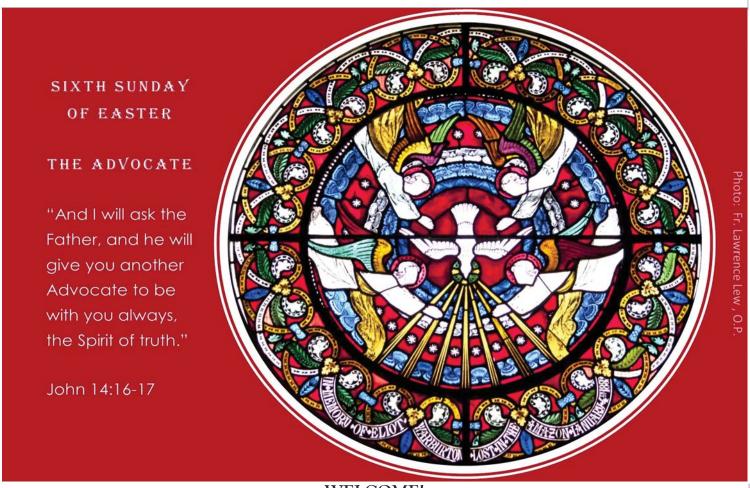
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Saint Mary-Saint Catherine of Siena and Saint Francis de Sales Parishes

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Charlestown, MA 02129 May 14, 2023



WELCOME!

To visitors to our parish, to those who have recently moved into the area, and to those who are comfortable and nourished here-welcome to all! Please introduce yourself to the priest, and register as a member of our parishes.

SAINT MARY - SAINT CATHERINE

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

We are 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 strive to build a vibrant parish that strengthens our faith and elevates our worship.

SAINT FRANCIS DE SALES

Led by the Holy Spirit, the Parish Family of Saint Francis de Sales seeks to know and celebrate Jesus through Mass, Prayer, Sacrament and Service.

Saint Francis de Sales Church is the oldest consecrated church in New England, the oldest in the city of Boston in continuous service, and the fourth oldest in America, built in 1859, on the top of Bunker Hill. Saint Francis is known affectionately as the Firefighter's church – The statue of St. Florian, patron saint, is located in the bell yard next to the church.

Mass Schedule

Saturday at 9 am, Holidays at 9 am

8:00 AM Masses — Weekdays Mon, Tues, Wed at St. Francis Thurs, Fri & Sat at St. Mary-St. Catherine in the Chapel

Weekend Masses Saturday

4 pm St. Francis

4 pm St. Mary - St. Catherine

Sunday

8 am St. Mary-St. Catherine

9:30 am St. Francis

11 am St. Mary - St. Catherine 6 pm St. Mary - St. Catherine

Pastor

Fr. John Sheridan St Mary - St Catherine of Siena

Pastoral Associate Sr. Nancy Citro, SNDdeN

Finance & Operations Manager James Santosuosso

> Social Ministry Director Thomas J. MacDonald

Pastoral Assistant, Faith Formation Katy Fleming

> **Director of Music** John Anthony Volpe

Administrative Assistant Dianne Ludy

> Hispanic Ministry Blanca Paz

St Francis de Sales

Pastoral Assistant Joan C. Rae

Music Director Timothy Leahy

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From our Pastor ...

Be born in me, be born in me. Trembling heart,

somehow I believe,

that You chose me.
I'll hold You in the beginning,

You will hold me in the end Every moment in the middle,

make my heart Your Bethlehem. Be born in me.

written by Nichole Nordeman, Bernie Herms

Saying goodbye is one of the harshest things about life, and as we walk from Ascension this week ahead to Pentecost and Jesus' promise fulfilled in the Holy Spirit, I think of all the people I've loved in my life who've passed. At the same time, I am grateful for everything all these wonderful people who have given me so much, taught me so much, modeled the Christian faith to me so well. I will never forget them, and our faith reminds me I will, be it God's will, see them again, see their smiles and hear their laughter forever.

