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2015 MARCH



Unless a grain of wheat
falls to the ground and dies,
it remains just a
grain of wheat; but if it dies,
it produces much fruit.

John 12:24

FIFTH
SUNDAY
OF

Lent

St. Catherine of Siena

31 Asbury Road, Farmingdale, New Jersey 07727

March 22, 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 Wednesday 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:

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

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, March 21, 2015

4:30 PM **Steve Hart** r/o George & Ginny Ziemienski

SUNDAY, March 22, 2015

8:00 AM **Frank Percaccio** r/o Mary Ann Percaccio

Rosemary Yuknavage r/o Viant Family

10:00 AM **John Cunningham** r/o Bob & Alice Straut

11:30 AM **Jacques Ferland** r/o Pat & Kathie Lavin

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

MONDAY, March 23, 2015

9:00 AM **Angela Parin** r/o Michael & Connie Golden

TUESDAY, March 24, 2015

9:00 AM **Olympia & Joseph DeMeo** r/o Libby

WEDNESDAY, March 25, 2015

9:00 AM **Communion Service**

THURSDAY, March 26, 2015

9:00 AM **Sr. Mary Madonna Vona** r/o John & Anna Williams

FRIDAY, March 27, 2015

9:00 AM **Nicholas Felicione** r/o St. Catherine's Religious Education Program

ALL FRIDAYS THROUGHOUT LENT

LENTEN SOUP SUPPER @ 6:00 P.M.

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

This free dinner, consisting of soup, bread, and salad will provide an opportunity to come together as a community to prepare for Easter.

Tuesdays, thru March 24

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

Tuesdays, First & Third - April 7

7:00 PM RCIA Conference Room

Thursday, April 9

7:00 PM Rosary Altar Society Church & Parish Hall

Saturday, April 11

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

Wednesday, April 15

7:30 PM Baptism Prep Class Church

Thursdays, First & Third - April 16

7:00 PM Adult Confirmation Conference Room

Monday, April 20

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

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.

LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE

Tuesday, March 24 @ 7 PM

Dear Parishioners,

We are happy to see our young boys and girls together with their parents and teachers as they come to the 11:30 Sunday Liturgy of the parish community. As we have mentioned many times, these young people are the future of our Catholic Church. And it is through the untiring efforts of their parents and teachers who are responsible for their faith formation, that the Church continues to be alive and vibrant. God bless them.

The parish youth ministry continues to meet as they plan out their activities, events and move forward with their schedule. They are going to gather tonight for their regular meeting at 6 PM in the parish hall. Kudos to them; through the strong leadership of Deacon Dan they make things happen in the community. Everyone is invited to the LIVE Stations of the Cross this coming Friday, March 27 at 7 PM. Our very own youth ministry is going to present it to us in the Church following the simple soup supper.

This Sunday's gospel is Jesus' own reflection on his death. It is not difficult to find out that being human is not something he wants to go through. "I am troubled now," he says. The Greek word used here does not mean something like a mother telling her kids, "I am troubled when you don't come when I call you." The Greek word means to experience inward turmoil, to be stirred up, disturbed, unsettled, thrown into confusion. He wonders aloud if he should say: "Father save me from this hour." If he escaped or ran away, he would abandon all that he had done and all he came to do and his good works would be forgotten forever. He had to face this hour so that he could be glorified and God would be glorified in him.

The word 'glory' here does not mean Jesus was looking for human compliment or praise. Glory in the Bible means a special revelation of God's presence. It means that he would save us through his death, resurrection and ascension. Obviously, Jesus gave us an example to help us understand how his death would lead to our own salvation. As a seed must die in order to produce a new growth, so through Jesus' death, resurrection and return to the Father, new life would come forth to those who followed him. He tells us, "where I am, there also will my servant be." We will all face death, but following his footsteps involves another kind of death, which is death to selfishness and sin, and perhaps even martyrdom. But death to ourselves would lead to life eternal. As Jesus prays for the strength to get through what was ahead and thus give glory to the Father by fulfilling his mission, God the Father's voice is heard. The Father's words give testimony about Jesus. The gospel ends on a note of hope, for this will be a time of judgment for the world. This would look as if evil has triumphed over Jesus' death. But Christ's glorification will put an end to the power of evil in this world. Evil will never win. Jesus will win. All of us need to keep this optimism even in trying times and know that Jesus is our hope and life. Amen.

May God bless us,
Father Angelito

3/15/15 Weekly Catholic Relief Services \$6,904.00
\$1,467.00

3/29/15 Palm Sunday

Thank you so much for your generous contributions.

Some bills paid this week:

JCP & L \$2,817.56
Verizon \$ 664.36

Please be aware that the First Holy Communion dates and times are Sundays, April 19 & 26, and May 3, at the 11:30 A.M. Mass.

