

# Saint Catherine of Siena R.C. Church

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**OFFICE HOURS:** Mon. to Fri. 8:30am to 12:00pm, 2:00pm to 4:00pm

Saturday, Sunday & Holidays - OFFICE IS CLOSED



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## **WEEKDAYS MASSES:**

**Weekdays:** Mon - Fri 8:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.  
Saturday 8:00 a.m.

## **SUNDAY MASSES:**

**Saturday:** 6:00 p.m. (English)  
**Sunday:** 8:30 a.m. (English)  
10:00 a.m. (Italian)  
11:30 a.m. (English)  
1:00 p.m. (English)  
2:30 p.m. (Filipino-Tagalog,  
only 3rd Sunday of the Month)  
4:00 p.m. (English)  
6:00 p.m. (Misa en español)

## **CATHOLIC SCHOOLS:**

St. Catherine of Siena School	905-277-2448
St. Timothy School	905-277-0990
Mary Fix School	905-270-3140
Fr. Daniel Zanon School	905-279-3722

**"I was a stranger and you welcomed me." Mt. 25, 35  
"Out of many we are one in Christ."**

## **BAPTISMS - BAUTIZOS:**

Call the office at least 3 months before Baptism date for an interview and meetings for parents and godparents.

*Llamar a la oficina por lo menos 3 meses antes de la fecha del Bautizo, para entrevistarse y reunirse con los padres y padrinos.*

## **CONFESIONS - CONFESIONES:**

Saturday - *Sabado:* 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. & by appointment.

## **MARRIAGES - BODAS:**

Call the office at least 1 year before the wedding date planned and before you arrange a hall.

*Llame a la oficina 1 año antes de la fecha estimada para la boda y antes de reservar el Salón.*

**RCIA- RICA:** (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults/Sacramental Preparation)  
Contact the parish office as soon as possible.

*(Ceremonia de Iniciación Cristiana para Adultos /Preparación Sacramental)  
Contacte la oficina parroquial tan pronto como sea posible.*

## **SACRAMENTS FOR THE SICK AND THE ELDERLY- SACRAMENTOS PARA LOS ENFERMOS Y ADULTOS MAYORES**

Please notify the parish office if someone is in the hospital or confined to the home due to sickness or old age.

*Por favor comuníquese con la oficina parroquial si alguien se encuentra en el hospital o en la casa debido a una enfermedad o adultos mayores que no pueden salir de la casa.*

## **PARISH REGISTRATION**

We welcome you to our Parish Community and invite you/your family to introduce yourself to the priests and REGISTER as soon as possible. Registration forms are available in the parish office.

## **REGISTRACION PARROQUIAL**

*Le damos la Bienvenida a nuestra comunidad parroquial y lo invitamos a usted y su familia a presentarse con los Sacerdotes y a que se registre lo más pronto posible. Los formatos de registro están disponibles en la oficina parroquial.*

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT



The 4th Sunday of Lent invites us to reflect on God's mercy, faithfulness, and the new beginnings He offers us.

### Celebrating New Beginnings

The 4th Sunday of Lent Year C highlights the Israelites' first Passover in the Promised Land. This celebration is a powerful reminder of God's constant care. The Israelites' journey was long and difficult, but God was always with them. Their first Passover is a moment of gratitude and renewed hope.

It encourages us to reflect on our own journeys. We are reminded of God's promises and His presence in our lives. We too can find joy in God's promises and look forward to our own new beginnings with faith and hope.

### Embracing Mercy and Forgiveness

The parable of the Prodigal Son focuses on freedom and duty, showing how God's mercy can change lives. The younger son seeks freedom. He wants to live as he wishes, without respect for his father. When he returns home, he is more interested in physical comfort than in a relationship with his father.

The older son is dutiful. He serves his father without complaint but harbors resentment. He takes pride in being "the good son" and wishes for a reward. He becomes furious when his reckless brother returns and is restored to the same level in the family.

Neither son seems motivated by love. The younger son is selfish, while the older son is prideful. Their actions show a lack of understanding of their father's love. The father, however, loves both of his sons dearly.