It's beautiful that, as we mark Mother's Day, celebrate our Blessed Mother, and honor all the women in our lives, those with us, and those who have gone before us, who have taught us all that truly matters, we may follow their lead of courage, grace, and love. Mary, Queen of peace, pray for us.

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Good Shepherd School 20 Winthrop Street 617-242-8800

Handicap Access

St. Mary's Church is handicapped-accessible on Soley Street. St. Catherine's Chapel is handicapped-accessible on Winthrop Street.



Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays in the Church 3:15 - 3:45 pm

Rosary

On Saturdays, we gather for our Saturday Rosary via Zoom. Sign on is at 8 am and we will begin praying at 8:15. If you are interested, please email Donna at: donna.lecam@gmail.com for the Zoom information. All are most welcome!

Ministry to the Sick and 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 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.

Celebrating the Sacrament of Baptism

is always a joyful event in our Parish. It's such a privilege to facilitate this momentous event in the lives of families and in particular, the life of the child.

To learn more, please contact Sr. Nancy at 617-242-4664 or email:

ncitro@stmarystcatherine.org



Resquiescat in Pace

Margaret Patricia McMaster



Saint Mary Church Sanctuary Lamp is lit for Mothers

ST MARY - ST CATHERINE OF SIENA MASS INTENTIONS

11:00 Am Sunday Mass is live ON OUR WEBSITE AND FACEBOOK AND ARCHIVED ON FACEBOOK FOR FUTURE VIEWING

SATURDAY 05/13

9 AM

4 PM + JOANN BURKE

SUNDAY 05/14 MOTHER'S DAY

8 AM 11 AM

6 PM

THURSDAY 05/18

ASCENSION OF OUR LOD

8 AM

6 PM

FRIDAY 05/19

8 AM

SATURDAY 05/20

9 AM

4 PM

SUNDAY 05/21

8 AM

11 AM

6 PM



JOB OPENING: Pastoral Assistant for Faith Formation

Are you willing and able to share your time and talent with our parish?

We are hiring!

The Pastoral Assistant for Faith Formation coordinates the Religious Education program for students in grades K-8, including Youth Group, along with Confirmation 1 and 2. The Program Coordinator attends meetings with parish staff and meets and works regularly with the Pastor, Pastoral Associate and the Parent Advisory Council to plan classes, Masses and Family Formation activities.

Please reach out to isheridan@stmarystcatherine.org or ncitro@stmarystcatherine.org if you are interested in applying!

St. Mary - St Catherine of Siena UPCOMING COLLECTION

May 21-Monthly May 28-Seminary

Weekend of May 06/07 Parishioners contribute \$6,645.94 to the Weekly Collection And for \$1,276 the Insurance Collection

Attendance:

4 pm 48

8 am 53

11 am 78

1 pm 510

6pm 40

TOTAL = 729

It Takes A Village...

Every pastor and pastoral staff know that a parish cannot run without the involvement of its parishioners. And so, this is a call to all of our parishioners to volunteer your time in various ministries and activities in our Parish. Some of the ministries in need of your presence are: The Baptism Committee, The Funeral Team, Hospitality Committee, Faith Formation, Liturgical Ministries and more!

Please contact Sr. Nancy at 617-242-4664 or ncitro@stmarystcatherine.org for more information. We look forward to your involvement in continuing to make our Parish a vibrant and welcoming community!

The Parish Pastoral Council 2023

On Pentecost, May 28, 2023 at the 11:00 a.m. Family Mass, we will select names of persons who have been nominated and have accepted nomination to be members of our Parish Pastoral Council. With the guidance of the Holy Spirit, four names will be selected by lot. The nomination process begins on the weekend of April 22/23. Only registered parishioners may nominate or be nominated.

Nominees must also participate in the sacramental life of the Church and be 18 years of age or older. PPC members must serve a full term of three (3) years and attend monthly meetings from September to June. As a consultative body, the Parish Pastoral Council is responsible to the pastor, assisting and supporting him in his leadership role. It recognizes the varied gifts of the parish members and invites them to an active leadership role in the parish.

