

# St. Catherine of Siena Church

Roman Catholic Diocese of Trenton

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Office Hours: Mon-Thurs: 9 am—2 pm • Sun 9 am—12:45 pm  
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## 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.

# PALM SUNDAY

OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

April 14, 2019



Blessed is the king  
who comes in the name of the Lord.

LUKE 19:38

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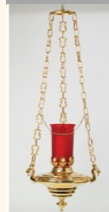
## WE PRAY ... CELEBRATE ... REMEMBER



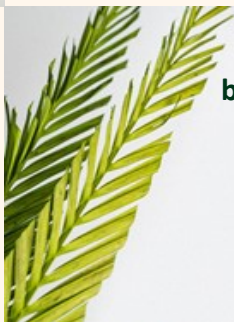
### WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS April 14, 2019

Christ emptied himself, and God filled  
this emptiness with exaltation -  
*Philippians 2:6-11.*

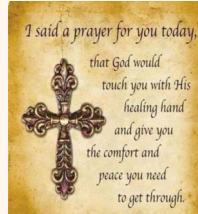
<b>April 13 SAT.</b>	4:30 pm	<b>Marie Rottkamp</b> Req. by the Family <b>Stella Biernacki</b> Req. by Diane & Ray Cullman
<b>April 14 SUN.</b>	8:00 am	<b>Barbara Nedd</b> Req. by Nigel & Jaqueline Storey <b>Dorothy Kunen</b> Req. by Bill & Cheryl Costello
	10:00 am	<b>Loretta Oettinger</b> Req. by Jim & Marian Ferris <b>Glen Kipp</b> Req. by Phillip & Kristin Natilli
	11:30 am	<b>Dominick Colonna</b> Req. by the Giakas Family <b>Jean Anne Burke</b> Req. by the Lamb Family
<b>April 15 MON.</b>	9:00 am	<b>Brian Tanner</b> Req. by Jim & Marian Ferris  <b>Michael O'Neill</b> Req. by Joan Pekkar
<b>April 16 TUES.</b>	9:00 am	<b>Dolores &amp; Theodore Wotjanowski</b> Req. by Kay Sacknowitz & Family



The Sanctuary Light will be lit this week in  
loving memory of  
**Marie Rottkamp**, at the request of  
Agnes Rottkamp.



**Fresh palms will be  
blessed at the beginning of  
Mass this weekend and  
distributed at the  
conclusion of each  
Palm Sunday Mass.**



### Please Pray for the Sick and All Those Who Have Asked for Our Prayers

<b>MaryAnn Aulisi</b>	<b>John Hart</b>	<b>Esther Peraza</b>
<b>Peter Bennett</b>	<b>Lori Jones</b>	<b>Jeanette Picciani</b>
<b>Colette Blair</b>	<b>Janice Kehoe</b>	<b>David Piccolo</b>
<b>Mike Burke</b>	<b>Charles "Butch" Lavin</b>	<b>Mary Rossiello</b>
<b>Robert Carlson Jr.</b>	<b>Barbara Lipari</b>	<b>Barbara Sansevere</b>
<b>Joseph Cocuzza</b>	<b>Lauren MacArthur</b>	<b>Nancy Soper</b>
<b>Nancy Drake</b>	<b>Teresa Magyar</b>	<b>Wayne Sos</b>
<b>Cyril Elias</b>	<b>Margie McCullam</b>	<b>Yolanda Spinelli</b>
<b>Sharon Foster</b>	<b>Linda Moore</b>	<b>Ilona Supczynski</b>
<b>Marlene Gravatt</b>	<b>McKenna Murray</b>	<b>Melissa Tortorello</b>
<b>Norma Jean Hall</b>	<b>Amber Painter</b>	<b>Roseann Williams</b>

### HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE 2019

**RECONCILIATION** Saturday's 3:30 p.m.—4:30 p.m.

#### DAILY MASS

St. Catherine of Siena Chapel  
**Monday, April 15 at 9 a.m.**

#### DIOCESAN CHRISM MASS

The Co-Cathedral of St. Robert of Bellarmine  
**Monday, April 15 at 7:30 p.m.**

#### DAILY MASS

St. Catherine of Siena Chapel  
**Tuesday, April 16 at 9 a.m.**

#### HOLY THURSDAY April 18

No Morning Mass  
St. Catherine of Siena Church  
**Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:30 p.m.**

#### GOOD FRIDAY April 19

St. Catherine of Siena Church opens at 9 a.m.  
**Passion of the Lord & Veneration of the Cross at 3 p.m.**  
Stations of the Cross at 7 p.m.

