



St. Catherine of Siena

31 Asbury Road, Farmingdale, New Jersey 07727

October 15, 2017
Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Parish Office Hours
Monday-Friday:
8:30AM-3:00PM

Religious Education Office Hours
Monday
8:30 AM to 7:15 PM
Wednesday:
8:30 AM to 5:45 PM

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

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Rev. Angelito I. Anarcon

Weekend Assistant
Rev. Alfred Burke

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Francine Gagliano

Music Director
Alice Kovach

Parish Trustees
Robert Mercado & June Hankel

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

Baptisms:

2nd Sundays of the month 12:30 PM *Church*

Baptism Classes:

Last Mondays of the month 7:30 PM *Classroom 10*

Children's Liturgy of the Word:

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

Confessions:

Saturday: 3:30 to 4:00 PM

Holy Day Masses:

9:00 AM & 7:00 PM *Main Church*

Homebound Ministry:

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

Knights of Columbus

If interested, please contact Mark Dalton, Grand Knight 732-233-0842

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:

October 15 @ 9:00 am after 8:00 am Mass *Church*
October 22 @ 9:30 am before 10:00 am Mass *Church*
October 29 @ 11:00 am before 11:30 am Mass *Church*

Society of St. Vincent de Paul:

732-938-3454
2nd Mondays @ 7:00 PM *Parish Hall*

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, October 14, 2017

4:30 PM Robert Nagy
(Nancy Martinez)

Sunday, October 15, 2017

8:00 AM Cathy Taylor Attara
(Sardone Family)

10:00 AM Joseph C. Meyers
(Don & Janice Deakyne)

11:30 AM Vicenta Martinez
(Martinez Family)

Weekday Masses @ St. Catherine's Chapel

Monday, October 16, 2017

9:00 AM Walter Butkovich
(Sister, Dorothy)

Tuesday, October 17, 2017

9:00 AM Nash Family
(Anne Hilker)

Thursday, October 19, 2017

9:00 AM Rev. Msgr. Shenrock

Friday, October 20, 2017

9:00 AM Rev. Msgr. Shenrock

Sunday Collection Week of: 10/8/17

Weekly First Collection	\$6,759.50
Diocesan Assessment	\$1,264.00
September Parish Pay	\$6,409.22

Next Weekend's Collection Week of: 10/22/17

Weekly First Collection & World Mission Sunday



CONGRATULATIONS & BEST WISHES
TO ...

**KEVIN CALELLO
MICHELE CORDARO**

who were married at St. Catherine of Siena Church
on Friday, October 6, 2017.

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



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

**Charlotte Kathie Carone
Noah James Salkowitz**

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



I can do all things in him who
strengthens me.

- Philippians 4:13

First Reading: Isaiah 25:6-10a

Second Reading: Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20

Gospel: Matthew 22:1-14

*Welcome
to Our New Parishioners ...*

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

**Oscar Madrigal, Natalie & Oscar Madrigal Cruz
Edward, Ellen, Joseph, Emily & Andrew Tvrdik**

SICK RELATIVES AND FRIENDS:

MaryAnn Aulisi, Julia Barbato, Jean & Mike Burke,
Joseph Cocuzza, Kathleen Cottrell, Nancy Drake,
Bob Fort, Angie Gorda, Marlene Gravatt, Lori Jones,
Edward Kress, Lauren MacArthur, Teresa Magyar,
Betty McCann, Margie McCullam, Amber Painter,
Esther Peraza, Jeanette Picciani, David Piccolo,
Barbara Sansevere, Marie Selvaggi, Nancy Soper,
Ilona Supczynski



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY WISHES to

our parishioners who celebrated their
25TH Wedding Anniversary this year:

**Michael & Patricia Ann Baldasari
(August 15, 1992)**

and who attended Bishop David O'Connell's
*Anniversary Blessing @ St. Aloysius, Jackson, on
October 8, 2017. May God continue to bless your
marriage and grant you many more happy years
together!*



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

Michael Lyon (Husband of Nancy)

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

Dear Parishioners,

Today we are going to have the annual Fall Harvest Festival which is being held in the Parish Hall. This wonderful event which was started a few years ago is meant to gather all of our brothers and sisters in the community, family members and everyone to celebrate with food, fun, laughter and fellowship. It was the Knights of Columbus who took the lead on this event and they are doing it very well. We are grateful for their commitment and dedication. Thank you so much.

As we make our presence at the event, we are also reminding our brothers and sisters to bring their unwanted jackets, coats, etc., the Knights, together with the Altar Rosary Society are collecting them and bringing all of them to the people who are in most need for the upcoming cold season.

Today after the 11:30 Mass, we are going to have the blessing of the Priest Residence. We cordially invite our parishioners to be with us to pray and give thanks for this new building of the parish.

