

St. Catherine of Siena

31 Asbury Road, Farmingdale, New Jersey 07727



April 23, 2017



Second Sunday of Easter

"Blessed are those who have not seen
and have believed."

- John 20:29b

First Reading: Acts 2:42-47

Second Reading: 1 Peter 1:3-9

Gospel Reading: John 20:19-31

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

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Carol Morton

Religious Education Secretary
Janice Deakyne

Sacristan
Francine Gagliano

Music Director
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Parish Website:
www.sienachurch.org

Mass Schedule:
732-938-5375 ext. 6

Parish Office:
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732-938-5375 ext. 7

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732-938-6229

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732-938-5375 ext. 3

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732-938-3454

Parish Bookkeeper:
732-938-5375 ext. 8

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732-938-3260

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732-938-5375 ext. 9

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



Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, April 22, 2017

4:30 PM John & Mary Kruse
(Daughters)

Sunday, April 23, 2017

8:00 AM Patricia Madzin
(Infante Family)

10:00 AM Jack Kidd
(Quigley Family)

11:30 AM Liam Ryan
(Elizabeth & Ryan Louis & Family)

Weekday Masses @ St. Catherine's Chapel

Monday, April 24, 2017

9:00 AM Betty Ciavolella
(Jim & Marian Ferris)

Tuesday, April 25, 2017

9:00 AM John J. Flanagan
(Jim & Marian Ferris)

Thursday, April 27, 2017

9:00 AM TJ LaFalce
(Morton Family)

Friday, April 28, 2017

9:00 AM Jeffrey Vincent
(Wally & Susan Giakas)



The Immaculate Heart of Mary votive light will burn the week of April 22 in memory of Clara Nuccio at the request of her Family



The St. Catherine of Siena votive light will burn the week of April 22 in memory of Stephen A. LeGrand at the request of The Haberstick Family



The Sanctuary light will burn the week of April 22 in memory of Carol Vuollo at the request of The Galante Family

Baptism Classes:

Last Wednesdays of the month 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.

4/16/17 **Easter** \$17,879.00
Easter Flowers \$ 1,460.00

4/30/17 **Weekly & St. Vincent de Paul**

We congratulate the RCIA Elect and Candidates who entered into full Communion with the Catholic Church through the Sacraments of Initiation at the Easter Vigil.

Mia Viruet-Drzaszcz

celebrated all three Sacraments of Initiation
Baptism, Communion and Confirmation

Cristian Friesendorf

celebrated the Sacraments of
Communion and Confirmation

Teresa Magyar

celebrated the Sacraments of
Communion and Confirmation

Angus Morison

celebrated the Sacraments of
Communion and Confirmation

Jennifer Viruet

celebrated the Sacraments of
Communion and Confirmation

Kristi Silver

celebrated the Sacrament of Confirmation

It has been a Privilege for the parish to share this journey in faith together with each of you. Welcome Home!

New Parishioners

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

Joseph DeMaio

Brian, Lily and Caleb Weigert



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

Stephen LeGrand (Son of Annette Wright)

Thomas Miele (Husband of Terri-Ann,
Father of Gena, Gabrielle & Gianna)

Edilberto Montezuma (Husband of Pamela)

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

Support the Catholic Home Missions Appeal today! Right now, over 40 percent of dioceses in the United States are considered home missions because they are unable to fund essential pastoral work needed in their communities. Your support funds programs such as religious education, seminary formation, and lay ministry training to build vibrant faith communities right here in the United States. Please be generous. Visit www.usccb.org/home-missions.

PLEASE NOTE: First Holy Communion will be celebrated at the 4:30 P.M., 10:00 & 11:30 A.M. Masses the weekend of May 6 & 7.

The Rosary Altar Society will be collecting baby items (diapers, clothing, blankets, etc.) to donate to local support groups for Moms and their babies. These items will be collected in the playpen that is set up in the narthex. Thank you for your support.



PLEASE NOTE: SVDP right now is extremely low on funds, having to reach out to other Parishes for assistance, so if you are able to help at this time, it would be greatly appreciated. If anyone wishes to make a donation at any time, simply place your monetary donation into one of the special envelopes found in the Church foyer, and drop it into one of the collection baskets at Mass. It then will be forwarded to *St. Catherine's Society of St. Vincent de Paul* to assist the less fortunate in our area.

THE ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL IN ACTION!

Catholic Social Services

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.

Calling all Sewers of any experience level to join us...

Why not be part of the **Saint Mary Parish Sewing Circle** Members make with love baby quilts, pillow for surgery patients, lap blankets for elderly and handicapped, hats, dog beds, tote bags, chemotherapy turbans/caps and other charity projects to benefit patients at CentraState hospital, individuals upon their request and organizations in need in the community at large. The Sewing circle also works on liturgical projects when needed.

WHAT DO I NEED TO KNOW:

Most projects are simple sew. Ability to use a sewing machine is a plus (experience with quilting is not necessary) *No sewing experience, no worries, we will teach you!*

WHEN and WHERE:

Come when you are available. Work at home in your spare time on projects then bring to a meeting. The ministry meets at Saint Mary Parish, 1 Phalanx Road, Colts Neck, in Meeting Room #11 twice a month (excluding weeks with holidays). Meetings are held on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month from 1 to 3pm.

