

St. Catherine of Siena Church

Roman Catholic Diocese of Trenton

OFFICE HOURS
Mon—Thurs: 9 a.m.—2 p.m.
Sunday: 9 a.m.—12:45 p.m.
Religious Education
Monday: 10 a.m.—7:30 p.m.
Wednesday: 10 a.m.—6 p.m.

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NOVEMBER

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2018

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time



You shall

love

your neighbor as yourself.

Mark 12:31

PARISH INFORMATION PASTOR

Rev. Angelito I. Anarcon

WEEKEND ASSISTANT

Rev. Alfred Burke

DEACON

Daniel Sakowski

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday—4:30 p.m.

Sunday—8 a.m. / 10 a.m. /
11:30 a.m.

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 3:30 p.m.—4:00 p.m.

HOLY DAY MASSES

MAIN CHURCH 9 a.m./7 p.m.

ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA CHAPEL

One West Main Street

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday—9 a.m.

Tuesday—9 a.m.

Thursday—9 a.m.

Friday—9 a.m.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

1st FRIDAY 9 a.m.—11 a.m.

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA

Monday after 9 a.m. Mass

PARISH OFFICE: 732-938-5375 • OFFICE OF REL. ED: 732-938-6229 • PARISH FAX: 732-938-3260

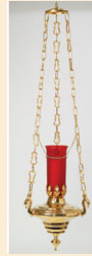
WE PRAY ... CELEBRATE ... REMEMBER



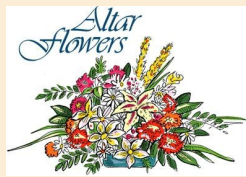
Nov 3 SAT.	4:30 pm	George Hankel Req. by Donna Lee Betty McCann Req. by Mary Schuld
Nov 4 SUN	8:00 am	Gertrude Persaud Req. by Storey Family
	10:00 am	Jospeh H. Crill Req. Cousin, Ann D'Addio & Family Concetta DeGrande Req. by June Hankel
	11:30 am	Rose Cantatore Req. by Husband & Family Stephen Whitesell Req. by Terri Murray
Nov 5 MON	9:00 am	Frank Sardone Req. by Sardone Family Jeprante Fuentes Req. by Ninfa & Ted Gonzalez
Nov 6 TUES	9:00 am	Vittoria Koziar Req. by Joanne Monroe
Nov. 8 THURS	9:00 am	William Smith Req. by the Sardone Family
Nov. 9 FRI	9:00 am	Michael Principato Req. by Neal & Lorriane Pronek

Please Pray For the Sick and All Those Who Have Asked for our Prayers:

MaryAnn Aulisi	Lori Jones	Jeanette Picciani
Jean & Mike Burke	Janice Kehoe	David Piccolo
Joseph Cocuzza	Charles "Butch" Lavin	Barbara Sansevere
Nancy Drake	Barbara Lipari	Lenore Sears
Bob Fort	Lauren MacArthur	Nancy Soper
Sharon Foster	Teresa Magyar	Yolanda Spinelli
Marlene Gravatt	Margie McCullam	Ilona Supczynski
John Hart	Amber Painter	Melissa Tortorello
	Esther Peraza	Roseann Williams



The Sanctuary Light will be lit this week in loving memory of **Anna Meehan**, requested by Leon & Pam Davison



The Altar Flowers are given in loving memory for the deceased of the **Vergara & Mercado Families** at the request of Nestor & Nora Mercado



May the good Lord bless all the faithful departed. And especially for:

Angelina "Angie" Gorda

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

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

All parishioners, families, and friends are invited to a Mass of Thanksgiving at 9:00 am on Thanksgiving Day.



Homebound Ministry

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

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Refresher on the distribution of the Precious Blood will be held after all masses this weekend.



Rosary Altar Society/Legion of Mary

We invite you to join in praying the Rosary on **Thursday, November 8 at 10:00 am**, followed by a Rosary Altar Society meeting.

PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Parishioners,

This weekend we are having the HARVEST BAKE SALE sponsored by the Altar Rosary Society at the Parish Hall. We appreciate all the support and participation for this wonderful endeavor as we help our Good Samaritan Ministry for they continue to respond to the growing needs of the less-fortunate and poor people of the community. Everyone is encouraged to be a part of this great undertaking.

