



# St. Mary-St. Catherine Of Siena

## Roman Catholic Parish

Charlestown, Massachusetts ▪ Archdiocese of Boston

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*Our Mission is to make active disciples of Jesus Christ by creating a welcoming community rich in spirituality and by moving people to embrace their God-given talents in the service of others and the care of creation.*

April 24, 2022

### 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.

### About Us

Saint Mary - Saint Catherine of Siena is an intentionally inclusive Roman Catholic Parish that welcomes all those who make up our diverse community in a way that reflects God's love. Nourished by the Gospel and the real presence of Jesus in the Eucharist, we build a vibrant Parish that strengthens our faith and elevates our worship. With gratitude for the gifts God has bestowed upon us, we respond to His call to stewardship and embrace our lives of service and compassion.

## IN THE AFTERGLOW



The community in Jerusalem was stunned. Some had seen the Risen Lord – all were talking about it and there was a confused, frightened hope growing in the group that would soon become the early Church. The days before Pentecost were trying for everyone, for the gifts of God's loving and powerful Spirit had not yet been received. And so Peter and the others could not see and grasp the big picture. After 2000 years we can look back on those days as recorded in the Acts of the Apostles and almost feel the excitement and turmoil.

Throughout all of this there is one indisputable truth: Jesus has Risen from the dead. He has been seen and He is continuing His teaching and forming of the community of

the faithful. Everything is different for the Cross now stands at the center of our understanding of Jesus. That He had to suffer and die to complete His work on earth remains an enormous mystery and truth. There would be no Easter if there had been no Good Friday and throughout the centuries this truth continues to touch our lives.

Last Sunday our parish church was full of worshippers who came to Mass to celebrate and pray on Easter Sunday. They came to services and heard the Good News. The event of Jesus' Resurrection is not only an historical fact, it is a present reality and touches our lives as much today as yesterday.

In our baptism we are baptized into the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. To say, "I am a baptized Christian" is to say that I am a follower of the One who suffered, died and rose from the dead. It is to say that I accept that I, too, will struggle and suffer in my life, that I will also die and that I too will be raised from the

*Divine Mercy Sunday*

## Mass Schedule

### Saturday – St. Mary Church

9:00 a.m.

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** 3:15 p.m. Saturday in Church or by appointment

**Baptism** Visit [stmarystcatherine.org/sacraments/](http://stmarystcatherine.org/sacraments/) for our 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

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dead. To celebrate these days is to grasp, again, our destiny and the path to fulfilling it. Our destiny is heaven, and the road there is within the Church, the community of believers, the followers of Christ.

At the Easter liturgies and during these days it is a common practice to begin the Mass with a sprinkling of holy water recalling our baptism and the promises thereof. This is a simple gesture, yet one that can awaken in us a refreshing newness - a reminder of our dignity as God's precious children.

In the midst of this early springtime with the harrowing issues of our times swirling around us, we need such a reminder and affirmation more than ever.

Fr. Ronan

### We Are Grateful

The liturgies of Holy Week, the Sacred Triduum and Easter Sunday were very beautiful. Many members of the parish came together to give of their time and talents to prepare this week to rehearse the music, proclaim The Word, distribute Holy Communion, take up collections, clean the church, arrange the flowers, live-stream the Masses, and help in countless other ways. To all of you, on behalf of a very grateful parish and pastor, a most sincere THANK YOU!



**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  
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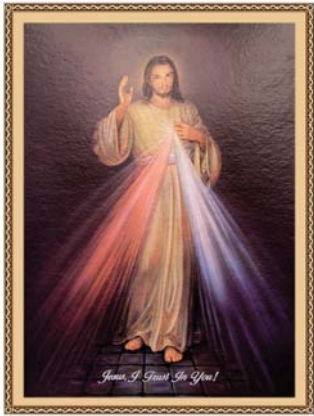
**Saint Mary Church**  
55 Warren Street

### Saint Catherine of Siena Chapel

Warren and Soley Street

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

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20 Winthrop Street 617-242-8800



## DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

The **Divine Mercy** is a form of God's compassion, an act of grace based on trust or forgiveness.

