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Monday 10:00 AM to 7:30 PM Wednesday

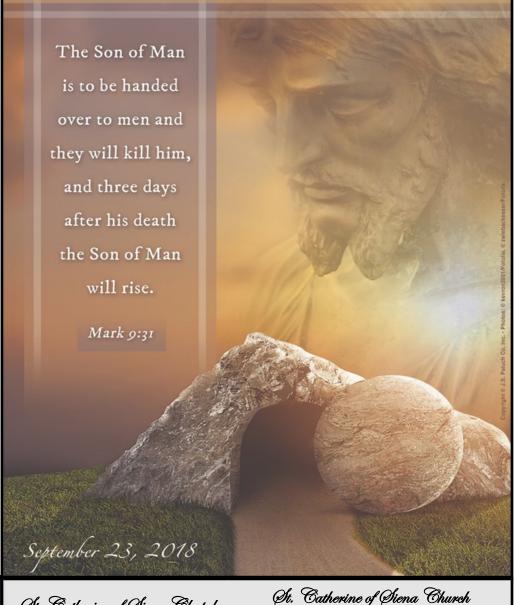
10:00 AM to 6:00 PM

St. Catherine of Siena

Roman Catholic Diocese of Trenton

31 Asbury Road, Farmingdale, New Jersey 07727

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time





St. Catherine of Siena 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 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

SACRAMENT INFORMATION

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 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.

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



First Reading -- The wicked say: With revilement and torture let us put the just one to the test (Wisdom 2:12, 17-20).

Psalm -- The Lord upholds my life (Psalm 54).

Second Reading -- The wisdom from above is full of mercy and good fruits (James 3:16 -- 4:3).

Gospel -- Whoever receives one child such as

this in my name, receives me (Mark 9:30-37).

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Sept. 22	4:30 pm	George Hankel
SAT.		Req. by Bill O'Connor & Jennifer Paliana

SUN. 8:00 am Req. by Bill & Cheryl Costello

Joseph Nash Family Req. by June Hankel

10:00 am Robert Hoffman

Req. by The Howarth Family **Anne Castagna**Req. by Phyllis Hurley

George Hankel

11:30 am Req. by Neal & Lorraine Pronek Peter Caram

Req. by Nancy & John Doran

WEEKDAY CHAPEL MASS-9:00 AM

MON.	Req. by Talcott Family	
Sept. 25	Grace Lupo	
TUES.	Req. Michael Randazzo & Family	
Sept. 27	Deacon Michael Principato	
THURS.	Req. by Roy & Pat Cranmer	
Sept. 28	Louis Rivera	
FRI.	Req. by Jim & Marian Ferris	

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

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

Today is our yearly Parish-Wide Fall Festival. Years ago, we requested the Knights of Columbus to lead the event and they have done a wonderful job, which they continue. But now, we also have the collaboration of the Hospitality Ministry and all other ministries of the parish. Following the 10 o'clock Mass, come to the event as we have a lot of things to offer like food, fellowship and fun. We are invited to participate in the Best Apple Dessert Contest and more. This Sunday, at the event, we begin the Share the Warmth Drive. Any extra hats, scarves, sweaters, gloves, socks, jackets and coats that you can give will be highly appreciated. Please know that all the above-mentioned items will be donated locally to help those in need. Thank you so much for your generosity.

The parish community is so very happy to welcome the families, parents and children, catechists, aides and the staff of our Religious Education Program for the 2018-2019 school year. We are going to have the Blessing of everyone at the 11:30 a.m. Sunday Liturgy. Let us pray for our children who are going to start and continue their faith journey through the Parish Program. Let us also include in our prayers their respective parents who are the first catechists and teachers of their children, as they practice the faith by receiving Jesus in the Eucharist every Sunday and are a wonderful example of how to be a faithful disciple of Jesus.

Chess is an interesting game that I think is perfect to demonstrate the message of the Gospel this Sunday. For those who are not familiar with the game, allow me to share with you that each player has 16 play pieces of checkers and among those 16 pieces there are 6 different types of piece, such as a king, a queen, castles, bishops, etc. The most important piece is the king. When your opponent attacks your king and he cannot be rescued, you have lost the game. The least important piece is a pawn. If your opponent captures one of your pawns, it could hurt you, but it's usually not fatal. The lesson is profound and expressed, "After the game, the king and the pawn go into the same box." No matter how important we are, or how powerful or wealthy, or successful or smart, or unimportant we are, we are all the same in one respect, that is, death will take all of us. In the end, the only thing we have that is truly ours is the degree of love we've had for God and others.

Today's Gospel has at its heart issues of power. It begins with Jesus talking about his impending passion, death and resurrection. The issue is that the disciples do not understand what he is saying. Last week, Peter remonstrated with Jesus and found himself chastised.

Instead of trying to get inside the meaning of Jesus' words, the disciples argue about who is the greatest among them. They focus on themselves. Being around Jesus, witnessing his power and sharing in that authority themselves has turned their heads. They are followers of a miracle worker. Power flows from and through him. Hence, how human it is for them to start discussing who is closest to Jesus, who is the most effective as a follower, who is the most powerful.

