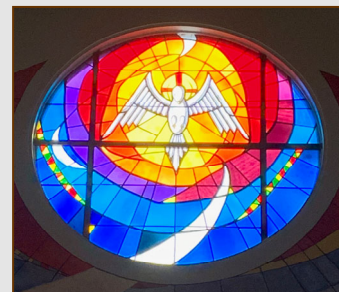


St. Catherine of Siena Church

Roman Catholic Diocese of Trenton

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



Strive to enter
through the
narrow gate,
for many, I tell you,
will attempt to enter
but will not be
strong enough.

LUKE 13:24

**Twenty-first
Sunday in
Ordinary Time**
AUGUST 25, 2019

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.



Strengthen your drooping hands
and your weak knees. Make straight paths
for your feet, that what is lame may not be
disjointed but healed.

— *Hebrews 12:12–13*

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, AUGUST 24

4:30 PM

Monica Ann Talcott • *Talcott Family*

George Hankel • *Donna Lee*

SUNDAY, AUGUST 25

8:00 AM

Wayne Sos • *loving wife, JoAnn*

10:00 AM

Cole Alan Truax • *Angela Goldberg & Family*

Charles McManus • *Phillip & Kristin Natilli*

11:30AM

Dorothy Gabbard • *Gabbard Family*

Sally Carlson • *sister, Donna*

Living Intention

MONDAY, AUGUST 26

9:00 AM

People of the Parish

TUESDAY, AUGUST 27

9:00 AM

People of the Parish

THURSDAY, AUGUST 29

9:00 AM

People of the Parish

FRIDAY, AUGUST 30

9:00 AM

People of the Parish



May the Good Lord Bless all the
Faithful Departed, and Especially:

Anthony Farinella

May his Soul and the Souls of all the
Faithful Departed, through the
Mercy of God, Rest in Peace.

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

MaryAnn Aulisi, Peter Bennett, Colette Blair, Frank Bracco, Mike Burke, Sally Carlson, Joseph Cocuzza, Keith Dice, Nancy Drake, Bob Ebhar, Cyril Elias, Sharon Foster, Marlene Gravatt, Norma Jean Hall, John Hart, Lori Jones, Ann Johnston, John Keegan, Janice Kehoe, Barbara Lipari, Lauren MacArthur, Teresa Magyar, José Martinez Sr., Margie McCullam, Linda Moore, McKenna Murray, Amber Painter, Esther Peraza, Jeanette Picciani, David Piccolo, Mary Rossiello, Barbara Sansevere, Nancy Soper, Yolanda Spinelli, Ilona Supczynski, Melissa Tortorello.

OUR PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Parishioners,

Today is the Twenty-First Sunday of the Year.

People loved to question to Jesus. Some were sincere, for they meant well; though others tried to back him into a corner. Some questions prompted a few of Jesus' most important teachings. "Lord, will only a few people be saved?" Even though Jesus did not say how many may or may not be saved, he does give us some words of advice. He answered: "Strive to enter through the narrow gate, for many, I tell you, will attempt to enter but will not be strong enough. After the master of the house has arisen and locked the door, then you will stand outside, knocking and saying, "Lord, open the door for us." Only the narrow door will lead to eternal life. The door that is easy to get through will take you to a place where you will find no happiness. The vital word is to strive, which means "agonizomai" in Greek and translated into English means "agony."

Allow me to share with you a story about a novice monk who entered a monastery where the vow of silence limited all speaking to two words every ten years. After this novice completed his first decade, the abbot asked him: "What are the two words you would like to speak?" The monk said: "Bed... hard," and the abbot said, "I see." Ten years later, the monk returned to the abbot's office and was again asked the same question: "What are the two words you would like to speak?" "Food. . . stinks," said the monk. "I see," replied the abbot. Another ten years passed, and once again, the abbot asked the same question: "What are your two words now?" "I... quit!" said the monk. "Oh well, I can see why," replied the abbot. "All you ever do is complain."

It sounds funny, as this monk had spent thirty years in the monastery, praying and immersed with the Sacred Scriptures, listening as well as studying Jesus' teachings, being present in the liturgies and most importantly, uniting with Jesus in the Eucharist. However, he somehow missed the point of it all. His interests were not in things associated with the kingdom which Jesus taught him, but rather in those temporal things that mattered to him.

His story shows how our attitude and failure to act from a place of God's love, can dampen our awareness of it. Jesus adds discipline and boundaries to his gift of salvation. He gives his followers some liberty, but he also demands that they make concentrated efforts to help their neighbors and strangers alike. Jesus reminds us that "*You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself.*" This is never far from His lips and His heart. Jesus tells us as His disciples that how one measures others is how His father will judge them. Mentioning, "Lord, Lord" is not enough. Jesus expects deeds to be done in his name. If we are to proclaim the Good news to all throughout the world, it begins by aligning our works and thoughts with the message of the cross, which genuinely proclaims, the steadfast kindness and fidelity of God.

