

# St. Catherine of Siena

31 Asbury Road, Farmingdale, New Jersey 07727



July 31, 2016



## Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Teach us to number our days aright, that we may gain wisdom of heart. Psalm 90:12

**First Reading:** Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21-23

**Second Reading:** Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11

**Gospel Reading:** Luke 12:13-21

**Diocese of Trenton**  
Most Reverend David M. O'Connell, C.M.  
Bishop of Trenton

**Pastor**  
Rev. Angelito I. Anarcon

**Weekend Assistant**  
Rev. Alfred Burke

**Deacons**  
Deacon Joseph Prioli  
Deacon Daniel Sakowski

**Director of Religious Education**  
Kyle Galante

**Parish Office Secretary**  
Carol Morton

**Religious Education Secretary**  
Janice Deakyne

**Sacristan**  
Francine Gagliano

**Music Director**  
Alice Kovach

**Parish Trustees**  
Robert Mercado & Cindy Ventura

**Parish Website:**  
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### 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 the bulletin

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

**Baptisms:**  
2nd & 4th Sundays

**Parish Summer Office Hours**  
Monday thru Thursday: 8:30 AM to 3:00 PM  
*Parish Offices Closed on Fridays*

**Religious Education Office Hours**  
Monday and Wednesday: 8:30 AM to 3:00 PM



## Mass Intentions for the Week

**Saturday, July 30, 2016**

4:30 PM Margaret Clark  
(Tony & Jane Morro)

**Sunday, July 31, 2016**

8:00 AM Brian McMahon  
(Jim McMahon)

10:00 AM Jeanne Monson  
(Fred & Sally Sisbarro)

11:30 AM Maximo Gamalo  
(Jim McMahon)

**Weekday Masses  
@ St. Catherine's Chapel**

**Monday, August 1, 2016**

9:00 AM Jeanne Hyer  
(George & Ginny Ziemienski)

**Tuesday, August 2, 2016**

9:00 AM Jeanne Hyer  
(George & Ginny Ziemienski)

**Thursday, August 4, 2016**

9:00 AM Gloria & Ted Ziemienski  
(George & Ginny Ziemienski)

**Friday, August 5, 2016**

9:00 AM Doug Jamieson  
(Wife, Carol)

**Baptism Classes:**  
3rd Wednesdays 7:30 PM Church

**Children's Liturgy of the Word:**  
2nd/4th Sundays 11:30 AM Church  
**except Summer**

**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/Hall  
3rd Sundays 9:30 AM Church to pray the rosary  
**except Summer**

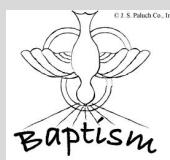
**Society of St. Vincent de Paul:**  
2nd Mondays 7:00 PM Parish Hall

**Homebound Ministry:**

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

**7/24/16 Weekly Energy & Fuel** \$5,899.00  
\$1,076.00

**8/7/16 Weekly and Co Op Sunday**



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

**Vincent Anthony Ferreira  
Colin Daley  
Liam Daley**

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



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

**Rosemary Amaral** (Mother of Sue Townend)

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

## **New Parishioners**

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

**Michael & Lauren Lestino  
Anthony, Joanne, Nicholas & Samantha Simone**

Thanks to your generosity, as of July 22, our parish has reached 77% of our pledge goal for the Faith to Move Mountains Endowment. Only 23% more in pledges is needed to be successful. Please prayerfully consider donating to this worthwhile campaign if you have not already done so. Pledge cards are located in the narthex or in the office.

**St. Vincent de Paul** has a Food Closet to assist its clients. They are running low on the following items: cereal, spaghetti sauce, peanut butter, and pasta. If you would like to help your assistance would be greatly appreciated. Thank-you for your support.

**ATTN: ALL COLLEGE STUDENTS!** Come to mass the weekend of August 20th for a "Back to College Blessing" after each mass. All college year students and their families will receive a special blessing as you prepare to go back to campus!

