Halm Sunday OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

At the name of Jesus every knee should bend . . and every tongue confess that

JESUS CHRIST IS LORD.

Philippians 2:10, 11

St. Catherine of Siena

31 Asbury Road, Farmingdale, New Jersey 07727

April 13, 2014

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 Hver

Parish Trustees: Cindy Ventura and Dean Wright

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, April 12, 2014

4:30 PM Virginia Dambach r/o John & Stephanie

Stella Jankowski r/o Daughter, Terry Kelly Marie Rottkamp r/o Agnes Rottkamp

SUNDAY, April 13, 2014

8:00 AM Barbara Nedd r/o Nigel & Jacqueline Storey **Parishioners**

10:00 AM John DeLuca r/o Julie DeLuca Anne Smith r/o Bob Clayton Russell Zilinski r/o Jennifer Barton

11:30 AM Mary T. Pellechia r/o Husband, Nick & Family Tula Juvelis r/o Miriam "Honey" O'Keefe Rosemary Raisley r/o McTighe Family

Contacts:

Website: www.sienachurch.org Mass Schedule:

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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

Weekdav Masses at St. Catheri<u>ne's Chapel, 9:00 AM</u> 1 W. Main St, Farmingdale

Mass Intentions:

Monday, April 14, 2014 Leonicio Noche

Tuesday, April 15, 2014

Rev. David Hillier

Wednesday, April 16, 2014

Michele O'Toole r/o Lou & Marcia Ciccone

Thursday, April 17, 2014

Rev. James Coley r/o Terri Murray

7:30 PM Church Marie Tullo r/o Marian & Jim Ferris



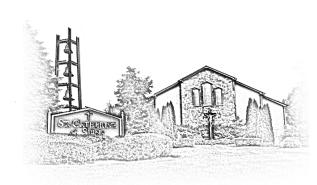
Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

God greatly exalted [Christ] and bestowed on him the name which is above every name.

— Philippians 2:9

SICK RELATIVES AND FRIENDS:

Richard Borgstrom, Bob Fort, Angie Gorda, Edward Kress, Lauren MacArthur, John Masterson, Esther Peraza



Dear Parishioners,

We have come to the most holy of all the weeks of the year. Beginning today, Palm Sunday wherein the Church recalls the entrance of Christ the Lord into Jerusalem to accomplish his Paschal Mystery. The palms which are blessed are taken into our homes as a symbol that signifies our oneness with Jesus in His suffering, death and resurrection. Jesus' death was not a defeat but a victory. It also manifests our willingness to deny ourselves and carry our crosses as we join our Lord Jesus on this great mystery. The events and activities in our parish church carry a multitude of meaning of our celebrations. As we blessed the palms, we heard the Palm Sunday Gospel. We notice that Jesus enters the city of Jerusalem on a donkey, which he instructed two of his disciples to fetch, along with its colt. Just so you know, in Jesus' time, a donkey was something equivalent to a car today. Can you imagine, you just came out of the church and found your car missing? How would you feel? Now anticipating that the owner of the animals would not be happy to see them hijacked, Jesus told the two disciples to say simply: The Master has need of them, that is the Lord which is a royal title. It is the first time in Matthew's Gospel that Jesus claims this title for himself. He is exercising therefore the right of kings, recognized throughout antiquity, to requisition of modes of transport. In Jesus' day a king, returning victorious from a battle, would ride triumphantly astride an imposing horse. Jesus, however, is a different kind of king. He came not to be served-like all other kings, but to serve, and to give his life in ransom for many. His choice was of a donkey, the most modest means of transport then available.

MONDAY of the Holy Week, is the Chrism Mass which is properly celebrated by our Bishop, His Excellency David O'Connell, with the clergy of the Diocese of Trenton. It is a sign of the unity and communion of the priests with the Bishop. It is also in this Mass, however, that the blessing of the Oil of the Sick, the blessing of the Oil of Catechumens and the consecration of the Chrism takes place. We are all invited to join this awesome celebration at the Cathedral of the Diocese of Trenton. Deacon Joe and Dan Sakowski are leading the group

in the parish to attend this event. Please let the parish know if you are interested.

THURSDAY, of Holy Week is the Mass of the Lord's Supper. In our second reading, the Apostle Paul has some recollection of the breaking of the bread and sharing of the cup which for him is the oldest text of the words of institution used by Jesus at the Last Supper. All of us are reminded as we recall the words of Jesus that we are to gather together and proclaim Christ's death in this most solemn way until the Lord returns to us in glory.

