

# St. Catherine of Siena

31 Asbury Road, Farmingdale, New Jersey 07727

March 24, 2013

## Weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 4:30 P.M.

Sunday: 8:00 A.M., 10:00 A.M., 11:30 A.M.

## Weekday Masses @ Chapel, 9:00 A.M. :

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, & Friday

## Miraculous Medal Novena:

Monday, following 9:00 A.M. Mass

## Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

1st Friday, following 9:00 A.M. Mass to 11 A.M

## Holy Day Masses:

As announced in bulletin

## Confessions:

Saturday - 3:30 to 4:00 P.M.

## Baptism Classes:

3rd Wed of each month

## Parish Office Hours -

Monday thru Friday:

8:30 A.M. to 3:00 P.M.

## Rev. Angelito I. Anarcon, Pastor

Deacon Joseph Prioli

Coordinator of Religious Education: Nancy Riddell

Director of Nursery School: Susan Connolly

Coordinator of Nursery School: Patricia Cranmer

Parish Office Secretary: Carol Morton

Religious Education Secretary: Janice Deakyne

Sacristan: Ruth Ziznewski

Organist: Judy Hyer

Parish Trustees: Donna Lee and Dean Wright

## Mass Intentions

### SATURDAY, March 23, 2013

4:30 PM Thomas Druback r/o Family

Donald Williams r/o Donna Lee

### SUNDAY, March 24, 2013

8:00 AM George Steinecke r/o Wife, Helen

10:00 AM Carol Kisielewski r/o Ventura Family

Robert Watson r/o Mr. & Mrs. David Verdoni

11:30 AM Dr. Edward Schauer r/o Roy & Terri Murray

Parishioners



## Contacts:

### Website:

[www.sienachurch.org](http://www.sienachurch.org)

### Mass Schedule:

732-938-5375 ext. 6

### Parish Office:

732-938-5375

### Religious Education:

732-938-6229

### Nursery School:

732-938-3454

### FAX phone:

732-938-3260

### Pastor's Office:

732-938-5375 ext. 7

### Deacon's Office:

732-938-5375 ext. 5

### Parish Bookkeeper:

732-938-5375 ext. 8

### St. Vincent de Paul:

732-701-7837

Weekday Masses at St. Catherine's Chapel, 9:00 AM 1 Main St, Farmingdale

## Mass Intentions:

### Monday, March 25, 2013

Joseph & Olympia DeMeo r/o Rachel Walsh

### Tuesday, March 26, 2013

Louis & Jeanne O'Brien

### Wednesday, March 27, 2013

All the people of the Parish



## Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

The Lord GOD is my help,  
therefore I am not disgraced.

— Isaiah 50:7a

Dear Parishioners,

Palm Sunday marks the beginning of the most holy of all the weeks throughout the year. And yet unlike any other week, we hear from the readings, Disciples who are meant to follow their Master, will leave Him and go into hiding. Enemies like Herod and Pilate will become friends. A kiss and a warm embrace, signs of affection, will become signs of death. The innocent are found guilty while murderers like Barabbas go free. Simple bread and wine will become the Body and Blood of the Savior. And when all seems lost, what appears to be a tragic failure crucified for blasphemy and treason become the triumphant Lord of lords, King of Kings, and conqueror of death, for himself and for us all. It is so easy to ask the question, who is this king who rides on a beast of burden? How do people who celebrate Him so quickly move to condemn Him? Palm Sunday and the events of the Holy Week raise a multitude of questions, but most importantly, they raise our hopes of a new life after death, light from darkness, and sorrow and pain giving way to joy and hope. Today and every single day of this most solemn and holiest week of the year, we share the suffering of Jesus and His blood-soaked tears. In the Body and Blood that we are about to receive, we taste of a life that never ends, one that was born of suffering and of love. The true Christian, like our Lord, must accept the sour with the sweet and trust in the Lord all the while.

