

St. Catherine of Siena

31 Asbury Road, Farmingdale, New Jersey 07727

April 26, 2015

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.

Religious Education Office Hours

Monday 8:30 A.M. to 7:00 P.M.

Wednesday: 8:30 A.M. to 5:30 P.M.

Rev. Angelito I. Anarcon, Pastor

Rev. Alfred Burke, Weekend Assistant

Deacon Joseph Prioli

Deacon Daniel Sakowski

Director of Religious Education: Kyle Galante

Parish Office Secretary: Carol Morton

Religious Education Secretary: Janice Deakyne

Sacristan: Ruth Ziznewski

Organist: Judy Hyer

Parish Trustees: Cindy Ventura and Dean Wright

Website:

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Mass Schedule:

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Parish Office:

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732-938-6229

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732-938-3260

Pastor's Office:

732-938-5375 ext. 7

Deacon Joe:

732-938-5375 ext. 9

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732-938-5375 ext. 3

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732-938-5375 ext. 8

St. Vincent de Paul:

732-938-3454

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, April 25, 2015

7:30 PM **Rosaria Fassi & Stella M. Beilinson** r/o
Negro Family

SUNDAY, April 26, 2015

8:00 AM **Joseph & Margaret Shade** r/o Daughter,
Mary

10:00 AM **Concetta A. Anthony** r/o Cathy & Jack
McKee

11:30 AM **Emily, Assad, & Joseph** r/o Family

Weekday Masses at the Chapel 1 W. Main St, Farmingdale

MONDAY, April 27, 2015

9:00 AM **Joseph Rajan Areepparampil**

TUESDAY, April 28, 2015

9:00 AM **Marie Tullo** r/o Ferris Family

THURSDAY, April 30, 2015

9:00 AM **Nancy FitzGerald** r/o Husband, Dennis

FRIDAY, May 1, 2015

9:00 AM "Living" **Maryann O'Neill** r/o Mary Daley

After Mass until 11:00 A.M.

**ADORATION OF THE
BLESSED SACRAMENT**



Fourth Sunday of Easter

See what love the Father has
bestowed on us that we may be
called the children of God.

- 1 John 3:1

Tuesdays, First & Third - May 5

7:00 PM RCIA Conference Room

Thursday, May 7

7:00 PM Rosary Altar Society Church & Parish Hall

Thursdays, First & Third - May 7

7:00 PM Adult Confirmation Conference Room

Saturday, May 9

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

Monday, May 11

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

Wednesday, May 20

7:30 PM Baptism Prep Class Church

Tuesdays

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

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.

Please be aware that the First Holy Communion dates
and times are Sundays, April 26, and May 3,
at the 11:30 A.M. Mass.

Dear Parishioners,

Today at the 11:30 Mass, we are going to have the Monday evening class of our Religious Education Program, for they are receiving the Eucharist for the first time in their lives. Let us rejoice and be glad for our young people of the parish as we witness them receiving Jesus, his body and soul and divinity, food that will nourish them physically and spiritually in Holy Communion. The First Eucharist has to be done with the congregation during Sunday Liturgies so that the faithful of the parish will welcome, support, and pray with these young boys and girls who are so enthused and excited on receiving Jesus for the first time. Congratulations!

The Fourth Sunday of Easter is designated by the Church as Good Shepherd Sunday. As we hear Jesus telling us: "I am the Good Shepherd." We have a passage from St. John's 10th chapter of his gospel (Jn. 10:11-18). Jesus is telling the Pharisees and us that there are two kinds of shepherds. There is the kind of shepherd who owns his or her sheep and there are shepherds who are hired by a farmer to protect and care for sheep that belong to someone else.

The second kind, the hired shepherds, run away when danger comes, while those who own their sheep fight hard to protect and care for what is their own, sometimes getting injured badly or even getting themselves killed. Jesus is telling us he would be killed to protect and save us, but he would return to life again, he promised, which he did. This clearly shows us, first of all, how much he cares for us. He would fight to the bitter end for us. It also manifests to us how powerful he is that he can lay down his life and take it up again.

Jesus tells us something else about shepherds today. They know their sheep and the sheep know their shepherds. It is just like we know our pets at home. How do they know one another very well. It is because they spend a lot of time together. Sheep take a lot of care and the shepherd is with his sheep twenty four hours a day, seven days a week. Jesus is with us all the time and knows us better than we know ourselves. In fact, Jesus knows all the hairs on our heads are numbered. Does anybody among ourselves know that? Now, if we don't know him very well, we need to spend more time with him in prayer.

If we apply this idea of good and bad shepherds to today's Church, we might conclude that there is a big challenge meant not only for priests and bishops. The truth is, it applies to all of us. We are all challenged to look into our hearts and judge the generosity of our people in and around us. Each of us, by virtue of Baptism, is called to share Good News and live faithfully the teachings of the Gospel. We are called by God to imitate Jesus, the Good Shepherd. He wants us to trust and follow him.

Sometimes, following him can get a little frightening because we don't know where he is taking us or what he might ask of us. But we have to trust him truly by living our lives full of compassion and concern for others. By living in this way, Jesus, our Good Shepherd can use us as an instrument of his love as we provide those around us with the chance to hear and respond to Jesus' call. Amen.