GOOD FRIDAY is the Passion of the Lord Jesus. This is truly a love story. No other love story comes close to the intensity and depth of this one. From the time of Adam and Eve's sin, God began weaving the robe of salvation that Jesus completed and made available for each of us that day in Jerusalem. Let us continue to meditate on this incredible love of God that God has for us and put on that robe of redemption. Let us dedicate our own lives to serving others as we manifest our love for the living God.

HOLY SATURDAY, the Easter Vigil. We hear in the Easter Sequence, which is a direct response to his words, and we sing: Christ indeed from death is risen. Yes, Indeed. This is the central foundation of our faith. Jesus' cry of victory that binds us together today. Paul has said, if Jesus is risen and alive, who can separate us from him? Who will ever be able to deprive us of the love of him who has conquered hated and overcome death?

May God bless us,

Father Angelito

Sacrificial Offertory

4/6/14 Weekly Mortgage Reduction \$7,145.00 \$1,808.00

4/18/14 Holy Land (Good Friday) 4/20/14 Easter

Christians around the world are united in a special way during Lent, Holy Week and Easter. Our hearts, minds and prayers are also especially aware of the Holy Land.

Our parish, once a year on Good Friday, is called on to support Christians in the Holy Land. Many Christians in the Holy Land depend on the collection for their lives.

As a pontifical collection requested by Pope Francis, the annual Good Friday Collection offers a direct link for parishioners to be witnesses of peace and to help protect the Holy Places. When you donate on Good Friday, you are supporting Christians in the Holy Land.

Franciscans and others in the Holy Land are housing and feeding the poor, providing religious formation and education, maintaining shrines and parishes, and conducting pastoral ministry. For more information, visit www.myfranciscan.org

The Good Friday Collection is requested by the Holy Father. Please be as generous as your abundance allows.

New Parishioners

ST. CATHERINE'S PARISH <u>WARMLY WELCOMES</u> THE FOLLOWING <u>NEW MEMBERS</u>:

Donna Galarza

Monday, April 14

7 PM Society of St. Vincent de Paul Parish Hall

Wednesday, April 16

7:30 PM Baptism Prep Class Church

Tuesdays, Beginning April 29

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

Thursday, May 8

7:00 PM Rosary Altar Society Church & Parish Hall

Saturday, May 10

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

Tuesdays, First & Third

7:00 PM RCIA Conference Room

Contact janeccable@gmail.com

Thursdays

10 AM Legion of Mary Conference Room

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



ABSTINENCE from meat is observed on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and all the ABSTINENCE 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.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Monday, APRIL 14

9:00 A.M. Mass @ Chapel

7:30 P.M. Mass @

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

Tuesday, APRIL 15

9:00 A.M. Mass @ Chapel

Wednesday, APRIL 16

9:00 A.M. Mass @ Chapel



Holy Thursday, APRIL 17

7:30 P.M. @ Church Mass of the Last Supper

Good Friday, APRIL 18

3:00 P.M. @ Church Veneration of the Cross & Communion 7:00 P.M. @ Church Stations of the Cross



Holy Saturday, APRIL 19

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, APRIL 20

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



Masses (a) Church

"Legion of Mary Pilgrim Statue" will be available to visit homes in our Parish Community. Anyone interested, please call 732-616-3127 or email pheathers 7@yahoo.com for arrangements.

Easter Food Blessing

On **Saturday**, **April 19**, 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

vinegar - remembers the sour wine offered to Christ on the cross

wine - reminds us of the wedding feast at Cana

Calling all children, (ages 5-12) to the St. Catherine of Siena Children's Choir! The choir will sing on the fourth Sunday of each month at the 11:30 Mass. Rehearsals are held on the 2nd and 3rd Sundays after the 11:30 Mass. For more information call Lorrie at 908-814-8022.

PLEASE NOTE:

- The **Parish Office** will be **closed on Holy** Thursday & Good Friday, April 17th & April 18th and also on Easter Monday, April 21st. The Office will reopen on Tuesday, April 22.
- **†** Rel. Ed. will be closed on Monday, April 14, Wednesday, April 16 & Monday, April 21 Classes will resume on Wednesday, April 23.
- **\$\Pi\$** St. Catherine's **Nursery School and** Kindergarten will be closed from 12:30 on Friday, April 11th thru Monday, April 21st for Easter Break. Classes will resume on Tuesday. April 22.