Alice Kovach, the parish's Music Director is inviting our young boys and girls, grades two and up as she starts to form the St. Catherine's Children's Christmas Choir. We are calling on the parents to convince and encourage your children to become a member of this choir. Practice starts at 6:30 p.m. on Thursdays in the Church.

THIRTY FIRST SUNDAY of the YEAR

A few years ago, a magazine reported how the Funeral Director of a funeral home asked his clients this question: "If you are allowed to bring along a small suitcase when you passed on, what would you put into it?" He got all kinds of answers like, wedding ring, trophy, photo of my family, etc. What would I put into the suitcase? Certainly, the most important and precious thing in life. But what would that be? The scribe in the Gospel wanted to know precisely that, "Which is the first of all the commandments?" Which thing matters most?

The wisest teacher and counselor, Jesus, gives an answer that is clear, precise and firm. "First, love God, with all your heart, soul, mind and strength. Second, love your neighbor as yourself. Nothing is greater than these." The scribe feels that Jesus has articulated what is in the deepest part of his own heart. Love for God has to be expressed in action towards those among whom we live. As Jesus himself is the living sign of God's love for us, so we are called to be the living signs revealing love for God in the mercy and compassion we have towards our neighbor.

The scribe who questioned Jesus comments that this understanding of the Law is far more important than any holocaust or sacrifice. This idea connects so well with today's second reading from the Letter to the Hebrews, where we are told that the one perfect sacrifice of Jesus does what all the sacrifices of the old law could not do, that is, to save us from our sins. The sacrifice of Jesus is the perfect act of love for God and neighbor. In his life, suffering, and death, Jesus offers to God the father that love which alone can reconcile humanity with God. His sacrifice is the perfect act of humanity's love for God and, at the same time, is the perfect act of love that any human being can have for their neighbor. The sacrifice of Jesus is for our salvation, the forgiveness of our sins.

The sacrifice of Jesus is made effective for us through our sharing the life of the parish in Christ's Church by our participation in the sacraments, which are our most precious souvenirs. They are the signs, which not only remind us of the most important truths of our faith, they bring them about. Keep in mind that when we are baptized, we enter the grave with Jesus where our sins are washed away, then, we rise to new life with Jesus in the power of the Holy Spirit so that we can live with Jesus, and like Jesus, in our lives of love and service to the people among whom we live. In the Eucharist we participate with Jesus in that eternal offering of humanity's love and worship of the father, and then we receive from the Father the outpouring of his love and mercy as we partake and receive Jesus in Holy Communion. Amen.

May God bless you,

Father Angelito

ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA PARISH NEWS

CHRISTMAS PREPARATION

Advent Preparation for the church will be the week of **November 25**. Rosary Altar Society and the Sacristan are asking for volunteers to help with the cleaning and decorating of our church.



HOW YOU CAN HELP?

For more information, please contact Mary Jean Tillett at rosary@sienachurch.org

ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA Giving Tree



The Giving Tree is Coming!

Next weekend will be the kickoff of St. Catherine's Giving Tree, our annual parish-wide effort to help make Christmas a little brighter for local seniors, families and children in need during the holiday season. Thanks to our parishioners' kindness, last year we distributed about 400 gifts and we are hoping for your generous response once again.

This year, through the efforts of our Social Concerns Commission along with our parish Good Samaritan Ministry, we have even more chances to support people needing help during the holiday season as well as meeting special needs throughout the year.

Please take one or more ornaments off the Giving Tree in the narthex, purchase the requested gifts/gift cards, and return them to church by **Sunday, December 2nd**. Complete directions will be in the bulletin next weekend. Thank you in advance for your generosity and willingness to help those in need!



Welcome to St. Catherine of Siena Parish:

**The Erbeck Family
Daniel, Jean, & Makalya**

Wayne & Josephine Fanciullo

With Warmth and Prayers, We Welcome You into Our Family of Faith.

**OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE
Traveling Torch
St. Catherine of Siena Church
Sunday, November 25
11 AM—1 PM Celebration**



Traveling Torches in honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe will be traveling throughout the Diocese from late October until December. The purpose of these torches is to encourage devotion and prayers to Our Lady of Guadalupe, the Patroness of the Americas.

On the morning of **Sunday, November 25**, our parish will be receiving the torch and presenting it to the parish community at the **11:30 am Mass**. The torch will remain in the parish until Saturday, December 1 when our Knights of Columbus members will continue its travels to St. Mary of the Assumption Cathedral, Trenton, for a special mass with our Bishop, David O'Connell at 12 noon. During the time the torch is in the parish, all are welcome to attend devotions and prayer services with the torch. A basket will be provided for the collection of petitions.