Today's readings show us the importance of seeking forgiveness and offering it to others. They encourage us to embrace God's love and to live as new creations in Christ. We are encouraged us to reflect on our own lives. Are we seeking freedom without responsibility, or are we dutiful without love? Let us strive to find balance, motivated by love, as we follow God's example of mercy and forgiveness.

### New Life in Christ

On the 4th Sunday of Lent, Paul teaches that anyone in Christ is a new creation. The old life is gone, and a new life begins. This shows God's power to renew us.

In Christ, God reconciles the world to Himself. He calls us to be reconciled with Him and with others. This means healing our relationships and living in peace. They encourage us to seek a new beginning in Christ. By embracing this new life, we can grow closer to God and to each other.

Today's reflection is attributed to  
[young-catholics.com](http://young-catholics.com)

### Saturday, Mar. 29, 2025

8:00am Thanksgiving from Lotis Presto  
6:00pm + Elisabetta Di Tella

### Sunday, Mar. 30

### Fourth Sunday of Lent

8:30am + Ilario & Rita Maritan  
10:00am MESSA CON PIU INTENZIONI  
11:30am MULTIPLE INTENTIONS MASS  
1:00pm + John, Margaret, Joseph & Maria Kopaczka  
4:00pm + Enrico, Italia & Bellisario Gualtieri  
6:00pm MISA CON INTENCIONES MULTIPLES

### Monday, Mar. 31

8:00am + Guilherme Medeiros  
7:00pm + Richard Edward Pyle

### Tuesday, Apr. 1

8:00am In thanksgiving to Holy Trinity & Blessed Virgin Mary for Lucas Alvarez  
6:30pm Novena to St. Anthony

7:00pm Thanksgiving for Birthday of Alexis Lily Borbua

### Wednesday, Apr. 2

### St. Francis of Paola

8:00am + Vincenzo & Maria Corrente  
6:00pm Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help  
7:00pm MULTIPLE INTENTIONS MASS

### Thursday, Apr. 3

7:00-8:00am Confessions  
8:00am + Deceased of Castro Mesa Family  
3:00-5:00pm Confessions  
7:00pm + Joaquim Silva  
7:30-9:00pm Confessions

### Friday, Apr. 4

### St. Isidore

8:00am + Beatriz Diego  
3:00pm Stations of the Cross (Italian)  
6:15pm Stations of the Cross (English)  
7:00pm Special intentions of Siobhan Carver  
7:30pm ADORATION of the Blessed Sacrament

### Saturday, Apr. 5

### St. Vincent Ferrer

8:00am + Anthony Bastiampillai  
6:00pm + Giuseppina Morao

### Sunday, Apr. 6

### Fifth Sunday of Lent

8:30am + Jeanne Gaudette  
10:00am MESSA CON PIU INTENZIONI  
11:30am MULTIPLE INTENTIONS MASS  
1:00pm + Gerry Fagan  
4:00pm + Owen Rose  
6:00pm MISA CON INTENCIONES MULTIPLES

**2024 INCOME TAX RECEIPTS** can be picked up at the office during office hours or emailed upon request. Thank you for your generosity throughout the year.

**ANUNCIOS EN ESPAÑOL**

**FAMILIA MISIONERA".** Reunión de formación y oración, todos los viernes (excepto el primer viernes del mes) a las 7:30 pm en el salón "Fr. Zanon". Es una oportunidad para crecer, afianzar, dar a conocer y defender la Fe siguiendo las enseñanzas de la Iglesia Católica.

**"GRUPO DE LA RENOVACIÓN CARISMÁTICA CATÓLICA".** Igualmente todos los viernes (excepto el primer viernes del mes) a las 7:30 pm en el salón "Scalabrinii" tenemos asamblea de oración y alabanza. Bienvenidos a todos los que deseen participar en estos encuentros.

**"LA CUARESMA".** La Cuaresma es el tiempo litúrgico de conversión, que marca la Iglesia para prepararnos a la gran fiesta de la Pascua de Resurrección de Nuestro Señor Jesucristo. Es tiempo para arrepentirnos de nuestros pecados y de cambiar algo de nosotros para ser mejores y poder vivir más cerca a Cristo Jesús. Todos los Viernes de Cuaresma, participaremos en el rezo del Santo Vía Crucis a las 6:15 en Inglés en el Salón Principal.

