

# St. Catherine of Siena

31 Asbury Road, Farmingdale, New Jersey 07727

## 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 Summer Hours

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

## Religious Education Office Hours

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

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

## Diocese of Trenton

Most Reverend David M. O'Connell, C.M.

Bishop of Trenton

**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:

[www.sienachurch.org](http://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

August 23, 2015

## Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, August 22, 2015

4:30 PM **James Piegari** r/o Theresa & Joe Mandrillo

SUNDAY, August 23, 2015

8:00 AM **Kerwin Lanz Sr.** r/o Don & Janice Deakyne

10:00 AM **Pasquale Fanelli** r/o Jim McMahon

11:30 AM **Mary Daniels** r/o Nolan Family

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

MONDAY, August 24, 2015

9:00 AM **Monica Ann Talcott** r/o Parents & Family

TUESDAY, August 25, 2015

9:00 AM **Anna Hillers** r/o Society of St. Vincent de Paul

THURSDAY, August 27, 2015

9:00 AM **Suzanne Riddlemoser** r/o Debbie Mueller

FRIDAY, August 28, 2015

9:00 AM **Michael Maher**



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## Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

As for me and my household,  
we will serve the LORD.

- Joshua 24:15b

## ALTAR FLOWERS

This weekend are offered for:

**Marge Seagriff**

r/o Donna Lee & Terri Murray



**SICK RELATIVES AND FRIENDS:** Jean & Mike Burke, Joseph Cocuzza, Joe Diamond, Carmen Devaux, Michael Fekete, Kathleen Fitzgerald, Bob Fort, Angie Gorda, John Gerow, Marlene Gravatt, Lori Jones, Edward Kress, Charles Lambert, Lauren MacArthur, Teresa Magyar, Betty McCann, Margie McCullam, John Masterson, Amber Painter, Esther Peraza, Jeanette Picciani, Betty Reuter, Nancy Soper, Ilona Supczynski, George Zieminski

## Saturday, September 12

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

## Monday, September 14

7:00 PM Society of St. Vincent de Paul Parish Hall

## Wednesday, September 16

7:30 PM Baptism Prep Class Church

## Tuesdays, Starting September 29

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

## Wednesdays

7-8 PM Walk & Pray Church Parking Lot

## 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.

Dear Parishioners,

Being around in the priesthood for almost four decades, ministering in different places and attending to the spiritual, physical, emotional, psychological as well as behavioral needs of the people I serve, I find it is so difficult and challenging to make decisions. From my own learning experience, I turn to those people I trust and most importantly to Jesus, the Eternal High Priest, the God Almighty.

Today as we celebrate the Twenty First Sunday of the Year our readings are all about making decisions. How we make them, why we make them, and how we stick by them. In the first reading, Joshua lays it on the line before the Israelites: Which god are you going to serve? Make up your minds.

Obviously, it was not an easy decision. The God of Abraham and Moses was one who demanded obedience, expected courage and sacrifice, and called them to live lives of righteousness and justice. The pagan peoples around them had no such god because their way of life was easier and sometimes looked more attractive. But as we have heard, the Israelites decided to stick with the God who had brought them out of slavery in Egypt, fed them in the desert, and was now leading them to freedom in the promised land.


Saint Paul talks about a huge decision that is all about marriage in the second reading. He tells husbands and wives to stand by each other, to love each other the way Christ loves the Church. And that's a big mandate and order: for today it is too much for many people. Why? Men and women are afraid to have a commitment to each other in the sacrament of matrimony, so they make other arrangements. And those who do marry have a hard time staying together. And the Apostle Paul says, if you really love each other, make your decision. Make your vows and promises before God, and stand firm by them, and in return God will stand by you.

In the Gospel we heard, Jesus tells his followers things they find so hard to accept. He says he will give them his flesh to eat and his blood to drink. When they draw back, he doesn't change his message to please his listeners. He tells them to make up their minds. Either follow him or leave him. So the crowd melted away. Then he asks the Twelve Apostles: "Do you also want to leave?" Peter doesn't answer. But he says, "Master to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life."


Peter has shown us how to make decisions. He is a good role model in making up our minds. For he doesn't believe in something. He believes in Someone. Faithful wives and husbands do not believe in marriage, but believe in each other. We don't believe in religion; we believe in God. We do not believe in Christianity; we believe in Jesus Christ. To whom else shall we go? He has the words of eternal life. Can you remember and recall a time when your faith in God obliged you to make a big decision? How did you respond to it?

