

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



Thirty-Second SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

God is not God of the dead,
but of the living,
for to him all are alive.

Luke 20:38

November 10, 2019



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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

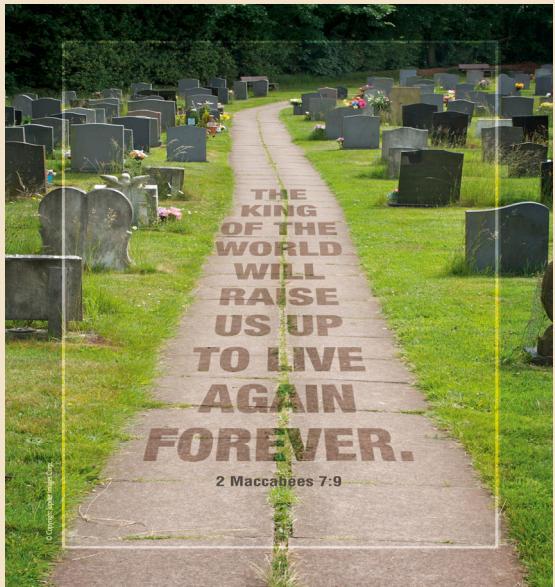
Monday—9 a.m.

Tuesday—9 a.m.

Thursday—9 a.m.

Friday—9 a.m.

WE PRAY... CELEBRATE... REMEMBER



MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY • NOVEMBER 9

4:30 PM

Ruby Gaudino • Linda Notarangelo

John & Mary Kruse • daughters, Maryann, Patty & Stephanie

SUNDAY • NOVEMBER 10

8:00 AM

William Whitcraft • Janniello Family

10:00 AM

Viola O'Reilly • Mary O'Reilly

Mary Flannery • Simona Aschera & Marcia Grivalsky

11:30AM

Michael Grybowski • Terri Murray & Family

Consuelo Remigio • Nancy Martinez

MONDAY • NOVEMBER 11

9:00 AM

Walt Andrews • Catherine & Jan Mondrus

TUESDAY • NOVEMBER 12

9:00 AM

John T. Dale • Palmie

Pasquale "Pat" Vicinanza • Bellows Family

THURSDAY • NOVEMBER 14

9:00 AM

William Dolan • OBHS Transition Block

FRIDAY • NOVEMBER 15

9:00 AM

Joseph Cocuzza • Elenor Foley

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

MaryAnn Aulisi, Peter Bennett, Colette Blair, Frank Bracco, Mike Burke, William Clemens, Keith Dice, Nancy Drake, Bob Ebhar, Cyril Elias, Sharon Foster, Cheri Gargiulo, Marlene Gravatt, Norma Jean Hall, John Hart, Lori Jones, Ann Johnston, John Keegan, Charlie "Butch" Lavin, Barbara Lipari, Lauren MacArthur, Teresa Magyar, Margie McCullam, Linda Moore, McKenna Murray, John O'Leary, Amber Painter, Esther Peraza, Jeanette Picciani, David Piccolo, Mary Rossiello, Barbara Sansevere, Nancy Soper, Ilona Supczynski, Melissa Tortorello, Giuseppe Turriciano, Phyllis Weissblum.

OUR PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Parishioners,

Once again, we have a long weekend because tomorrow, Monday, November 11, is a federal holiday. On Veterans Day, we honor, respect and remember with gratitude all who have served and offered their lives for the freedom, democracy, and peace of our nation. Let us include in our intentions and prayers the memory of our fallen soldiers, our heroes, together with their own families, relatives, and friends. Let us lift our minds and voices for the gifts and blessings God has bestowed on them.

Today is the Thirty Second Sunday of the Year.

Before I became ordained to the priesthood, I happened to be a classroom teacher. A student's question revealed to me either that he or she was beginning to understand a concept or that he or she missed the point. We find in today's Gospel an example of this when the Sadducees ask Jesus about whose wife the bride of seven brothers will be at the resurrection; it is clear they miss the point. Resurrected life gives us a new reality in which people "can no longer die, for they are like angels." The encounters between Jesus and the disciples following his resurrection reveal how long it is for his disciples to understand this. They did not have an experience that helped them wrap their minds around the concept. Neither did we until Jesus' resurrection, and it is still difficult for us to grasp. Something of us is the same, but something of us is very different. Any change requires that an element of reality continue while other elements are different.

As we are concluding the liturgical year, the Church presents us with apocalyptic readings this Sunday to encourage us to think about the ultimate realities of our destiny. The final book of the New Testament is known as the Apocalypse because it is dealing with the great upheaval that will lead to the ultimate triumph of good over evil. Like the biblical people, men and women in every age wrestle with the problem of evil. We seek answers to the mystery of it all and perhaps to the mystery of ourselves. As people of faith, we live in the hope of redemption.