For more information, please email Laura Randazzo at passociate@sienachurch.org



**INTERESTED
IN ALTAR
SERVING?**

To learn more about Altar Serving, please email Deacon Dan at deacondan@sienachurch.org or Karen Utz at altarservers@sienachurch.org.

ADMINISTRATION

Weekly Collections & Attendance
THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS HELP AND SUPPORT!

Weekly First Sunday Collection Saturday/Sunday, October 27/28 2018

4:30 PM Mass	\$1,732.00	159 people
8:00 AM Mass	\$1,423.00	97 people
10:00 AM Mass	\$1,586.00	127 people
11:30 AM Mass	\$1,336.00	205 people
Totals	\$6,077.00	588 people
Online Giving Oct 22 — Oct 28	\$1,141.00	59 donors

Second Collection Energy & Fuel \$1,246.00



November 10 & 11 Collection Diocesan Assessment

EXPENSES FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER

Maintenance Contract	\$16,857.00
Care of Grounds	\$1,069.95
Religious Education Supplies	\$224.09
Office Supplies	\$847.79
Repairs & Maintenance Supplies	\$640.80
Electric	\$1,082.87
Telephone/Internet/Cable	\$866.13
Waste	\$123.98
Water	\$331.95
Gas	\$225.29
Liturgical Supplies	\$1,239.90
Missals/Books/Publications	\$3,717.31
TOTALS	\$27,227.06

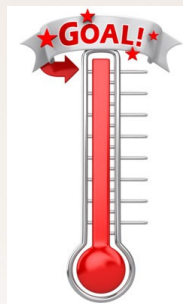


We are so happy to welcome new members to our Parish family! We invite you to stop by the Parish Office, Mon.-Thur. 9 am - 2 pm or Sunday, 9 am—12:45 pm., for registration, to learn about our various ministries and to receive offertory envelopes.

Young Adults who are still living at home with their parents, who have graduated from college, and/or are employed full-time, are encouraged to register under their own name.

For address changes, including a change in Parish, please stop by the office or call us at 732-938-5375.

2018 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL October 28, 2018



Goal \$44,000.00
Pledged: \$37,437.00
To Pledge Goal: \$6,563.00
% of Goal: 85%

Pledges Paid: \$34,590.40
Pledge Balance: \$2,846.60
Donors: 166

A sincere thank you to all who have contributed to the 2018 ACA. Your generosity is deeply appreciated!

CHRISTMAS FLOWER MEMORIALS



If you would like to memorialize flowers for a loved one on Christmas, requests are due to the parish office no later than **THURSDAY, DECEMBER 6.**

You can pick up a form in our narthex, or parish office. Parishioners can also use the Christmas Flower Envelope provided in the envelope mailing. Donations begin at \$15.

*Please make checks payable to St. Catherine of Siena.
 Note Flower Memorial in the Memo*



Please prayerfully consider giving to our parish community online as it does benefit our parish in so many important ways. To get started with online giving, go to sienachurch.org, click on the Online Giving logo, and follow the easy registration steps. For assistance, please contact the parish office at 732-938-5375.

SACRAMENTAL & FAITH FORMATION

ANNOINTING OF THE SICK: To schedule an anointing, call the Pastor's Office at 732-938-5375 OPT. 7

BAPTISM: We celebrate Baptism on the second Sunday of each month at 12:30 PM or during the 11:30 AM Mass. Prior to scheduling the baptism of your child, sponsor letters, donation, and attendance at a **Baptism Preparation Class** is mandatory for parents. Classes are held in Classroom 10 on the **4th Sunday of the month**. To sign up, please fill out the registration form on our website for the date you wish to attend. Godparents/sponsors are also encouraged to attend.

MATRIMONY: Couples planning a marriage must contact the parish office to begin marriage preparation at least one year before the anticipated wedding date.

RCIA: The process by which adults become Catholic and/or receive the Sacraments is called Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. RCIA meets the 1st & 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7 PM.

SACRAMENTS FOR CHILDREN: 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.

OBTAIN A CERTIFICATE OF EIGIBILITY: 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.



Preparation Class

The first step for Infant Baptisms at St. Catherine of Siena Parish is our Baptism Preparation Class.

Upcoming sessions for new parents:

Sunday, November 25, 2018

Sunday, January 27, 2019

For more detailed information and to register, visit our parish website, sienachurch.org.