Jesus holds up two important images: the narrow gate and the locked door. The narrow gate means the qualifications for entrance, and the locked door refer to being tardy and indifference in responding. Both connect with the absolute need to be prepared when the Lord Jesus returns.

We don't want to fail in any of these areas for we want to be included when Jesus comes again. Jesus is saying to us today that there is enough room for everyone but let us be aware that the door will not admit us all, for Jesus wants our sincerity of heart.

Lord Jesus, we desire to eat and drink in your company for all eternity. Show us the way to live and nourish us so that we can feed others with your all-inclusive and unconditional love. Amen.

May God bless you,

Father Angelito

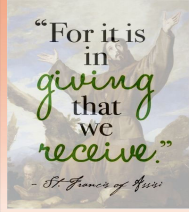
ADMINISTRATION AND STEWARDSHIP

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

**Weekly First Sunday Collection
Saturday/Sunday, August 17/18 2019**

4:30 PM Mass	\$1,450.00	137 people
8:00 AM Mass	\$1,163.00	122 people
10:00 AM Mass	\$1,270.00	148 people
11:30 AM Mass	\$1,114.00	100 people
Totals	\$5,027.00	507 people
Online Giving Aug 12—Aug 18	\$1,574.00	69 donors

**Second Collection
Diocesan Assessment \$1,097.00**



**August 15, 2019
Assumption of the
Blessed Virgin Mary**

\$1,090.00



“Never **REACH OUT** your hand unless you are willing to **EXTEND** an arm.” Pope St. Paul VI
The Annual Catholic Appeal is important.

As members of our diocesan family, we are called upon to love and serve all our brothers and sisters—both within our Catholic community & beyond. Your contribution to the Annual Catholic Appeal allows our diocese to continue to serve as a resource to the parishes and other organizations in their efforts to provide service, evangelization and outreach to people throughout Burlington, Mercer, Monmouth & Ocean Counties. Our single Act of Faith propels the works of love that build up our Church.

Below you will see the Annual Catholic Appeal comparisons from our parish 2018 vs. 2019 results to date. Unfortunately, we are behind from last year's pace, with 85% of goal at this point last year compared with 74% at present. Your contribution makes a difference! Please help. Please contribute. Please make a pledge.

2019	Our Parish Goal: \$44,000.00	2018
As of August 19, 2019		As of August 20, 2018
Pledged Amount: \$32,599.60		Pledged Amount: \$37,245.00
Collected: \$30,395.28		Collected: \$32,646.80
Percent of Goal Raised 74%		Percent of Goal Raised 85%
Donors: 137		Donors: 163

Pledge Balance As of August 19, 2019 \$2,204.32		Pledge Balance As of August 20, 2018 \$4,598.20

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL NEEDS HELP Important Message from Bishop O'Connell:

The 2019 Annual Catholic Appeal is experiencing a very challenging year thus far. Contributions are down 20% across the Diocese. **The Appeal is the source of support for all our diocesan works and ministries.** Please take a moment to consider how you can help if you have not done so already. Your participation is essential if we want to continue our ministries as we have done. **Thank you for your consideration.**

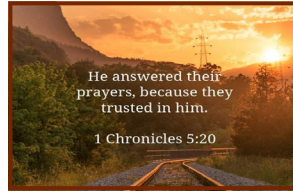
Here at St. Catherine of Siena Church, we are always grateful and moved by the level of support you give to our parish. Thank you for this support, and may God continue to bless you and your family. Annual Catholic Appeal pledge cards are available in the Narthex and the Parish Office.

For more information on the Annual Catholic Appeal, please email frontoffice@sienachurch.org.



Our parish has received a rebate check for the period ending June 30, 2019 in the amount of **\$6,438**.

We thank you for your generous support.



From the Heart ...

Charles "Butch" Lavin extends a warm thank you to our Pastor, Father Angelito, Father Al and all our parishioners for all the prayers. He is cancer-free and loving life!

With Love,

The Lavin Family



Through the Sacrament of Baptism, we welcome to the Church:

Kathryn Lucille Gargiulo
Jack Alfred Gargiulo

We ask God's blessings on these children and their families every day of their lives!

Ministry Update

We are in need of **READERS** for Daily Mass at our Chapel.

If you are able to volunteer please email Donna Lee at massministries@sienachurch.org

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



The Delmonico Family
James, Michelle, Jameson & Logan

The Kaufmann Family
Eugene, Elizabeth Gavin, Jake, Maya

The Woodle Family
John, Catherine, John "Jack" & Colin

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



Parish Harvest Festival

Including ☩

Showcase of Ministries



Join Us

BBQ Desserts & More

All our wonderful ministries & volunteer opportunities will be present & will have information available to those interested in serving.