In today's Gospel, the Sadducees pit their fundamentalist interpretation of the Law against what they regard as an unorthodox innovation belief in the resurrection. They attempt to ridicule the resurrection of the dead by recalling the Mosaic Law on levirate marriage. Mosaic Law stated that if a man dies and has no son, and therefore, no legal heir, his brother must marry the widow so that the "first son whom she bears shall succeed to the name of his brother who is dead" (Deut. 25:5). In this way, there is a guarantee of the continuity of the family line. The Sadducees develop an example to the point of absurdity in alluding to seven brothers, each of whom marries the same woman, but each of whom dies childless. None of the brothers has proved husband in terms of producing an heir, in that case, whose wife would the woman be in the resurrection?

In our Lord's reply, he makes it clear that there is no comparison between human life, shared by all, and the resurrection shared by those who are children of God. Jesus makes the distinction between two ages and two peoples. Namely, the people of this age who live a life peculiar to this time and the just who are resurrected from the dead into a new age. Jesus does not speak of the resurrection of all people, but resurrection from the dead of those people who are "accounted worthy" to share the new age. As children of God, they cannot die again. Hence, marriage does not apply to them. There will be no need to propagate the human race or to ensure legal succession. Therefore, the question of the Sadducees is irrelevant. Since the resurrected are all sons and daughters, their relationship is as members of the same family. And it doesn't make heavenly sense to talk about marrying one's sister.

These final weeks of the liturgical year offer us the opportunity to re-examine our understanding of Christ's promises. We would do well to consider the meaning of the resurrection again. For St. Paul, nothing must make sense without it: "if Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is useless and ones believing this is useless." Therefore, now is the time for us to live out the Gospel of compassion. Seek to reconcile, for we are already living the life of the resurrection through baptism. 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, Nov 2/3 2019

4:30 PM Mass	\$1,543.00	220 people
8:00 AM Mass	\$1,486.00	134 people
10:00 AM Mass	\$1,261.00	155 people
11:30 AM Mass	\$1,089.00	144 people
Totals	\$5,379.00	653 people
Online Giving Oct 28—Nov 3	\$2,322.00	72 donors

Second Collection

Maintenance & Repairs	\$1,350.00
All Saints Day	\$1,228.00
All Souls Day	\$1,251.00

UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTION

November 9/10
 2019 Triennial National Collection for the
ARCHDIOCESE FOR THE MILITARY SERVICES, USA



Please help continue to provide priests for the Church and the military chaplaincy and to minister to the Catholic military men and women, and their families.

Our Lady of Guadalupe Torch arrives on Nov. 24.

If you would like to contribute a flower donation to honor our lady and your loved one, please call the parish office at 732-938-5375. Donations accepted now until November 17.



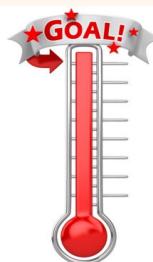
2019

As of November 4, 2019
 Pledged Amount: \$33,269.60
 Collected: \$32,119.94

Percent of Goal Raised 75%
 Donors: 143

Pledge Balance As of November 4, 2019
 \$1,149.66

Our Parish Goal: \$44,000.00



2018

As of November 5, 2018
 Pledged Amount: \$37,437.00
 Collected: \$34,800.90

Percent of Goal Raised 85%
 Donors: 166

Pledge Balance As of November 5, 2018
 \$2,636.10

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.

Above 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 75% at present. Your contribution makes a difference!

Please help. Please contribute. Please make a pledge.

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.



The Christmas Giving Tree has arrived!

Our parish-wide outreach to help make Christmas a little brighter for local seniors, families and children in need, has been set up in the narthex. Please help by choosing one or more paper ornaments, purchasing the requested gift (s), and returning them to church by **Sunday, December 1st**. Each tag contains information about a specific gift recipient and their gift request. The cost of the gifts varies from a few dollars to perhaps the cost of a coat. After you select an ornament (s), please do your best to purchase the requested gift or gift card so no one will be disappointed. Taking an ornament from the Giving Tree is making a commitment to a person in need and this may be the only gift they will receive! Place the unwrapped gift in a holiday gift bag and attach the **ORIGINAL PAPER ORNAMENT** to the outside of the bag. It is important that the ornament be attached to the gift as this is the only method, we have for distributing the gifts to the proper individual. Please **do not wrap** the gifts. Because of Thanksgiving falling so late this year, we are on a particularly tight timeline. All gifts **MUST** be returned to the Church Narthex **NO LATER than Sunday, December 1st**.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY.



