

St. Catherine of Siena

31 Asbury Road, Farmingdale, New Jersey 07727



October 2, 2016



Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Come, let us bow down in worship; let us kneel before the LORD who made us.

Psalm 95:6

First Reading: Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14

Gospel Reading: Luke 17:5-10

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

Pastor
Rev. Angelito I. Anarcon

Weekend Assistant
Rev. Alfred Burke

Deacon
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

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 Sundays

Parish Office Hours

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

Religious Education Office Hours

Monday: 8:30 AM to 7:15 PM

Wednesday: 8:30 AM to 5:45 PM

Parish Website:
www.sienachurch.org

Mass Schedule:
732-938-5375 ext. 6

Parish Office:
732-938-5375

Last Rites:
732-938-5375 ext. 7

Religious Education:
732-938-6229

Deacon Dan:
732-938-5375 ext. 3

St. Vincent de Paul:
732-938-3454

Parish Bookkeeper:
732-938-5375 ext. 8

FAX Phone:
732-938-3260

Sacristan/Music Director:
732-938-5375 ext. 9



Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, October 1, 2016

4:30 PM Rachel Pennetti & Family
(Libby & Family)

Sunday, October 2, 2016

8:00 AM John Korello
(Family)

10:00 AM Kelly Gissendaner
(Amy Walden)

11:30 AM Hector Torres
(Martinez Family)

Weekday Masses @ St. Catherine's Chapel

Monday, October 3, 2016

9:00 AM Swatch Family
(Niece, Alice)

Tuesday, October 4, 2016

9:00 AM Ella Lynn
(Marian & Jim Ferris)

Thursday, October 6, 2016

9:00 AM Mary & Joe Shade
(Sillup Family)

Friday, October 7, 2016

9:00 AM Msgr. Thomas Hartman
(Anne Hilker)

Baptism Classes:

Last Wednesdays 7:00 PM *Church*

Children's Liturgy of the Word:

2nd/4th Sundays 11:30 AM *Church*

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

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.

9/25/16 Weekly

Energy & Fuel

\$6,510.50

\$1,344.00

10/9/16 Weekly and Diocesan Assessment



CONGRATULATIONS &
BEST WISHES TO ...

DONALD CANALI
LISA PICCOLO

who were married at St. Catherine of Siena Church on Sunday, September 25, 2016.

**MAY GOD BLESS THIS COUPLE WITH A
LONG HAPPY LIFE TOGETHER!**

New Parishioners

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

James, Lillian, Taylor and James Bradley
Warren & Judy Chunn

Jennifer Farrell & Carrie Mercogliano
Michael, ToniAnn, Anthony & Julia Michener

William, Prescilla, Lucas & Ella Murphy
Jeanne Statile

Nicholas, Jaqueline & Vincent Zaraza



Blessing of the Animals
Tuesday, October 4, 2016
6:00 P.M.

Church Parking Lot
(Weather Permitting)

St. Vincent de Paul Society food drive runs through November 11 specifically for Thanksgiving food baskets to benefit local families in need. Non perishables, i.e. canned soups, vegetables, tuna fish, peanut butter, jellies, spaghetti sauces, pasta, cereal, boxed milk, etc. are needed. Please check expiration dates. Grocery store gift cards are also appreciated. Thank you for your donations and know that you are doing God's work in helping others.

Saint Catherine of Siena's Fall Harvest Fest

Please come join us on Sunday, October 2, from 11:30-2:30 for our parish picnic. Hosted by the Ministries of St. Catherine of Siena, the event will be held in the church's back parking lot. There will be plenty of food, music and fall-themed activities. All are welcome. Please bring any extra or unwanted coats for our Fall Coat Drive.