There are several characters in the Passion play that begins to unfold for us today, some heroic, some despised. What role are you going to play? Perhaps we can all best relate to the so-called good thief who cries out Jesus, remember me when you come into your Kingdom, in hopes that we, too, might hear our dying savior say, today you will be with me in paradise. Bishop David M. O'Connell, C.M. will celebrate the Chrism Mass on Monday of Holy Week, March 25, at the Cathedral of St. Mary of the Assumption in Trenton at 7:30 in the evening. He cordially invites all diocesan and religious order priests to concelebrate this Mass with him as an expression of unity in the Priesthood of Jesus Christ. It is also my privilege and duty to invite our faith-filled people of the Parish Community to attend this solemn and meaningful celebration to manifest our relationship and connection to the whole Diocesan Community. Please come and unite with us at the liturgical celebration.

Please be reminded to pick up this week's Bulletin and also the brochure for this Holy Week's activities. May this Great Season of Holy Week continue to be a time of grace and abundant blessings be upon us.

Father Angelito

**PLEASE NOTE:**

✠ The **Parish Office** will be closed on **Holy Thursday & Good Friday, March 28th & March 29th and also on Easter Monday, April 1st.** The Office will reopen on Tuesday, April 2.

✠ **Rel. Ed.** will be closed on **Monday, March 25, Wednesday, March 27 & Monday, April 1** Classes will resume on Wednesday, April 3.

✠ St. Catherine's **Nursery School and Kindergarten** will be closed from **12:30 on Friday, March 22nd thru Monday, April 1st** for Easter Break. Classes will resume on Tuesday, April 2.

**HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE**

**Monday, March 25**

9:00 A.M. Mass @ Chapel

6:00 P.M. - Confessions @ Church

Confessions will not be heard again until after Easter

**Monday, March 25,**

7:30 P.M. Mass @

Cathedral of St. Mary of the Assumption, Trenton NJ  
*Chrism Mass & Renewal of Priestly Vows*

**Tuesday, March 26**

9:00 A.M. Mass @ Chapel

**Wednesday, March 27**

9:00 A.M. Mass @ Chapel

**Holy Thursday, March 28**

7:30 P.M. @ Church

*Mass of the Last Supper*

**Good Friday, March 29**

3:00 P.M. @ Church

*Veneration of the Cross & Communion*

7:00 P.M. @ Church

*Stations of the Cross*

**Holy Saturday, MARCH 30**

9:00 A.M. @ Church

*Morning Prayers followed by blessing of Easter foods*

7:30 P.M. @ Church

*Easter Vigil Mass*

[ No Confessions heard today & No 4:30 PM Mass ]

**Easter Sunday, MARCH 31**

8:00 A.M. - 10:00 A.M. - 11:30 A.M.

*Masses @ Church*

The Bishop has asked for an update of all our current active parishioners. We are in the process of updating our records and if we haven't seen attendance or contributions through your envelopes or parishpay we will mark your record as inactive and therefore you will no longer be receiving envelopes. If you do not use envelopes and attend Weekend Masses please notify the parish office at [frontoffice@sienachurch.org](mailto:frontoffice@sienachurch.org) or call 732-938-5375 and we will keep your record active and you will continue to receive envelopes. We appreciate your cooperation and may our Patron Saint, St. Catherine of Siena continue to intercede for you and your families.

*Sincerely Yours in Christ, Rev. Angelito I. Anarcon*

**Attention Religious Education Parents**

Due to an unusual amount of inclement weather situations over the past several months and the ensuing class cancellations, the Religious Education academic year will be extended by one week. We will therefore have classes on Monday, May 13<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday, May 15<sup>th</sup>. We appreciate your anticipated understanding.

**Easter Food Blessing**

On **Saturday, March 30**, beginning at 9:00 A.M. at the church, there will be morning prayers followed by the blessing of Easter foods. Foods are usually brought to church in some form of basket lined with a white cloth that symbolizes the shroud of Christ. Often, a ribbon or bow is fastened to the basket's handle and some form of greenery is included in the basket. A candle, symbolizing Christ, the Light of the World can also be included. On Easter morning, each member of the family eats a small portion of each of the blessed foods.

