## CHARLESTOWN CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

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

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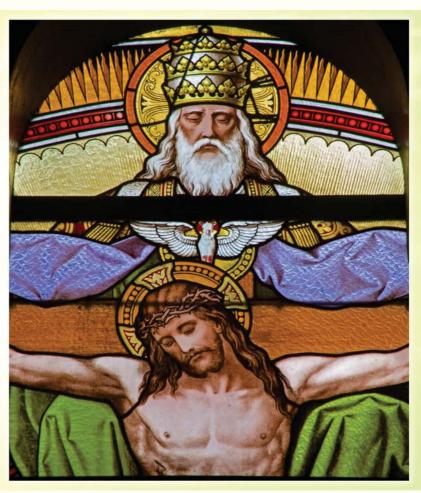
Charlestown, MA 02129

June 4, 2023

## Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life.

John 3:16



#### 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

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Email info@stmarystcatherine.org stfrancis02129@gmail.com

#### From our Pastor ...

The Archdiocese of Boston announced that Cardinal Seán has appointed Fr. Cristiano Barbosa as episcopal vicar for our region, on July 1. Fr. Jonathan Gaspar has been serving as vicar since Feb. 1.

A regional episcopal vicar assists the cardinal in the governance and oversight of the work of the Church within his region- Boston and its immediate towns, and celebrates the sacrament of confirmation. Thank you for taking on this important responsibility, Father Cristiano- we will pray for you!

Sometimes, people will ask me directions to a place I've known for years, and I won't remember how to direct them. I know to take a left where the old pharmacy used to be, or to take a right at my childhood friend's house in Newton, but I'll look blankly at them, trying to recall the names of the streets or other markers that I have passed by a million times. I know it in my heart, but I can't share the way there.

Last week, we celebrated the great feast of Pentecost, and Apostles (and we, too) are sent to teach the world what Our Lord taught us. Sometimes they, and we too, get confused on the way, as Thomas and Philip are lost is what Jesus is saying to them in today's Gospel- they don't realize He has given them (and us) everything we need- our hearts and souls know the way there. May we trust the Lord and keep going on the way He has chosen for us- just like the beautiful words from the song "Love is a Compass" by Sarah Griffiths:

When you need direction, look to the stars.

If you don't know where you're heading, follow your heart.

When you're lost, I will guide you. I'm right there beside you, like a map of your memories.

It's going to be an honor for me to have a couple of roles in the upcoming Bunker Hill Day and Week festivities, remembrances, and memorials. As we look to Bunker Hill Day and remember those who have given their lives in the founding, defense, and protection of our country, may we always cherish and never take for granted the blessings we've received, but share them generously with others.

Saint Mary Church 55 Warren Street Saint Catherine of Siena Chapel Warren & Soley Street 617.242.4664

Social Ministry Office 49 Vine Street 617-580-8305

Good Shepherd School 20 Winthrop Street 617-242-8800

St. Francis de Sales Church 313 Bunker Hill Street 617.242.0147

**Handicap Access** 

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



## El misterio de la Santísima Trinidad

I misterio de la Santísima Trinidad es el misterio central de la fe y vida cristianas. Dios se revela a sí mismo como Padre, Hijo y Espíritu Santo. La doctrina de la Trinidad incluye tres verdades de fe.

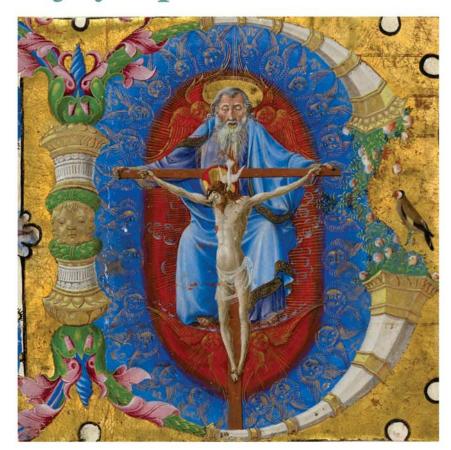
Primero, la Trinidad es Una. No hablamos de tres dioses sino de un solo Dios. Cada una de las Personas es completamente Dios. Son una unidad de Personas en una naturaleza divina.

Segundo, las Personas Divinas son distintas una de la otra. Padre, Hijo y Espíritu Santo no son tres apariencias o modos de Dios, sino tres personas identificables, cada una totalmente Dios de una manera distinta de las otras. Tercero, las Personas Divinas están en relación una con las otras.

La distinción de cada una sólo se entiende en referencia a las otras. El Padre no puede ser Padre sin el Hijo, ni tampoco puede el Hijo ser Hijo sin el Padre. El Espíritu Santo está relacionado con el Padre y el Hijo, son ambos quienes lo envían.

