

St. Catherine of Siena

31 Asbury Road, Farmingdale, New Jersey 07727

March 2, 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 Hyer

Parish Trustees: Cindy Ventura and Dean Wright

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, March 1, 2014

4:30 PM Bob Webster r/o FitzGerald Family

Eileen & Joseph Levy r/o Janniello Family

Robert Seagriff r/o Joyce Angelo

SUNDAY, March 2, 2014

8:00 AM Sherlock Storey Sr. r/o Nigel & Jacqueline Storey

Raymond Debasitis r/o Lou & Marcia Ciccone

10:00 AM Laurie Gentile r/o Howell Library Staff Parishioners

11:30 AM Maureen Cox r/o Martinez Family

Mary Beth Chambers r/o Prioli Family

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

Mass Intentions:

Monday, March 3, 2014

Edward Mongon r/o Wife, Clare

Tuesday, March 4, 2014

Thursday, March 6, 2014

Patricia Bicica r/o Julie DeLuca

Friday, March 7, 2014

After Mass until 11:00 A.M.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT



Contacts:

Website:

www.sienachurch.org

Mass Schedule:

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Parish Office:

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Religious Education:

732-938-6229

Nursery School:

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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



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Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Can a mother forget her infant
be without tenderness for the child of her womb?
Even should she forget,
I will never forget you.

— Isaiah 49:15

SICK RELATIVES AND FRIENDS:

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

Dear Parishioners,

The parish community congratulates Shawn McCowan for receiving his First Holy Communion last Sunday, February 23, 2014 in our Church. Due to the fact that his family is moving out of state this March for a job-related reason, Shawn preferred to receive Jesus for the first time with our parish family. We wish him the best of luck with his faith journey together with his beloved family.

As it has been announced, FLU season is waning, therefore, we are going to have the Sign of Peace and we will receive both species in the Mass beginning with this weekend Masses, March 1 and 2. As we know, the sign of peace and serving both species in the Mass are optional.

This Sunday is the Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time. In today's Gospel reading, there is a big warning against dividing our hearts between God and worldly goods, starting with the image of God as the "master." Reflecting about it, there is a huge truth contained in this image, for each and everyone of us are called to serve God, carrying out God's will and obviously seeking His Kingdom. However, the image of a master and servant might also raise some questionable idea that God sees us more than a servile follower to be taken advantage and exploited. The rest of this section of Jesus' Sermon on the Mount should dispel that concept, as it presents God as the loving provider of all our needs.

Most of the things Jesus mentions in this Gospel passage are basic human needs, like, food, drink, clothing and he in no way implies that these things are not important for us Christians. But, what he calls into question is the anxiety and worry that we have about these material objects, as they imply a misunderstanding on our part as to who God is and who we are in relation to God. We know from experience that God is the master whom we ought to serve, God does not treat us as slaves to be used and cast aside. Rather, in a very surprising reversal of the normal relationship of master and servant, God constantly seeks our good and provides us with what we need to live and to thrive.

We have to be thankful and be reminded that faith in God does not remove practical concerns of food and drink and clothing. It can certainly take away the worry and anxiety over these things that sometimes overwhelm our lives and keep us from seeking above all God's kingdom of truth and righteousness.

March 5, is ASH WEDNESDAY, a day of universal fast and abstinence in the Church. Today, ashes are blessed and imposed upon the forehead of each individual and we will hear the formulas used: Repent and believe in the Gospel or Remember, you are dust, and to dust you will return. These ashes are from the palm tree which we have blessed from last year.

Please take note of our schedule of Masses and services which you can find on our parish website and in the weekly bulletin. Our homebound ministry takes care of our shut-ins and elderly for they serve ashes to them.

May God bless us,
Father Angelito

Words serve as weak instruments when used to express my sincere gratitude to you for the generous response of your parish community to the 26th Annual Collection for the Retirement Fund For Religious. I know that the generosity of your parishioners reflects your own concern for retired religious in appealing to your people to support this fund. *Sr. Rose (Delegate for Religious)*

Sacrificial Offertory

2/23/14 Weekly Mortgage Reduction \$7,368.00
\$1,497.00

3/5/14 Ash Wednesday

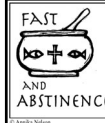
3/9/14 Weekly & Black & Native Americans

Thank you so much for your generous contributions.