May God bless us,  
Father Angelito

<b>8/15/15 Assumption of Mary</b>	<b>\$ 681.00</b>
<b>8/16/15 Weekly</b>	<b>\$5,471.00</b>
<b>Diocesan Assessment</b>	<b>\$1,189.00</b>
<b>Thank you so much for your generous contributions.</b>	
<b>8/30/15 Weekly &amp; St. Vincent de Paul</b>	
<b>Some bills paid this week:</b>	
<b>JCP &amp; L</b>	<b>\$1,338.05</b>

 CONGRATULATIONS & BEST WISHES TO ...  
**ANDREW ROLLINS**  
**AMANDA LEWIS**  
who were married at St. Catherine of Siena Church on Sunday, August 16, 2015.

**New Parishioners**  
ST. CATHERINE'S PARISH  
*WARMLY WELCOMES*  
THE FOLLOWING *NEW MEMBERS*:  
**Michael, Lauren, Lillian, & Angela Misner**  
**Ian, Krista, Hannah, Ella Thompson & Lily Barkow**

 of all our Parish family and friends, and especially the recently departed:  
**Geraldine B. Riehl**  
May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

 **FALL REGISTRATION IS NOW COMPLETE.** Anyone still needing to register for Religious Education please contact the office at 732-938-6229. You can download the registration form on our website. We look forward to another devoted and faith filled year!

**SELF-DEFENSE CLASS SIGN UP!** If you are interested in a self-defense class here at our parish, we are holding "interest" sign-ups in the Narthex after all the masses the weekend of 8/29. More info will be available at the sign up table. Cost will be \$20 for a 1 hour session. Men/Women classes will be held separately with certified instructor.

**SPIRITUAL ADOPTION -Fourth Month-**  
Your spiritually adopted baby's mother can finally feel the movements of her baby within her womb. By the time this fourth month is over your baby will be 6 inches long. His tiny heart has been beating since he was 21 days old. Now this strong little heart pumps 6 gallons of blood every day (picture 6 milk cartons – your baby's heart is a pumping miracle!) Your baby is becoming stronger and he likes to turn somersaults. Your baby has lots of nice skin but not much fat to fill it out so he looks a little wrinkly. His skin is covered with vernix, a thick white cream which protects his skin from the salty amniotic fluid. Your baby's face is becoming prettier and he begins to resemble his parents.

**College Bound? Did you know?** We're a month away from classes starting on most college campuses! Whether you're heading off to college for the first time or entering your final year of study, remember to stay connected to your faith on campus. Most campuses have a Catholic Center or Newman Center. Do you know where yours is located on your campus and when they hold weekly services? In addition to your college's website, here are some other resources that might help you stay connected to the Catholic faith on campus:  
<http://www.newmanconnection.com/>  
<http://www.bustedhalo.com/>  
<http://www.sienachurch.org/>

**World Meeting of Families: August Theme: God made us for a reason.** His love is our life mission and this mission enables us to find our true identity. If we choose to embrace this mission, we will have a new perspective on many issues, not just the family. To live the mission of the domestic church means that Catholic families will sometimes live as minorities, with different values than their surrounding culture. Our mission of love will require courage and fortitude. Jesus is calling, and we can respond, choosing lives of faith, hope, charity, joy, service and mission.

**Ministry Opportunities:**

As with any organization, a church is only as strong and vital as it's members. We are ALL part of the Parish Family of Saint Catherine of Siena. We currently have volunteer opportunities in ministries that are vital to our parish and to our weekly mass services. Without your participation, these ministries will continue to struggle to provide services. Won't you please consider giving 1 or 2 hours of your time, per month, in one of the following ministries?

If you normally attend a specific mass, consider becoming a part time or full time USHER at that mass. To learn more about this vital ministry please contact Scott at 732-492-6861 or [scottrubinson@gmail.com](mailto:scottrubinson@gmail.com).

Love to sing? Can you carry a tune? Consider joining our MUSIC MINISTRY. Volunteers cover approximately 2 - 3 masses per month and you do not need to know how to read music. Email [deacondan@sienachurch.org](mailto:deacondan@sienachurch.org).

Have young adults in your family? Want them to grow up with strong values, knowing and serving our Lord and our church? Please consider joining our YOUTH GROUP as a co-coordinator, working with Deacon Dan to provide our youth a safe place to gather together. Call 732-938-5375 or contact [sienachurchyg@yahoo.com](mailto:sienachurchyg@yahoo.com).

