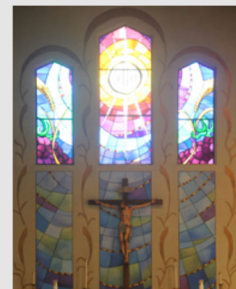


# St. Catherine of Siena Church

Roman Catholic Diocese of Trenton

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



The Son of Man has come  
to seek and to save  
what was lost.  
Luke 19:10

**31** **ST SUNDAY**  
IN ORDINARY TIME  
**NOVEMBER 3, 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.

PARISH OFFICE: 732-938-5375 • OFFICE OF REL. ED: 732-938-6229 • PARISH FAX: 732-938-3260



The Altar Flowers are given in loving memory of

**THE VERGARA-MERCADO FAMILIES**

At the request of  
Nestor & Nora Mercado & Family.

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



**Joseph Cocuzza**

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

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**SATURDAY · NOVEMBER 2**

4:30 PM

Lillian & Anthony LaRocca • Ella LaRocca  
Lenore Sears • Piotrowski Family

**SUNDAY · NOVEMBER 3**

8:00 AM

Gertrude Persaud • Nigel & Jaqueline Storey  
Frank Sardone • Frank & Debi Sardone

10:00 AM

Chet Swistock • Gagliano Family  
Rosa Andrade • Edda Sidalgo

11:30AM

Billy Gabbard • Gabbard Family  
José Martinez Sr. • June Hankel

**MONDAY · NOVEMBER 4**

9:00 AM

Theresa Hobday • Marie Walker

**TUESDAY · NOVEMBER 5**

9:00 AM

Wesley Textores • Mary & Michael Burke  
Baby Curreri • Curreri Family

**THURSDAY · NOVEMBER 7**

9:00 AM

William Smith • Sardone Family  
Vittoria Koziar • Joanne Monroe

**FRIDAY · NOVEMBER 8**

9:00 AM

Living Intention Phyllis Weissblum • friend, Annette

**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,

During November, our Diocese will implement a promotion initiative entitled, "CALLED BY NAME," a program that invites men, 16 years of age or older, to consider a vocation as a priest. Central to this program is the belief that all of us share a common calling through baptism, to which we are invited to respond in different ways to marriage, consecrated life, single life, and ordained ministry. This process focuses on priesthood and emphasizes the vital role of the Christian community in calling forth men to consider this vocation.

Every parishioner throughout the Diocese is encouraged to consider who in our midst might serve well as a priest and submit their names during weekend liturgies. You never know, there are many potential priests who are waiting to be asked. We can list a few of the qualities of persons identified as prospective candidates:

1. A person of prayer who loves the Lord Jesus
2. A person who is actively involved in the life of the Church
3. A person who is successful in life, including school, work, and relationships
4. A "people person"
5. A person with personal integrity, honesty, and generosity

We are providing more information about this program at this weekend Masses. Please keep in mind, it is imperative that we actively support and promote a future generation of priests to serve a growing Church.

Today is the THIRTY FIRST SUNDAY of the YEAR

When we read about people who have heroic stories as they've given up their lives to serve others, we are touched and humbled. Some may not be necessarily religiously motivated, but they have deep compassion for the suffering of their fellow human beings. How they proclaimed the testimonies of such lives could be contagious. It touches something deep within us, and we are propelled to act and do something more than merely dipping into our pocket for a bit of spare change.

The man in our Gospel today, Zacchaeus, was a senior tax collector. Often tax collectors were despised in their communities. In the first place, they were collaborating with the occupying forces of Rome. They made their living by collecting taxes from the local people to support the oppressive structure of imperial Rome. But more than that, they made themselves rich by adding a premium to what they had to deliver to the Romans to cover their extravagant lifestyle. Zacchaeus was not happy with his way of life. He saw something in Jesus that was different. He wanted to know what it was. So he climbed a sycamore tree that was along the way Jesus would pass so that he could get a view and hoping to learn his secret.

He got more than he was looking for. Jesus not only saw him in the tree but called him down. Jesus did not join in the universal condemnation of tax collectors, but on the contrary, went so far as to invite himself to the home of Zacchaeus. The crowd complained about Jesus associating with such a man. The reaction of Zacchaeus was different. The way Jesus accepted him. Not condemning or criticizing helped Zacchaeus to see that he could change his life and do things differently. At this time, he was ready to give back his ill-gotten wealth and start anew.

The vital point of the Gospel is to show us that the answer to our inner longings is not to acquire more things for ourselves, but rather to build relationships of love and compassion with others who are on the same journey, with Jesus as our leader and guide. He brought salvation to Zacchaeus and his house. He did not condemn what he had been doing or even ask him to change. Only by inviting himself into his home, Jesus helped Zacchaeus make new and better choices for his life.

What about us today? Jesus offers us new choices. Will you try to find fulfillment in the enjoyment of what this world has to offer in power, pleasure, and possessions? When have you experienced the mercy that Jesus showed Zacchaeus?