The Council is an important means by which the pastor hears the voice of parishioners. In deliberations and consultation with the pastor, the council helps to unite the pastor and parishioners. Together they discern the pastoral needs of the parish and ways in which those needs can be addressed.

Once the nominations are in, the nominees will be contacted to see if they accept the nomination. If they do, their names will go into a "pot" for selection on Pentecost Sunday. Regardless of how many times people are nominated, their names are placed into the pot only once. Please prayerfully consider possible candidates for the Council and submit their names no later than Tuesday, May 16th, to give us adequate time to contact the nominees prior to selection on Pentecost Sunday.

Nominate by filling out the 2023 Parish Council Nomination Form below. You may place the form in a the box on the table near the entrance of the church, mail it, drop it off at the Parish Center.

We thank departing members of the Council for their insight on serious issues and dedication to Parish initiatives. Our community is not complete without the guidance and support of such wonderful people.

I,		of	nominate:
	(Name)	(Address)	
1.			
1	Name	Address (optional)	Phone
2			
	Name	Address	hone
3			
	Name	Address	Phone

The Parish Office is located at 46 Winthrop Street. This form can also be faxed to (617) 242-0016 or emailed to: dludy@stmarystcatherine.org with the subject "PPC". If you have questions, please do not hesitate to call

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Holy Communion Class 2023—May 7th







Brock Mason Hess Baptized 5.6.2023



Thomas Fox Savage Baptized 5.6.2023













Wedding Banns II James Kerrigan & Katherine Colanton









Wedding Banns I Andrew J. Murphy Nora Fernanda Apolinar Lope



El amor de una Madre Una oración de Nuestra Señora de Fátima

Te alabamos, Señor, y te bendecimos, porque en una época de guerra horrible y plaga pandémica nos enviaste a tu madre. Nuestra Señora de Fátima.

Te cantamos alabanzas

ya que incluso en tiempos de dolor y temor la tierra sigue siendo motivada por una tal como ella. Y se nos recuerda

sabiendo que cualquier guerracque nos pudiera afectar,

cualesquiera que sean las privaciones, cualquier necesidad,

cualquier enfermedad,

cualquier calamidad sufrida por la humanidad que pueda hacernos mirar al cielo en desesperación, que tus hijos no trabajen en este mundo lejos de tu

que nuestras oraciones no sean inauditas y no salimos adelante sin el amor de una madre.

Manténnos consagrados a ti, oh Señor.

Devotos en nuestra oración, nuestras palabras y nuestros actos.

Que todas las almas en este mundo puedan conocer tu compasión, paz

y misericordia.

Que todas las almas que han partido de este mundo puedan encontrar

la salvación.

Lucía, Jacinta y Francisco, rueguen por nosotros. Nuestra Señora de Fátima, ruega por nosotros.

Amén

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Sexto Domingo de Pascua Fin de semana del 13/14 de mayo de 2023

Felipe entendió muy bien las palabras de Jesús: "Si tú me amas, guardarás mis mandamientos." Nosotros aprendemos de la devoción de Felipe para orar, evangelizar y sanar en la región de Samaria; formada por comunidades que no serían muy receptivas a los seguidores de Jesús. Felipe es un corresponsable modelo, viviendo su discipulado día a día en el Señor sin ser obstruido por sentimientos sobre el costo que sus acciones podría implicar. Los buenos corresponsables reúnen el valor para proclamar al Señor y servirle a través del ministerio hacia otros. Como pueblo de la Pascua, ansioso de regocijarse en el Señor, es importante reflexionar sobre cómo estamos viviendo nuestro propio compromiso con el discipulado. (Si la Solemnidad de la Ascensión del Señor se celebra hoy

Prayer for Mothers

We thank you, Creator of us all, for our mothers who gave us life and nurtured us to the best of their abilities.