SOCIAL CONCERNS

THE GOOD SAMARITAN MINISTRY OF ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA PARISH



FOOD DRIVE

SHOW THANKFULNESS BY FEEDING THOSE IN NEED

OCTOBER 13—NOVEMBER 4
NON-PERISHABLE FOOD COLLECTION

CANNED CORN
CANNED GREEN BEANS
CANNED VEGETABLES
CANNED YAMS, AND /OR WHITE POTATO
CANNED CRANBERRY SAUCE
CANNED TURKEY GRAVY
CANNED FRUIT
CANNED OR BOTTLE JUICES
CANNED PUMPKIN
BOXED STUFFING MIX
BOXED INSTANT POTATOES
DESSERT MIX—BROWNIES, COOKIES, CAKE

\$25 GIFT CARDS

PLEASE RETURN YOUR DONATION TO THE NARTHEX. THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY.

For more information or ways to volunteer, please email:

socialconcernscommission@sienachurch.org.



SOLES4SOULS SHOE DRIVE COLLECTION ONGOING

A collection box will be in the Narthex for new and/or gently used shoes of all sizes and types, including athletic, cleats, dance, dress, flip flops, heels, hiking, pumps, sneakers, sandals, work boots. Please bag, tie, or elasticize each pair of shoes donated. THANK YOU!
For more information, email

socialconcernscommission@sienachurch.org.

COMMUNITY CORNER



CATHOLIC WOMEN OF ZION

The Catholic Women of Zion Chapter I Outreach Ministry will hold a Ministry Retreat Day on **Saturday, November 17, 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 (Keaton Douglas), 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, November 13, 2018. Please leave your phone number and spell your last name.



On Saturday, December 1st, 2018, the "Roamin' Catholics" of the Co-Cathedral of St. Robert Bellarmine will be sponsoring a bus trip to:

Radio City Music Hall in New York City to see "Christmas Spectacular" starring the Radio City Rockettes.

Bus leaving St. Robert's - 2 pm leaving NYC - 8:30 pm

Tickets: \$182 per person

NO REFUNDS-RETURNS-ALL SALES FINAL

We will be leaving St. Robert's at 2:00 pm for the 4:30 pm performance.

This will allow ample time to get to our destination. A limited number of tickets will be available for purchase on a "FIRSTCOME-FIRST SERVED BASIS." **ALL PURCHASES ARE FINAL, With No Refunds, Returns and Exchanges Permitted.**

Tickets include Transportation to and from Radio City Music Hall with seating located in the 1st Mezzanine- center stage. Our return trip back to the Co-Cathedral of St. Robert Bellarmine, will be leaving Radio City Music Hall at 8:30 pm. You will have 2 1/2 hours after the performance to enjoy whatever you like, dinner from hundreds of restaurants or do some sightseeing in the City at Christmastime, like St. Patrick's Cathedral or the Famous Christmas Tree at Rockefeller Center, just a block away or Shop 'til you drop.

We have a brand-new way to order your tickets! Just follow the link below and you can pay with either your debit or credit card. <https://forms.parishgiving.org/form-4160342/>

For more information, please contact Marty Weisman at: 732-462-7038 or email me comehome@strobort.com

CHRISTMAS SPECTACULAR

Welcome the holiday season with the elegance and grace of Father Alphonse Stevenson conducting the renowned Orchestra of St. Peter by the Sea on **Friday, November 30th at 7:30 PM** at St. Dominic's Church, 250 Old Squan Rd., Brick, NJ.

2018 FREEDOM WOMENS CONFERENCE

November 10th 8 AM-4:15 PM

St. Mary Mother of God – 19 Cherry Tree Farm Rd. Middletown, NJ
Register at WWW.DOTCCR.Org/Events

\$25.00 includes light breakfast & lunch Featuring Maria Vadia – Dynamic Catholic Lay Evangelist! Maria will lead the conference in healing and freedom through the power of the Holy Spirit.



Donovan Catholic High School proudly presents their production of, "A Christmas Carol." Tickets are \$15 for Adults and \$12 for Students and Seniors. *Group rates are available.* Show times are **Thursday, November 15th, Friday, November 16th, Saturday, November 17th at 7:00pm and Sunday, November 18th at 2:00pm.**

Buy your tickets now!

Call (732)349-8801 x2403 Or visit www.donovancatholic.org