



St. Catherine of Siena

31 Asbury Road, Farmingdale, New Jersey 07727

September 17, 2017

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Parish Office Hours

Monday-Friday:
8:30AM-3:00PM

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Monday & Wednesday:
8:30 AM to 3:00 PM

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

Parish Office Secretary

Carol Morton

Director of Religious Education

Kyle Galante

Religious Education Secretary

Janice Deakyne

Sacristan

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 Wednesdays of the month 7:00 PM *Church*

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:

Sunday, October 22 after 10:00 & 11:30 AM Masses *Parish Hall*
3rd Sundays 11:00 AM *Church* to pray the rosary

Society of St. Vincent de Paul:

732-938-3454

September 18 @ 7:00 PM *Parish Hall*

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, September 16, 2017

4:30 PM Patricia Fischer
(Lorraine & Neal Pronek)

Sunday, September 17, 2017

8:00 AM Lauren DeGiovanni
(Infante Family)

10:00 AM Fortunato Donato
(Phil & Natalie Livoti)

11:30 AM Angelina Pertosky
(Ellen, Nancy & Sonia)

Weekday Masses @ St. Catherine's Chapel

Monday, September 18, 2017

9:00 AM John Tarabocchia
(Darren O'Donnell & Family)

Tuesday, September 19, 2017

9:00 AM Hazel Bove
(Terry & Arnold Carpenter)

Thursday, September 21, 2017

9:00 AM Jessica Baker
(Jim & Marian Ferris)

Friday, September 22, 2017

9:00 AM Micah
(Martina & David)



Forgive your neighbor's injustice;
then when you pray,
your own sins will be forgiven.
- Sirach 28:2

First Reading: Sirach 27:30-28:9

Second Reading: Romans 14:7-9

Gospel: Matthew 18:21-35

We Got the Grant!

Congratulations! Gerald Aponte of the parish Safety Management Committee was recently notified that the grant proposal, written by him with the assistance of Dr. Stephanie Harakal, was selected to receive a Homeland Security Grant for upgrading security at St. Catherine of Siena Church. The grant, in the amount of \$75,000, will be implemented over the next three years and will include additional lighting of the grounds, enhanced security for the offices, and other, small, changes. We'll keep you updated as the grant is implemented.

SICK RELATIVES AND FRIENDS:

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

Sunday Collection Week of: 9/10/17

Weekly First Collection **\$6,653.00**
Catholic University **\$1,102.00**

Next Weekend's Collection Week of: 9/24/17

Weekly First Collection & Energy & Fuel



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

Matthew Christian Mitchell

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

*Welcome
to Our New Parishioners ...*

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

**Joseph, Danielle & Anthony Moriano
William & Eileen Murphy**

**Robert, Candace, Grace, Robert & Quentin Murphy
Anthony, Christine, Ava & Gianna Remo**



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

Theresa Hobday (sister of Marie Walker)

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



ALTAR FLOWERS

for this weekend are offered for:

Gene A. Ravally

at the request of Pam & Leon Davison

Ministry Fair Thank You

The Ministry Fair held on September 9th & 10th was a HUGE success; it truly was a celebration of our parish mission!

Sincere thanks to the dedicated individuals who proudly represented their ministry on these two days! Thank you to our youth volunteers for assisting!

Much appreciation to the MANY parishioners who attended and showed their support of this event and are making a commitment to connect and/or serve in one or more ministries! It is our dedicated parishioners that help make St. Catherine of Siena a wonderful parish.

A special thank you to ALL our contributors to our Gift Basket Raffle, especially Hungry Puppy of Farmingdale and E-Nails and Spa of Farmingdale, as your donations helped make our Fair an enjoyable and fruitful community event. Congrats to all our Ministry Fair Raffle Winners! May all our efforts fill the faithful with the Holy Spirit and bring glory to God!

Dear Parishioners,

As an incredible part of the New Evangelization Program we often times hear about in our Church, this weekend we are going to launch FORMED, a wonderful website that has been called a “Catholic Netflix.” FORMED has inspiring movies and video based studies, audio presentations and e-books from the Church’s most compelling speakers and authors. Our parish has invested in FORMED so that each of us might grow in our relationship with Jesus Christ and our desire to share our Faith with others, most especially those closest to us.