SICK RELATIVES AND FRIENDS:

Jean & Mike Burke, Joseph Cocuzza, Kathleen Cottrell, Joe Diamond, Carmen Devaux, Nancy Drake, Kathleen Fitzgerald, Bob Fort, Virginia Franklin, 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, Barbara Sansevere, Nancy Soper, Ilona Supczynski, Annette Wright, Dean Wright

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

@ St. Catherine's Parish (continued from last week)
Mary Ann O'Brien, Rich Scheurer, Ruth Ziznewski

Catholic Women of Zion will hold a Women's Rally on Saturday October 15, 2016 at Holy Family Church, 1139 E. County Line Road, Lakewood, NJ. The day consists of Mass (at 8:00 AM), Adoration, Keynote Speaker Maria Vadia, Praise and Worship by Lorrie Tomlinson and the Joyful Praise Ministry, Vendors, a Light Continental Breakfast, Box Lunch and Healing Prayers, finishing by 3:30 PM. Admission is \$35, payable at the door, and includes lunch (pre-order your selection when you register). Call 732-363-0139 ext. 777 or register online at cwoz.org no later than Tuesday, October 11.

Parish Photo Directory - We're still working on the *Password Protected Online Parish Photo Directory* and we need your help. Go to Parish Photo Directory on the website and sign up online to let us know what information you will allow in this directory. Names and addresses of all parishioners will be included in the directory unless you opt out. If you prefer, there is also a downloadable PDF file that you can complete and return to the office or put in the collection basket. Photos can be submitted to photodirectory@sienachurch.org or use that same email address to discuss when you would like to have your picture taken, no charge. We will be taking pictures at the Fall Harvest Fest on October 2nd if you would like to do it then.

The 26th Annual LIFE CHAIN will take place from 2:30-3:30 PM on Sunday, October 2, at St. Veronica Church, 4215 Route 9 No, Howell. LIFE CHAIN is an annual nation-wide event of peaceful and prayerful public witness against abortion and for greater respect for all human life. Pro-life witnesses will be forming a "Life Chain" along Rt. 9 in front of the St. Veronica's rectory. Signs which state "Abortion Kills Children," "Jesus Forgives and Heals," etc. will be available. Please join us and stand up for life! Refreshments will be served following the witnessing. Please call 732-367-2565 or email hmador@optonline.net for more information.

Designer Pocketbook Bingo on October 14 at St. Catharine Church, 108 Middletown Road, Holmdel. Enjoy a fun night out with your friends while playing for fabulous purses including Coach, Kate Spade, Michael Kors and more! All proceeds go to support local charities. Doors open at 6:30 pm; games start at 7:00 pm. \$35 donation per person for 10 games. Coffee, tea and dessert included. To purchase tickets and make a reservation, call 732-706-0833 or 732-842-3963, ext. 13.

"Retreat Day for those Hurting from Recent Separation or Divorce on Saturday, October 15, at the Church of St. Aloysius in Jackson, NJ. Entitled: "*Gently Moving Forward: A Day of Healing for Separated and Divorced Catholics.*" Retreat led by women and men who have been through divorce. Day includes presentations, small group discussion, prayer and reflection, and celebration of Mass. Lunch and Dinner included in Registration. Register at www.dioceseoftrenton.org/pastoralcare. For more information call: 609-403-7157.

ROSARY RALLY FOR WORLD PEACE
Let us join together to pray the Rosary for world peace and for greater respect for all human life on Saturday, October 15 at 1:00 PM at 30 North Longview Rd and Salem Hill Rd, Howell. Please bring a folding chair and your Rosary. For more information please call 732-367-2565.

BELMAR- You're invited to our house! The administration, faculty, staff and students of St. Rose High School invite all prospective students, parents and families to an Open House on Tuesday October 18, 2016, from 6:30 to 8:30pm. Students, faculty, and coaches will be available to answer any questions. Tours will be conducted. Academic departments, clubs and sports teams will each have an information table. For more information or to sign up go to www.strose.k12.nj.us or call 732-681-2858 x305.