Todos los cristianos son bautizados en el nombre del Padre, y del Hijo, y del Espíritu Santo. La Santísima Trinidad ilumina todos los otros misterios de fe.

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#### 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

## 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 <a href="mailto:ncitro@stmarystcatherine.org">ncitro@stmarystcatherine.org</a> for more information. We look forward to your involvement in continuing to make our Parish a vibrant and welcoming community!

#### 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 06/03 9 am 4 pm + Joseph & Frances Smith

Sunday 06/04
Most Holy Trinity Sunday
8 am + Catherine Potter
11 am Prayers for Alan Alpert
undergoing surgery
6 pm No 6 pm Mass this week

THURSDAY 06/08 8 am

FRIDAY 06/09 8 am + Francis Webber

SATURDAY 06/10 9 AM 4 PM + GERARD DOHERTY

SUNDAY 06/11 8 AM PARISHIONER INTENTIONS 11 AM + EMMA MAHONEY 6 PM

#### St. Mary - St Catherine of Siena UPCOMING COLLECTIONS

June 11—Monthly June 18—Promoting the Gospel

Weekend of May 27/28 Parishioners contributed

\$5,164.55 to the Weekly Collection And \$1,351.00 to the

Attendance:

Seminary Collection

4 pm 74 8 am 51 11 am 90

6pm 20 **TOTAL = 235** 



Saint Mary Church
Sanctuary Lamp
is lit for
John Crowley



## Resquiescant in Pace

James Michael
Hingston
&
James Garvey
&
Joseph Andrew Kacvinsky



#### LOW GLUTEN HOSTS

We are able to provide consecrated low gluten hosts for those who are gluten intolerant.

Please join the end of the priest communion line and let him know that you require a low gluten host.

UPDATE-Fr. John's Installation

Our Installation and Inauguration Mass with Bishop O'Connell has been rescheduled for:

#### Sunday, September 24

<u>at 11 am</u>

at St. Mary's Church! A collation will follow at Bishop Lawton Hall. Please invite everyone to join us!

## Summer time!



As we move into the happy weeks of summer, time of leisure and vacation, it can be easy for us as we head off to the beach, the mountains, or other places to forget important things like giving to our parishes. Like everyone, our parishes have bills to pay 12 months a year- and we need your help all year long. Many of our parish families (including your pastor) give online through their online banking, or the Paypal button on our website, which is

incredibly simple, convenient, and helps us take care of the bills all year long while we focus on the work of Christ.

Your donations are easily accessed, accountable, and adjustable. It also makes tax season easy, as your donations are tax-deductible! Please give Dianne a call at the parish offices, and she'll help you! Thank you for your continued support!



Interested in joining the choir?
Contact John Volpe, our
Music Director by emailing him at
javolpe@stmarystcatherine.org



Summer is coming and school will be out. As in summers past, we are requesting cereal donations for a cereal drive. If you are able to help out, please drop the boxes of cereal off at the Church before or after the Masses. You can also drop off cereal (or other food donations) at the Parish Office—46

Winthrop Street or at the food pantry on Vine Street. Thank you.

# RCIA A Journey in Faith

#### What is Rite of Christian Initiation?

- Have you been worshiping with us, but never officially took the step to become Catholic?
- Have you been away from the church and have now returned, but want to know more?
- Have you been a Catholic all your life, but never celebrated all the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist?)
- Have you joined us from a different background and would now like to find out more about the Catholic Church?

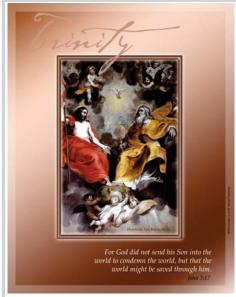
If any of the above questions apply to you, we would love to help you in your journey. Or, if you know of anyone who could answer YES to any of the above questions, perhaps you could

extend an invitation to them!

In recent years, there has been a great increase in the number of adults who are joining the Catholic Church. RCIA is a program designed to help non-Catholics and non-practicing Catholics learn more about the Catholic faith through a series of classes, discussions, prayer times and ceremonies. This program helps people grow in faith and knowledge of God, and develop a deeper relationship with God as they consider becoming Catholic.

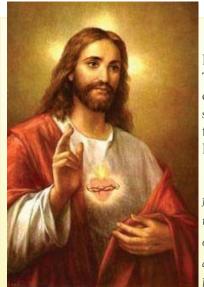
If you are not yet sure whether you want to become Catholic, you are still welcome to participate as you make your decision. There is no obligation to join the Catholic Church and regardless of your decision you are always welcome here at St. Mary St. Catherine of Siena Parish.

To find out how you may participate in the RCIA process, please contact Sr. Nancy Citro, SNDdeN at (617) 242-4664 or ncitro@stmarystcatherine.org. We look forward to welcoming you!