## **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, Marlene Gravatt, Lori Jones, Edward Kress, Charles Lambert, Lauren MacArthur, Teresa Magyar, Catherine Marrone, Betty McCann, Margie McCullam, Amber Painter, Esther Peraza, Jeanette Picciani, Betty Reuter, Barbara Sansevere, Nancy Soper, Ilona Supczynski, Dean Wright

## INTRODUCTION

The Diocese of Trenton has been blessed with many parishes which have served millions of people for more than 130 years. Today, given changing demographics, the increasing needs of the parishioners, the anticipation of fewer priests to serve the diocese, and the strain on facilities and finances, we are called to better steward our resources so that we can truly and in the best way possible meet the needs of active Catholics and share our faith with those who are marginalized or who have not yet heard the Good News.

As we look to the future, new models for parishes are needed. Cohorts of parishes are being asked to consider models related to the best ways to serve the Catholics in the diocese. An overall principle of ***Faith in Our Future*** is that parishes are more effective if they work together in ministry areas. It is envisioned that every parish community will collaborate with other parish communities where appropriate and feasible.

While six models are outlined below, it should be noted that, in many cohorts, more than one model will be suggested by the cohort of parishes as they prepare their Suggestions that are due in June 2016. All suggestions will be reviewed by the Diocesan Planning Commission as they prepare Preliminary Recommendations by late June 2016.

### MODEL ONE: COLLABORATIVE PARISHES

Parishes become collaborative when they enter into formal cooperative relationships with other parishes for the sake of jointly promoting the Gospel and the New Evangelization, preparing and garnering resources for in-depth prayer and worship experiences, presenting comprehensive life-long Christian formation practices, and being advocates for and serving people who are most in need.

One of the underlying values of Collaborative Parishes is being good stewards of spiritual, human, and temporal resources. Collaborative Parishes seek to avoid unnecessary duplication of staff, facilities, and services, so that they are able to expand ministry and meet needs that currently go unmet. Even parishes with ample resources or parishes with unique needs and ministries often consider the Collaborative model to enhance what they are already doing, or to develop new ministries which would be more effective if done with other parishes.

Some characteristics of well-functioning Collaborative Parishes include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Common training of catechists and liturgical ministers
- Parts of youth ministry programs held in common, such as service projects, retreats, and mission trips
- Jointly planned and implemented adult formation programs
- Sharing of some staff
- Developing priestly, religious, diaconal, and lay ministry vocation strategies
- Staff in-services, parish council in-services, etc.
- Joint outreach programs, i.e. food pantries, sharing space for AA meetings, etc., cooperative programs with Catholic Charities
- Mutually beneficial sharing of programs and other resources among and between urban, suburban, and/or rural parishes
- Training RCIA and various catechetical teams.

## **MODEL TWO: LINKED PARISHES**

Linked Parishes are formed when two or more parishes share a pastor. Linked Parishes do as many things cooperatively as possible, especially given that the pastor is striving to serve two or more separate parishes. This model may be one that is used occasionally in a unique parish situation where the pastoral needs are best served by having one pastor for two or more parishes. Linked Parishes may also be in collaborative relationships with other parishes in the cohort or beyond the cohort.

Characteristics of Linked Parishes include:

- The parishes remain distinct canonical and corporate entities
- The parishes are encouraged to work toward combining parish council meetings and to establishing common committees where possible
- According to canon law, Linked Parishes must have separate finance councils
- Linked Parishes do many things cooperatively, such as programs and in-services

Joint staff meetings where cooperative planning happens are marks of well-functioning Linked Parishes

## **MODEL THREE: MERGED PARISHES**

The merging of parishes is not an end in itself. The merger aims to create a new parish that is stronger and better equipped to minister to the members of the faith community and to reach out to the wider community at-large.

After parishes merge, they often develop cooperative relationships with other parishes to be more even more effective in mission and ministry.