The message of The **Divine Mercy** is simple. It is that God loves us – all of us. And, He wants us to recognize that His mercy is greater than our sins, so that we will call upon Him with trust, receive His mercy, and let it flow through us to others. Thus, all will come to share His joy.

This message and devotion to Jesus as **The Divine Mercy** is based on the writings of Saint Faustina Kowalska, an uneducated Polish nun who, in obedience to her spiritual director, wrote a diary of about 600 pages recording the revelations she received about God's mercy. Even before her death in 1938, the devotion to **The Divine Mercy** had begun to spread.

A great resource for all things Divine Mercy can be found on the web site of -

[DivingMercy.org](http://DivingMercy.org) which will take you to the web site of the Shrine of the Divine Mercy in Stockbridge MA which is run by the Marian Fathers. You can learn the history, access resources and learn the Chaplet of Divine Mercy if you do not already know it.

## EN EL RESPLANDOR

La comunidad de Jerusalén quedó atónita. Algunos habían visto al Señor resucitado, todos hablaban de ello y había una esperanza confusa y asustada que crecía en el grupo que pronto se convertiría en la Iglesia primitiva. Los días previos a Pentecostés fueron difíciles para todos, porque los dones del Espíritu amoroso y poderoso de Dios aún no habían sido recibidos. Y así, Peter y los demás no podían ver ni captar el panorama general. Después de 2000 años, podemos mirar hacia atrás a esos días registrados en los Hechos de los Apóstoles y casi sentir la emoción y la agitación.

En todo esto hay una verdad indiscutible: Jesús ha resucitado de entre los muertos. Se le ha visto y continúa Su enseñanza y formación de la comunidad de los fieles. Todo es diferente porque la Cruz ahora está en el centro de nuestra comprensión de Jesús. Que Él tuvo que sufrir y morir para completar Su obra en la tierra sigue siendo un enorme misterio y verdad. No habría Pascua si no hubiera Viernes Santo ya lo largo de los siglos esta verdad sigue tocando nuestras vidas.

El pasado domingo nuestra iglesia parroquial se llenó de feligreses que acudieron a Misa a celebrar y rezar el Domingo de Resurrección. Vinieron a los servicios y escucharon las Buenas Nuevas. El acontecimiento de la Resurrección de Jesús no es sólo un hecho histórico, es una realidad presente y toca nuestra vida tanto hoy como ayer.

En nuestro bautismo somos bautizados en la vida, muerte y resurrección de Jesucristo. Decir “soy cristiano bautizado” es decir que soy seguidor de Aquel que sufrió, murió y resucitó de entre los muertos. Es decir que acepto que yo también lucharé y sufriré en mi vida, que también moriré y que también seré resucitado de entre los muertos. Celebrar estos días es asir, nuevamente, nuestro destino y el camino para cumplirlo. Nuestro destino es el cielo, y el camino está dentro de la Iglesia, la comunidad de creyentes, los seguidores de Cristo.

En las liturgias pascuales y durante estos días es práctica común comenzar la Misa rociando con agua bendita recordando nuestro bautismo y las promesas del mismo. Este es un gesto simple, pero que puede despertar en nosotros una novedad refrescante, un recordatorio de nuestra dignidad como hijos preciosos de Dios.

En medio de esta primavera temprana con los problemas angustiosos de nuestro tiempo arremolinándose a nuestro alrededor, necesitamos tal recordatorio y afirmación más que nunca.

Padre Ronan

Estamos agradecidos

Las liturgias de la Semana Santa, el Triduo Sagrado y el Domingo de Resurrección fueron muy hermosas. Muchos miembros de la parroquia se reunieron para dar de su tiempo y talentos para preparar esta semana para ensayar la música, proclamar la Palabra, distribuir la Sagrada Comunión, hacer colectas, limpiar la iglesia, arreglar las flores, transmitir las Misas en vivo y ayudar de innumerables otras maneras. A todos ustedes, en nombre de una parroquia y un párroco muy agradecidos, ¡MUCHAS GRACIAS!



