

St. Catherine of Siena

31 Asbury Road, Farmingdale, New Jersey 07727

September 15, 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, September 14, 2013

4:30 PM Carol Clark r/o Mary Ann O'Brien

Mary Kruse r/o George & June Hankel

Madeline DeMicco r/o George & Ginny
Ziemienski

SUNDAY, September 15, 2013

8:00 AM Dorothy Margerum r/o Daughter, Ann Kessler
Nina Boyden r/o John & Stephanie Harakal
Parishioners

10:00 AM Michael Massey r/o St. Catherine's Religious
Education
Desirea M. Yorio r/o James McMahon

11:30 AM Anthony Siniscalco r/o Mr. & Mrs. Richard
Giordano
Arbaczawski Family r/o Alice
Rocco Sinisi r/o Gabbard Family



Contacts:

Website:

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 W. Main St, Farmingdale

Mass Intentions:

Monday, September 16, 2013

Alex Molnar r/o Betty & Ced McCann

Tuesday, September 17, 2013

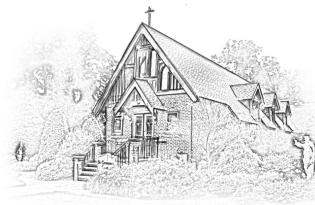
Rev. Msgr. Richard L. Tofani

Thursday, September 19, 2013

Alex Molnar r/o Betty & Ced McCann

Friday, September 20, 2013

E.J. Lejeune r/o Family



Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

A clean heart create for me, O God,
and a steadfast spirit renew within me.

— Psalm 51:12



Dear Parishioners,

This Sunday's focus in our liturgy is: God is always in search of. In many parts of the world and particularly in our own country, almost every week, we hear of a runaway child. Someone, who for whatever reason, has left the warm confines of home to seek another way of life. It is however safe to say that, some homes may not be the best and the child is seeking a better or safer way of living. Nevertheless, there are times, and maybe we have all heard of them on television, on the radio, or in the newspaper, or on the internet, when good children leave good homes to set off by themselves. Perhaps we have heard anguished parents asking that their child return home safe and sound; no questions asked.

We can only imagine how the father in one of the parables, portrayed in today's Gospel, must have felt. His younger son had basically told him, I'd prefer you to be dead; so give me my share of the inheritance. And off he went.

And then finally, as Luke records, the son coming back to his senses, that things were not so bad back at home. He decided to go home where hopefully, he could at least get a warm meal and good place to sleep, even if he was to be treated as one of the hired workers.

Nonetheless, when he came into view, the father would not have any of that. He said, as we heard it a few moments ago, quickly bring the finest robe and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. Take the fattened calf and slaughter it. Then let us celebrate with a feast, because this son of mine was dead, and has come to life again; he was lost and has been found.

The majority of Bible commentaries indicate that this parable is about the total acceptance of the father toward his son, a great gift of complete forgiveness. We are invited to look at the Sacrament of Confession/Reconciliation, most especially during this YEAR of FAITH, in such a way as to draw closer to our Heavenly Father and realize that God is present for us in the sacrament so that we may be reconciled to him with total forgiveness and acceptance.

As we see, Jesus was sent to search out the one sheep who wandered off, to turn the house upside down to recover the misplaced coin, and to welcome back that deliberately lost son, allowing him the time to "come to his senses" and the freedom to choose to return home. Jesus is the Father's obedient Son, doing the Father's will by reaching out with mercy and compassion. As St. Paul writes, Christ came into the world to save sinners. We put our trust in this.

Some interesting questions for us: Do you need to be reminded of the Father's great love for us all? Does God need you to seek out someone who has wandered off, or even gotten willfully lost?

Forgiving God, we ask you to assist us in our journey to you. Together with St. Paul we say our thanks to you for giving us Jesus as a source of strength. May the words of Jesus continue to move our hearts into knowing and trusting your love more deeply. We thank you for giving us a place at your holy banquet.

May God bless us and keep us close to Him, all the days of our lives.

Father Angelito

Sacrificial Offertory

9/8/13 Weekly Catholic University \$6,353.00
9/22/13 Weekly & Energy & Fuel \$1,140.00



This Sunday is Catechetical Sunday!

We will recognize the self-less dedication of all our catechists, aides and teen volunteers in our Religious Education Program at the 10 A.M. Mass. St. Catherine's parish offers many thanks and blessings to our dedicated staff. Please take a moment to say a prayer of blessing and gratitude for those who devote their wisdom, care, and faith with our young people.

