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St. Catherine of Siena

Roman Catholic Diocese of Trenton 31 Asbury Road, Farmingdale, New Jersey 07727

Andrew said to Jesus, "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish; but what good are these for so many?"

Øt. Catherine of Øiena Chapel One West Main Street

Weekday Mass 9:00 AM Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday

Miraculous Medal Novena Monday following 9:00 AM Mass Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM 1st Friday John 6:8-9

Øt. Catherine of Øiena Church Weekend Masses Saturday 4:30 PM Sunday 8:00 AM / 10:00 AM / 11:30 AM

Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturday 3:30 PM — 4:00 PM

Holy Day Masses—Main Church 9:00 AM / 7:00 PM

TENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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SACRAMENT	INFORMATION
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WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated on the second Sunday of each month at 12:30 P.M. or during the 11:30 A.M. Mass. Arrangements for all Baptisms must be made in advance by contacting the parish office at 732-938-5375. 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, please fill out the registration form on our website for the date you wish to attend.
 Sacrament of Marriage: Contact the parish office to begin marriage preparation at least one year before the anticipated wedding date.
 Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick is available as needed, by calling the Pastor's Office at 732-938-5375 OPT. 7

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, the welcome envelopes located in the narthex, or via WeShare online giving); 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.



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

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.*

MASS READINGS



The eyes of all look hopefully to you, and you give them their food in due season. – Pedra 18541

First Reading -- When they had eaten, there was some left over, as the LORD had said (2 Kings 4:42-44).

Psalm -- The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs (Psalm 145).

Second Reading -- Strive to preserve the unity of the spirit through the bond of peace (Ephesians 4:1-6).

Gospel -- Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks, and distributed them to those who were reclining, and also as much of the fish as they wanted (John 6:1-15).

July 28 SAT.	4:30 pm	George Hankel Req. by Anne Hilker	
July 29 SUN.	8:00 am	James Dramis Req. by wife, Lillian & children	
	10:00 am	Teresa Dunn Req. Mary Elizabeth Lacerenza	
	11:30 am	Consuelo Remigio Req. Nancy Martinez	
WEEKDAY CHAPEL MASS—9:00 AM			
July 30 MON .		James Gunset Req. by Anne Hilker	
July 31 TUES .		John D'Alessio Req. by Ben, Celeste, Tyler, & Ben Talcott	
Aug 2 THURS)_	Betsy G. Dicker Req. by John & Stephanie Harakal	
Aug 3 FRI.		Octavio Louis Palazzolo Req. by Mary Jean Tillett	



Can be offered in memory of a deceased loved one or for any special intention. (except during Lent & Advent). Offering: \$50/basket. Please contact the Parish Office for orders.

Please pray for the sick and all those who have asked for our prayers:

MaryAnn Aulisi	Barbara Lipari
Jean & Mike Burke	Lauren MacArthur
Joseph Cocuzza	Teresa Magyar
Denise Davidowski	Margie McCullam
Nancy Drake	Amber Painter
Bob Fort	Esther Peraza
Richard Giordano	Jeanette Picciani
Angie Gorda	David Piccolo
Marlene Gravatt	Barbara Sansevere
John Hart	Lenore Sears
Lori Jones	Nancy Soper
Edward Kress	llona Supczynski
Charles "Butch" Lavin	Roseann Williams



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 at 732-938-5375.

PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Parishioners,

Seventeenth Sunday of the Year

As we begin our reflection for this Sunday's reading, allow me to share with you a profound vision from a charismatic American writer, John Wimber. As John was driving home one day, reflecting on the gifts that God has given him in the ministry of healing, he could see what appeared to be a thick, black cloud. The vision was heavy and strong so he decided to pull over. As he looked at the cloud, a honeycomb with honey was dripping down on the people below. The people were all in different positions. Some respectfully received the honey, joyfully holding out their hands to catch it and taste it, while others shared the honey with passers-by. Some of them were blissfully unaware of the honey. Some were not too pleased by the honey; in fact they wiped it off themselves, complaining about the mess.

Wimber says he was completely astonished at what he was seeing and asked the Lord what it all meant. He believes that God responded: "It's my mercy, John. For some people it's a blessing, but for others it's a hindrance. There is plenty for everyone."