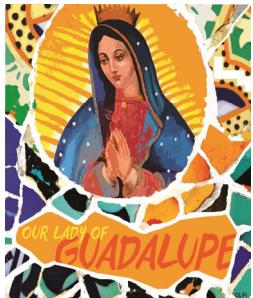
St. Catherine of Siena Parish

Warmly Welcomes the Following New Parishioners:

**The Kerek's
Robert & Roseanne**

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

THE OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE TRAVELING TORCH ARRIVES AT OUR PARISH ON SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 2019 AT 11 AM



MORE INFORMATION TO FOLLOW.

THE GOOD SAMARITAN MINISTRY OF ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA PARISH



FOOD DRIVE

SHOW THANKFULNESS BY FEEDING THOSE IN NEED

NOW—NOVEMBER 10

NON-PERISHABLE FOOD COLLECTION

CANNED CORN \$25 GIFT CARDS
CANNED GREEN BEANS
CANNED VEGETABLES
CANNED YAMS AND /OR WHITE POTATOES
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

PLEASE BRING YOU DONATION TO THE NARTHEX.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY.



Help us assemble the Thanksgiving Blessing Baskets on

Saturday, November 16
10 a.m. Parish Hall

For more information, please email:
socialconcernscommission@sienachurch.org
or call 732-938-5375

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 certificates, donation, and attendance at a **Baptism Preparation Class** is required. 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.

SPONSOR CERTIFICATES: In order to obtain a sponsor certificate at St. Catherine of Siena Parish, the following is required: **Registration in the parish for at least 6 months prior to the request; received the Sacraments of Baptism, Holy Eucharist, & Confirmation; if married, married in the Catholic Church; be at least 16 years of age; attending Mass faithfully participating in the life of the Church, receiving the Eucharist and leading a life according to the teachings of the Church.** Please stop by the Parish Office to request a sponsor certificate. All certificates are approved by the Pastor.

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.



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

Upcoming sessions for new parents:

Sunday, January 26, 2020
Sunday, February 23, 2020

For more detailed information and to register, visit our Parish Website, www.sienachurch.org.

Rosary Altar Society

Join us on

November 13 at 7 pm



Guest speaker
SISTER PAT
of
Saint Peter's in Point Pleasant

All are invited to meet Sister Pat as she will speak on a few topics with us that we will all enjoy.
For More information email,

rosary@sienachurch.org

walking with purpose

A Catholic Women's Bible Study



Are you interested in getting together with other women to explore your faith?

You may or may not have knowledge of Scripture. If you would like to discover and/or deepen your relationship with Jesus Christ God as well as explore how the Scriptures apply to your everyday life, this is the program for you.

The 2019-2020 program will meet weekly Tuesdays from October through May 2020.

Registration is now open. Please call the Parish Office or email wwp@sienachurch.org.

CALLED BY NAME

DIOCESE OF TRENTON



REMINDER

Today, PLEASE SUBMIT NAMES OF MEN ages 16-40 who you think would make a fine priest by placing your CALLED BY NAME response card in the collection basket. You may also drop off the card at the parish office. Please continue to pray for the success of this program in our parish and our diocese, especially during these weeks of prayer for vocations.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Lord of the Harvest, we petition you as you have instructed us to ask for more laborers to serve in the vineyard of Your Church. You have told us that the harvest is rich and the laborers are few and we experience this great need in the face of the challenge of the New Evangelization.

We ask the Holy Spirit to inspire young men to seriously consider vocations to the priesthood. Help all of us to be effective instruments to encourage and support those whom you are calling to serve and lead the Church in the future.

Lord, you told the Apostles to put out into the deep. We ask for the grace and courage to accept your call as we pray and work for an increase in vocations to the priesthood. We ask this in the Name of Jesus Christ, the Great High Priest, Amen.



Wednesday, December 4, 2019

7 P.M.

Church



Reception to follow

Parish Hall

31 Asbury Road
Farmingdale, NJ
For more information,
call 732-938-5375

Bring Family & Friends!

CHRISTMAS FLOWER MEMORIALS

You are invited to honor your loved ones this Christmas by offering a Christmas Floral Memorial.

Your name, along with the names of those you honor, will be published in our Christmas bulletin. To submit names, please use your Christmas Flower Envelope or pick up a form in the Narthex or Parish Office. Information is due no later than

Thursday, December 5.

 Donations begin at \$15. Please make check payable to St. Catherine of Siena Church. Note Flower Memorial in Memo.