We express our immense appreciation to the Buildings and Grounds Committee, the Finance Council and the whole parish community for making this dream a reality and an additional visible manifestation of St. Catherine Parish as a vibrant and strong Catholic faith community. Thank you so very much.

Today is the 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time.

Heaven is going to surpass all our hopes and expectations. It is going to be more wonderful than we can imagine, I guess. Why? Because there will be love and joy and peace we have never experienced. As such, it's hard for God to tell us all about it. All he can do is to use images that we are familiar with: a great banquet, a wedding feast, the elimination of suffering and death, wealth that cannot be exhausted, a hidden treasure, the pearl of great price or the mansion God is preparing for us. In the first reading today, Isaiah compares it to a great banquet and Jesus in the Gospel compares it to a wedding celebration for a prince, which would be a great event people would remember for years.

As Jesus tells us, to experience all this wonder and joy we must respond to an invitation. We must be wise enough not to turn them down and to recognize them like this: "Come to me all you who labor and are burdened and I will refresh you." Or "I am the Good Shepherd." We hear also the invitation in the Sermon on the Mount: "Everyone who listens to these words of mine and acts on them will be like a wise man who built his house on rock." Or from the Book of Revelation: "Behold I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, then I will enter his house and dine with him and he with me." Notice that he doesn't promise everything will be great in this world if we respond to his call, for: "If anyone who would come after me, let him take up his cross and follow me." But for those who do respond, he promised "I will be with you always." "I will not leave you orphans."

We might say that those above mentioned are commandments, not an invitation. Yes, he does command us because we don't always feel like doing what we should, however, today he invites us because he wants us to come to him not just because we were asked to, but we want to come to him out of love.

Our modern theology wants us to think that everyone is going to be blessed in the life hereafter. Jesus is telling us that eternal happiness is not to be taken for granted. The way to eternal happiness is open for all, however, we have our own free will as to how we will respond. May our Sacred Banquet, which we come to today, as we eat his body and drink his blood, lead and bring us to the eternal banquet he has promised for us. Amen.

May God bless us,

Father Angelito

Walking with Purpose

Enabling women to know Christ through Scripture



Are you interested in getting together with a group of women to explore your faith? Would you like to see how Scripture applies to your everyday life?

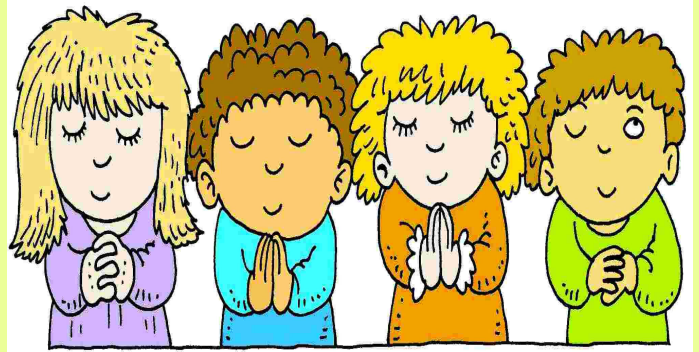
If so, we invite you to consider joining Walking with Purpose at St. Catherine of Siena.

Opening Your Heart, our 22-week foundational Bible study is designed for women new to Walking with Purpose as well as those with more Bible study experience. Purchase the *Opening Your Heart* study guide at

<https://wwpstore.com/collections/study-guides>.

Weekly group sessions began on Tuesday, September 26, 2017 in our Parish Hall at 10 a.m. The 22-week 2017-2018 program is now forming. For registration and program information, please e-mail wwp@sienachurch.org or visit the parish website, sienachurch.org.

28th Sunday Ordinary Time – Sunday, October 15, 2017



Imagine how it would feel to be invited by a king to come to his palace for a party! Well, you have been invited! God wants you to come. People who ignore God will not go to heaven. Don't ignore God. Say "yes" to his invitation. Go to God's party in heaven!

Prayer

Thank you for inviting me to heaven, God. I want to go!

Children's Liturgy of the Word will meet on Sunday, October 22nd at the 11:30 am Mass.

All children in grades K-4 (ages 5 -10) are invited to participate. Young children are given the opportunity to listen to a children's version of Sunday's readings and Gospel stories at their own level of understanding and participate in activities that bring the readings to life. Each Sunday's Liturgy of the Word is enriched and modified to make it important and relevant to the lives and experiences of young children.

To sign up for October's sessions, please email cLOW@sienachurch.org.