As we listen attentively in today's Gospel, we find that there is plenty of food for everyone. All who have come to hear Jesus have found themselves fed and satisfied. Notice the skepticism of the Apostles. Whenever we witness this skepticism, we tend to be harsh with them. They panicked at the thought of how much it all might cost, and where the money would come from. Didn't they know any better? Didn't they understand with whom they were dealing? In reality, they didn't know any better because they still didn't understand who Jesus was or what he was going to do for them. However, Jesus knew from the start that his Father would answer his prayer. From the little offering of the small boy with the five loaves and two fish comes an abundance of food with generous leftovers. God always provides and there is more than enough.

Are we not skeptical at times, too? Doubting that Jesus can truly take care of us and our needs? Where does that come from, since we know who Jesus is? It comes partly from our human nature, and partly from the reality that we, too, are coming to terms each day with who Jesus is, growing in our faith and increasing our trust in him.

The feeding of the five thousand explains in symbolic form how God cares for and tends His flock. Jesus wants to demonstrate to the people, by having filled their stomachs and still having some leftovers, that God's care and providence extends beyond satisfying physical hunger. Hence, it is fair to say that God may be the provider of nutritious sustenance, but God is also the one who satisfies the spirit of humankind by pouring out love and mercy on all.

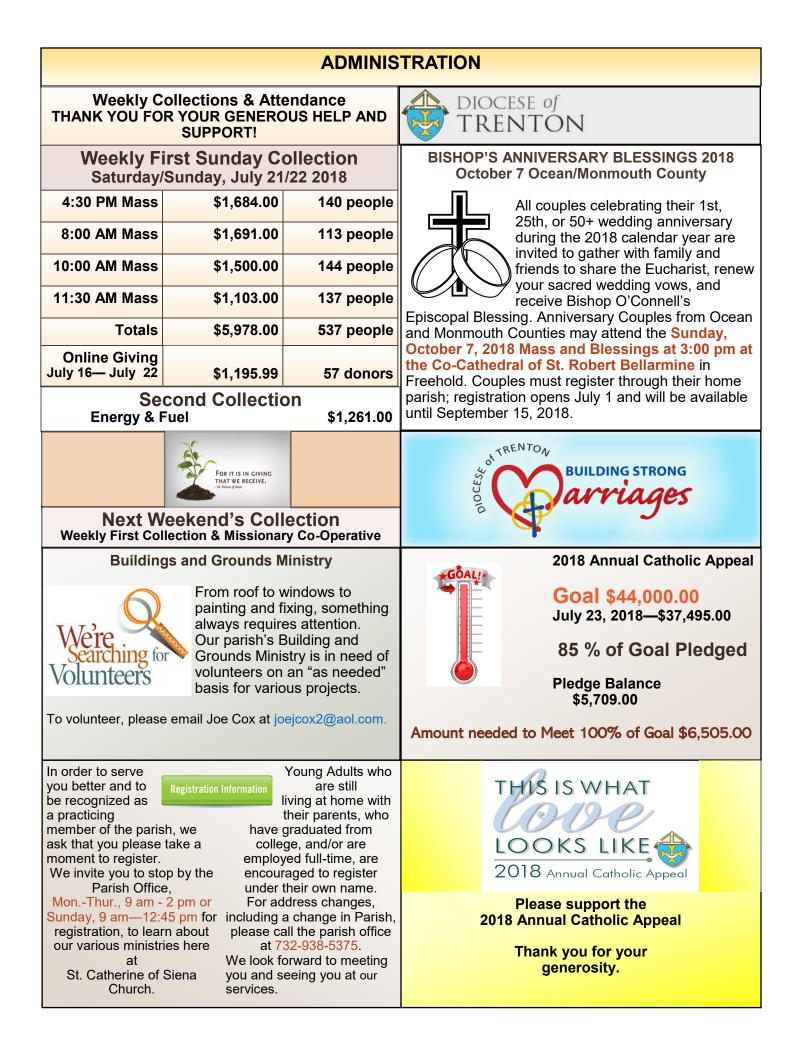
As we look with a wider lens on the Gospel this Sunday, we can ask the question, "Are we aware of the abundance of God's love and mercy?" While Wimber had the vision of the rich honey dripping from heaven, do we find ourselves on bended knees to receive it, or are we unaware of it? Do we have the willingness to share it out? Do we find ourselves annoyed at such generosity and the responsibility that goes with recognizing this? Jesus feeding the five thousand, and his revelation as the bread of life, can help us to discern and reflect on where we are in our understanding and appreciation of God's constant outpouring of grace upon us.