#### HOLY SATURDAY April 20

St. Catherine of Siena Church Morning Prayers at  
9 a.m. followed by Blessing of Easter Baskets & Foods  
**Vigil Mass at 7:30 p.m.**

**EASTER SUNDAY April 21** Masses at 8, 10 & 11:30 a.m.

## PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Parishioners,

Today is Palm Sunday of the PASSION of the LORD JESUS

As we begin the holiest days of the year, we must keep in mind that only you and I can make this week holy. If we treat and look at this week just like the ordinary days of the week, without making some room and time for intense prayer, deep reflection and attending our Holy Week schedule in our church, then it will be holy in name only. Most of us have heard that Pope Francis always stresses the theme about God's mercy, love, and forgiveness.

Going through the Passion of Jesus in the Gospel, the scene of the three crosses on the hill of Calvary, is so well known. A tradition names the good or penitent thief as St. Dismas. There is a statue of him in the town of Breznice in the Czech Republic. Indeed, he is one of the most hopeful saints of the Christian faith. We don't know why he was crucified, but from the cross, he recognizes that the blood-stained and dying Jesus, who has been jeered at by the soldiers, is his Messiah. For he knows that Jesus is both God and man, and he is the one to save him. He speaks, "Jesus remember me when you come into your kingdom." Jesus replies, "Indeed, I promise you, today you will be with me in paradise." The thief died a happy man, knowing that he had received the gift of eternal life.

The events of Holy Week invite us to deepen our trust in the merciful love of a forgiving God and to walk with Jesus through this beautiful week. If you have not done so, it is a time for confession before Easter so that we can celebrate the feast with a renewed heart and be at peace. As we enter Holy Week with enthusiasm and joy, let us walk with Jesus and see where we are in the crowd. Who knows, might I be like Simon who carried the cross or Veronica who wiped the face of Jesus? Or, might I be someone who mocks others, even like the thief who mocked Jesus? As we look around, the good thief might be found in prison. Some of the neediest are those people who have been displaced out of their houses by violence, calamities, conflict, etc.

This week is a great invitation to pray. "Jesus remember me when you come into your kingdom." Jesus' response is consoling and hopeful, "Today you will be with me in paradise." Amen.

May God bless you,

Father Angelito



### Chrism Mass

Co-Cathedral of  
St. Robert of Bellarmine  
Freehold, NJ  
Monday, April 15th  
7:30 p.m.  
All are Welcome!

## ADMINISTRATION

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

**Weekly First Sunday Collection**  
**Saturday/Sunday, April 6/7 2019**

**Due to an Early Bulletin Deadline for Palm Sunday, the Weekly Collection and Attendance will be Reported Next Weekend.**



Collection for Good Friday, April 19, 2019  
 Every year on Good Friday, a collection is taken up in Catholic Churches to support the work of the Franciscans working in the Holy Land. Christians there rely heavily on the help that comes to them during this special day in the Church and our life of faith. Thank you for your generosity. For information, please visit: <https://myfranciscan.org/good-friday>

### EXPENSES FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH

Office Supplies	\$667.48
Repairs and Maintenance Supplies	\$133.28
Religious Education	\$1,086.96
Telephone/Internet/Cable	\$622.74
Water	\$168.77
Gas	\$2,137.36
Electric	\$765.82
Waste	\$123.79
Landscaping/Care of Grounds	\$8,206.45
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$13,912.65</b>



***Prayer  
Fasting  
Almsgiving***

**Upcoming Second Collection— Apr 27/28**

**Catholic Home Mission Appeals**

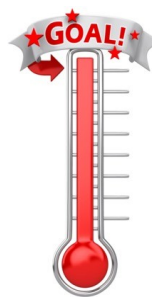


Parish Office  
 Closed  
 Thursday, April 18  
 and Monday, April 22



“Never **REACH OUT**  
 your hand unless you are willing to  
**EXTEND** an arm.” Pope St. Paul VI