### Second Sunday of Easter

April 23/24

On behalf of our priests in good standing, thank you for your support of last week's Easter collection that benefitted Clergy Trust. If you missed the collection, you can still make a gift

You can use the QR code provided or put it in the collection basket made out to the Clergy Benefit Trust.

Again, thank you.



**Dear Marian Friends,**

On Saturdays, we gather for our Saturday

**Rosary via Zoom.**

Sign on is at 8AM, and we will begin praying at 8:15AM.

If you are interested, please email Donna at:

**[donna.lecam@gmail.com](mailto:donna.lecam@gmail.com)** for the Zoom information.

***All are most welcome.***

# Holy Week in our Parish - Palm Sunday



Picking the parish council on Palm Sunday

## Holy Thursday



John Volpe, Music Director with Katie O'Reilly, Jean Grace, and Sr. Kathleen



↑  
Good Friday  
&  
Easter Vigil

Decorating &  
Cleaning the  
Church for Easter



Easter Sunday



Welcomed fully into the Church



**MASS SCHEDULE**

**10:30 AM MASS IS LIVE ON OUR WEBSITE AND FACEBOOK AND ARCHIVED ON FACEBOOK FOR FUTURE VIEWING**

**SATURDAY 04/23**

**9:00 AM**

**4:00 PM + KATE PACHECO  
THERESA GALLAHER  
JAMES GALLAGHER**

**SUNDAY 04/24**

**DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**

**8:00 AM**

**10:30 AM + MARY BYRNE  
6:00 PM MASS + FLORENCE &  
FRANCESCO SACCO  
THOMAS McMANUS  
MARIA CERASUOLO**

**ROSARY SAID AT 7:30 BEFORE  
DAILY MASS**

**MONDAY 04/25**

**PATRIOTS DAY - OFFICE CLOSED**

**9:00 AM**

**TUESDAY 04/26**

**8:00 AM**

**WEDNESDAY 04/27**

**8:00 AM**

**THURSDAY 04/28**

**8:00 AM**

**FRIDAY 04/29**

**8:00 AM**

**SATURDAY 04/30**

**9:00 AM**

**12:30 1ST COMMUNION REHEARSAL**

**4:00 CONFIRMATION**

**SUNDAY 05/01**

**8:00 AM + GERALD STILPHEN &  
FR. BOB MOTTAU**

**10:30 AM + ROGER "PEEWEE"  
WOODS**

**1:00 PM FIRST HOLY COMMUNION**

**6:00 PM MASS + MARY TRACY**

*Welcome*

**ATTENDANCE**

**HOLY THURSDAY 75  
GOOD FRIDAY 60**

**EASTER VIGIL APRIL 16  
7:30 PM 83**

**EASTER APRIL 17  
8:00 AM 210  
10:30 AM 411**

**TOTAL 839**

**Weekend of**

**April 16 & 17  
Parishioners contributed**

**\$ 7,735.55 to the Clergy  
Benefit Collection  
And  
\$ 546**

**To the Good Friday  
Collection**

*Thank you for your  
continued support*



*Resquiescat  
in  
Pace*

*Kathleen Anne Burke*



**Celebrating the  
Sacrament of  
Baptism**

is always a joyful event in our Parish.

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**617-242-4664 or email:**

**[ncitro@stmaryscatherine.org](mailto:ncitro@stmaryscatherine.org)**



St. Catherine of Siena Feast Day 4/29

**I am  
God's Child.  
Lavished in  
LOVE.  
Gifted with  
GRACE.  
Showered with  
MERCY.  
Overflowing with  
HOPE.**



**UPCOMING COLLECTIONS**

- May 01 Parish Insurance Collection
- May 15 Monthly
- May 26 Ascension

*To learn more and/or become  
involved contact us at  
617-242-4664 or check out the web  
site! [stmaryscatherine.org](http://stmaryscatherine.org)*

*We extend a warm welcome to all  
visitors and those who are new to  
our parish.  
If you are new to Saint Mary - Saint  
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