

St. Catherine of Siena

31 Asbury Road, Farmingdale, New Jersey 07727

August 17, 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 Summer Office Hours

Monday thru Thursday: 8:30 A.M. to 3:00 P.M.

Religious Education Summer Office Hours

Monday and Wednesday: 8:30 A.M. to 3:00 P.M.

Rev. Angelito I. Anarcon, Pastor

Deacon Joseph Prioli

Deacon Daniel Sakowski

Director of Religious Education: Nancy Riddell

Parish Office Secretary: Carol Morton

Religious Education Secretary: Janice Deakyne

Sacristan: Ruth Ziznewski

Organist: Judy Hyer

Parish Trustees: Cindy Ventura and Dean Wright

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, August 16, 2014

4:30 PM **Danny Murphy** r/o Johnson Family

Walter Kozot r/o Sister, Joyce

Jack Nagle r/o Lucy Dugan

Jaime Y. Porcalla r/o Charles, Perlita, & Katrina

SUNDAY, August 17, 2014

8:00 AM **Joseph Lerch** r/o Cheri & David Crowl

Frank Percaccio r/o Wife, Mary Ann

Herbie Weber r/o Costello Family

10:00 AM **Michael Anzano** r/o Cushing Family

Parishioners

11:30 AM **John & Mary Greiner** r/o Marianne & Joe Cocuzza

Dylan Joyce r/o Roy & Terri Murray

Alfred Goerke r/o Wife, & Family



Contacts:

Website:

www.sienachurch.org

Mass Schedule:

732-938-5375 ext. 6

Parish Office:

732-938-5375

Religious Education:

732-938-6229

FAX phone:

732-938-3260

Pastor's Office:

732-938-5375 ext. 7

Deacon Joe:

732-938-5375 ext. 9

Deacon Dan:

732-938-5375 ext. 3

Parish Bookkeeper:

732-938-5375 ext. 8

St. Vincent de Paul:

732-938-3454

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

Mass Intentions:

Monday, August 18, 2014

Tuesday, August 19, 2014

Thursday, August 21, 2014

Friday, August 22, 2014



ALTAR FLOWERS

This weekend are offered for:

Alfred Goerke

r/o Wife, & Family



Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Observe what is right, do what is just;
for my salvation is about to come,
my justice, about to be revealed.

— Isaiah 56:10

Dear Parishioners,

Our theme for the 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time is expressed beautifully in the psalm refrain: "O God, let all the nations praise you." God wants all nations and people to know and love him, and God desires to share his love with all people. Often times we take this for granted. For even though it is believed that Matthew's Gospel was written to Jews believing in Christ, it is clear that all our readings today speak of a God who is open to all people who worship him with a sincere heart. The road blocks and parameters are set aside for all who have hearts ready for conversion.

Let's admit it, we are creatures conditioned to the norms of the times in which we live. We have been used to social relativism to justify ourselves incorrectly at times. We use the common expression: Well, everybody else is doing it, so it must be okay. Or, sometimes we assume some conditions in life are normal, but, it's the way things are. Hence, sins like prejudice and racism were taken for granted for too long. Jesus in his time, lived in a society conditioned by social norms also. Jews and Gentiles did not get along very well together; women and children were separated from men.

In today's Gospel, Jesus meets a pagan woman, a Greek, living in the neighborhood of Tyre and Sidon. The area itself tells us she was probably a financially well off person. She was a loving mother and a very clever person. This is a unique story. Never in my mind can I think of any other story where Jesus seems to be harsh with someone seeking his help. It's the only one I can think of where someone got the better of Jesus in a debate. I would assume that the only part of this story that most people remember is Jesus saying to her "it is not right to take the food of the children (the Jews) and throw it to the dogs (meaning Gentiles)." Referring to someone as a dog in those days, even today, would be an insult. A dog would be an unclean animal for the Jews, just as Gentiles were considered unclean by the Jews. The important thing here is that the woman did not turn and walk away. She was humble, relentless and clever enough to accept Jesus' remark and turn it to her advantage in order to gain his help to heal her daughter.

Allow me to share with you a story of Presbyterian Pastor Gregory Hines. He saw a makeshift sign on an elevator door in a hotel where he was staying. The sign said, "Party in room 602, everyone welcome, BYOB." He chuckled to himself thinking how funny it would be if the university students who put up that sign actually meant to invite the senior manager of the hotel, the police officer, or a guest Lutheran preacher. He wondered if BYOB meant, "BRING YOUR OWN BIBLE." Normally of course, they did not mean to invite everyone, only the members of their group. As Rev. Hines examined the sign, he thought to himself, "No one throws a party where everyone, literally is welcome." And then it hit him, "Someone he knew would throw just such a party. God would post that sign. God would throw that party." The party is being held in a place called the CHURCH. And by the way, by all means feel free to "BRING YOUR OWN BIBLE."

May God bless us,
Father Angelito



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through the Sacrament of Baptism, we
welcomed to the Church:

Kaelyn McLean Brechka

We ask God's blessings on these children and their families every day of their lives!