Each parish is part of the larger church of the Diocese of Trenton. We are led by Bishop O’Connell, who is charged with the education and guidance of all the members of his flock. We must help him to shepherd his flock. **Each one of us** is the beneficiary of blessings from God. Our time, talent and treasure are all gifts. **We are called to make a difference and share our gifts with those who are less fortunate than ourselves.** Together, we can do more than any one parish can do alone



Our Parish Goal: \$44,000.00  
 As of March 25, 2019  
 Pledged Amount: **\$23,999.30**  
**Percent of Goal Raised=55%**  
 Donors: 85  
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Pledge Balance Owed on  
 March 25=\$6,863.47



We are always grateful and moved by the level of support you give to our parish. **Thank you** for this support, and may God continue to bless you and your family.

Catholic Appeal pledge cards are available in the narthex. For more information on the Annual Catholic Appeal, please email [frontoffice@sienachurch.org](mailto:frontoffice@sienachurch.org).

## ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA MINISTRY NEWS



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

Upcoming sessions for new parents:

Sunday, April 28, 2018  
June 2, 2018

For more detailed information and to register, visit our parish website, [www.sienachurch.org](http://www.sienachurch.org).

The ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA  
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM  
THANKS YOU FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION



### BLESSING OF THE EASTER FOOD BASKETS

ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA CHURCH

HOLY SATURDAY 9:00 A.M.

ALL ARE WELCOME TO HAVE THEIR EASTER BASKETS BLESSED WITH ALL THE FOOD AND TREATS FOR YOUR EASTER CELEBRATION.

### *Did you know...?*

**The Blessing of Easter Food Baskets is a beloved tradition for many Catholic faithful!**

The custom of blessing food for Easter arose from the discipline of fasting throughout Lent and the special Easter fast during the Easter Triduum. Easter was the first day when meat, eggs and other foods could again be eaten.

**Foods in the Easter baskets have symbolic meaning:**

**Eggs**—symbolic of and Christ's resurrection

**Bread**—symbolic of Jesus

**Lamb**—represents Christ

**Salt**—represents purification

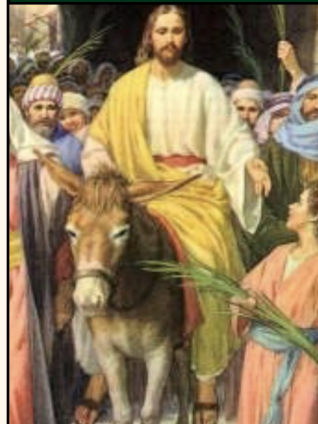
**Horseradish**—symbolic of the bitter sacrifice of Jesus

**Ham**—symbolic of great joy and abundance

**Candle**—symbolic of Christ, the Light of the World

**Ribbons**—symbolizing joy and celebration

**Children Join Us!** Include chocolates and candies in the family Easter basket—or carry their own baskets to the church, to share the joy of the Resurrection in a special way!



St. Catherine of Siena  
Music Ministry  
Presents

An Easter Cantata

**Jesus Remember Me**

Performed by the Adult and  
Children's Choir

**Palm Sunday**

**April 14, 2019**

St. Catherine of Siena  
Church

**3 pm**

Refreshments to Follow  
Parish Hall

## SACRAMENT & FAITH FORMATION

**ANOINTING 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. For more information, please call the Parish Office.

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

**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. Near the end of the process, the Sacraments of Initiation—Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist—are celebrated at the Easter Vigil. The RCIA for Children will be offered on the **1st, 2nd and 3rd Sunday of the Month October thru May**. Please contact the Parish Office for more information.

**OBTAIN A CERTIFICATE OF ELIGIBILITY:** In order to be a godparent/sponsor for Baptism or Confirmation, according to Canon Law, 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.

**OBTAIN A MASS CARD:** We welcome all who would like to request their special intentions or deceased loved ones be prayed for at weekday or weekend Mass. Please call or stop by the Parish Office.