When a merger occurs:

- Two or more parishes come together to form a new parish community
- There is a new name which represents the new community being formed
- Net assets and liabilities of the merging parishes go to the newly formed parish
- The parish may have more than one worship sit

## **MODEL FOUR: IN SOLIDUM TEAM**

In accord with Canon 517, 1 the Bishop may appoint a moderator of a team of priests who will serve three or more parishes (often four or five parishes). Lay ministers, Religious and Deacons may work with the In Solidum Team to assist with the pastoral life of the parish. Though parishes under the care of an In Solidum Team remain distinct entities, it is encouraged that they cooperate with each other as in the Linked Parish model.

## **MODEL FIVE: PARISH LIFE DIRECTOR**

In accord with Canon 517, 2 the Bishop may appoint a Deacon, Religious or Lay person to be the day to day leader of a parish community. In some dioceses this person is called a “Parish Administrator” or a “Parish Life Director.” When this appointment is made, the Bishop also appoints a priest who is endowed with the powers and faculties of a Pastor to supervise the pastoral care. This priest, or another, may be the sacramental minister for the parish. Parishes under the leadership of a Parish Administrator may also be in collaborative relationship with other parishes.

## **MODEL SIX: PERSONAL PARISHES**

In accord with Canon 518, as a general rule, a parish is to be territorial, that is, one which includes all the Christian faithful of a certain territory. When it is expedient, however, personal parishes are to be established determined by reason of the rite, language, or nationality of the Christian faithful of some territory, or even for some other reason.

Personal parishes may be in collaborative relationship or linked with another parish. They may be under the care of a Pastor, of an In Solidum Team, or of a Parish Administrator.



**DIOCESE OF TRENTON  
FAITH IN OUR FUTURE  
PRELIMINARY RECOMMENDATIONS**



**COUNTY: MONMOUTH**

**COHORT 11**

**PARISHES CITIES**

St. Veronica  
St. William the Abbot  
**St. Catherine of Siena**

Howell  
Howell  
**Farmingdale**

**SCHOOLS**

St. Veronica

**Appreciation**

We wish to thank you for the prayer, reflection and work which you have put into ***Faith in Our Future*** to date. We appreciate the time and effort you have given to evaluating your parishes and your cohort based on the goals and criteria established by Bishop O'Connell and for making Cohort Suggestions for your future.

**Commendations**

We commend you for:

- Promoting a spirit of cooperation and shared responsibilities to maximize the strengths of each parish.
- The cohort's willingness to allow opposing points of view.
- A willingness to share resources and ministries.
- Your plans to work together to share purchasing power and use of facilities and grounds.
- A willingness to promote and establish staggered Mass schedules to accommodate parishioners.
- The cohort's recognition of the importance of the central role of the pastor in the life of the parish.

**Preliminary Recommendations:**

After reflecting on Bishop O'Connell's goals and criteria for ***Faith in Our Future***, your Cohort Evaluation, your Parish Evaluations, your Data Verification Forms and Parish Summary Forms, we only agree with some of your two Cohort Suggestions and we make the following preliminary recommendations:

- **Model Two: Linked Parishes** between St. Veronica and St. Catherine of Siena
- **Model Two: Linked Parishes** between St. William the Abbot and Epiphany (Cohort 20)
- **Model One: Collaborative Parishes** among the three parishes in the cohort and Epiphany

We further recommend that you:

1. Seek ways to expand youth programs and strengthen faith formation for adults.
2. Develop an action plan to address St. Veronica School's enrollment and finances.
3. Focus on bringing families back to church and develop a process to invite new members.
4. Consider planning to develop programs and ministries to the Hispanic communities now, even though there doesn't seem to be a current need.
5. Address the concerns expressed in the "minority" suggestion relative to (1) sustainability over time and (2) the engagement of students after Confirmation.
6. Evaluate the short and long term potential effect of taxes on home ownership and the growth of the Hassidic Orthodox community on the population in the territory of these parishes.