Are You Being Called to Become a Permanent Deacon? If you are discerning God's call to serve the Church in the Diocese of Trenton as a Permanent Deacon, a man ordained to the ministry of Charity, Word, and Sacrament, you are invited to take part in an upcoming information session. The presentation will include information concerning the role of a deacon, the discernment process, and the five-year Diaconate Formation Program. Before registering to attend this session, please schedule a meeting with your pastor to discuss your call to the diaconate. Sessions are scheduled for Tuesday, October 4 and Wednesday, October 19, 7-9 p.m. at the Diocesan Chancery, 701 Lawrenceville Rd., Trenton, NJ. Pre-registration is required. Please register with Deacon Michael Riley, 609-403-7134.

Preschool/Nursery in Colts Neck is seeking loving, nurturing caregivers for our Infant Room on Mondays and Tuesdays from 8:45 AM to 1:00 PM and Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 1:00 PM to 5:30 PM. Also seeking assistant teachers for our after-care program. Must enjoy caring for children ages 2 through 4 and be available from 3:00 PM to 5:30 PM, Monday thru Friday. Call 732-252-8908.

The Corporal Works of Mercy
"Bury the Dead"— As we prepare to celebrate All Saints and All Souls Day in the beginning of November, consider making a donation in memory of your loved ones to your parish cemetery or to a diocesan cemetery to help a family/individual who would like to be buried in a Catholic Cemetery and cannot afford it or make a donation in memory of your loved one to the decedent's favorite charity.

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. 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 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 7:00 P.M. on the last Wednesday of each month. To sign up you must fill out the registration form on our website for the date you wish to attend or email deacondan@sienachurch.org.

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. 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 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. 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,

As we have been doing the past years, the parish family of Saint Catherine is having a Fall Harvest Festival through the leadership of our Knights of Columbus. This beautiful and significant event is going to be this Sunday beginning at 11:30 AM. In this regard, we also ask the different ministries and organizations to participate in the preparations and be there for the event itself. There's going to be a lot of food, face painting for the kids, games, entertainment and more. Please come and have fun. Also, the Knights of Columbus continues their Coat Drive. Please donate your unwanted but still usable jackets, sweaters, etc. as we are going to give them to the needy as cold season is approaching. The parish is immensely thankful to the Knights of Columbus for spearheading this wonderful event. To all who respond to our invitation, we are so grateful for your generosity, kindness, and presence.

October 4, Tuesday is St. Francis of Assisi's Feast Day. Since he is the Patron Saint of Mother Nature, animals are also attributed to him, hence we are going to have the blessing of Pets at 6PM, in the Church's Parking Lot, weather permitting.

In the Gospel today, we hear the Apostles asking Jesus to increase their faith. It seems that faith is their top priority too. This is one of only two occasions in the Gospel of Luke where the Apostles make a precise request of Jesus. True faith means more than subscribing to a list of beliefs as it means committing oneself to a person and putting all one's trust in him. For that Christian that person is no other than Jesus Christ.

We have to take Jesus' words literally, "Were your faith the size of a mustard seed," he replies, "you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you." Jesus was in a bold way saying that faith can do the impossible.

We have to keep in mind that trusting in the Lord is not the same thing as meekly accepting whatever happens in our world, without so much as a word of complaint. Please listen to the 1st reading where Habakkuk the prophet rebukes the Lord because a fearful enemy is approaching and it looks as though violence and power are going to win the day. Despite his pleas for an explanation, the only response he gets is that the upright will live by their faithfulness. Our God is big enough to accept our anger and our cries of indignation, provided only that we do not lose hold of our faith in God.

From the bottom of our hearts we know that faith is a blessing to be cherished as our top priority. Faith is the basis of our relationship with the Lord for without it we can have no friendship with him. Without it the reception of the sacraments would be worthless. Without it the words of the Bible would lose their power for us. Without it, coming to Mass would be pointless. Without faith, as our Gospel for today tells us, even when we have done all that the Lord requires of us, we are doing no more than our duty. If our faith then is of paramount importance, then we want not simply to hold on to it but to cultivate, nourish and encourage its growth. "Lord increase our faith." It's a prayer we could make every single day and we could repeat it time and time again. No reason to stop praying it for it can become our companion through life. Amen.

May God bless us,
Father Angelito