Read the Gospel and Color



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CHOIR NEWS



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Cantors and Choir members needed in our Music Ministry here at St. Catherine Parish. If you love to take part of our ministry of giving to the Glory of God through music please come and join us! Planning ahead for special liturgies, possible concert series, and preparing for the Advent and Christmas season, contact our Music Director Alice at akovach9@aol.com to sign up and begin a journey of learning and growing with your Parish. The choir will meet on Thursdays at 7:30 pm in the Church.



You Can Understand The Bible!

The Bible Timeline Seminar

with Jeff Cavins

Hundreds of thousands of people from all over the world have had their lives transformed by learning how to read and understand the Bible from a Catholic perspective with The Bible Timeline Seminar. Now, this popular Catholic Bible Seminar, part of The Great Adventure Catholic Bible Study Series, is coming to the Diocese of Trenton in a **LIVE** presentation by Jeff Cavins **HIMSELF!! The live "Bible Timeline Seminar" will be held on November 17th and 18th at the Co-Cathedral of St. Robert, Bellarmine, Freehold, NJ.** You will discover how knowing the Bible Timeline can help you understand your story, the story of Scripture. Your faith will grow deeper from this experience because all of our faith springs from this amazing story! This will be a life changing event for you, for your family and friends. For more information and to register please contact Maria at (609) 403-7154 or email her at mguzma@DioceseofTrenton.org.

FORMED, a "Catholic Netflix," was introduced last month and parishioners were encouraged to watch FORGIVEN. Forgiven is a series under STUDY/SACRAMENTAL PREP on formed.org. Have you watched all four episodes yet? Have you discussed the series with your family and friends? Have you explored any of the other content on formed.org? We'd love to hear from you. Contact Stephanie at [732-771-7022](tel:732-771-7022) or sharakal@optonline.net or Terry at [973-222-0461](tel:973-222-0461) with feedback or questions. Contact jutz@rcds.org for technical questions.



Saint Catherine of Siena's Fall Harvest Festival

Please come join us on
October 15, 2017 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 hall. During the event, Fr. Angelito will bless the Priest's residence. There will be plenty of food, music and Fall-themed activities. All are welcome. Please bring any extra or unwanted coats, hats, sweaters, scarves, gloves, mittens and socks for the beginning of our Share the Warmth Drive.

Pegasus Production Company
Presents Woody Allen's *Don't Drink the Water*
November 10-11, 17-18 (7pm), 12 (2pm), 16 (5pm)
Christian Brothers Academy
[850 Newman Springs Road, Lincroft](http://850NewmanSpringsRoad.Lincroft)
Tickets at cba.booktix.com or at the door
\$10 for adults, \$5 for seniors

Church of Epiphany Annual Gift Auction will be held on Saturday, October 21, 2017 at the Woodlake County Club in Lakewood. Tickets are \$40.00 which includes a lunch and one sheet of tickets. Doors open at 10:30am, Express Ticket Bags will be sold at the door.

To purchase tickets, please go to our website, www.churchofepiphany.org, click on the link for upcoming events and follow the link to the ticket order form, you may also pick up a form in our parish office. Fill out the form with all the guests' names that you would like to sit at your table and return it to the Church of Epiphany, 615 Thiele Road, Brick with your check attached. Ticket Sales end October 12. If you would like to follow us on Facebook, we will be posting sneak peek pictures of some of our gifts. Please contact Michele with any questions at michele@churchofepiphany.org.

We have an App!

Go to
SCOSNJ.Catholic.Cloud
to Download



Smart phone users, we now have a custom St. Catherine of Siena App for use on your iPhone or Android device! The easiest way to get our App is to type in SCOSNJ.Catholic.Cloud right in your smart phone's browser. Then you can install the App on your homescreen. You can access things like this bulletin easily, right from your phone with many updates, new features and news about St. Catherine of Siena coming very soon. We look forward to your feedback on our new App!



Twenty-second Annual Spirituality Conference **Living with Less Fear in Our Lives: Trusting in a** **Wise and Fully Empathetic God**

Presenter: Ronald Rolheiser, OMI, Ph.D.
International Speaker and author of many articles and books including: Holy Longing

Saturday, October 28, 2017

9:00 am - 4:00pm

Georgian Court University, Lakewood, NJ

\$75-\$100 Box Lunch available for additional \$10

Holiday Bazaar Saturday November 4, at Equestra Ballroom from 10 AM-3 PM located at 40 E. Milan Blvd, Farmingdale. The Bazaar will feature handmade arts and crafts, children and adult apparel, jewelry, home accessories, honey, jams, chocolates, skin care products and cosmetics, holiday ornaments, wreaths, books and lots more! Free refreshments and door prizes!

Parish Counseling Services

A collaborative program of the Diocese of Trenton/Catholic Charities.

The Diocese will provide 6 sessions with a licensed counselor.