CONTACT: communitybuilding@stmaryscoltsneck.org or kjflan@aol.com for more information.

EASTER MEMORIALS (continued from last week) Donations



Bruno/Meola Families
Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Golding
Robert Fort
Donna Lee
Mr. & Mrs. Jack Sliwa
Mr. & Mrs. Salvatore Straniero

SICK RELATIVES AND FRIENDS:

Jean & Mike Burke, Joseph Cocuzza, Kathleen Cottrell, Carmen Devaux, Nancy Drake, Bob Fort, Lois Hradil, Angie Gorda, Marlene Gravatt, Lori Jones, Joan & Edward Kress, Lauren MacArthur, Teresa Magyar, Betty McCann, Margie McCullam, Amber Painter, Esther Peraza, Jeanette Picciani, David Piccolo, Barbara Sansevere, Nancy Soper, Ilona Supczynski

CWOZ is Coming to St. Catherine's! Did you ever wonder how the four gospels all fit together? Have you ever asked yourself, "When did this gospel story take place?" At the Catholic Women of Zion Ministry Retreat Day for women on Saturday, May 20, 2017 at St. Catherine of Siena Parish, author Bob Dunne will present "909 Days that Changed the World," his chronological account of the two and a half years of Jesus' public ministry as they likely happened. The day begins with Mass in the Church at 9:00 am and is followed by music, prayers for healing, the speaker, sharing, networking, and a luncheon in the Parish Hall, finishing by 1:00 pm. Admission is \$20, payable at the door, and includes lunch. Register online at cwoz.org or call 732-363-0139 ext. 777 no later than Tuesday, May 16, 2017 to register. Leave your phone number and spell your last name.

Cheers to Summer! will be held on Thursday evening, May 25 at Spring Lake Bath & Tennis Club. Kick off the Summer of 2017 at this great event, hosted by the Monmouth County Board of Catholic Charities, which includes dinner, dancing, 50/50 raffle and gift auction in a great party atmosphere. Tickets are \$125. Visit www.catholiccharitiestrenton.org/events or call at 609-394-5181 X 1137. Reservations are limited.

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; and 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,

Happy Easter! It is correct to say that Easter Sunday was last week, but the season of Easter continues for seven weeks until Pentecost. You may wonder why? As we know, the triumphant rising of Jesus from the dead, the fulfillment of all the prophecies in the Scriptures, are the basic foundation of our Christian Faith. Hence the joyful celebration continues not only for a day but for 50 days. It is a time of intensified consciousness, finely tuned awareness. The great fifty days to Pentecost are not unwelcome, an unrealistic obligation to a great celebration we are used to, but an invitation to explore more deeply, to awaken our memory of God's presence and power in our lives. Let us look more closely at all the rich and varied textures of creation.

Today's Gospel reading brought us to reflect on our belief in Christ's resurrection, and to impart the Good News. The closest disciples of Jesus did not initially believe that Jesus has really conquered death. Moreover, as we know, it defies human reason. Once they believed, his disciples are unstoppable from living out their Master's instructions: "Go into the whole world and proclaim the Good News to every creature."

Jesus breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit." Breath gently through your mouth. Now raise a hand to your mouth until you feel that breath. This gives you an idea about how close Jesus had to be for the disciples to feel the breath of the Spirit. The Spirit empowers the Church to proclaim and forgive in God's love. Do you believe that power is ours? It comes by facing the wounds of our sin, our hurt, and doubt. Often times wounds invite healing, sin invites forgiveness, and doubt invites deeper faith. If you believe this, live in ways that help others to see Jesus, hear his voice, and feel his breath so they can touch him and be healed.

Certainly, the wounded disciples of Jesus became powerful witnesses. For instance, the shadow of Peter, who was one time a denier, could heal others as Jesus did. Those fearful disciples of Jesus leave the safety of the upper room to walk among the people and proclaim the mighty deeds of Christ. Jesus sent them into the world as the Father sent him. Upon hearing his tender words "Peace be with you" they were no longer afraid and went out to witness the power of Christ's life, death, and resurrection.

We often times hear the word evangelization as Christians, the developing concept of the new Evangelization we hear about so many times today challenges us to be bold and strong as we embrace our vocation as modern believers, that is, to bring the Good News to people in all situations.

Wherever people are, the Church of Christ must be present. It is not enough for us to practice our faith in seclusion. We have to invite others to Christ, nonbelievers as well as believers who have fallen away from their faith. As Christ entrusts us with the mission of proclaiming the Gospel, we must live out this great responsibility. Maybe the Holy Spirit prompts you to share a faith-inspired social media post or you invite a friend to go to Sunday liturgy in the Church. Or perhaps you are given the chance to share your own belief in Jesus during a wonderful conversation. All of these opportunities are simple but require openness and a strong desire to share our greatest gift of faith with others.

May God bless us,
Father Angelito