Bless them with the graces they need. Help them to feel precious in Your eyes each day and to know that they are loved. Give them strength and courage, compassion and peace.

Bless them this day and all days with your love. Amen.

For Mothers Who Have Gone to God

Good and Loving God, relying on your promises to us, we turn to you in trust that our mothers are with you and that they are enjoying your loving embrace. May she enjoy the communion of all her family and friends who are with you.

Lord, we know our mothers still love us who are here on earth. Please listen to their fervent prayers for us. Help us to grow into a new and deeper relationship with them now, as we wait for the day when we will meet again in Your embrace - freed from all that might have hindered our relationship on earth, knowing and understanding everything we did not know or understand on this earth.

We ask you this with faith in Your Son, Jesus' resurrection. Amen.





MORE FROM OUR PASTOR

We are collecting clothes for our St. Vincent de Paul Society- we're taking in clean, lightly worn clothes (new underwear and socks in packages only, please), at the Masses, the St. Mary- St. Catherine Parish Center and Harvest on Vine food pantry located in the basement of St. Catherine's Rectory. Thanks for your generosity!

At St. Francis, we're building an updated list of addresses, phone numbers and email addresses. Our collection envelope list is getting updated, so if you haven't received envelopes, you're new to the family or if you're not sure that you're registered, drop us a note at **stfranciso2129@gmail.com** or call Dianne Ludy at 617-242-4664 with your info (*please specify that it's for St. Francis*) and we'll get you onboard! Soon we'll have online giving!

Pentecost is May 27-28. Please make sure to wear red- any shade- at all the Masses that weekend!

Our Installation and Inauguration Mass with Bishop O'Connell will be offered on **Sunday**, **June 4 at 11 am** at St. Mary's Church. A collation will follow at St. Francis de Sales. Please invite everyone to join us!

Please note that the 6 pm Mass will be suspended on June 4.

ASCENSION THURSDAY

Thursday, May 18, 2023

Ascension Thursday, also known as the Feast of the Ascension of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, is a Holy Day of Obligation for Catholics around the world. On this day, the faithful celebrate Christ's ascension into Heaven on the 40th day after Resurrection.

We invite you to join us for the liturgical celebration of this holy feast.

MASS TIMES

Wednesday, May 17, 4:00pm— St. Francis Thursday, May 18, 8:00 am— St. Francis Thursday, May 18, 8:00 am— St. Mary Thursday, May 18, 6:00 pm—St. Mary

SOAV we now where Christ has led,
Following our exalted Head;
Made like him, like him we rise;
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies! Charles Wesley, Eighteenth Century

Sixth Sunday of Easter - May 13/14, 2023

Philip understood very well Jesus' words: "If you love me, you will keep my commandments." We learn of Philip's devotion to prayer, evangelizing and healing in the region of Samaria; made up of communities that would not be very receptive to the followers of Jesus. Philip is a model steward, living his discipleship day by day in the Lord without being obstructed by feelings of what cost his actions might entail. Good stewards summon the courage to proclaim the Lord and to serve Him by ministering to others. As an Easter people, eager to rejoice in the Lord, it is important to reflect on how we are living out our own commitment to discipleship

Intentions



Saturday May 13 at 4:00 pm + Edward & Loretta Carpenter; Rose & Christopher Carbonello; Courtney Beals & Edward F. Carpenter

Sunday May 14 at 9:30 am + Christian Donovan

Monday, May 15 at 8:00 am Weekly Mass for Vocations to Consecrated Life, the Permanent

Diaconate & Priesthood

Tuesday, May 16 @ 8:00 am

Wednesday May 17 at 8:00 am—Weekly Mass for the Sick Members of the Parish

Wednesday May 17 at 4:00 pm-Vigil Mass for the Ascension of our Lord

Thursday May 18 at 8:00 am-Ascension of our Lord

Saturday May 20 at 4:00 pm

Sunday May 21 at 9:30 am + William "Billy" J. Boyle

ATTENDANCE

Sat. @ 4:00 pm 35

Sun @ 9:30 am 41

76

WE ARE GRATEFUL TO YOU

We are grateful to you for your offerings from the weekend of May 7

\$1,809 contributed to the Weekly Collection, and \$481 for the Capital Improvement Collection