We thank Terry Liddy and the hard working ministry for taking the role of leadership and putting a huge amount of time and effort to make this program a success. We appreciate your incredible dedication and participation. Thank you so much.

Today is Catechetical Sunday and we are going to bless the Teachers, Aides and Students of our Religious Program at the 11:30 Mass. Let us pray for our catechists and aides, parents and students who are involved on this wonderful program for our young people, the future of the Church.

Today is the 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time.

In today’s Gospel, Peter asks Jesus about forgiveness. In the Jewish culture and tradition forgiveness is limited to three times, hence Peter thought his willingness to forgive seven times would be counted as generous. Peter’s question indicated that he still wanted to count how many times he should forgive. Jesus, responded to him not to count. Our Lord Jesus highlights the importance of forgiveness, that a person cannot expect mercy from God if there has not been the same generosity of spirit shown towards others. Jesus uses the parable of the unmerciful servant to urge forgiveness and mercy. Often times we say this in the Lord’s Prayer, “forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.” As we can see Jesus talks about forgiving seventy-seven times, but it is not the mathematics that matters. What Jesus describes is huge, vast and cosmic, a kind of forgiveness beyond and above all creation, making all things new. Our refusal to forgive then will make it impossible for us to understand and experience the unconditional and generous forgiveness of God for all of us.

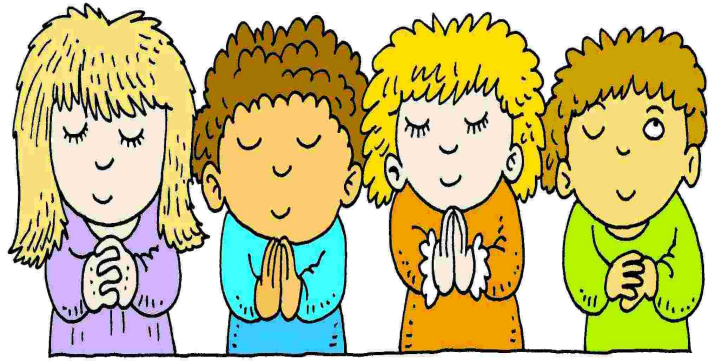
Somebody said that “the sins of others are before our eyes, our own are behind our backs.” We all know we should forgive, but that doesn’t mean it is easy to do so, especially when a person has wronged us in a most terrible way. Withholding forgiveness can cause a toxic cloud to hang over our lives and prevent us from truly finding joy. Refusal to forgive can consume the heart and drain the energy. Learning to let go and forgive will heal our souls and help us to find joy in this life. Experiencing God’s generous mercy transforms who we are and the way we see our lives. We cannot heal ourselves by clinging to our wounds. Also, neither can we contribute to repairing the world without practicing forgiveness. An author of a book about forgiveness has said: “If you want to be happy for a moment, then seek revenge. If you want to be happy for a lifetime, then grant forgiveness.” Amen.

May God bless us,

Father Angelito



Sept. 17, 2017 - 24th Sunday Ordinary Time:



Congratulations to all our Catechists!

St. Catherine of Siena Parish welcomes back our faithful catechists. May God continue to bless you and your work as you serve God's children. Thank you for your dedication and service!

Fr. Angelito Anarcon, Pastor and Kyle Galante, DRE

Catechists

- Grace Paolino
- Lucrecia Tranchina
- Nancy Mastrola
- Tracy Conn
- Colleen Sagan
- Lauren Canova
- Donatella Ruggiero
- Michele Cerisano
- Elena Slade
- Patricia Moffitt
- Laura Randazzo
- Kay Warren
- Danielle Lowery
- Joy Caputo
- Barbara Ust
- Tom Randazzo
- Cochise Doucette
- Anna Gravatt
- Denise DiPierri
- Lisa Bascone
- Joan Pekar
- Scott Sweeney
- Bill Scott

