



St. Catherine of Siena

31 Asbury Road, Farmingdale, New Jersey 07727

September 3, 2017

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Parish Office Summer Hours
Monday-Thursday:
8:30AM-3:00PM
Closed Fridays

Religious Education Office Hours
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.

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:

September 13 @ 7:00 PM *Church/Classroom 10*
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 2, 2017

4:30 PM Mary Kruse
(George & June Hankel)

Sunday, September 3, 2017

8:00 AM Mary Kruse
(Sister, Helen)

10:00 AM Giuseppe Cosentino
(Phillip & Kristin Natilli)

11:30 AM Kathleen Egan
(Phares Family)

Weekday Masses @ St. Catherine's Chapel

Monday, September 4, 2017

9:00 AM Leo J. Menard
(Dean & Annette Wright)

Tuesday, September 5, 2017

9:00 AM Arbaczawski Family
(Alice)

Thursday, September 7, 2017

9:00 AM Terrence Fay
(Shirley DeFranco)

Friday, September 8, 2017

9:00 AM Sophie Medina
(Family)

Sunday Collection Week of: 8/27/17

Weekly First Collection
Energy & Fuel

\$4,906.00
\$1,100.00

Next Weekend's Collection Week of: 9/10/17

Weekly First Collection & Catholic University

Next weekend, we will be taking up the National Collection for The Catholic University of America. Your support will enable Catholic University to expand its impact in preparing the next generation of leadership for our Church and nation.



All Parish Offices,
including Religious Education
will be closed on
Monday, September 4,
in observance of Labor Day.



Be transformed by the renewal of
your mind, that you may discern what
is the will of God, what is good and
pleasing and perfect.

- Romans 12:2

First Reading: Jeremiah 20:7-9

Second Reading: Romans 12:1-2

Gospel: Matthew 16:21-27



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

Pat Rooney

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

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

CONGRATULATIONS & BEST WISHES
TO ...

**MATTHEW FREIH
JENNIFER PLAYER**

who were married at St. Catherine of Siena Church
on Saturday, August 26, 2017.

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

Welcome
to Our New Parishioners ...

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

**Charles Manto, Nancy Miller,
Evan, Carlie & Rachel Manto**



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THANK YOU TO ALL WHO
HAVE VOLUNTEERED
TO BE CATECHISTS! We
have all our Catechists (but
one) already! If you would

like to teach, substitute or assist in a classroom
please call Kyle Galante at 732-938-6229. The
Teacher/Catechist meeting will be Wednesday,
September 13, at 6:30 P.M. There will be a SPECIAL
STUDENT and CATECHIST blessing on Sunday,
September 17, at 11:30 Mass.

Dear Parishioners,

Tomorrow is Labor Day which marks the end of summer vacation and the start of many regular parish and school activities. Hence, everyone is encouraged to participate in the spiritual and temporal works of our faith community. Also, Labor Day is a wonderful opportunity to praise and thank God for the energy, strength, potentials, and so many blessings he has bestowed on us. Most importantly, let us appreciate and value those people who work hard for the welfare and benefit of our country as we continue to move forward in our lives.

I am a big fan of this common expression, "No pain, no gain." A phrase which reminds us of the fact that sacrifice is almost required in order to accomplish things that are valuable and important. The saying is true with regard to growing our love for the Lord and living as faithful followers of Jesus as well.

In the first reading, we are invited to look into the heart of prophet Jeremiah as he was invited to be God's prophet. Jeremiah raises some doubts, pointing to his young age and lack of experience in public speaking. God on his part however, made certain that Jeremiah would be given enough help, touching his mouth and promising him that he would be given the words to speak at the most opportune time. Jeremiah, who on his reluctance, was tasked to preach to his countrymen regarding the impending destruction of Judah and Jerusalem brought about by their many sins and their worship of false gods.

Jeremiah's deep and abiding concern for the people of Judah and Jerusalem is met with ridicule and scorn. The prophet now cries out to God, "You duped me O Lord, and I let myself be duped; you were too strong for me, and you triumphed. All the day I am an object of laughter; everyone mocks me." These are not words of surrender on Jeremiah's side, but an honest expression of the struggles and personal price he paid as a result of speaking the word of the Lord to the Israelites to call them to turn away from sin and renew their faith and trust in the Lord. Jeremiah claims that he has become the laughingstock of many people and is even threatened with death. To make things worse, his situation has become intolerable since he feels that the word of God has chained him. He absolutely cannot forget the Lord and he cannot refrain from speaking in his name. Certainly, God's message has become like a burning fire in his heart.

The second reading speaks of sacrifice as a fundamental requirement for leading lives which are holy and pleasing to God. St. Paul urges us not to be conformed to this present age. This of course requires making the decision each day to set aside personal ambitions and desires and to make our number one priority that of being faithful to God's will for our lives.

Lastly, the teaching of Jesus in our Gospel today, that whoever wishes to follow him must take up their cross and follow him, leaves no room for doubt that sacrifice is a fundamental and non-negotiable requirement for being a true disciple. Hence, if we want to live as faithful disciples of Jesus and come to experience the inexhaustible treasure and blessings of the kingdom, we have no other option but to take up our cross each day and follow him. Amen.

May God bless us,

Father Angelito

ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA ANNUAL MINISTRY



**COME SEE HOW OUR MINISTRIES HELP OUR
COMMUNITY, TOGETHER BUILDING THE
KINGDOM OF GOD!**

**Learn about our newest programs
FORMED & Walking with Purpose**

**September 9th & 10th
After all Masses**

**IN THE
PARISH HALL**

**ALL
WELCOME!**

CUISINE

**WINE & CHEESE
SATURDAY,
SEPT. 9TH AT 5:30 PM**

**COFFEE * TEA *
SWEET TREATS
SUNDAY, SEPT. 10TH
9 AM, 11 AM & 12:30 PM**

AT THE DOOR

**FREE
GIFT BASKET RAFFLE
AFTER EACH MASS**



MUST BE PRESENT TO WIN

**Rosary Altar Society
presents FALL MUM
PRE-ORDER SALE**

**KIDS
CORNER!**



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. Registration will be held on Saturday, September 9th & 10th after all Masses in the Parish Hall. For program information, please e-mail wwp@sienachurch.org or visit the parish website, sienachurch.org.



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Sign up for St. Catherine's Rosary Altar Society at the Ministry Fair in the Parish Hall after all masses on September 9th and 10th. We have a great year with new activities planned. Dues are just \$10 for the year. The first meeting, on

Wednesday, September 13, will begin with the Rosary in the Church at **7:00 pm** followed by a meeting/pizza party in Classroom 10.

All women of the parish are invited.

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*.