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, Oct 26/27 2019**

4:30 PM Mass	\$1,432.00	138 people
8:00 AM Mass	\$1,036.00	88 people
10:00 AM Mass	\$1,192.00	121 people
11:30 AM Mass	\$903.00	163 people
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$4,563.00</b>	<b>510 people</b>
Online Giving Oct 21—Oct 27	\$1,023.00	59 donors

**Second Collection  
Energy & Fuel \$1,023.00**

**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.*

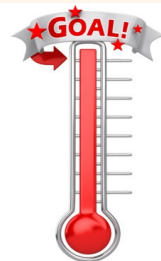
*If you would like to contribute a flower donation to  
honor our lady and your loved one, please call the  
parish office at 732-938-5375.*



*Donations accepted now until  
November 17.*



**Our Parish Goal: \$44,000.00**



**2019**  
As of October 28, 2019  
Pledged Amount: **\$33,129.60**  
Collected: **\$31,979.94**  
**Percent of Goal Raised 75%**  
Donors: 140  
\*\*\*\*\*  
Pledge Balance As of October 28, 2019  
**\$1,149.66**

**2018**  
As of October 29, 2018  
Pledged Amount: **\$37,437.00**  
Collected: **\$34,590.40**  
**Percent of Goal Raised 85%**  
Donors: 166  
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Pledge Balance As of October 30, 2018  
**\$2,846.60**

*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 Giving Tree is Coming!

Next weekend, **November 9/10**, will be the kickoff for St. Catherine's Giving Tree, our annual parish-wide effort to help make Christmas a little brighter for local seniors, families, and children in need during the holiday season. Thanks to our generous parishioners, last year we distributed over 500 gifts to local schools and agencies as well as providing Samaritan aide throughout the year. We are hoping for your generous response again this year!

Please take one or more ornaments off the Giving Tree in the narthex, purchase the requested gifts/gift cards, and return them to church by **Sunday, December 1<sup>st</sup>**, the Sunday of Thanksgiving Weekend. Complete directions will be in the bulletin next weekend. Thank you in advance for your generosity and willingness to help those in need this Christmas season and throughout the year!

### St. Catherine of Siena Parish

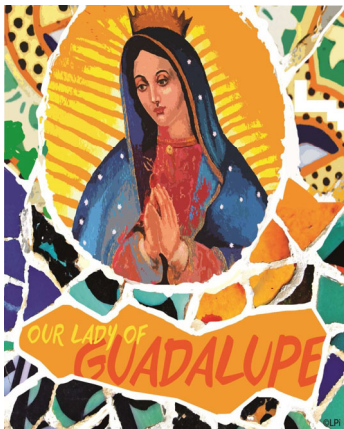
Warmly Welcomes the Following  
New Parishioners:



**The Alderman's  
Douglas & Mary**

**The Turriciano Family  
Giuseppe & Nancy  
Antonino, Carlo, Sofia**

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
- CANNED GREEN BEANS
- CANNED VEGETABLES
- CANNED YAMS AND /OR WHITE POTATO-
- 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
- \$25 GIFT CARDS

PLEASE BRING YOUR 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](mailto:socialconcernscommission@sienachurch.org)  
or call 732-938-5375



## SACRAMENTAL AND FAITH FORMATION

**ANOIDING 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, November 10, 2019

Sunday, January 26, 2020

For more detailed information and to register, visit our Parish Website, [www.sienachurch.org](http://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](mailto: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](mailto:wwp@sienachurch.org).

# CALLED BY NAME

ISAIAH  
43:1  
DIOCESE OF TRENTON

All the parishes of the Diocese of Trenton are participating in CALLED BY NAME, a program of vocations awareness that begins this weekend. This program offers an opportunity for us to pray for vocations; to recognize gifts and potential for leadership and service in members of our parish; and finally, to call forth and encourage these members to share their gifts in the priesthood. Perhaps you know a man (high school age or older) who would, in your opinion, have the qualities to become a priest.

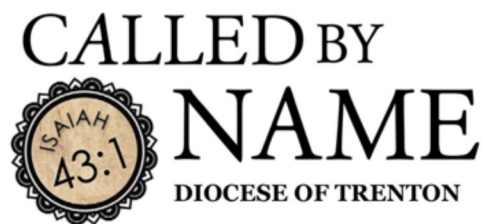
Please recommend this person by filling out the response card found in the pews. Put the card in the collection basket either this weekend or next weekend. You may also drop off the card at the parish office.

## 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.



The Catholic Women of Zion Chapter I will hold a Ministry Retreat Day on **Saturday, November 9, 2019** at **St. William the Abbot R.C. Church, 2740 Lakewood-Allenwood Road, Howell NJ 07731**. The day begins with Mass in the Church at 9:00 am and is followed by music, prayers for healing, sharing, networking, a luncheon in the Parish Hall, and a speaker (Fr. Thomas S. Maher), finishing by 1:00 pm. Admission is \$20, payable at the door, and includes lunch. Register online at [cwoz.org](http://cwoz.org) or call 732-202-8352 no later than Tues. November 5, 2019. Please leave your phone number and spell your last name. Father Tom invites us to join him as he shares: *God Created the Angelic World: Who Are They?*

Get your tickets for the Designer Bag Pocketbook Bingo. **NOV. 8**

Doors open at 6pm. Calling begins at 7pm.



St. Maximilian Kolbe Church  
130 St. Maximilian Lane,  
Toms River, NJ 08757  
Contact Donna DiCosta

at [ddicosta@donovancatholic.org](mailto:ddicosta@donovancatholic.org) or  
call 732-349-8801 x 2446

Bring your good luck charms and get ready for a fun night of BINGO.