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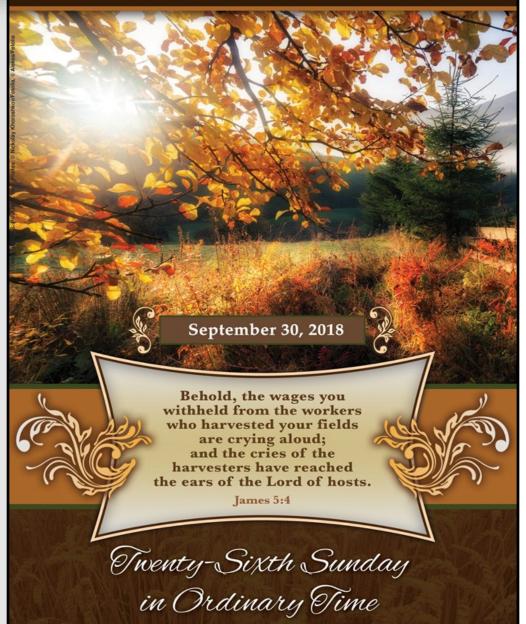
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Monday 10:00 AM to 7:30 PM

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St. Catherine of Siena

Roman Catholic Diocese of Trenton



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 St. Catherine of Siena 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

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.

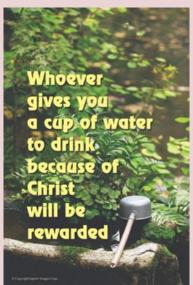


Homebound Ministry

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 -- Moses said, "Would that all the people of the LORD were prophets!" (Numbers 11:25 -29).

Second Reading --

Come now, you rich. The wages you withheld from the workers who harvested your fields are crying aloud (James 5:1-6).

Gospel -- Whoever is not against us is for us (Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48).

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

SAT

4:30 pm
Michael Del Priore
Req. by Ella LaRocca
Maureen Giuliana
Req. by Callari Family

SUN 8:00 am Tessie Haligowski
Req. by Conway Family
Rose Walsh

Req. by Anna Petrillo & Charles

LoSacco & Family

10:00 am William O'Doherty

Req. by The Runkel Family

Raymond Bishof Req. by Ferris Family

11:30 am

Sal Remigio

Req. by Nancy Martinez

Tony Diaz

Req. by Joseph Aulisi & Family

WEEKDAY CHAPEL MASS-9:00 AM

Oct. 1 Rachel Pennetti & Family MON Req. by Libby Miller

Oct. 2 John Balogh

TUES Req. by Gagliano Family

Oct. 4 Deacon Michael Principato
THURS Req. by Leon & Pam Davison

Oct. 5 Nancy Fitzgerald

FRI Req. by Terry Porter & Family

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,

TWENTIETH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

A few years ago, there was a movie that came out entitled BEN HUR. Some of you might remember it. Judah Ben Hur and his family lived well in the city of Jerusalem. Even though Israel was under the control of the Romans, the Jewish family of Ben Hur had pride, prestige and privileges. A series of misfortunes led to the loss of their privileged position and Ben Hur's mother and sister were sent to the dungeons where they eventually contracted leprosy. Ben Hur himself was condemned to slavery and was to work in the Roman galleys. In a chain gang with other slaves, he was being marched through the countryside to his doom. On the way they paused to rest in a small village. A local man, quiet and strong, gave a cup of cold water to the exhausted prisoner, Ben Hur. Ben Hur looked up to see who was being so kind to him, and he found himself gazing into the eyes of Jesus of Nazareth. He remembered Jesus' look forever and the kind favor Jesus had done for him.

Fortunately, after several years Ben Hur won back his title and honor. He returned to Jerusalem and to his old family house. One day, a loud procession passed in the street as a man was jostled and pushed along to his public execution, carrying a cross. Ben Hur was filled with compassion for this prisoner, extremely exhausted and hardly able to walk. When the condemned criminal fell to the ground, Ben Hur moved forward to help and lifted the fallen man. Their eyes met, and once again Judah Ben Hur looked into the eyes of Jesus of Nazareth. Jesus' kind action offering Ben Hur a cup of water was rewarded by the compassion Ben Hur learned to have for others who were suffering.

While Jesus passed on his way to Calvary, his shadow fell across two leper women in the crowd, the mother and sister of Ben Hur. They were healed of their disease. The above-mentioned story makes a beautiful illustration of Jesus' words in the Gospel today. "If anyone gives you a cup of water to drink, he will most certainly not lose his reward." The kindness Ben Hur has shown in running to help a fallen man was rewarded right away through Jesus' shadow healing of his mother and sister.

Jesus is telling us every good deed, even the least, will bring good things to us. God is faithful, and God is not going to let us get ahead in being generous and kind. Jesus reminds us as well in today's Gospel that every evil deed will bring us harm and that's why he warns us to get rid of evil in our lives now. He does not want us, however, to literally cut off parts of our bodies, but he is telling us even if something is near and dear to us, if it causes us to sin, we must not delay changing things around us. Fortunately, when we repent of our sins, God forgets the wrongdoings we have done. But he won't forget our good deeds. During the time of Jesus, the villages were rather small, and people could better look out for each other. In our modern world we live in a village as large as the whole world and there are so many people in need that sometimes it is so overwhelming. But we cannot just close our eyes and hearts and just ignore them. We must help as best as we can with a cup of water or a kind word.