Have you ever heard the initials **RCIA**? They stand for Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, the Roman Catholic's official collection of Rites for bringing adults into the Church. A team here at St. Catherine's prepares individuals to be received into the church. We begin our RCIA in the fall. If you, or someone you know, is interested in learning about becoming a Catholic, or a Catholic, who may have not yet received Sacraments, or to learn more about the RCIA process, please email Barbara Ust at aubju@aol.com or call the parish office.

SAVE THE DATE Mass and Anointing of the Sick
Saturday, September 27, 2014 at 10:30 A.M.

SICK RELATIVES AND FRIENDS:

Bob Fort, Angie Gorda, Edward Kress, Lauren MacArthur, John Masterson, Esther Peraza, Nicholas Prioli, Marjorie Seagriff

The St Catherine of Siena Children's Choir will be on break in the months of August and September. The Children's Choir will resume in the month of October. Rehearsals are held on the 2nd and 3rd Sundays following the 11:30 Mass. The choir sings on the fourth Sunday at the 11:30 Mass. New members between the ages of 6 and 12 are always welcome. For more information call Lorrie at 908-814-8022.

Thursdays

10 AM Legion of Mary Conference Room

Wednesday, August 20

7:30 PM Baptism Prep Class Church

Monday, September 15

7:30 PM Society of St. Vincent de Paul Parish Hall

Saturday, September 13

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

2nd Thursdays - Starting September 11

7:00 PM Rosary Altar Society Church & Parish Hall

Tuesdays, First & Third - Starting September 16

7:00 PM RCIA 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.

Religious Education Registration 2014 -2015

Registration for the upcoming academic year has been underway since April and some classes are already filled. If you have not registered your child(ren) so far, please do so as soon as possible. Registration forms may be downloaded from our website or obtained from the Religious Education office on Mondays or Wednesdays between the hours of 9 A.M. and 2:30 P.M. Please call 732-938-6229 for any additional information.

"Save the Date!" The Parish Picnic will be held on Sunday, October 5th.

Bishop's Anniversary Blessing

For more than 40 years, the bishop of the Diocese of Trenton has been celebrating the gift of sacramental marriage with anniversary couples.

If you're celebrating your 1st, 25th or 50th (or more!) year of marriage, we invite you to a special Eucharistic liturgy (Mass) and blessing celebration at **3:00 pm on Sunday, October 19, 2014 at St. Robert Bellarmine Parish in Freehold.** We invite married couples celebrating these milestone anniversaries to participate in this beautiful event. Please visit the parish office to register. The deadline to register is September 20.

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.

PLEASE NOTE: SUMMER HOURS

THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE OPEN
Monday - Thursday 8:30 A.M. TO 3:00 P.M.
THE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON FRIDAYS

THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE
WILL ONLY BE OPEN
Mondays AND Wednesdays 8:30 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.

Please join us for the 13th anniversary of "WALK WITH JOE", a memorial 5K walk honoring Patrick "Joe" Driscoll, Christopher Gray and Tom McCann, local area residents who lost their lives on September 11th. The Walk will be held on Saturday, **September 6, 2014, 10:00 a.m.**, at Monmouth Battlefield State Park, Manalapan, NJ. Please visit www.walkwithjoe.com to register and obtain additional information. All proceeds are donated to local charities and non-profit organizations.

VERA BRADLEY/COACH PURSE BINGO

Incarnation-St. James School will be having a Vera Bradley/Coach Purse Bingo on Saturday, **September 20, 2014.** Doors open at 6:45 p.m., Bingo begins at 7:30 p.m. Location: ISJ School/Church Auditorium- 1555 Pennington Road, Ewing, NJ. Cost is \$30 per ticket and includes 12 games of bingo with three playing sheets per game and light refreshments (coffee, tea and cookies). Call Karen at 609-882-3121 for info or tickets.

Birthright of Red Bank is participating in Boscov's "Friends Helping Friends" fundraiser scheduled for **Tuesday, October 21, 2014.** The tickets cost \$5 each. Birthright keeps all the proceeds received from the ticket sales. Everyone who purchases a ticket receives a 25% discount shopping pass for purchases made only on October 21, 2014. If anyone would like to purchase tickets for this event, please call Karen at 732-747-4240 or send your request with the amount of tickets and your check to Birthright, P.O. Box 202, Red Bank, NJ 07701



Love In the Name of Christ (INC) is looking for office space. For 20 years Love INC has been reaching out to those in need in Monmouth County through rental assistance, home visits, used furniture and cars, elder care, haircuts and Christmas presents. (www.loveinnj.org) We are in need of office space for 6 people to administer our programs and will need to move in late fall. Over the 20 years we have been located in church buildings and currently a business office which benefits from a tax write-off. If there is any interest please call Carolyn (Love INC Director) at 732-542-7012 ext. 210

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.

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... 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, 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: \$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.**

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.

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.