One of the recommendations that I suggest is simply to meditate and pray upon the Gospel. Though it is not the easiest, try to find a quiet space and in silence read the passage and enter ourselves into it. Let us use our imagination as the people hang onto every word that Jesus says. Consider their hunger, ponder their amazement at how they all have their fill. Give thanks for this wonderful scene, and then give thanks for how Jesus is feeding us all. Let us be grateful for how the bread of life is calling us to continuously deepen our awareness of wonder and astonishment wherein God is providing for the whole world. Amen.

May God bless you,

Father Angelito

ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA PARISH NEWS St. Catherine of Siena Parish Parishioners are invited to join Warmly Welcomes the Following the Rosary Altar Society and the New Parishioners: Legion of Mary Auxiliary to **Azevedo Family** Walk and Pray on Pedro, Fatima, Olivia & Kayla Wednesdays at 7:00 pm in the Church parking lot, Silvani Family weather permitting. Michael, Melissa, & Madison William & Joanne Watters John **INVITATION FOR** 11:25-26 (niv) SPECIAL BLESSING Jesus said to her, I am the ssurrection and the life. He who believes in me will live, even though he dies; and whoever lives and believes in me will never die." er you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord Calling all college students heading off to school for the Pray for the Deceased of our Parish family, especially for: fall...we will be offering a special blessing after all masses the weekend of August 18-19 especially for you! Come celebrate mass with your college t-shirt and take Dominick Colonna (husband of Mary Colonna) God's blessings with you as you prepare for your college journey. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. LITURGICAL MINISTRIES Liturgical Schedule: July 28 & July 29 **RCIA—The Rite of Christian Initiation of** Adults ARE YOU SOMEONE OR DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO... Has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic? Has a child over the age of seven who has not been **Altar Servers** baptized? 4:30 PM Sarah Schuld Was baptized Catholic as a child, but has not James Genovese, Joseph Silverman 10:00 AM celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and 11:30 AM Alexandra Reyes **Eucharist?** We offer an opportunity to come together in a small group to learn more about our faith. Sessions focus on the teachings and experience of Church and prepare individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist during the Easter season. You are welcome to participate in the process with your questions, your insights and your faith story in a warm accepting setting. For information contact RCIA@Sienachurch.org **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion** or call our office at, 732-938-5375. 4:30 PM Greg King, Josie Sciascia 8:00 AM Stephanie Harakal, Eileen Murphy 10:00 AM Pam Davison, Andrew Hoffman, Anyone over age 12 can be an Ushers Needed Debra Mueller usher. Confirmation Are you willing to serve? 11:30 AM S. DeGrande, Anne Hilker, Nancy Martinez students - earn service hours. Contact scottrubinson@gmail.com or 732-492-6861. If you would like to assist in our Liturgical Ministries during Mass, please contact Readers Deacon Daniel Sakowski at 4:30 PM Adele DeMarco, June Hankel deacondan@sienachurch.org 8:00 AM Arlene SanAntonio 10:00 AM Alena Brayshaw Donna Lee at Denise Dipierri, Terri Murray 11:30 AM massministries@sienachurch.org



FAITH FORMATION



Our Children's Faith Journey

The RCIA for children is a process that invites any child age 7 to 18, interested in the Catholic Faith, to discover what the Catholic Church teaches and believes. It is open to anyone seeking to get to know Jesus. Like the RCIA for adults, this process is accomplished in a comfortable,

friendly and informal environment designed for children. Certain Rites are celebrated in the church throughout their journey in faith. Near the end of the process the Sacraments of Initiation—Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist—are celebrated at the Easter Vigil.

Our program will be offered on the **1st, 2nd and 3rd Sunday of the Month October thru May**. Children will arrive at 9:45 AM. The program will conclude after the 11:30 AM Mass. Families are invited to celebrate Mass together with their children. There is no cost for this program.