**"CONFESIONES DE CUARESMA"** El Jueves 3 de Abril habrán confesiones en el Salón Principal de 7:00-8:00am, de 3:00-5:00pm y de 7:30-9:00pm.

**"SANTO VÍA CRUCIS Y EUCHARISTIA".** Todos los domingos de Cuaresma a las 5:15 pm, rezaremos el Santo Vía Crucis y a las 6:00 pm participaremos en la celebración eucarística en el Salón Principal, mientras duren las renovaciones de la Iglesia. Se necesitan 3 personas cada domingo para el rezo del Vía Crucis. Por favor contactar a Raúl (905) 782-1711 los que estén interesados, para asignarles el domingo correspondiente.

**"MISALES EN ESPAÑOL PARA EL AÑO 2025"** Ya están a la venta (\$12) en la oficina parroquial y los domingos al final de la Santa Misa en Español de las 6:00pm.

**"DONACIÓN PARA LA RENOVACIÓN DE LA IGLESIA".** Estamos muy agradecidos a todos los que han contribuido con sus donaciones a las renovaciones. Dado que todos los bancos han sido patrocinados, los nuevos confesionarios están disponibles para patrocinio. Póngase en contacto con la oficina parroquial (tel.: 905-272-1454) para obtener más información.

**PILGRIMAGE to Our Lady of Guadalupe in Mexico** with Father Gabriel in occasion of his 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Ordination. On July 21-26, 2025 for a cost of \$3,540.00 CAD with double occupancy. For further details contact the church office or [edgar@gateways-international.com](mailto:edgar@gateways-international.com) 1-800-268-0900

**Pope Francis' Prayer Intentions for APRIL 2025*****For the use of the new technologies***

Let us pray that the use of the new technologies will not replace human relationships, will respect the dignity of the person, and will help us face the crises of our times.

**SHARE LIFE** first Parish collection TODAY. Our parish goal for this year's campaign is \$54,500.00. We as Catholics bring the hands of Christ to those in need. From children to seniors, and everyone in between, more than 40 ShareLife agencies are there each step of the way. Please give generously.

**FLOWERS COLLECTION** today for the Easter decorations on the Altar. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

**PASCHAL CANDLES** will be sold after all the Masses today for \$15.00 each. Proceeds will go to the Youth Funds.

**DAY OF CONFESSIONS** Thursday April 3<sup>rd</sup>

7:00am to 8:00am  
3:00pm to 5:00pm  
7:30pm to 9:00pm

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY (SVDP)** Lent Food Drive Collection bins are located in the Main Hall & Scalabrinii Hall. You can also scan the QR Code on the SVDP sign next to the bin and make a financial donation (tax receipt issued).

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS** every Friday during Lent at 3:00pm in Italian and at 6:15pm in English.

**CHURCH RENOVATIONS** We continue to pray for the success and completion of the Church renovations.

We are very grateful to those who have contributed with their donations towards the renovations. Since all the pews have been sponsored, the new Confessionals are available for sponsorship. Please contact the office for further information.

**HOLY WEEK Schedule 2025****CONFESIONS – Thursday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>**

7:00am–8:00am 3:00pm–5:00pm 7:30pm–9:00 pm

Mon., Tues. and Wed., April 14<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup>  
8:30am "Laus Perenne" - 40 Hours Adoration

**HOLY THURSDAY April 17<sup>th</sup>**

7:30am Church opens  
8:00pm Morning Prayer  
8:00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper (English)  
9:15pm Adoration  
12:00am Church closes

**GOOD FRIDAY April 18<sup>th</sup>**

7:30am Church opens  
8:00am Morning Prayer  
9:00am Stations of the Cross (Tamil)  
12:00pm Live Presentation of Stations (Eng./Span/ Italian)  
3:00pm The Lord's Passion (English)  
5:00pm Stations of the Cross (English)  
6:00pm The Lord's Passion (English)  
8:30pm Pasión del Señor (Español)

**HOLY SATURDAY April 19<sup>th</sup>**

7:30am Church opens  
8:00am Morning Prayer  
8:00pm Easter Vigil Mass  
10:30pm Church closes

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