Aides

- Isabella Paolino
- Maddy McDonnell
- Courtney Mastrola
- Tracy Cardillo/Nicole Cusmano
- Victoria Ruggiero
- Debra Scuotto
- Nicholas Libertucci
- Mariah Cerisano
- Bonnie Imposimato
- Janet Amato
- Elizabeth Warren
- Chris Caputo
- Jeannie Ust/James Schottman
- Aliza Landino/Michael Randazzo
- Renee Whittaker
- Danielle Aldaresi
- Samantha Sollecito

Sharing the Gospel

You sin, just like everybody else does. God forgives you even if your sin is very bad. God washes all of your sins away and treats you with kindness. The next time someone hurts your feelings, remember how God forgives you. Follow God's example.

Prayer

God, teach me to forgive other people the way you forgive me.



Read the Gospel and Color





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!



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 begin 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.

Children's Liturgy of the Word will begin on Sunday, October 8th 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

BRINGING "FORMED" TO ST. CATHERINE'S

The Augustine Institute of Denver CO has teamed up with Dioceses and Parishes throughout the country to harness the power of today's technology to provide never before seen access to the truth, beauty and goodness of the Catholic Faith. The program called FORMED is somewhat like a Catholic Netflix. FORMED features hundreds of movies, videos, audiotapes and books along with leader, teacher and participant guides. It presents beautiful and deeply compelling content for faith formation, RCIA, sacramental preparation, marriage and family ministry, scripture study, youth ministry, Marian devotion and much more. Through the gift of a generous benefactor and our pastor, Father Angelito, we will be introducing FORMED to St. Catherine's in our various ministries and eventually to our entire parish community. If you are involved in a parish ministry and wish more information please contact the coordinator, Terry Liddy at 732-707-4372. Stay tuned for further updates.

Saint Catherine of Siena's Fall Harvest Festival



**Please come join us on
October 15, 2017 from 11:00 – 2:00
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 and mittens for the beginning of our share the warmth drive.

St. Catherine of Siena Rosary Altar Society



FALL MUM PRE-ORDER SALE

ORDERS DUE BY OCT. 1ST

Order forms available after all Masses

**Pick up on October 15th
at the Parish Fall Festival**

For more information, please contact
rosary@sienachurch.org

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. Two members currently serve. The ministry would greatly benefit from a team of members. 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 or 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 phathers7@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.

Journeying with the Saints

Mothers and Daughters learning about saints and sharing their faith. We meet twice a month at St. William the Abbot Church in the meeting room.

Meeting date for September:
Sunday, September 24th at 7pm

For more information contact: Susan or Gabriella @ (732) 919-1681 or GFurmato@gmail.com

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.

Catholic Charities Clam Bake will be held on Saturday, September 30, at The Belmar Fishing Club, Ocean Avenue, Belmar. The party includes wine, beer, appetizers, lobster dinner, dancing, 50/50 raffle. Music by the shore's famous Contraband. Tickets are \$125 and available at catholiccharitiesstrenton.org/events or call Jennifer at 609-394-5181 x1137. Reservations are limited.

St. Anthony of Padua's Music Ministry presents Part II of their Recital Series "Three for Tea at the Piano." Selections for piano, duet piano and ensembles for piano, cello & violin. Sunday, October 1, 4 pm. Tickets \$10. St. Anthony Padua, 121 Bridge Ave., Red Bank, 732-747-0813.

Join us, for Sacred Heart of Bay Head's **Fall Bible Study on St. Paul and the Philippians**. Towards the end of St. Paul's life, under arrest, knee deep in sewage, and awaiting trial in Rome, Saint Paul writes a short but powerful letter to the Philippians. Paul's affection for the Christian community at Philippi is apparent, and they were not only Paul's sons and daughters in the Faith but also his partners in sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ. In this study we will delve deep into his words and the example of his life and his teachings on how to have the mind of Christ, to live a life worthy of the Gospel, and, by God's grace, to gain Christ.

Mondays 9-10:30 AM in the hall of Sacred Heart 751 Main Avenue in Bay Head. Beginning on Monday, October 2-November 13th. Refreshments will be served. The cost of the study is \$10 to register contact DawnRusinko@yahoo.com or 732-899-1398.

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*.