patrick Griffin & Kathryn Rush



I Timothy Eynatian & Amy Gaylord



I Matthew Harvey & Gabriella Beaudry

End of year
Religious Education
Barb-B-Que
And Summer Safety Tips By
Boston Police




Religious Education

EARLY REGISTRATION 2019/2020
Register your child for Religious Education! Registration for the 2019-2020 school year is now open at St. Mary-St. Catherine of Siena. Please visit our website at www.stmarystcatherine.org to register children Kindergarten through High School (Confirmation) Kick-off is September 15, 2019!



RICA (The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) is a program for Catholics who have not had the opportunity to receive the Sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation; for Adults who are members of another religion or have never been baptized and want to know more about the Catholic faith and perhaps become Catholic.



Adult Confirmation Classes are for those who are 18 years of age and older who have never received the Sacrament of Confirmation.
For more information, call Sr. Nancy at 617-242-4664 or email ncitro@stmarystcatherine.org



Please pray for those serving in our
Armed Forces and their families:

Ralph Rizzo, Jr. (Marines)

Joseph Upton, Jr. (Marines)

Kenneth (Army)

Jackie Walsh (Army)

Welcome Home Gerald Byrnes Jr.!

Thank you for your service.

If you have a loved one serving in the
military, please contact the Parish at 617
-242-4664.

MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY 06/22

4:00 PM + JACLYN FEENEY

+ HELEN McLAUGHLIN

SUNDAY 06/23

8:00 AM + CASIMIRA CALIVOZO

10:30 AM + EDWARD & ANN BOYLE

**6:00 PM + KATE PACHECO &
THERESA GALLAGHER**

• **ROSARY SAID BEFORE DAILY MASS**

MONDAY 06/24

8:00 AM

TUESDAY 06/25

8:00

WEDNESDAY - 06/26

8:00 AM PARISH PRAYER GUILD

THURSDAY 06/27

8:00 AM

FRIDAY 06/28

8:00 AM + JOSEPH MARI, MINNIE

TRANQUILLINO, VINCENT

CITRO, FABIO LAUDADIO

5:30 PM EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

SATURDAY 06/29

SUNDAY 06/30

8:00 AM

10:30 AM

6:00 PM + BARBARA COYMAN



*Resquiescat
in Pace*

Zelma Lacey



**Sanctuary Lamp in
St Mary Church**

Is lit for

Lina Caranfa

**Sanctuary Lamp in
the**

St. Catherine Siena Chapel

Is lit for

Jaclyn Feeney

ATTENDANCE

SAT 06/15	4:00 PM -	80
SUN 06/16	8:00 AM -	83
SUN 06/16	10:30 AM -	88
SUN 06/16	6:00 PM -	63
TOTAL:		314

UPCOMING COLLECTIONS

June 30 Peter's Pence

July 21 Monthly



Weekend of 06/16/2019

Parishioners contributed

\$9,649.55 to the Weekly
Collection

And \$1,492.00 to the Monthly
Collection

Thank you for your continued
support!

PARISH MINISTRIES

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

CHRISTMAS CAROLERS

HARVEST ON VINE

PRISON MINISTRY

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

ZELMA LACY ASSISTED LIVING

FAITH FORMATION & ENRICHMENT

ADULT CONFIRMATION

BAPTISM TEAM

CENTERING PRAYER

CONFIRMATION

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FAITH SHARING

PRAYER FOR PEACE

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ALTAR SOCIETY

ARIMATHEA SOCIETY

CANA SOCIETY

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

GREETERS

LECTORS

MUSIC MINISTRY

ST. MATTHEW SOCIETY

USHERS

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FINANCE COUNCIL

PASTORAL COUNCIL

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WELCOMING COMMITTEE

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