ASH WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE

MARCH 5, 2014
(ALL IN MAIN CHURCH)

6:30 AM - *Service*
9:00 AM - *Mass*
12 Noon - *Mass*
4:30 PM - *Children - Service*
7:00 PM - *Service*



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.

LENTEN SOUP SUPPER @ 6:00 P.M.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS @ 7:00 P.M.

All Fridays throughout Lent in the Church for our parishioners and friends on each Friday during Lent. This *free* dinner will provide an opportunity to come together as a community to prepare for Easter. Free will offering.

Saturday, March 8

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

Monday, March 10

7 PM Society of St. Vincent de Paul *Parish Hall*

Thursday, March 13

7:00 PM Rosary Altar Society *Church & Parish Hall*

Wednesday, March 19

7:30 PM Baptism Prep Class *Church*

Tuesdays, thru April 8

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

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.



of all our Parish family and friends, and especially the recently departed:

Robert Handy (Husband of Mary Beth, Father of Robert, Ryan, Hayley, & Patrick)

May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

New Parishioners

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

William & Lucille Herten
Joseph Passalacqua
Gerry, Concetta, Gianna, & Joseph Zappulla

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

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." Seats will not be assigned until full payment is received so register as soon as possible. This trip is open to all members of the parish. For more info contact sharkal@optonline.net.

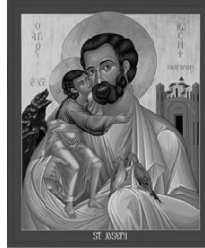


GIRL SCOUT SUNDAY

The first line of the Girl Scout Promise is "On my honor, I will try, to serve God & my country". On **Sunday, March 9, 2014**, all Girl Scouts (girls and adults) of Saint

Catherine's church are invited to wear their GS vest/sash (girls) or their insignia tab (adults) to our 11:30 Mass in honor of Girl Scout Sunday. After Mass, there will be a brief get together for Girl Scouts & their families in the Parish Hall and light refreshments will be served. We will also celebrate Mass on March 16, 2014 at 11:30 and have a Girl's Own in the Parish Hall after this mass. Girl Scouts who wish to attend should email Michele at mcbe52@optonline.net by March 6, 2014.

Calling all children, (ages 5-12), to the St. Catherine of Siena Children's Choir. Rehearsals will begin on **Sunday, March 9th**, following the 11:30 Mass. The choir will sing on the fourth Sunday of each month at the 11:30 Mass. For more info. call Lorrie at 908-814-8022.



Holy Cross Church
Adoption Blessing
at 5 PM Mass on
Saturday, March 15, 2014

Everyone is welcome to celebrate the gift of adoption!

Special blessing for all families who have adopted or who hope to participate in the adoption process.

Sr. Elizabeth Engel, O.P., of Downey Side, will be on hand after Mass to share about opportunities to adopt children in need of a family right here in our area.

Hospitality after Mass featuring St. Joseph bread and Irish soda bread!

Mass of Healing for Infant and Pregnancy Loss



Thursday,
March 20, 2014
7 PM
Chapel

A liturgy to help those women and families who have lost babies during pregnancy or in their infancy. This would include women and couples who had miscarriages, those who lost infants due to premature births and those who journeyed with their infants through a fatal illness. All are invited to attend to support those women and families who have experienced such a loss, as are members of parish Elizabeth Ministries and Bereavement teams. Reception to follow.

Holy Cross Church
30 Ward Avenue
Rumson, NJ

For more information, call 732-842-0348 x1123 or
Email llaplante@holycrossrumson.org

"Legion of Mary Pilgrim Statue" will be available to visit homes in our Parish Community. Anyone interested, please call 732-616-3127 or email pheathers7@yahoo.com for arrangements.