The hierarchy, was important to people in the time of Jesus, just as it is today in many areas of our society. Jesus wants to make it clear that greatness or power are not to be a focus for his followers. These are things that can turn his disciples in on themselves and make them an exclusive group. Belonging to the group and finding a rank within is not what matters but finding Jesus in the least likely places is what counts.

In church organizations, there can be a temptation to think that we are important when we are involved in various ministries or are given impressive titles. Closeness to Jesus, the source of power, and to his people, does not always mean that humility naturally flows. As we listen to St. James in the 2nd reading, we are reminded that the disordered desires fighting in ourselves can often be the source of desire for power and glory. Certainly, PRAYER, is the antidote. Closeness to Christ through fervent prayer will help us to be formed and shaped according to his will and to grow in the humility he so desires for all his followers. Keep in mind that true power comes when we allow ourselves to be filled by the Holy Spirit to be leaven in this world and a committed member of the Body of Christ. Amen.

May God Bless you,

ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA PARISH NEWS



Women of the parish: Join the Rosary Altar Society and the Legion of Mary Auxiliary at 10:00 am on October 11, 2018 to pray the Rosary followed by a Rosary Meeting.

All parishioners: We invite you to join in praying the Rosary at 4:00 pm (before the 4:30 pm Mass) on October 6, 2018, after the 8:00 am Mass on October 14 and October 28, 2018, and at 11:00 am (after the 10:00 am Mass/before the 11:30 am Mass) on October 21, 2018.

We also invite you to come celebrate the 101st anniversary of Fatima. We will be praying the Rosary in the parking lot by the statue of Mary at 12:00 noon on Saturday, October 11, 2018 followed by refreshments and socializing in the Parish Hall.

Visit the **Rosary Altar Society** and **Legion of Mary Auxiliary** tables at the Ministry Fair on Saturday and Sunday, October 20 and 21, 2018.



St. Catherine of Siena Parish-Wide Fall Festival

Supported by our Parish Ministries

Sunday, September 23, 2018

Beginning After the 10 A.M. Mass Rain or Shine

All are Welcome for Complimentary Food, Fellowship and Fun



BEST APPLE DESSERT CONTEST AND MORE



CHARITABLE SUPPORT: Your generosity is appreciated to the "Share the Warmth" Drive. Any extra hats, scarves, sweaters, mittens, gloves, socks and coats will be collected and donated locally to help those in need.

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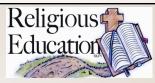
St. Catherine of Siena
Ministry Fair
Sunday, October 20/21, 2018



St. Catherine of Siena Parish Warmly Welcomes the Following New Parishioners:

The Fiorenze Family

Michael & Crystal Aidan, Ren, & Laurel



WELCOME BACK CATECHISTS, AIDES AND FAMILIES

Lord God, source of all wisdom and knowledge, you sent your son Jesus Christ, to live among us and to proclaim his message of faith, hope, and love to all nations. In your goodness bless our brothers and sisters who have offered themselves as catechist for your Church. Strengthen them with your gifts, that they may teach by word and by example the truth that comes from you. We ask this through Christ your Lord. Amen



Pray for the Deceased of our Parish family, especially for:

Concetta DeGrande

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

ADMINISTRATION

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

Weekly First Sunday Collection Saturday/Sunday, September 8/9 2018

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4:30 PM Mass	\$1,477.00	144 people
8:00 AM Mass	\$1,995.00	112 people
10:00 AM Mass	\$2,013.00	153 people
11:30 AM Mass	\$1,235.00	122 people
Totals	\$6,720.00	531 people
Online Giving Sept 10 — Sept 16	\$1,686.01	71 donors

Second Collection
Diocesan Assessment
\$1,161.00



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.



Sept 29/30 Collection St. Vincent de Paul

2018 ACA Goal \$44,000.00 September 16, 2018—\$37,245.00

85 % of Goal Pledged
Pledge Balance \$3,872.70
Only \$6,755.00 Remains

In addition to being successful in this important Annual Catholic Appeal, our parish will receive a 15% rebate from the Diocese if \$44,000.00 goal is met.

Thank you for your generosity and support!



The Good Samaritan Ministry
A LETTER OF THANKS...

Dear Social Concerns Committee,

I would like to thank you with all my heart for

coming to the aid of my family. At a most desperate and scary time where I did not know where to turn, your committee came to the rescue. Our lights are on "Praise God". Thank you for the

financial help and your prayers. You are a lovely group with a heart for the Lord.

- A very Grateful Family

The Social Concerns
Commission
of St. Catherine of Siena
A LETTER OF THANKS...

To Our Friends at the St. Catherine of Siena Parish,

On behalf of the staff and students, I would like to take this opportunity to express our sincere

Give thanks to the Lord for He is good; His love endures forever.

appreciation for the generous donation of school supplies for our students. These supplies have brought smiles to many student faces this year. Your kindness towards our school is greatly appreciated. Thank you! Howell Township Public School Principal



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, follow the easy registration steps. For assistance, please contact the parish office at 732-938-5375.