We will be hosting an Ice Cream Social on Sunday, August 19 after the 11:30 AM Mass for you and your child to look at this program. For more information, call the parish office or email <u>RCIA@sienachurch.org</u>.



Are you interested in getting together with other women to explore your faith? Walking with Purpose is a Catholic Bible study for women that aims to bring women to a closer relationship with Christ. Personal study and small group discussions at WWP each week link our everyday challenges with the solutions given to use through the teachings of Christ and the Catholic Church.

STARTING Tuesday, September 25, 2018 10:00 –11:30 AM

TWO PROGRAMS WILL RUN SIMULTANEOUSLY





Opening Your Heart: The Starting Point Keeping in Balance: Creating Order Within



Interested in Learning More? Join us on Sunday, August 19 after all masses in St. Catherine of Siena Parish Hall. For information, please email wwp@sienachurch.org or call the parish office at 732-938-5375.

SOCIAL CONCERNS



Now — August 12

Help a child in need start the school year equipped to succeed!

Most Needed Supplies

Backpacks	Lunch Boxes
Binders (1" & 11/2")	Markers
Calculators	Notebooks (spiral)
Colored Pencils	Paper (lined, 3-holed)
Composition Notebooks	Pencil Cases
Crayons (box of 24)	Pencils
Erasers	Pencil Sharpeners
Folders	Pens
Glue Sticks	Post-its
Highlighters	Rulers
Index Cards	Scissors
	Writing Pads

Ways to Donate

Donate Supplies from our most needed list and return them to the Narthex of the main church. Look for the school bus collection bin.

Donate Money to purchase needed school supplies. Mail to Parish Office ATTN: Social Concerns Commission, School Supplies Drive, 31 Asbury Road. Farmingdale, NJ 07727.

For more information or to volunteer, please email socialconcernscommission@sienachurch.org

COMMUNITY CORNER

World Apostolate of Fatima, Our Lady's Blue Army Shrine

674 Mountain View Road East, Asbury, NJ 08802



Saturday, August 4th "You at Least Try to Console Me" All are invited to Honor Our Lady's plea of Dec. 10, 1925 requesting Five Consecutive First Saturdays of Reparation Special Guest Speaker/Celebrant Fr. Charles Sabela

10:00 a.m. Confessions 11:30 a.m. Rosary w/15 minute meditation
12:00 p.m. Holy Mass 1:00 p.m. Enrollment in the Brown Scapular/Confession
2:00 p.m. Holy House-Children's video Talk on Last Vision of Fatima
3:00 p.m. Divine Mercy Chaplet

Bring your family and friends to answer the call of the Child Jesus "And have you spread through the world what our heavenly Mother requested of you?" www.bluearmy.com 908-689-1700 Ext 210



God sends no churches from the skies, Out of our hearts they must arise. --Anonymous



The Catholic Women of Zion

Chapter I Outreach Ministry will hold a Ministry Retreat Day on Saturday, August 11, 2018 at St. William the Abbot R. C. Church, 2740 Lakewood-Allenwood Road, Howell NJ 07731. The day begins with Mass in the Church at 9:00 am and is followed by music, prayers for healing, sharing, networking, a luncheon in the Parish Hall, and a speaker (Eileen Lombardo), finishing by 1:00 pm. Admission is \$20, payable at the door, and includes lunch. Register online at <u>cwoz.org</u> or call 732-363-0139 ext. 777 no later than Tuesday, August 7, 2018. Please leave your phone number and spell your last name.

Annual Martha Mary Clothing Sale weekend after Labor Day



WHAT: Giant Clothing/Linen Sale – great bargains - huge selection of men's, women's & children's clothing, shoes & accessories in Madonna Hall (behind the church) "Boutique" - designer & nearly new items, plus jewelry & linens in Church Hall

WHERE: The Parish of Saint Mary, Colts Neck - corner of Rte. 34 & Phalanx Rd

WHEN: Thursday, Sept. 6: 10 am to 6 pm Friday, Sept. 7: 10 am to 5 pm Saturday, Sept. 8: 9 am to 1 pm

All proceeds will benefit organizations that help women and children. For more information, call the Church Office at 732-780-2666.