- The fee is \$75 per session.
- If needed, financial assistance is available.
- The parishioner is always responsible for a \$25 co pay.
- Referrals must come through pastor or parish priest.
- Diocesan contact: Maureen Fitzsimmons
609-403-7129 or email
mfitzs@dioceseoftrenton.org

"Have you suffered an abortion? Experience God's love and mercy and begin the journey of healing. Please call the Sisters of Life: 866.575.0075 or e-mail: hopeandhealing@sistersoflife.org. For men, call Theresa Bonopartis at Lumina: 877.586.4621 or e-nnaillumina@postabortionhelp.org.

SAT PREP COURSES - FALL 2017

These classes will meet for 2 hours for 7 weeks. Class Times are 3 - 5:00 pm OR 6 - 8:00 pm
Math & Verbal - \$525.00 - 14 classes over 7 weeks
Math only - \$275.00 - 7 classes over 7 weeks
Verbal only - \$275.00 - 7 classes over 7 weeks
Class dates are Mon 10/16 - Wed 11/29. The SAT is on 12/2/17. Visit www.sjvhs.com/vianneyinstitute to register online, call [732] 739-0800 x121 or email pasquale@sjvhs.

SVDP Selective Seconds in Belmar is searching for a mechanic to help a young mother fix her car to get back and forth to work. If you can volunteer contact furniture@svdptrenton.org. They are also seeking a volunteer who might run an eBay site for them. Please call 732-894-9393 if interested. Remember that the Shoppe's new Fall items have arrived.

Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration at St. Veronica's **20th anniversary was September 14, 1997-2017**

"If my people who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways; then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land. 2 Chronicles 7:14

New adorers are always needed to maintain 24/7 adoration by committing to a specific hour that you attend weekly. Call Debbie Revoir at 732-367-7750 and leave a message with your name and number or email drev514@aol.com to get more information or commit to an hour of your choice.

OUR PROMISE TO PROTECT

The Diocese of Trenton is committed to the initiatives outlined in the U.S. Bishop's Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People in regard to the reporting and investigation of sexual abuse allegations involving minors. If you have been sexually abused as a minor by a member of the clergy or anyone representing the Catholic Church, or if you know of someone who was, you can report that abuse through the diocesan Abuse Hotline: 1-888-296-2965 or abuseline@dioceseoftrenton.org. The Diocese of Trenton reports any allegations of sexual abuse to the appropriate law enforcement agencies. Anyone with an allegation is also encouraged to provide that information to local law enforcement authorities.

Calling All Catholic Men: The Knights of Columbus are welcoming all men over the age of 18 to become members of the St. Catherine of Siena council here at our church. Devoted to the principles of charity, unity, fraternity and patriotism, with over 1.8 million members world-wide, the Knights of Columbus strives to be a positive Catholic presence in both our parish and community. If you wish to join email Mark Dalton, Grand Knight @ mmdd18@optonline.net or call him at 732-233-0842.

Have you ever heard the initials RCIA? They stand for the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, The Roman Catholic official collection of Rites for bringing adults into the Church. Here at St. Catherine of Siena, together as a team, we prepare individuals to be received into the church. We meet the first and third Tuesday of the month in the evening. If you, or someone you know, is interested in learning about becoming a Catholic, or a Catholic, who may not yet have received Sacraments, or to learn more about the RCIA process, email RCIA@sienachurch.org.

St. Catherine's Funeral Ministry is in need of volunteers to assist families in planning and making arrangements for the Funeral Mass and Wake Service of a deceased loved one. Members of the ministry should be compassionate, good at details, understanding and have a flexible schedule. It is a ministry where one can be of much needed assistance to families who are going through a difficult time. If you are interested in joining, call Terri at 732-462-7452.

St. Catherine's is in need of additional Ushers to help at all masses. Anyone over age 12 can sign up and for those receiving Confirmation, can get service hours. Call [732-492-6861](tel:732-492-6861) or email scottrubinson@gmail.com.

Seeking fellow parishioners to participate and join in the pro life cause. Call 732-580-1387.

Food donations to the church are distributed to the needy by the St. Vincent de Paul Ministry and by Joshua House. Thank you for your generosity.

"Legion of Mary Pilgrim Statue" is available to visit homes in our Parish Community. If interested, call 732-616-3127 or email peathers7@yahoo.com.

Help support our NOT-JUST-FOR-THANKSGIVING Food Drive. The Knights of Columbus are teaming up with the St. Vincent de Paul Society to collect canned and boxed food for our local community. Because hunger does not occur just during Thanksgiving, your food donations will help our local needy all year long. See the donation crate in the church's narthex.

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 Classroom 10 at 7:30 P.M. on the last Monday 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*.