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 for children 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 10:15 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.

For more information, call the parish office or email RCIA@sienachurch.org.

SOCIAL CONCERNS

Giving Back

to our local community

The following is a list of items we regularly give out to the people of Howell and Farmingdale.

Canned Vegetables	Canned Fruit	Cereals
Peanut Butter	Tuna Fish	Jelly/Jam
Salad Dressing	Tomato Sauce	Pastas
Crackers	Soup	Canned Meats
Cookies	Pancake Mix	Syrup
Macaroni & Cheese	Soap/ Detergents	Personal Care Items

We are grateful to all who generously make donations. Your kindness puts food on tables! All donations can be returned to our Narthex or Parish Office.

For more information, email socialconcernscomission@sienachurch.org.



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 us through the teachings of Christ and the Catholic Church.

TWO PROGRAMS WILL RUN SIMULTANEOUSLY





Opening Your Heart: The Starting Point

Keeping in Balance: **Creating Order Within**

Interested in Learning More? Please email wwp@sienachurch.org or call the parish office at 732-938-5375.



Did you know your old shoes provide new opportunities in your hometown?

Help people living in poverty gain new dignity, courage and hope

Collection Starting Now

The Social Concerns Commission of St. Catherine of Siena is sponsoring a shoe drive.

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.

Soles4Souls is a nonprofit enterprise committed to fighting poverty through the collection and distribution of shoes locally, nationally and internationally. For more information, email socialconcernscomission@sienachurch.org.



COMMUNITY CORNER

St. Veronica's Parish Dinner Dance





Come join us for a night of fun, dancing and good food

Nov. 10 at 6 PM

Tickets are ONLY 20.00 per adult.

We will also have our annual Mega 50/50 Cash Raffle drawing at the dinner.

Buy 5 Mega 50/50 tickets and receive 2 free dinner tickets.

Don't miss it, come join us, all are invited.

Mega 50/50 Tickets are NOW on Sale Contact Rectory Office



Drawing will take place on Nov. 10 During a Dinner Gathering in the School Gym. (tickets sold separately \$20.00 each).

Buy 5 Mega 50/50 Raffle tickets and receive 2 free dinner

tickets for Nov. 10 dinner

Don't Miss Your Chance to Win this year and enjoy a fun Dinner



September 26 - November 4, 2018

This fall, from September 26 – November 4 of 2018, our community will be uniting with over 765 other cities across America and 49 other countries for the largest and longest coordinated pro-life mobilization in history – the nationwide 40 Days for Life campaign. People of faith are praying that this effort will mark the beginning of the end of abortion. Please join us in prayer and fasting for an end to abortion in America. The 40 Days for Life campaign is made up of three key components:

Prayer and Fasting: inviting people of faith throughout the Monmouth County area to join together for 40 days of fervent prayer and fasting for an end to abortion.

Peaceful Vigil: standing for life in peaceful, prayerful vigil for 1 or 2 hours (or more) during the 40 day campaign outside the Shrewsbury abortion clinic at 69 E. Newman Springs Road.

Community Outreach: taking a positive, upbeat pro-life message throughout the Monmouth/Ocean County area through media efforts, church presentations, and public visibility.

If you wish to make a lifesaving impact in our community by participating in 40 Days for Life, please contact Hu Mador at 732-367-2565 or at hmador@optonline.net.



Director of Liturgical Music: Responsible for planning, coordinating and implementing the musical aspects of Parish Liturgy and worship, including but not limited to: selecting music for weekend Masses and Holy Days of Obligation, special Masses, and prayer services. Must understand and respect Roman Catholic Liturgical practice and the role of music, be proficient on piano and organ, show a broad literacy in traditional and contemporary sacred and liturgical music, and a minimum of five years' experience leading/directing Church choirs. Submit resume and three professional references to Church of Saint Leo the Great, 50 Hurleys Lane, Lincroft NJ 07738, Attn: DLM Search, or by email to parish@stleothegreat.com.

No phone inquiries.

Cantor/Leader of Song: Lead the worshiping community in musical prayer during weekend Masses, on Holy Days of Obligation, funerals, special Masses, and prayer services. Must understand and respect Roman Catholic Liturgical practice and the role of music, be able to read music and demonstrate a broad literacy in traditional and contemporary sacred and liturgical music. Submit a resume and three professional references to Church of Saint Leo the Great, 50 Hurleys Lane, Lincroft NJ 07738, Attn: C/LS Search, or by email to parish@stleothegreat.com. No phone inquiries.



Saint John Vianney High School

Open House

Saturday, October 20th 10 am—1 pm
Thursday, October 25th 7 pm—9 pm
Pre-Register for Open House & Placement Test at www.sjvhs.org/admissions
Placement Test, Saturday Nov. 3, 8 am
www.sjvhs.org