#### June 4- Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

The Most Holy Trinity is a Mystery of our faith, a mystery not to solve, but to believe. Three Persons in One God - Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. While we cannot fully understand this mystery, there is one thing about which we can be confident and it is that, when we find ourselves grappling with some aspect of our faith, the Spirit is present to guide us to the truth. At various times during the upcoming week, pray the words from the gospel acclamation "Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit; to God who is, who was, and who is to come" and ask for a deeper understanding of the mystery of the Trinity.



#### The Month of June is Dedicated to The Sacred Heart of Jesus

For a long time, the Church has designated the month of June to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. The designation of the solemn feast of the Sacred Heart is on the Friday following the feast of Corpus Christi. This year the Sacred Heart feast is celebrated on June 23. Biblically and spiritually we understand *the heart* to symbolize the center of one's being, love, mercy, faithfulness, tenderness, compassion and other affective emotions. Below is a prayer to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

All-loving Sacred Heart of Jesus, I pledge to you my whole heart. I see your heart personally on fire for love of me and all your creation. I want to rest in this source of your mercy and compassion and to experience the love of God. Call me into deeper friendship, Jesus. Help me to use your gifts in service of our brothers and sisters, to spread your message of goodwill to this world. I give myself entirely to you and I ask the Holy Spirit to make me more like you. I want to love the way you love. I offer you my heart. Please help me always to remain aware of how deeply your heart beats in concern for those who

seek you by teaching me your way of love. With this grace I have all I need. Amen.

#### **JUNE DATES**

6.4.2023

Most Holy Trinity

6.11.2023

Corpus Christi

Bunker Hill Parade

6.13.2023

St. Anthony Feast Day

6.14.2023

Flag Day

6.18.2023

Father's Day

6.19.2023

Juneteenth Holiday – office closed

6.20.2023

World Refugee Day

6.21.2023

Summer begins

6.24.2023

Nativity of John the Baptist

6.24.2023

World Day of Prayer for the Sanctification of Priests

6.29.2023

Feast of St. Peter and St. Paul

#### Religious Freedom Week

June 22 - June 29, 2023

Religious freedom allows the Church, and all religious communities, to live out their faith in public and to serve the good of all. Beginning June 22, the feast of Sts. Thomas More and John Fisher, the USCCB invites Catholics to pray, reflect, and act to promote religious freedom.

June 16, we celebrate the Feast Day of the-Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

#### Oblates of the Virgin Mary Spiritual Director Training

From May 2024 to May 2026, the Oblates of the Virgin Mary at St. Joseph Retreat House will direct an intensive formation program to train men and women interested in becoming spiritual directors and guides of the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius.

Application and 2 letters of recommendation are due by August 31. For info, contact them at 617.698.6785

#### Camps Bernadette and Fatima

Still looking for Summer plans for your kids or a fun and faithfully Catholic camp to recommend to other families?

Camps Bernadette and Fatima in New Hampshire have limited openings for this Summer. Fr. John was a camp counselor there back when dinosaurs ruled the earth.

learn more about the camps at info@bfcamp.com

## Pope's Intention June, 2023

For the abolition of torture

We pray that the international community may commit in a concrete way to ensuring the abolition of torture and guarantee support to victims and their families.



## DON'T FORGET THE POOR

The work of the St. Vincent de Paul

Society continues in our parish.

The Society helps a number

The Society helps a number of individuals and families in Charlestown. Please remember the good work with a gift to the Poor boxes at the back of the church. Thank you so much!

#### CAMP COASA

JULY 24- 28 LABOURÉ CENTER 275 WEST BROADWAY, SOUTH BOSTON CHILDREN AGES 8-17

Join us for a week of learning, healing, and fun!

COASA (Children of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse)

at RFK Community Alliance and the Labouré Center are co-hosting
a weeklong summer program for children living with the stress of alcohol
and/or other substance-use disorders at home or within the family.

Morning sessions include meditation and reflection, strength building workouts
and educational support groups teaching campers about alcohol
and/or other substance-use disorders, how to deal with their feelings
and how to develop coping skills. Breakfast, lunch and snacks will be provided.

Afternoons are for lots of fun experiences including outings like rock climbing,
visits to Boston Harbor Islands, surprise expeditions, boating and swimming.

There is a required Family Night Orientation and Registration on Monday, July 10 at 6 pm at the Labouré Center for all who wish to participate in the program.

For more information or to sign up for the program please contact:

Maureen McGlame at 617-272-5039 mmcglame@rfkcommunity.org

There is no cost to attend the program.

Growing Together: RFK Children's Action Corps and the Doctor Franklin Perkins School have become RFK Community Alliance.