**Rationale**

We make these preliminary recommendations based on your own study and data and the following:

1. Reports from both groups outlining Plan A and Plan B.
2. Enrollment issues raised at St. Veronica School.
3. A stated need to grow adult and youth activities.
4. Reports by individual parishes referring to the need for parent participation and attendance at Mass.
5. References to changing demographics in surrounding areas, particularly the growth of the Hassidic Orthodox community and the negative effects of home values and sales.
6. We believe our preliminary recommendations for models and ministries will help Cohort 11 achieve the 5 goals approved by Bishop O'Connell for ***Faith in Our Future***.

## **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. 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).

**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 (*showing attendance through the use of your church envelopes or the welcome envelopes located in the narthex*); 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 your form is ready.

**St Catherine's Online!** ... [www.sienachurch.org](http://www.sienachurch.org). Check out our website 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 list of prayers for those who are ill appears in the bulletin weekly. To have a family member included on this list, please call the 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.* Look on our website under "Sacraments."

**Bulletin Submissions**... Because of the deadline assigned to us by the bulletin company, all information **must be submitted to the Parish Office 2 weeks in advance**. Articles given later will be included in the bulletin for the following week.

**Electronic Giving**...[www.parishpay.com](http://www.parishpay.com) or call 866-PARISH-1

**Remember Us in Your Will**... A simple charitable bequest can provide very meaningful support for St. Catherine of Siena Church. 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 value will continue.

**St. Vincent de Paul Society** has a website, [donatetosvdp.org](http://donatetosvdp.org).

There is a link to make donations directly to SVDP using PayPal. A link for Amazon Smile makes your Amazon.com purchases a donation. For use of church envelopes, please make checks out to *Society of St. Vincent de Paul*.

Dear Parishioners,

Every year we, as a parish community are asked to become more aware and conscious and participative in the Mission Task of the Catholic Church throughout the world by being involved in the Mission Cooperative Program of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith. This year, the weekend of August 6th and 7th, the Society of the Child Jesus will visit our parish to share with us about their Missions on behalf of their Congregation. We ask you to welcome their representatives and show our support by generously contributing your monetary donations and heartfelt prayers for the success of their mission.

There is an interesting sign outside of a Church and it says: "Don't wait for the hearse to take you to Church." This Sunday's Gospel shows us the foolishness of failing to grow and thrive spiritually. It is the only thing that will outlast everything. I remember, in a certain town when the wealthiest man died, the news reporter asked his Pastor, "how much did he leave." The Pastor replied, "All of it."

The Book of Ecclesiastes in the 1st reading says: Vanity of vanities! All things are vanity! In Hebrew the word vanity means something without substance, something like just a puff of smoke. If you have a chance, read the Book of Qohelet and you are going to get the impression that the author had the best things in life he enjoyed, namely, wealth, power, glory and intelligence. Yet, he found nothing of lasting value nor satisfaction. As we can see, the conclusion of this Book tells us to enjoy each day as it comes and not to become too attached to anything this world has to offer. As we consider that this Book was written in the Jewish faith at this time in history, they believed in a kind of existence of heaven or hell, reward or punishment. They believed in a kind of existence after death, but it was an existence that was neither happy nor unhappy.

In the 2nd reading, St. Paul couldn't agree more, telling us to seek what is above not what is on earth. Put earthly parts to death, take off the old self and put on the new self. As St. Paul continues, "we who die with Christ in baptism will one day appear with him in glory. Our true identity is hidden from us, as is our future fate, we are encouraged to find our true selves by uniting more closely to Jesus.

Jesus has more important things to offer in the Gospel, something that is lasting. Jesus called the rich farmer a "fool" in the parable, because the farmer thought he was set for life, he had all he needed. He was extremely wealthy in worldly goods but he did not grow rich in the sight of God. Just so you know, the word "fool" here means someone with a very limited thinking, someone without any good sense.

Jesus warns against greed and gluttony, which reminds us that one's life does not consist of possessions, but in the spiritual treasures we store up for ourselves by doing good and seeking justice.

Jesus tells us that there is no security in material riches. True riches consist of not how much we possess, but how much we are willing to give for the love of God in the service of our neighbor. Amen.

May God bless us,  
Father Angelito