***Items that can be included for the blessing can include any of the following:***

- bread - represents Jesus, the Bread of Life
- butter - can be molded into the shape of a lamb to symbolize, Jesus, the Lamb of God
- salt - for zest, purification
- pepper, horseradish, mustard - represent the bitter sacrifice of Christ, the bitter with the sweet in life
- ham - for the joy of the Easter season, abundance
- hard cooked eggs - represent new life, Resurrection
- kielbasa - for God's generosity towards true believers
- bacon - for God's mercy
- candy - for the sweetness of new life in Christ, eternal life, good things to come
- babka (sweet cake) - represents the sweetness of the Lord
- vinegar - remembers the sour wine offered to Christ on the cross
- wine - reminds us of the wedding feast at Cana



**Centennial Celebration**

It's time to sign up for the final Centennial Year Celebration activities. Check the sign up sheets in the vestibule of the Church to participate in

Adoration at the Chapel (April 12 @ 9:00 P.M. -April 13 @ noon) and/or the potluck supper on April 14th at 4:30 P.M. and plan to attend the 11:30 AM Mass on April 14th as Father Angelito celebrates the Eucharistic. A minimum of two people at all times are required for Adoration and sign up is in one hour blocks of time. Adoration begins with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and ends with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament with prayer and meditation during the 15 hours of Adoration. In addition to signing up after Mass, you can sign up by contacting Rich at 732-477-7567 or [catboatsphinx@verizon.net](mailto:catboatsphinx@verizon.net). If you have already signed up for the potluck supper, please stop by and confirm the number of people who will be attending and also what you will contribute to the supper (Snack/Appetizer, Side Dish, Main Dish, Odds & Ends, Dessert, or volunteer to help Set up & Clean up). And if you have not yet signed up to attend, you may do so at this time either after Mass or by contacting Stephanie at [sharakal@optonline.net](mailto:sharakal@optonline.net). This is the last opportunity to participate in any Centennial Year activities. We hope to see many of you at these final events.

**SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL...Monday, April 8 - 7 P.M. – Parish Hall Help needed**, if you can spare a few hours for this charitable group.

**MEN'S PRAYER GROUP ...Saturday, April 13 - 9 A.M. - Chapel** Contact Rich Scheurer 732-477-7567.

**YOUTH GROUP Sunday, April 14 - 6 P.M.**

**Parish Hall, contact [sienachurchyg@yahoo.com](mailto:sienachurchyg@yahoo.com).**

**BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS...Wednesday, April 17, 7:30 P.M. - Church** to schedule or for more info, call the Parish Office.

**ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY Thursday, April 18 - 7:15 P.M.** For more information, call the Parish Office.

**CHRISTIAN YOGA ..Tuesdays, April 9 thru July 30.** For more information, call Terry Kelly @732-938-3139.

**RCIA First & Third Tuesdays @ 7P.M.-Conference Room** Contact [janeccable@gmail.com](mailto:janeccable@gmail.com) or 908-216-5153

**COMMUNION SERVICE...Wednesdays during Lent**

**@ the Chapel at 9:00 A.M.**

**LEGION OF MARY...Thursdays @ 10:00 A.M. - Church - Conference Room** for more info, call 732-371-3687.

**AGELESS IN THE LORD BIBLE STUDY ... Fridays @ 2 P.M. - Conference Room** New members welcome! For more info, call Steve Ganslen @ 732-610-2154

**HOMEBOUND MINISTRY** If a homebound family member, friend, or neighbor would like to receive Holy Communion, visits, or calls, contact the Parish Office.

Children's Liturgy of the Word has just begun at St. Catherine of Siena and we warmly invite children ages 3 to Kindergarten to join us at scheduled masses. Children's Liturgy of the Word is designed to help children from an early age to grow in their familiarity with the mass, particularly the Liturgy of the Word. Material is presented in an age sensitive way accompanied by music and activity. If you would like your child to participate, please contact the Religious Education office at 732-938-6229.

**Our next Children's Liturgy of the Word is this Sunday, March 24 at the 10:00 A.M. Mass.** Mark your calendars. The future dates are as follows: April 7<sup>th</sup>, April 28<sup>th</sup>, and May 5<sup>th</sup> at the 10 A.M. Mass.

### **SICK RELATIVES AND FRIENDS**

John Ruggiero

**ABSTINENCE** from meat is observed on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and all the Fridays of Lent by all Catholics 14 years and older.