#### Traditional Lace Making Lessons

Presenters: Ann Kaufmann, CSJ and Madeleine Cleverly, CJ

Monday, July  $17^{th}$  – Friday, July  $21^{st}$ 

FOR EXPERIENCED LACE MAKERS, LIMIT 15 PARTICIPANTS

Monday, July 24th - Friday, July 28th

FOR SIX BEGINNERS AND NINE EXPERIENCED LACE MAKERS

9:00 AM to 3:00 PM each day.

St. Joseph Spirituality Center, 71 Walnut Park in Newton.

Classes in person, following CDC guidelines

Fee: \$50 or free-will donation.

For more information, please contact S. Ann Kaufmann,

ann.kaufmann@csjboston.org.

To register, call 781-227-4730

or e-mail spiritual.ministries@csjboston.org.



#### **Intentions**

Saturday June 3 at 4:00 pm Ann & Bridget Carrier, Deceased members of the O'Brien Family and Cathleen Rynne

Sunday June 4 at 9:30 am Kevin Robinson

Monday, June 5 at 8:00 am

Weekly Mass for Vocations to Consecrated Life, Permanent Diaconate & Priesthood Tuesday, June 6 @ 8:00 am

Wednesday June 7 at 8:00 am—Weekly Mass for the Sick Members of the Parish Saturday June 10 at 4:00 pm + Edward J. "Biga" Greatorex—10th anniversary Sunday June 11 at 9:30 am—Jon "Duke" & June Reilly



## Resquiescat in Pace

Albert L. Lee, Jr.

#### WE ARE GRATEFUL TO YOU

We are grateful to you for your offerings from the weekend of May 28 \$1,205 contributed to the Weekly Collection, and \$299 for the Seminary Collection and \$105 to Organ Collection

#### UPCOMING COLLECTIONS

June 11 Capital Improvement June 18 Promoting the Gospel

## ATTENDANCE Sat. @ 4:00 pm

28

Sun @ 9:30 am 43

## THE WEEKLY OFFERTORY COLLECTION

The weekly Offertory Collection at all the weekend Masses: the first collection, is directed entirely to the daily operating costs of the Parish of Saint Francis de Sales. The Offertory Collection stays in the Parish for these operating expenditures. No part of the Offertory Collection is directed to any other entity outside of the Parish. Please know we are truly grateful for your sacrificial gifts to the weekly Collection.

# Solvio I

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whoseever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life."

#### Annual Wedding Anniversary Mass (10/29)

All couples celebrating their 10th, 25th, or 50th wedding anniversaries are invited to join Cardinal Seán O'Malley, O.F.M. Cap. on Sunday, October 29th at 3:00 PM at the Cathedral of the Holy Cross, Boston. The Mass includes a vow renewal and special blessing by the cardinal. Family and friends are invited to attend. Couples can register or find more information at

bit.ly/WeddingAnnivMass.

#### MORE FROM THE PASTOR

- 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 stfrancis02129@gmail.com or call Dianne Ludy at 617-242-4664 with your info (please specify that it's for St. Francis), or fill out a sheet in the church and we'll get you onboard! Soon we'll have online giving!
- Our Installation and Inauguration Mass with Bishop O'Connell has been rescheduled for: <u>Sunday</u>, <u>September 24 at 11 am</u> at St. Mary's Church! A collation will follow at Bishop Lawton Hall. Please invite everyone to join us!

Fr. John Sheridan



### FAITH FACTS

THE APOSTLE ANDREW

The apostle Andrew was the brother of Simon Peter. Like the other apostles, Andrew eventually went out from Palestine to evangelize



the world. He seems to have preached in Greece and in areas to the north and east of Greece.

It seems certain that he was crucified by the Romans at a town called Patrae in southern Greece. He was not nailed to the cross but bound, in order to increase his sufferings.

It is often thought that he died on the form of cross shown in the picture, but there is no hard evidence for this.

He died on November 30th, A.D. 60.

### CODE -BREAKER!

The sentence below is to be found in one of today's readings. Can you break the code and write in the sentence? Here are two clues:

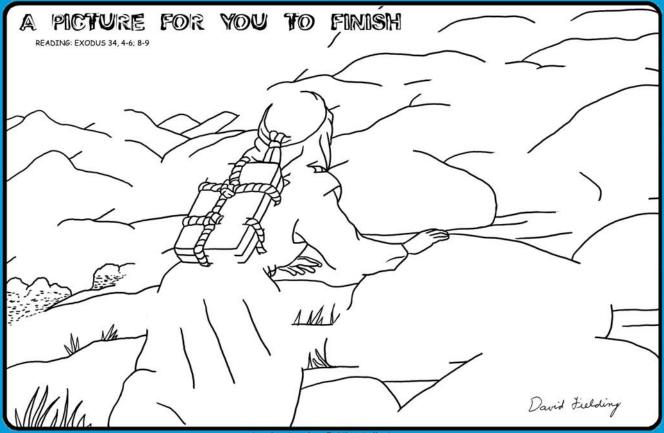
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