Deacon Intern Dan Sakowski will be Ordained to the Permanent Diaconate on May 10, 2014



Come Celebrate Deacon Dan's Mass of Thanksgiving –for his Ordination to the Permanent Diaconate June 8, 2014 – 11:30 mass



Refreshments to follow in the church hall after

18th Annual Mother's Day Baby Shower 2014 *Sponsored by St. Catherine's Rosary Altar Society*

PLEASE BRING YOUR NEW OR HANDMADE DONATIONS TO MASSES ON APRIL 26/27 AND MAY 3/4

Diapers - bigger sizes

Q-tips

Baby Towels

Crib Sheets

Comb & Brush Sets

Girls & Boys Sleepers – sizes 6, 9 & 12 months

Wipes

Summer Toys

Beach Toys

Summer Hats

Tops

Summer PJs

Wash Cloths and Towels -white

Receiving Blankets

Sunscreen

Diaper Bags

Arts and Crafts Supplies

Sleeping Bags - any size

Skin-So-Soft/Insect Repellent

Beach Towels

Kiddie Pool

Kites

Jump Ropes

Jacks

Sidewalk Chalk

Backyard Games/Balls/Bubbles

Sunglasses

Gift Cards for Ice Cream

Picture Frames

Clothing for Babies ages 3 months to one year

Maternity Tops

Donations will be given to Birthright of Freehold and to St. Clare's Home for Children, which is sponsored by the Aids Resource Foundation for Children

Birthright would also welcome volunteers to work one day a week from 10 am - 2 pm.

The Rosary Altar Society is sponsoring a trip to Sight & Sound Theatre in Lancaster County, PA to see Moses on Saturday, November 15, 2014. We will be meeting at St. Catherine's at 8:00 am and returning at approximately 8:00 pm. Total cost of \$105 per person includes lunch at Shady Maple Smorgasbord, theater ticket, bus, and all taxes and gratuities. Registration forms can be downloaded at sienachurch.org. Please make checks payable to "St. Catherine's Rosary Altar Society" and return your checks and registration forms to the Parish Office or in the collection basket marked "Sight & Sound trip." This trip is open to all members of the parish. For more information contact sharakal@optonline.net.

SEEKING FELLOW PARISHIONERS TO PARTICIPATE AND JOIN THE PRO LIFE CAUSE: We are forming a parish committee to advance the cause of LIFE through prayer, witness and education. If you are interested in giving your time and talents

please call Mary at 732-580-1387.

The son of an 83 year old female is in need of your help in attending to his mother an hour or two while he is at work. Any amount of time you can spare would be greatly appreciated. Finances are stretched and female volunteers are needed. Please leave a message for Gary at 732-938-3693.

The Church is looking for ANY working or non working snow blower, preferably gas, to be donated. Please call the front office.

St. Veronica's Church will start a Life in the Spirit Seminar on April 29, at 7:30 pm in the church and run for 7 consecutive Tuesdays. Each Tuesday is a different topic, a witness, small group sharing and refreshments. The cost is \$10.00. All are welcome. Call 732-364-2815 or mjjohnson1234@aol.com

The Annual Catholic Appeal—IN ACTION!

Ministry of Consecrated Life

We represent membership in 49 male/female religious congregations who have dedicated our lives to announce and proclaim the word of the Lord. Prior to the 1970's, religious served the needs of the Church via education, health care and orphanages. Additional ministries are essential to our service today. While the physical appearance might not be easily recognizable today, the face of God is evident in the many paths and journeys taken daily by those who have dedicated their life to further announce and proclaim the Word of God. Your gift promotes those called to serve.

ELECTRONIC GIVING

ParishPay

Making it Easier to Give

Enrollment is easy, too ... Phone: 866-PARISH-1

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. <u>Please notify the Celebrant or the Deacon prior to the beginning of the Mass you are attending.</u> 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, <u>Closings & Delays</u>, 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 <u>must be submitted to the Parish Office by Monday morning</u>. Articles given later will be included in the bulletin for <u>the following week</u>.

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: \$50/basket ...To arrange for Altar Flowers, please call the Office @ 732-938-5375

Important Parish Information

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.**

<u>Weddings</u> ... 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.

Remember Us in Your Will

A simple charitable bequest can provide very meaningful support for St Catherine of Siena Church. Be sure your will is up-to-date. An up to date will can:

- Protect your loved ones and your dreams.
- Let you, not the state, determine how your assets will be distributed.
- Help you leave a legacy through charitable gifts.
- Help you minimize estate taxes.
- Assure those charities you valued will continue.