May God bless us,
Father Angelito

4/19/15 Weekly Maintenance & Repair **\$7,798.00**
\$1,536.00

5/3/15 Weekly & Diocesan Assessment

Thank you so much for your generous contributions.

Some bills paid this week:

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Today, the Fourth Sunday of Easter: Good Shepherd Sunday is a special celebration of World Day of Prayer for Vocations. The world-wide Church honors all Christian Vocations. Christ Jesus gives his life for us that we might know fullness of life. We pray for openness to God's call and to accept the gift of our Christian vocation. Christ Jesus, the Good Shepherd, is with us to guide and to protect us on our life journey.

CONGRATULATIONS

To the boys and girls who celebrated the Sacrament of First Holy Communion on Sunday, April 26, here at St. Catherine's.

Haley Alexander

Jake Dembowski

Luke Allard

Jordan Inman

Sophia Batista

Madison Lewis

Evan Bonilla

Ethan Miller

Frank Curreri

Shayley Ross

Nicholas Tedeschi



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

Jace Michael Cerchia

Riley Dylan McNally

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

New Parishioners

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ST. CATHERINE'S PARISH

WARMLY WELCOMES

THE FOLLOWING NEW MEMBERS:

Vincent & Catherine Kuczinski

Carlos, Janine, & Lucas DeBrito

Patricia McManus & Timothy Matthews



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

Dennis Michael Bolognini

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

SICK RELATIVES AND FRIENDS:

Jean & Mike Burke, Anna Marie Chanik, Joseph Cocuzza, Joe Diamond, Michael Fekete, Bob Fort, Angie Gorda, Marlene Gravatt, Doug Jamieson, Edward Kress, Lauren MacArthur, Teresa Magyar, Betty McCann, John Masterson, Esther Peraza, Jeanette Picciani, Marjorie Seagriff, Nancy Soper, Ilona Supczynski, George Zieminski

19th Annual Mother's Day Baby Shower

Sponsored by St. Catherine's Rosary Altar Society
Please bring your new or handmade donations to Masses on MAY 2/3.

Diapers - bigger sizes
Q-tips
Crib Sheets
Baby towels, Comb, Maternity Tops
Wipes, Wash Cloths and Towels
White Receiving Blankets
Diaper Bags
Summer Toys
Beach Toys
Summer Hats, Sunscreen
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, including bathing suits and PJ's for Girls size 12 & 4T and Boys size 3T

Donations will be given to Birthright of Freehold and to St. Clare's Home for Children. Birthright would also welcome volunteers to work one day a week from 10 am - 2 pm.

Recruiting SONG LEADERS

The Music Ministry is looking for volunteers to serve as Song Leaders for the weekend Masses. No special background is needed. As long as you are 16 years of age or older we will welcome you. Training and mentoring will be provided by our team of song leaders and the organist. Volunteers will cover 2-3 Masses a month and you DO NOT NEED to read music to participate. New Song Leaders will "shadow" current team members until they feel comfortable in leading the songs on their own. Please, please . . . we need more folks participating in our Music Ministry. Call Bill Ditto, Coordinator, at 732-938-7180 or email him at WESTFARMS511@aol.com. Thanks.

SAVE THE DATE — Monday, May 18, 2015

Restaurant Night for Saint Catherine of Siena's community family at Woody's Roadhouse Tavern, Farmingdale, NJ. Fundraising for the parish and a great dinner out. Join together anytime between the hours of 4:00pm - 10:00pm. More details to follow.

Adult Confirmation Classes & Celebration

Adult Catholics who have been baptized, received First Eucharist and are practicing their faith but have not celebrated the Sacrament of Confirmation are invited to participate in a preparation program. Our preparation program schedule is the first and third Thursday of the month at 7:00 PM. Please email RCIA@sienachurch.org for more info.

"By the sacrament of Confirmation [the baptized] are more perfectly bound to the Church and are enriched with a special strength of the Holy Spirit." -CCC, no. 1285.

World Meeting of Families, April Theme:

All Love Bears Fruit Not everyone is called to marriage, but every life is meant to be fertile. Every life has the power and the need to nurture new life; if not through bearing and raising children, then through other vital forms of self-giving, building and service. The church is an extended family of different vocations, each distinct but each needing and supporting the others. Priesthood, religious life and the celibate lay vocation, enrich, and are enriched by, the witness of the married state. The different ways of being chaste and celibate outside of marriage are ways of donating one's life to God's service and the human community. This April, as we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus, let us pray for all vocations: priesthood, religious life, married couples and single people who all make up the church, our extended family.

THE ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL – IN ACTION!**Catholic Charities Program Subsidy**

Catholic Charities, Diocese of Trenton, provides care to more than 100,000 people each year and touches the lives of 1 in every 19 residents of Central New Jersey. Your gift provides funding for use in support of these programs. A behavioral health care and social service agency, Catholic Charities offers 58 programs at 35 service sites and 72 residential sites in Burlington, Mercer, Monmouth, and Ocean counties. The mission of Catholic Charities is rooted in the Gospel mandate to alleviate human suffering and seeks to improve the quality of life for individuals and families by serving people in need, especially the poor and oppressed. Catholic Charities offers a network of accredited programs that provide quality, cost-effective services in the four counties of the diocese. Your gift tells those in need that they matter.

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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.