New Parishioners

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ST. CATHERINE'S PARISH
**WARMLY WELCOMES THE FOLLOWING
 NEW MEMBERS:**

Gregory Inman, Jessica Muniz & Jordan Inman
Michelle, Robert & Sofia Brugnoli
Todd, Susan, Madison, Logan, & Avery Lewis



ANNOUNCING OUR FIRST YOUTH GROUP MEETING New Members Welcome!

A great way to earn Confirmation Hours!

Sunday: September 29, 2012
 Parish Hall 6:00 pm – 7:30 pm
 8th Grade – 12th Grade

Please join us at our first meeting to get to know our fellow group members and begin planning our exciting and busy year.

Bring your friends - all welcome!

R.S.V.P. sienachurchyg@yahoo.com

SICK RELATIVES AND FRIENDS:

Bob Fort, Angie Gorda, Edward Kress,
 John Masterson, Esther Peraza

Tuesdays, Starting September 17-December 17

7-8:30 PM Christian Yoga Chapel Call 732-938-3139

Wednesday, September 18

7:30 PM Baptism Prep Class Church

Thursdays

10 AM Legion of Mary Conference Room

Saturday, October 12

9 AM Men's Prayer Group Chapel Call 732-477-7567

Monday, October 14

7 PM Society of St. Vincent de Paul Parish Hall

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



Give your heart to Jesus!
St. Veronica Healing Mass
4215 Rt. 9
Howell, NJ 07731

September 17, 2013

Praise at 7:30 pm - Mass at 8 pm

Celebrant: Fr. Vic

Individual Prayers after Mass

Maranatha Prayer Group meets at St. Veronica's Church at 7:45 pm every Tuesday except the third Tuesday.

All are Welcome.

Questions call Mary Jean @ 732-364-2815



**HEALING HEARTS
SUPPORT GROUP**

Healing Hearts Support Group is a seminar/support group for adults that are affected by separation and divorce. The group is held every

Wednesdays from 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM, at St. Veronica's Spiritual Center at 670 Hulses Corner Road, Howell, NJ 07731. If you know someone going through or have gone through a divorce, make sure he or she knows about us. September we will focus on the following topics: Dealing with the ex-spouse; How are the children?; The healing begins; Our own self-worth. Come and join us as we experience healing and develop a closer relationship with Jesus Christ as we focus on the teaching of the Catholic Church. Please feel free to contact Maria Rodrigues at 732-363-5698 or email stveronicakre4u@optonline.net for additional information or directions. All are welcome!

**BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY FOR
PARENTS WHO HAVE SUFFERED THE
LOSS OF A CHILD:** Saint Leo the Great,

Lincroft, 50 Hurley's Ln, Lincroft, 07738
The first meeting is scheduled to begin on Saturday, September 14th at 9AM in Saint Leo the Great Parish Center. The sessions will be facilitated by Paul & Angela Dwyer. A "Continental Breakfast" will be provided. The dates for the nine week program are as follows: **September 21, 28, October 5, 12, 19, 26, November 2, 16.** Please supply the following information if you would like to participate in the Ministry of Healing for Parents program and mail it to Saint Leo the Great Parish Center at the above address. There is no fee for participating in this Bereavement Program. Please Include First and Last name, full address, email address, home phone, cell phone, relation to the deceased.

The Monmouth County Board of Catholic Charities is hosting its Second Annual **Oktoberfest for Vets** on Saturday evening, **September 28, 2013** at the Parker House in Sea Girt. The purpose of the event is to raise funds to expand our Monmouth Counseling Program for Veterans suffering from post-traumatic stress disorder or depression. Visit www.catholiccharitiestrenton.org/monmouthevents for details.

Saint Catherine of Siena's Fall Picnic:

Please come join us on **October 6th, 2013** from **12:30 - 4:00** for our parish picnic. Hosted by The Knights of Columbus, the event will be held in the church's back parking lot. There will be plenty of food, music and Fall-themed activities for kids of all ages. All are welcome.

The Vincentians at St. Thomas More, Manalapan, are holding their 7th Annual **Golf Outing** on **Monday, Oct. 14**. This year it's at Forsgate Country Club, Monroe, and the fee is only \$175. It's going to be a fun-filled day at this prestigious course. The registration form is available at www.moremercy.org. Call 732 446-6661 x208.