**FASTING** is observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday by all Catholics who are 18 years of age but not yet 59. Those bound by this rule may take only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted as necessary to maintain strength according to one's needs, but eating solid food between meals is not permitted.

Do you know these parishioners who serve the poor through St. Vincent de Paul here at St. Catherine's?

<i>Alice Bowne</i>	<i>Dot Gratton</i>	<i>Terri Mandrillo</i>
<i>Maureen Cox</i>	<i>Anne Hilker</i>	<i>Tony Morro</i>
<i>Vinnie Cox</i>	<i>Ken Hillers</i>	<i>Danella Nagle</i>
<i>Chris Del Monico</i>	<i>Maureen Hillers</i>	<i>Jack Nagle</i>
<i>Joe Diamond</i>	<i>Ann Kessler</i>	<i>Elaine Nilsen</i>
<i>Jim Ferris</i>	<i>Mary Kneuer</i>	<i>Steve Norkus</i>
<i>Cathy Flott</i>	<i>Donna Lee</i>	<i>Dennis O'Brien</i>
<i>Rosa Garcia</i>	<i>Joe Mandrillo</i>	<i>Scott Sweeney</i>
		<i>Ruth Ziznewski</i>

Please consider joining this rewarding and humbling ministry. **We are especially in need of Phone Intake members.** Come join us April 8<sup>th</sup> at 7 P.M. in the Parish Hall.

Have you ever thought about opening your home to an international student? Monsignor Donovan High School offers families the opportunity to experience Chinese culture and customs by hosting a Chinese high school student. In addition to receiving a monthly stipend, hosting a Chinese student can be a rewarding and enriching educational experience for a family. Questions? Call Kathleen D'Andrea at 732-349-8801 x 2429 or Kevin Wurster at 215-858-8908.

On **Monday, March 25, 2013** the ANNUAL CHRISM MASS (Mass of the Oils) will be celebrated in St. Mary of the Assumption Cathedral, 151 N. Warren St., Trenton, at 7:30 p.m. All diocesan priests will renew their priestly vows and the sacramental holy oils used during the coming year in all parishes of the diocese are blessed by Bishop David M. O'Connell, C.M. The Parish Family of St. Robert Bellarmine will be sponsoring a bus to permit parishioners the opportunity to actively participate in this beautiful mass. We will be gathering at St. Robert's at 6:00 p.m. and leave NO later than 6:30 p.m. The cost for the bus is \$10 per person and will be collected that evening. Please notify the parish office no later than March 18<sup>th</sup>, 732-462-7429 or email strobertadulted@yahoo.com should you wish to join with us. We need at least 25 people to reserve the bus, otherwise we cannot go forward.

### **Swinging and Singing for St. Rose!**

**March 28<sup>th</sup> at 8pm—Count Basie Theatre, Red Bank**

Three legendary acts, including The Manhattan Transfer, Jon Hendricks and New York Voices, are coming together to host a benefit concert for St. Rose High School. Tim Hauser '59, member of The Manhattan Transfer, has put together this amazing event to raise money for the school's humanities department, which was completely destroyed in Hurricane Sandy. The entire campus of St. Rose has endured over \$5 million dollars' worth of damage from the storm. Please come out to support the school and enjoy a fun evening of great singing and dancing! For more information and to purchase tickets, please call Count Basie Theatre at 732-842-9000 or go to [www.countbasietheatre.org](http://www.countbasietheatre.org).

Join us for  
A Day of Healing for Sandy Survivors  
**Saturday April 13, 2013**  
St. Peter's Church (in Kolbe Hall behind the church)  
406 Forman Ave.  
Point Pleasant Beach, N.J. 08742  
9 AM to 3PM FREE

Includes continental breakfast, beverages and a FREE copy of The Great Truth by Janet Pfeiffer. Bring a brown bag lunch. Register by April 6. Call 732-892-0049

Day includes : International inspirational speaker, Janet Pfeiffer: "From Suffering to Sacred: The Spiritual Journey to Complete Healing" Therapist, Diane Lang, who will speak on PTSD (Post Traumatic Stress Disorder): warning signs, symptoms, and treatment. [www.saintperetersonline.org](http://www.saintperetersonline.org)