**PRAYER LIST:** Please call the Parish Office to request a name be added to our prayer list.

**MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA:** We welcome all on Monday's after the 9 am Mass in our Chapel.

## SOCIAL CONCERNS

### Easter Baskets of Blessings Drive St. Catherine of Siena



FOR ALL YOUR SUPPORT AND OUTPOURING OF  
LOVE & GENEROSITY!

**MORE  
DETAILS**  
*Coming Soon!*

The Social Concerns Commission extends out into our community to lend support to those facing hardships. Together, reaching out to God's children, let us make a difference this Lenten season to give hope to others through a small token of our parish community's love for the children of our area.

*Coming Soon!*

### Rosary Altar Society Mother's Day Baby Shower

Kick off weekend **April 27th & 28**  
Email [rosary@sienachurch.org](mailto:rosary@sienachurch.org)



More Information to Follow!

## OUR DIOCESE ... OUR COMMUNITY



Bishop David M. O'Connell, C.M., and the Roman Catholic Diocese of Trenton invite law enforcement personnel of all faiths who live or serve in Burlington, Mercer, Monmouth and Ocean Counties to the...

### Celebration of Law Enforcement

**Tuesday, April 30, 2019 • 10:30 a.m.**

**St. Mary of the Assumption Cathedral**  
151 N. Warren Street, Trenton

Luncheon donation of \$20 per person requested.  
Immediate families of law enforcement personnel are included at no cost.



For further information, call 609-403-7199, or visit [www.bluemass.org](http://www.bluemass.org)

Reservations required by Tuesday, April 23 • [apedre@dioceseoftrenton.org](mailto:apedre@dioceseoftrenton.org) • 609-403-7199  
To order lunch tickets, submit checks made payable to: Diocese of Trenton-Blue Mass and mail to:  
Diocese of Trenton-Blue Mass, Attn: Anna Pedreiro, 701 Lawrenceville Rd., P.O. Box 5147, Trenton, NJ 08638-0147

The 20th annual Mass and Celebration of Law Enforcement, also known as the Blue Mass, sponsored by the Diocese of Trenton for law enforcement personnel of all faiths who live or serve in Burlington, Mercer, Monmouth and Ocean Counties will be held on **April 30, 10:30 a.m.** in **St. Mary of the Assumption Cathedral, Trenton.**

The event is offered to build support, and show visible appreciation for the efforts of law enforcement in keeping the public safe, and to ask God to protect them in this critical work. The Mass also offers an opportunity for the law enforcement community to honor and pray for fallen officers and their families.

A luncheon donation of \$20 per person is requested. Immediate families of law enforcement personnel are included at no cost.

For further information, call Anna at 609-403-7199 or visit [www.bluemass.org](http://www.bluemass.org).



**DIOCESE OF TRENTON**  
**FAITH IN OUR FUTURE**

### Three Parishes † One Community

St. Catherine of Siena ~ St. Veronica ~ St. William the Abbot

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**St. Catherine of Siena**  
[www.sienachurch.org](http://www.sienachurch.org)

*Jesus Remember Me*, an Easter Cantata performed by the Adult and Children's Choir. All are welcome to enjoy the concert being held on **Palm Sunday, April 14, 2019 at 3:00 pm**. Refreshments will be served in the Parish Hall immediately following. For more information, please email [frontoffice@sienachurch.org](mailto:frontoffice@sienachurch.org).

**St. Veronica**  
[www.stveronica.com](http://www.stveronica.com)

Starting **April 8, 2019**, St. Veronica Church, 4215 Route 9, Howell NJ will commence a support group for those who have lost loved ones. The meetings will be held on **Monday evenings**, in the rectory (basement office) at 6:30 pm for a duration of 6 weeks. To register and for more information, please call Deacon Tom at **732-363-4200**.

**St. William the Abbot**  
[www.stwilliamtheabbot.com](http://www.stwilliamtheabbot.com)

Stations of the Cross is held every Friday during Lent at 7 pm.

A Noon Mass has been added for Lent, Monday thru Thursday.

All are welcome.