Join Father Scott Shaffer (Pastor of St. Joseph's, Toms River) this Spring for an unforgettable vacation/pilgrimage tour through Spain and Portugal, including Fatima, Avila, Madris, Seville, Lisbon and much more. Tour includes: RT air from JFK-Madrid; 10 nights in First Class Hotels; Breakfast daily; 9 Dinners; Trip Insurance; Guided tours throughout. Dates are **April 22 - May 3, 2014**, with optional 3-day extension to Barcelona. Call Olympia at Elegant Vacations for brochure and more information, 732-618-5727 or email eleganttravel@aol.com.



Calling On All Catholic Men: The Knights of Columbus is welcoming all men over the age of 18 to become a member of the new St. Catherine of Siena council here at our church.

Devoted to the principles of charity, unity, fraternity and patriotism, The Knights of Columbus strives to be a positive Catholic presence in both our parish and community. If you wish to join this brotherhood of over 1.8 million world-wide members, please email us at KOFc15703@gmail.com or call (732) 835-2049.

Looking for someone to clean and cook 2 times a day, breakfast and lunch. Please call 732-492-6697.

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Website: www.parishpay.com

... and enrollment forms also are available from the Parish Office.

ATTENTION:**PARISHIONERS WITH CELIAC SPRUE**

An extremely low-gluten (37 micrograms) host is available for those in need. Please notify the Celebrant or the Deacon prior to the beginning of the Mass you are attending. Further information can be found on our website under "Sacraments". Thank you.

ST. CATHERINE'S ONLINE!

Check out our website www.sienachurch.org for all the latest Parish info, including Parish Policies, Church Bulletin, Nursery School and CCD Calendars, Closings & Delays, Minister Schedules, and more.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

A listing for prayers of those who are ill appears in the bulletin weekly. To have a family member included on this list, please call the Parish Office @ 732-938-5375.

**TO ALL GROUPS & INDIVIDUALS
WHO SUBMIT ARTICLES FOR
ST. CATHERINE'S BULLETIN**

Because of the deadline assigned to us by the bulletin company, all information must be submitted to the Parish Office by Monday morning. Articles given later will be included in the bulletin for the following week.

Thank you for honoring this request!



ALTAR FLOWERS ... can be offered in memory of a deceased loved one or for any special intention (except during Lent & Advent). Offering: \$40/basket ...To arrange for Altar Flowers, please call the Office @ 732-938-5375

Parish Policies

Parish Registration ... To be recognized as a practicing member of the Parish, it is necessary to be registered, and to show your presence and support by attendance at Mass and through the regular use of offertory envelopes.

If you have questions regarding Parish Registration, please call 732-938-5375 or email frontoffice@sienachurch.org.

If you move or change addresses or parishes, please notify the Parish Office in a timely manner.

Young adults ...who are still living at home with their parents, who have graduated from college, and/or who are employed full-time, **should register with the Parish under their own name.**

Weddings ... Please call the Parish Office **one year in advance of desired wedding date, BEFORE completing any other arrangements (reception hall, etc.).**

Baptisms ... The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated on Sundays at 12:30 P.M. or can be celebrated during Sunday Mass. Arrangements must be made in advance.

Prior to the birth of the child, attendance at a Baptism Preparation Class is mandatory for parents, and sponsors/godparents also are encouraged to attend. Classes are held in the Church at 7:30 P.M. on the third Wednesday of each month. For more information, contact the parish office.

Sponsorship ... In order to be a sponsor/godparent for Baptism or Confirmation, a person must have received all Sacraments through Confirmation; be at least 16 years of age; if married, be married in the Catholic Church; attend Mass faithfully ... **also, be a registered, actively participating parishioner for a minimum of six (6) months.** One month's notice is desirable when requesting a Sponsor Certificate, a Letter of Recommendation for Parochial School, and other items of this nature.



ATTENTION: ALL PARENTS
Register Now for ST. CATHERINE'S

- * NURSERY SCHOOL
- * FULL-DAY KINDERGARTEN
- * KINDERGARTEN WRAP AROUND
- * ENRICHMENT PROGRAM
- * EXTENDED HOURS
- * SUMMER PROGRAM

Registrations are available on our website at www.sienachurch.org. For more information, please contact the Nursery School Office at 732-938-3454; or email nurseryschool@sienachurch.org.