THE SANCTUARY CANDLE

The Sanctuary Candle on the Blessed Sacrament Altar is a visible sign the real presence of Christ in the Blessed Sacrament is present in the Tabernacle. Here in Saint Francis de Sales the Sanctuary candle burns daily in the Upper Church and in the Chapel of All Souls in the lower Church. The Sanctuary Lamp is a seven day candle. If you wish to donate a Sanctuary Candle that burns for one week in memory of a loved one or in honor of a family Member or friend, kindly contact the Rectory Office at 617-242-0147 or see the Ushers at the weekend Masses. The suggested offering is ten dollars. The name of the person in whose memory or honor the Sanctuary Candle is lit will be noted in the Parish Bulletin.

St, Francis de Sales

UPCOMING COLLECTIONs

May 18—Ascension
May 21—(Monthly) Parish Deficit

May 28—Seminary

The Gallagher Scholarship

Rev. Henry Gallagher was born in Charlestown in 1910 and ordained in 1941. He served as spiritual director of St. Mary's conference of St. Vincent de Paul Society and arranged scholarships for Boston College High School students and seminarians. Upon his death, Fr. Gallagher left a generous bequest to St. Vincent de Paul Society, which has helped students in a scholarship program for more than a decade.

Applicants must be registered members of St. Mary-St. Catherine of Siena or St. Francis de Sales parishes and provide the name of the school they will attend.

Applications are available for pick up at the Parish Office located at 46 Winthrop Street. The deadline for applications is July 21.



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SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL May 14: Sixth Sunday of Easter

In the Gospel today, Jesus says to us: "If you love me, you will keep my commandments... Whoever loves me will be loved by my Father and I will love him and reveal myself to him.

When we give to the poor, God indeed pours his love, peace and joy into our hearts, into our lives and through us into the hearts of those who are poor.

Thanks to all those who support St. Vincent de Paul.



AIALE DETECTIVE

See what you can discover for yourself about the background to the readings.

THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES

Do you think that the Philip who went to Samaria was the apostle Philip, or someone else? Is there something about this story to make us think that he was not an apostle?

It seems that Philip administered one of the sacraments to his converts in Samaria. Which sacrament would that have been?

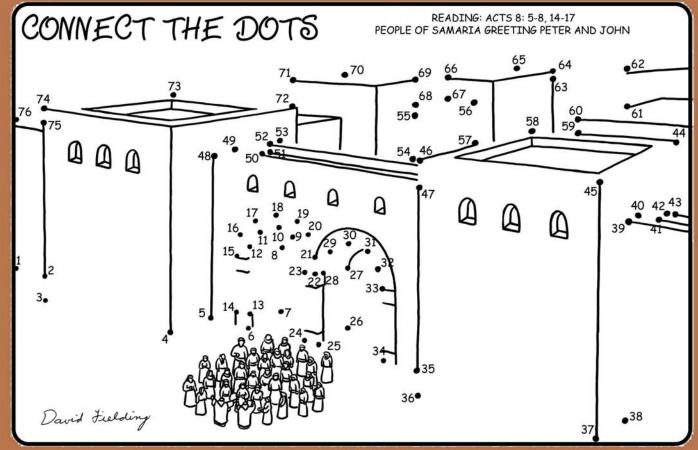
Peter and John prayed that the Holy Spirit might come upon the new converts, and they laid hands upon them. Which of the sacraments do you think that the apostles were conferring?

FILL IN THE GAPS

The sentences below are missing key words. Can you find the correct ones? (They are all in today's readings.)

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will come	to you.			
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Thessalonians 5:17



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