New Parishioners

ST. CATHERINE'S PARISH
WARMLY WELCOMES
THE FOLLOWING NEW MEMBERS:
Michael & Florence Anne Barry
Mary McGrath

SICK RELATIVES AND FRIENDS:

Jean & Mike Burke, Joseph Cocuzza, Joe Diamond, Bob Fort, Angie Gorda, Marlene Gravatt, Edward Kress, Lauren MacArthur, Teresa Magyar, Betty McCann, John Masterson, Esther Peraza, Jeanette Picciani, Marjorie Seagriff, George Zieminski



EASTER MEMORIALS

As we approach the Resurrection of Our Lord from death, we call to mind all our beloved dead. Our Church decorations are a memorial to those who have died, to be remembered

throughout the Easter season. If you wish an Easter Memorial, you may use the flower envelope included in your offertory envelope mailing OR use this form. Please print names clearly and note who the memorial is "requested by." Drop into a collection basket or mail to 31 Asbury Rd., Farmingdale, NJ 07727 **Return By WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25 (in order for the memorial to be included in the Easter bulletin)**

IN MEMORY OF:

Requested by:

Amt. Enclosed: \$ _____
(Suggested Donation: \$10)



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

Nicholas “LJ” Felicione

(Son of Nicholas & Gigi , Brother of Paige)

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

THE ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL – IN ACTION!

Pastoral Care - Rooted in the Gospel invitation to share in the healing mission of Jesus Christ, we advance the compassionate and competent spiritual, pastoral and sacramental care of God's suffering people by resourcing the clergy, pastoral ministers, healthcare professionals and caregivers who serve them. Those who offer pastoral care communicate God's love and compassion 'person-to-person' by offering spiritual and sacramental support, including the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick offered by a priest. We connect with healthcare institutions, medical professionals, chaplains and clergy by providing extensive consultation and resources for the holistic health and well-being of Catholic patients. Your gift helps you to live and spread the Gospel.

World Meeting of Families March Theme: Creating the Future

Marriage is meant to be fertile and welcome new life. Children shape the future, just as they themselves are shaped in their families. Without children, there can be no future. Children reared with love and guidance are the foundation for a loving future. Wounded children portend a wounded future. Families are the bedrock for all larger communities. Families are domestic churches, places where parents help children discover that God loves them and has a plan for each child's life. This March, let us all offer a daily prayer for the children of our Parish, may they grow in God's love with the guidance of parents, family members, teachers, clergy, and our entire Parish Community.



Knights of Columbus Spring Raffle

The Knights of Columbus will be supporting “Birthright” via our Spring Raffle after each Mass through April 12th. Birthright helps women who face unplanned pregnancies by caring, listening, engaging, and giving. Tickets are \$5/each or 3 for \$10. The drawing at the Birthright Dinner/Auction will be held on April 18th. Winner need not be present.

Fr. Bill Habling is coming to Visitation Parish on **Tuesday, March 24, 7 - 9 pm** to deliver a powerful teaching on the Grace of the Family. atdale@visitationchurch.com or 732-477-7059 x214

DONOVAN Catholic Performing Arts Department Proudly Presents “Hello Dolly” Thursday, March 26 - Saturday March 28 @ 7 :30pm and Sunday, March 29th @ 1:30 PM Adults \$13.00, Students and Seniors \$10.00

Prayer of Heart and Body celebrates Let Love Lead, a Christian Yoga Retreat at Stella Maris, 981 Ocean Ave, Long Branch, NJ. **June 12, 13, 14, 2015.** \$275.00 for the full weekend includes private room, all meals, yoga, meditation, and prayer programs, as well as a movie night and the celebration of the mass on Sunday. \$75.00 deposit due **April 1.** Deposit can be sent to Alice Latham, 101 Campbell Blvd #19103, Manahawkin, NJ 08050 or for more info. email aliceofsmanahawkin@comcast.net.

At 1:00 pm, following the **April 13** monthly Rosary meeting at Church of the Visitation, Frank Campione, RPA-C, a speaker from Acute Medical House calls will be present to speak about a different kind of doctoring– doctors who treat you in your home. If you would like to register for this informative seminar, please call 732-477-7059 x219 If you would like additional information on Acute Medical House calls, call 743-477-3935.

NEW DAY BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP
St. Mary’s Ministry of Consolation
One Phalanx Road Colts Neck, NJ 07722
INVITES YOU...TO PARTICIPATE IN A NINE WEEK PROGRAM FOR THOSE WHO ARE GRIEVING THE DEATH OF LOVED ONES AND WANT TO WORK THROUGH THE TASKS OF GRIEF IN A STRUCTURED WAY USING THE NEW DAY JOURNAL, A JOURNEY FROM GRIEVING TO HEALING. The sessions include readings, reflection, sharing, and journaling. For information and pre-registration, please call Barbara 732-544-8415 or Marilyn 732-462-8088. The program will meet at 7:00PM in the Spiritual Center’s Chapel. **APRIL 14 through JUNE 2**

3 Phantom of The Opera tickets available for **Saturday, April 18th, 2015**, matinee. Bus leaves St. Catherine's parking lot at 10am; returns about 6pm. Cost is \$129 per person (includes theatre ticket, bus, & lunch at a NYC restaurant). Tickets can be sold separately if you don't need all 3. Any interest, please contact Maria at 732-306-9994.