Monsignor Donovan HS Performing Arts Presents
 The Spring Musical "Les Miserables"
 Thursday, March 20th 7:30 PM
 Friday, March 21st 7:30 PM
 Saturday, March 22nd 7:30 PM
 Sunday, March 23rd 2:00 PM
 Gepp Gymnasium
 \$12.00 Adults, \$10.00 Students/Seniors
 For tickets call the box office: 732-349-8801 x 2403

VILLA VICTORIA ACADEMY PRESENTS "ANNIE"
 Our award-winning theater production team will present three shows of the classic, "Annie": Friday, **March 21** at 7 PM, Saturday, **March 22** at 7 PM and Sunday, **March 23** at 3 PM, at the Villa Victoria Academy Theater. Tickets are \$15/adults \$12/(12 and under) and seniors, and may be purchased by calling 609-882-1700, ext. 10. All seating is reserved; Tickets may be available at the door. More information about Annie can be found on Villa's website, www.villavictoria.org

Saint John Vianney H.S. Casino Night/Gift Auction
 Join us on FRIDAY, MARCH 21ST, for an exciting evening of FINE DINING, DANCING, CASINO GAMES AND LIVE AUCTIONS at Eagle Oaks Country Club in Farmingdale. Win "big" cash with great basket gifts, trips and exciting island adventure get-a-ways. Go to (www.sjvhs.com) under announcements and click on the Casino Night link for information or call Candice at [732] 219-8944 or halstead1185@aol.com
**SAINT JOHN VIANNEY HIGH SCHOOL'S
 MEGA CASH RAFFLE**
 1st Prize 25% of Proceeds
 2nd Prize 15% of Proceeds
 3rd Prize 10% of Proceeds
 Drawing: Friday, March 21, 2014 at 11:30 pm SJV
 Casino Night /Gift Auction Eagle Oaks Country Club Farmingdale, NJ Winner Need Not be Present
 Donation: \$25.00 per ticket or book of 5/\$100.00
 For Tickets please contact: Julie Pasquale at SJV [732] 739-0800 ext. 121 or Pasquale@sjvhs.com

For many people, the process of marriage annulment is very mysterious, often accompanied by considerable misinformation. In order to dispel misconceptions, the diocese is sponsoring an
Annulment Information Session at
 St. Robert Bellarmine, Freehold on
Saturday, March 22 from 9:30 -11 A.M.
 For more information, call 609-406-7434 or email rmoore@dioceseoftrenton.org.

St. Anselm Parish, 1028 Wayside Rd. Wayside, will host two sessions of "A Quick Journey Through The Bible – An Eight-Part Introduction to the Bible Timeline." Daytime sessions are 10 a.m. to noon, Thursdays: March 20, 27; April 10, 24, May 1, 8, 15, 22, 29. (no class April 3, 17) Evening sessions are 7 to 9 p.m. Mondays: March 24; April 7, 14, 28; May 5, 12, 19, June 2, 9, 16. (no class March 31, April 21, May 26). The topics covered include: How to Read the Bible and Explanation of Materials; Early World; The Patriarchs; Egypt & Exodus and Desert Wanderings; Conquest & Judges and Royal Kingdom; Divided Kingdom and Exile; Return from Exile and Maccabean Revolt; Messianic Fulfillment and The Church. A facilitated discussion session will follow. Cost to attend the series is \$20/person and includes a student workbook, bookmark, Bible Timeline chart and memory-bead wristband. Participants should bring their own Bibles. Registration forms are available at www.stanselm.com or contact kimdibi610@gmail.com for more info.

Pocketbook Bingo will be held on Friday evening, **April 4**, 2014 at St. Leo the Great in Lincroft to support Catholic Charities, Monmouth County programs. Win authentic designer handbags. Bring your refreshments, BYOB and invite your friends for a great evening! Coffee and dessert provided. Doors open at 6:00 pm. This event will sell out quickly! Advance tickets \$25. Visit www.catholiccharitiestrenton.org/monmouth or call Sue at 732-747-9660 x 7100.

The Annual Catholic Appeal—IN ACTION!
 Ministry of Catechesis and Evangelization
 Each parish and Catholic school is unique and offers religious education in ways that meet the needs of the local community. Some program structures are very traditional; others are innovative. Even as adults we seek to learn more about our faith and deepen our relationship with God. Some adults want to know more, some adults want to grow in their prayer life. Many opportunities for the enrichment of faith are found in events and activities in parishes throughout the diocese, such as Bible Study, parish missions, lecture series, and online learning. The Office of Catechesis helps with adult faith enrichment by providing support for parish leaders and access to resources. Your gift, in essence, builds up our Catholic faith.