MINISTRIES INCLUDE: Altar Servers, Music, Ushers, Extraordinary Ministers, Homebound, Lectors, Chapel Readers, Rosary Altar Society, Legion of Mary Auxiliary, Men's Prayer Group, RCIA, Walking with Purpose, Respect for Life, The Good Samaritan Ministry, The Social Concerns Commission, The Giving Tree, Hospitality Committee, Knights of Columbus, Religious Education, Website, Money Counters, Buildings and Grounds, Youth Ministry

SACRAMENTAL AND 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. Baptism Arrangements must be made in advance by contacting 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 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 or removed to our prayer list.

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA: We welcome all on Mondays after the 9 am Mass in our Chapel.

LOW GLUTEN HOST: An extremely low-gluten (37 micrograms) host is available for those in need. Please notify the Priest or the Deacon prior to the beginning of the Mass you are attending.



STAY WITH US

Prayer for Family Commitment

CATECHETICAL SUNDAY 2019

A BLESSING OF CATECHISTS AND STUDENTS

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2019
11:30 AM MASS

ALL ARE WELCOME

“Catechetical Sunday is a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the role that each person plays, by virtue of Baptism, in handing on the faith and being a witness to the Gospel.” Every Christian is continually called to walk in the path of Christ.

**We NEED you.
Can you HELP?**

Catechists for VARIOUS grades are needed. You don't need to have a child in the program to be eligible to teach, just a desire to share your faith with the children of the Parish.

For more details, please contact Patrice Riley, at 732-938-6229 or email cre@sienachurch.org



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

We are pleased to announce that we are now offering **ONLINE** Registration for our

2019-2020 Religious Education Program.

Grades K—8

Please visit our Parish Website at www.sienachurch.org to access the link to begin the registration process.

For more information, please contact the Parish Office at 732-938-5375 Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m.—2 p.m. or Sunday, 9 a.m.—12:45 p.m.



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UPCOMING EVENTS

St. Catherine of Siena

www.sienachurch.org

Walking with Purpose Women's Bible Study

Walking with Purpose is a weekly women's bible study that through personal study and small group discussions helps to link our everyday challenges and struggles to the solutions given to us through the teachings of Christ and the Church. *Do you crave meaningful connection with other women? Would you like to know more about how Scripture relates to your everyday life?* If so, we invite you to consider joining Walking with Purpose at St. Catherine of Siena Parish. Join us Tuesday mornings beginning in September. For more information, please email wwp@sienachurch.org or call Laura Randazzo at 732-938-5375.

St. Veronica

www.stveronica.com

St. Veronica Adoration Chapel

"Perpetual Adoration extends its influence far beyond the individual adorers, touching their homes and families and reaching out to the parish community and beyond."-Pope Paul VI
To become a registered adorer or for any questions please contact Debbie at drev514@aol.com or leave a message at 732-367-7750.

St. William the Abbot

www.stwilliamtheabbot.com

DIOCESE OF TRENTON CATHOLIC CEMETERY MINISTRY PRESENTS:

ONE NIGHT WITH
JEFF CAVINS!



PRESENTING
WHEN YOU SUFFER

BIBLICAL KEYS FOR HOPE AND UNDERSTANDING

Thursday,
Oct 17th 2019
St. Isaac
Jogues Parish
Call Maria Guzman-
Paczkowski -
856-317-6400

Announcing:
A Recovery Mass
...Grace for the Journey

Tuesday, September 17, 2019 @ 7:00 PM

CELEBRANT: The Very Reverend Robert S. Grodnicki, VF

Pastor, St. Luke Parish, Toms River



Sponsored by The Diocese of Trenton, Dept. of Pastoral Care

Co-Cathedral of St. Robert Bellarmine

61 Georgia Road, Freehold, NJ

Light refreshments to follow in Parish Center



Clothing Sale

The Martha Mary Guild of The Parish of St. Mary, in Colts Neck, Rte. 34 & Phalanx Rd. will be holding its annual Clothing/Linen Sale on **Thursday, Sept. 5, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Friday, Sept. 6, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday, Sept. 7, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.**

All proceeds will benefit women and children in need. For more information, please call St. Mary Parish Office at 732-780-2666.



'CALLED, BLESSED AND SENT" Proverbs 31: 10-31

2019 Catholic Women of Zion Women's Rally Saint Dorothea's Church/School Auditorium

240 Broad Street, Eatontown, NJ Saturday, September 14, 2019 8:30 AM - 4:00 PM Mass, Praise and Worship by Joyful Praise, Healing Prayers, Vendors Continental Breakfast, and Box Lunch to be ordered online. Reservations are necessary: Admission: \$35.00 (Pay at the door) Please register online: www.cwoz.org or call and leave your phone number, spell your last name at: 732-202-8352 by Tuesday, September 10, 2019.