Saint Catherine of Siena Parish Family needs you. Please prayerfully consider become a bigger part of our loving, caring community sharing your time and talents and volunteer today. Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap - Luke 6:38

Following on the themes of his most recent Encyclical "Laudatory Si: On Care for Our Common Home," Pope Francis has announced a new commemoration "World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation" to be celebrated annually on September 1, beginning this year. In an August 6th letter establishing this yearly event, His Holiness wrote that the day intends for Catholics "to reaffirm their personal vocation to be stewards of creation, to thank God for the wonderful handiwork which he has entrusted to our care, and to implore his help for the protection of creation as well as his pardon for the sins committed against the world in which we live." To inaugurate this annual day of prayer on Tuesday, September 1, 2015, at 7:30 In the evening, Most Reverend David O'Connell, C.M., Bishop of Trenton, will celebrate Holy Mass at Our Lady Star of the Sea Chapel of St. Denis Parish-the "Beach Chapel" at 554 E. Main Street in Manasquan, NJ, through the gracious hospitality of Reverend William Lago, pastor. This beautiful chapel holds about 450 people and will be an appropriate setting for this Mass as the sun sets over the Jersey shoreline. Interested faithful are welcome to join in the world-wide day of prayer, either at the chapel or in their personal prayer, and priests are invited to concelebrate.

**To the Clergy, Religious and Faithful of the Diocese,** I write, once again, to express gratitude to you. The outpouring of prayers, love and support at the passing of my Mother was overwhelming. I received over a thousand Mass cards, sympathy cards, emails, letters and promises of prayers. Many of you actually attended the funeral Mass. My brother Dan (Diocesan Department of Catholic Education) and I are so grateful to you all as is our entire family. We could not possibly respond personally to each and every act of kindness but please know that we deeply appreciated them at a very difficult time. God bless you all! Bishop O'Connell

The World Meeting of Families will be in Philadelphia from September 22-25, culminating with the visit of His Holiness Pope Francis September 26-27. If anyone is interested in participating or attending please go to [www.worldmeeting2015.org](http://www.worldmeeting2015.org). Individual parishes are not handling participation. If you would like any information or to attend, please go to the above mentioned website. The theme of the World Meeting of Families 2015 is "Love is Our Mission: The Family Fully Alive."

**Bishop's Anniversary Blessings 2015; October 25**

All couples celebrating their 1st, 25th or 50+ wedding anniversary during the 2015 calendar year are invited to gather with family and friends to share the Eucharist, renew your sacred wedding vows, and receive Bishop O'Connell's Episcopal Blessing. Couples may register through the parish to attend the Sunday, October 25, 2015 Mass and Blessing at 3:00 pm at St. Robert Bellarmine Parish in Freehold (deadline is October 5, 2015).

## Important Parish Information

**Parish Registration** ... WELCOME to the Saint Catherine of Siena Parish Family. In order to serve you better, we ask that you please take a few moments to register, to be recognized as a practicing member of the Parish. In addition to our daily and weekend mass schedules, we offer many programs and various ministries that your attendance and generous donations support. To register and receive offertory envelopes for your tax deductible donations or to inquire about our various ministries please call 732-938-5375 or email us at [frontoffice@sienachurch.org](mailto:frontoffice@sienachurch.org). For address or other changes, including a change in Parish, please call the Parish Office. We look forward to meeting you and seeing you at our services. Thank you and God Bless.

**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 the 2nd and 4th Sundays at 12:30 P.M. or can be celebrated during Sunday Mass. Arrangements must be made in advance. Prior to scheduling the baptism of your child, sponsor letters, donation, and attendance at a Baptism Preparation Class is mandatory for parents. Godparents/sponsors are also encouraged to attend. Classes are held in the Church at 7:30 P.M. on the third Wednesday of each month. For more information or to sign up for the baptism prep class please contact Deacon Joe Prioli at [jjprioli@gmail.com](mailto:jjprioli@gmail.com).

**Sponsorship** ... In order to be a godparent/ sponsor 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.

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### ST. CATHERINE'S ONLINE!

Check out our website [www.sienachurch.org](http://www.sienachurch.org) for all the latest Parish info, including Parish Policies, Church Bulletin, Religious Education Calendars, Closings and Delays, Minister Schedules, and more.



**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.

### PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

A listing of prayers for 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.

### 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.

### 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!

### 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.