

St. Catherine of Siena

31 Asbury Road, Farmingdale, New Jersey 07727

April 10, 2016

Diocese of Trenton

Most Reverend David M. O'Connell, C.M.
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Third Sunday of Easter

"Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power and riches, wisdom and strength, honor and glory and blessing."-- Revelation 5:12



First Reading: Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41
Second Reading: Revelation 5:11-14
Gospel Reading: John 21:1-19 [1-14]

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, April 9, 2016

4:30 PM John DeLuca r/o Julie DeLuca

SUNDAY, April 10, 2016

8:00 AM Ann Mercurio r/o Brenda & Robert Cheong

10:00 AM John DeLuca r/o Julie DeLuca

11:30 AM Consuelo & Sal Remigio r/o Martinez Family

Weekday Masses at St. Catherine's Chapel, 9:00 AM

MONDAY, April 11, 2016

9:00 AM Dylan Joyce r/o Mom & Grandma

TUESDAY, April 12, 2016

9:00 AM Doris Dugan r/o Carol & Mike Morton

THURSDAY, April 14, 2016

9:00 AM Doris Dugan r/o Don & Janice Deakyne

FRIDAY, April 15, 2016

9:00 AM Stella Jacewich r/o John & Anna Williams

Schedule
your
portrait
session



PARISH PHOTO DIRECTORY

Because only 39 families have signed up for the Parish Photo Directory, photographs will now only be taken on **Friday and Saturday, April 15 and 16.**

All of those signed up for any other

days can reschedule their sessions for April 15 or 16. Everyone who has their picture taken will receive one free 8 X 10 photo and will have the opportunity to purchase additional photos. For updated information, online signup and a price list for additional photos, go to the parish website at sienachurch.org and click on the Parish Photo Directory button on the left hand side of the home page.

Weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 4:30 PM Sunday: 8:00, 10:00, 11:30 AM

Weekday Masses @ Chapel, 9:00 AM

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday

Miraculous Medal Novena:

Monday, following 9:00 AM Mass

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

1st Friday, following 9:00 AM Mass to 11:00 AM

Holy Day Masses: As announced in bulletin

Confessions: Saturday: 3:30 to 4:00 PM

Baptisms: 2nd & 4th Sundays

Parish Office Hours

Monday thru Friday: 8:30 AM to 3:00 PM

Religious Education Office Hours

Monday: 8:30 AM to 7:00 PM

Wednesday: 8:30 AM to 5:30 PM

Baptism Classes:

3rd Wednesdays 7:30 PM *Church*

Children's Liturgy of the Word:

2nd & 4th Sundays 11:30 AM

Christian Yoga:

Tuesdays, thru June 21, 7-8:30 PM *Chapel*

Legion of Mary:

Thursdays 10:00 AM *Conference Room*

Men's Prayer Group:

2nd Saturdays 9:00 AM *Chapel*

RCIA:

1st & 3rd Tuesdays 7:00 PM *Classroom 10*

Rosary Altar Society:

3rd Wednesdays 7:00 PM *Church/Parish Hall*

3rd Sundays 9:30 AM *Church* to pray the Rosary

Society of St. Vincent de Paul:

2nd Mondays 7:00 PM *Parish Hall*

Homebound Ministry:

If a homebound family member, friend, or neighbor would like to receive Holy Communion, visits, or calls, contact the Parish Office.

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

Last Rites:

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

SICK RELATIVES AND FRIENDS:

Jean & Mike Burke, Joseph Cocuzza, Kathleen Cottrell, Joe Diamond, Carmen Devaux, Nancy Drake, James Dramis, 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, Barbara Sansevere, Nancy Soper, Ilona Supczynski, Theodore Wojtanowski

Dear Parishioners,

The parish community is so glad to welcome our Eighth Grade Religious Education Students as they come today for their retreat and being with us celebrating the Sunday Liturgy at the 11:30 A.M. Mass. These young people of the parish are the future leaders, active parishioners and the next generation of the Church. Let us keep them in our thoughts and prayers as they are going to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation this year. May God bless our Confirmandi.

The story of Jesus' appearance by the Sea of Galilee after the resurrection is one of the most dramatic stories in the Scriptures. Most of the disciples had returned to Galilee and were just relaxing, sitting around until Peter suggested to them to go fishing. The implication is that the disciples were likely to resume their life as fishermen in Galilee and were low in spirits. Obviously the amount of discouragement was only reinforced by their inability to catch any fish. Then a man hollered to them from the shore and tells them where to cast the net and find the fish. Soon enough, the nets are heaving with the catch. When the disciples reached the shore, they realized it is Jesus, and he feeds them. He has fish already on the fire, yet he invites them to bring some of their abundant catch to share.

Here we find Jesus encountering some of his disciples after his resurrection. The disciples were all gathered together on the shores of the Sea of Galilee. It was in that encounter that Jesus asked Peter those three questions, questions that obviously recognized the triple denial of Peter during Christ's suffering. Notice that what Jesus always did among the disciples he does again, that is, he gives life and hope in abundance. Jesus had not given up on Peter. Jesus' love and commitment to him were still there, even after all that had occurred. Over that beautiful meal of bread and fish by the lake they are jolted into their new reality as lifelong missionaries for Christ.

As faithful followers of Jesus, we believed that he gives our lives meaning and direction. We can oftentimes be busy but without a strong sense of purpose and meaning. Yet, we are enthused as it was for the disciples. We have to recognize that Jesus is here, living and ready to engage with us as we journey through life. Our Gospel this Sunday is a good reminder that an encounter with Jesus can lead us to take unexpected paths.