Hundreds and thousands of opportunities come to us to do something good throughout the day. I would be remiss, however, if I did not mention a few areas here in our parish community where we can do some good if you wish to. Some ministries that we can be actively participating would be the: The Altar Rosary Society, as they promote and recite the Holy Rosary on Sundays after the Mass; The Homebound Ministry, as they visit and deliver Holy Communion to the sick, elderly and shut inns; The Social Concerns Commission, which covers all the ministries, is geared towards building up the Kingdom by responding to different needs that the parish can provide. One of these is the Good Samaritan Ministry, which directly responds to the growing and immediate needs of the poor and less fortunate locally.

Whatever good thing we do will be God's blessing for someone, but keep in mind that it will be a blessing for us as well. Every little thing we do is important. Even if our deeds of love and kindness are not well received in a grateful manner, certainly, we will not lose our reward. Amen.

God bless you,

Father Angelito

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 13, 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 Music Ministry needs Cantors and Choir members. If you would love to be part of our ministry of giving to the Glory of God through music, please come and join us! We are planning for special liturgies and a concert series.

Contact our Music Director, Alice, at **akovach9@aol.c**om to sign up and begin a journey of learning and growing with your Parish.

The choir meets on Thursdays at 7:30 pm in the Church.



THANK YOU! Our Parish-Wide Festival was a wonderful event filled with delicious food and wonderful fellowship. A special thanks to our Knights of Columbus for the delicious BBQ and to our Ministry for providing the amazing side-dishes and desserts.

Please Continue to Provide
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. Please bring donations to church narthex.







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



Blessing of the Animals Thursday, October 4 Main Church 6 PM Parking Lot

The feast of Saint Francis of Assisi will be observed with the traditional Blessing of the Animals . All are invited to bring their pets for a special blessing.

Weather Permitting



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

The Andersen Family Trevor, Lauren, Briella

The Caracciola Family John, Nicole, Charli, Giovanna, John

Andrew & Babette Gallager

Richard & Stephanie Petrucha

The Sepulveda Family Hector, Mary Jean, Guliana, Marco, Valentina

ADMINISTRATION

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

Weekly First Sunday Collection Saturday/Sunday, September 23/24 2018

4:30 PM Mass	\$1,397.00	136 people
8:00 AM Mass	\$1,601.00	114 people
10:00 AM Mass	\$1,552.00	147 people
11:30 AM Mass	\$848.00	132 people
Totals	\$5,398.00	529 people
Online Giving Sept 17 — Sept 23	\$1,301.00	65 donors

Second Collection Energy & Fuel \$1,302.00



October 6/7 Collection Maintenance & Repairs



The Good Samaritan Ministry A LETTER OF THANKS...

On behalf of me and my son, I would like to thank the Church Congregation

for helping and assisting us in our times of needs. We are so grateful to know that there are people like you. I thank you for your prayers and I will continue to push forward so one day I could also be a blessing to someone.

Thank you and God Bless, A grateful Family



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 ACA Goal \$44,000.00 September 24, 2018—\$37,245.00 85 % of Goal Pledged

Pledge Balance \$3,677.40 Only \$6,750.00 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 Social Concerns
Commission
of St. Catherine of Siena
A LETTER OF
THANKS...



To St. Catherine of Siena Parish,

Thank you from the Children of St. Clare's! We thank you for always thinking of us . We greatly appreciate all your donations.

Sincerely, St. Clare's Home for Children



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

NEWS FROM THE DONOVAN CATHOLIC ADMISSIONS OFFICE

Open House Thursday, Oct. 18th 7-9pm & Sunday, Oct. 21st 2-4pm Shadow a student for the day. Call Admissions 732-349-8801 x2425 Applications for the Class of 2023 are NOW available

Tuition Assistance applications through FACTS are NOW available SCHOLARSHIP Applications available October 1st.

High School Placement Test Saturday, Nov. 3rd Register NOW

The Catholic Women of Zion will hold a



Ministry Retreat Day on **Saturday, October 13, 2018** at Holy Family Church, 1139 East County Line Road, Lakewood NJ 08701. The day begins with Mass in the Church at 8:00 am and is followed by music, prayers for healing, sharing, networking, a speaker,

and a luncheon, finishing by 12:00 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, October 9, 2018.



September 26 - November 4, 2018

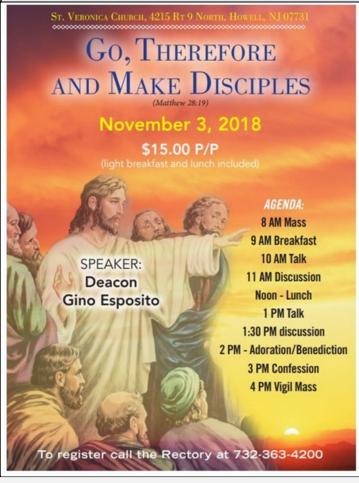
This fall, from September 26 – November 4 of 2018, our community will be uniting with over 765 other cities across America and 49 other countries for the largest and longest coordinated pro-life mobilization in history – the nationwide 40 Days for Life campaign. People of faith are praying that this 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.





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