Our mission includes recognizing our connection in love with the natural world as God's creation, as Pope Francis has called upon all human society to respond to the cry of those who are poor and the cry of the earth. As we celebrate today and offer God the fruit of the earth in the Holy Eucharist, we are called upon to respond to the world's poor, who are struggling to survive. We are also called to reflect that as followers of Jesus we are called to be a people of hope. No matter what we feel, even if we feel that we are unworthy and powerless, God is with us. Amen.

May God bless us,
Father Angelito

4/3/16 Weekly	\$ 6,667.00
Diocesan Assessment	\$ 1,436.00
February Parish Pay	\$ 7,803.76

4/17/16 Weekly & Maintenance & Repair

Monthly Bills:

Utilities	\$3,156.48
Liturgical Supplies	\$ 931.09
Office Supplies	\$ 628.40

THE ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL-IN ACTION!

Outreach to the Poor and Vulnerable

Diocesan Parish Counseling Services: Parishioners have access to short term counseling (up to 6 sessions) at locations throughout the Diocese. The program was developed by Catholic Charities and the Diocese of Trenton. Licensed counseling professionals are available to help parishioners through difficult issues such as marital problems, raising children, eldercare, bereavement or the stress of job loss that can be successfully addressed by brief counseling support. Pastors and parish priests of the Diocese can refer parishioners to the parish counseling services.

Parish Emergency Assistance Program (PEAP):

Emergency financial assistance to individuals through the parish and coordinated by Catholic Charities is available.

Diocesan Social Service Workshops: Information and resources to parishes and Catholic Social Service agencies are available to enhance Diocesan Catholic Social Service.

Home Health Nursing Program: Free, in-home nursing and home health services are available to Seniors in Greater Trenton through Mt. Carmel Guild.

Emergency Assistance: People in Mercer County are able to receive food through Mt. Carmel Guild. Over 30,000 received food through this program last year.

Your gift gives them a place to turn to in their need.

Parish Game Night - Saturday, April 16, 7 - 9 P.M.

Come join us for our next Parish Game Night. All ages welcome. You're sure to have fun playing an old favorite or finding a new game to enjoy with other parishioners. We'll bring some of our favorites (Sorry, Quelf, QBitz, Monopoly Rummikub, Bananagrams, Uno,). You're welcome to bring your favorites too. Bring some refreshments to share -- cookies, veggies, water, whatever you like. RSVP to Deacon Joe Prioli at jjprioli@gmail.com

The Rosary Altar Society will be hosting a guest speaker, Janice Willett (author of Affairs of the Heart), on Wednesday, April 20, 7:30 pm. We invite you to join us to recite the Rosary at 7:00 pm in the church, then to follow in the Parish Hall with our guest for an inspirational evening.

Faith in Our Future

The Core Team oversaw the parish evaluation of the Criteria for Sacramental Life and found that our strengths included: a vibrant celebration of the Eucharist, dignified offerings of several devotional services, and a diversity of ministries, each with its own unique purpose.

If you have any comment about these, please contact your Core Team at faithinourfuture@sienachurch.org.

**Faith to Move Mountains
Campaign for the
Diocese of Trenton**



To all of the good people and friends of St. Catherine of Siena Parish,

As many of you may have heard, a major endowment campaign is currently underway at our parish and throughout the Diocese of Trenton. Over the next few weeks, we will be sharing answers to some good and important questions that we have been hearing from our parishioners:

How is this campaign different than the Annual Catholic Appeal?

The **Faith to Move Mountains** Campaign is a response to *long-term and extraordinary needs*, while the Annual Catholic Appeal helps to fund the day-to-day operating expenses of the diocese. A major objective of the campaign is to establish new or increase existing endowments to offset anticipated increases in expenses over the long-term. For instance, **44%** of our current priests will be eligible for retirement over the next 10 years alone! This is an expense that our Diocese's ordinary income cannot address.



	Annual Catholic Appeal	Faith to Move Mountains
Purpose	Fund the day-to-day operating expenses of the diocese	Create endowments to permanently empower our Church to serve future generations of Catholics and address long-term needs
Goal	\$7 million	\$75 million
Average Gift or Pledge Size (as of April 2015)	\$228	\$9,390
Pledge Period	12 months	3 to 5 years

These endowments, on the other hand, will strengthen and empower our Church to stand prepared to serve future generations of Catholics. To do this requires an extraordinary campaign in which each Catholic is asked to support above their annual giving to both the parish offertory and the annual appeal.

Over the next two months, everyone in the St. Catherine of Siena Parish community will be invited to participate in the Faith to Move Mountains Campaign. It is my hope that during this time, our entire community will join together and support this blessed effort for our Diocese and our parish. I encourage those who have been contacted or met with to prayerfully reflect over your commitment to this effort and respond at your earliest convenience. As we continue our efforts, I ask all of you to pray for our success and participate to what your means allow for the future of our Church.

Thank you for your continued prayers and support!

God bless,

Father Angelito

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. 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.

Recommendation for Sponsorship ... In order to be a godparent/sponsor for Baptism or Confirmation, a person must have received all their 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.** Please stop by the Parish Office to fill out a form to be recommended for sponsorship. All requests will be seen by the Pastor and you will be notified when it is ready.

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www.parishpay.com or call 866-PARISH-1

ST. CATHERINE'S ONLINE!

Check out our website 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.

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."

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.

St. Vincent de Paul Society has a new website, donatetosvdp.org. There is a link to make donations directly to SVDP using PayPal. The website has information about the history of SVDP, our services and volunteering. A quick, easy Give link provides a way to make donations that will help to make a difference in our community. A link for Amazon Smile provides a way for your Amazon.com purchases to become a donation. *For use of church envelopes, please make checks out to Society of St. Vincent de Paul.*