

St. Catherine of Siena Church

Roman Catholic Diocese of Trenton

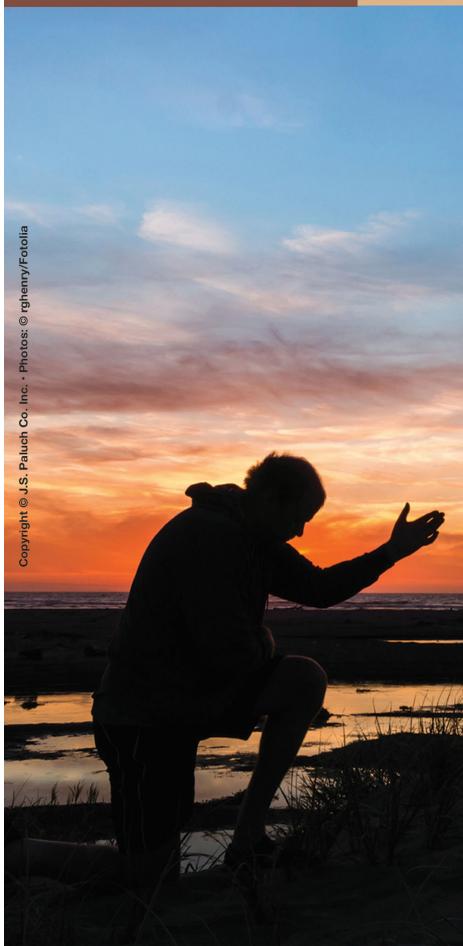
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Office Hours: Mon-Thurs: 9 am—2 pm • Sun: 9 am—12:45 pm



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THIRTIETH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus said to them,
“I tell you, the tax collector went home justified,
not the Pharisee; for whoever exalt themselves
will be humbled, and those who humble
themselves will be exalted.”

Excerpts from the *Lectionary for Mass* © 2001, 1998, 1997, 1986, 1970, CCD.

Luke 18:14

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



*The prayer of the lowly pierces the clouds;
it does not rest until it reaches its goal,
nor will it withdraw till the Most High responds.*

— Sirach 35:17-18a

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26

4:30 PM

George Hankel • loving wife, June
Gloria Neyhart • Neal & Lorraine Pronek

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27

8:00 AM

Robert Russamano • loving cousin

10:00 AM

Angelina Gorda • loving family
Lorraine Sos • JoAnn Sos

11:30AM

Albert Horn • Danielle Aldaresi
Antonino Aldaresi • Danielle Aldaresi

MONDAY, OCTOBER 28

9:00 AM

Robert Smith • Lois & Bob Hradil

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 29

9:00 AM

Louise Macedo • Petrillo Family

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31

9:00 AM

Pio Hontiveros • Ninfa & Ted Gonzales

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 1

9:00 AM

Grethe DeVaux • DeVaux Family
Angelo Pennetti • Libby Miller

The Altar Flowers are given in loving
memory of

GEORGE HANKEL

At the request of his loving wife, June.



Solemnity of All Saints is on November 1, 2019
and a holy day of obligation.
Join us for Mass at 9 a.m. & 7 p.m.—Church



All Souls' Day The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed is celebrated on November 2. At our 4:30 p.m. Mass we will have a Candlelight Ceremony. The names of parish's recently deceased will be read aloud during the candle-lighting ceremony.

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, Joseph Cocuzza, 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.

OUR PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Parishioners,

Today is the Thirtieth Sunday of the Year.

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells us about two men, one a publican and one a Pharisee, who went up to the temple to pray. I have a story that will help us to illustrate Jesus' lesson on prayer. It was many years ago when a couple came to me with marital problems. The husband refused to forgive his wife for something she had done. I can no longer remember exactly what it was, but for them, it was severe. His refusal to forgive made life quite difficult for his wife. I had a conversation with him about forgiveness, and one of the things I said was, "I am sure she has had to forgive you for some things you did in the course of your marriage." He said proudly, "I have never done anything that she would have needed to forgive me for." There wasn't much I could say after that. The man was perfect, at least in his own estimation. Most likely, he expected to hear the angels singing or to hear God congratulating him, but the heavens were quiet, and their marriage soon ended. I can admit he might have been a virtuous person, but at that moment, it was his pride and arrogance that showed itself. It was the right image of what the parable is all about in today's Gospel.

While it does not say that Jesus was speaking directly to the Pharisees in today's Gospel, this may be assumed to be the case. The Pharisees were, after all, a group that considered themselves to be righteous. Generally, they would have looked down on others who were not of their group. For instance, Jesus had already spoken to them about how they liked to take the places of honor at banquets. Now he is making a further point to this elite group about the need to root out their pride. What a way to do it, though, by comparing a Pharisee with a despised tax collector. Tax collectors were collaborators with the Romans. They were the scum of the earth, as far as the religious authorities were concerned. Fancy holding up a tax collector like the one who goes home right with God.

The Gospel shows us that true prayer is always directed to God. Sincere prayer comes out of our awareness of our total reliance on God. If virtue only goes skin-deep and our relationship with everyone else is to look down on them, then pride is at work. Pride focuses our attention on ourselves and closes us to a proper relationship with God. Pride is about exalting ourselves when we genuinely want to be exalted by God. To be exalted by God is to have the humility to recognize that God is all in all. Amen.

November 1— The Feast of all Saints.

The Feast of All Saints is a holy day of obligation. Our Masses are at 9:00 a.m. and 7 p.m. Both of them are in the Church. Please make every effort to come and let us celebrate together this important day. As you know, during November, we are called in a unique way to remember our brothers and sisters who have fallen asleep in the hope of the resurrection. Envelopes are provided to enlist the names of our beloved. A special book is available in which our faithful can inscribe the names of our beloved dead, who would be remembered in prayer during this month.

The Feast of All Saints encourages us to look away from the well-known saints of the Church, whom we see represented in statues and pictures. It encourages us to think about the vast number, impossible to count all those who, down through the ages, have done their best to live their lives as disciples of Jesus, usually in an unspectacular ways. These are the members of our families, our parish. The very ones who would not consider themselves to be "saints," but who tried to live according to the teachings of Jesus in the Gospel, and who are now in the presence of God. They may be anonymous members of the crowd, but without them, there would be no Church. Today we celebrate all those people who have kept alive the faith of the Church down through the centuries. No one is a "saint" in the sense of never having done anything wrong or succeeding in fulfilling the Beatitudes perfectly. Perhaps, all that any of us can hope for is that. As far as God is concerned, our best is good enough. 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, Oct 19/20 2019

4:30 PM Mass	\$1,644.00	148 people
8:00 AM Mass	\$1,191.00	101 people
10:00 AM Mass	\$1,215.00	146 people
11:30 AM Mass	\$926.00	148 people
Totals	\$4,976.00	510 people
Online Giving Oct 14—Oct 20	\$1,304.00	68 donors

Second Collection World Mission Sunday \$1,186.00



Upcoming Second Collection
November 1/2/3
All Saints All Souls
Maintenance & Repairs



A NOTE REGARDING OUR 2019 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

Thank you to everyone who has made their donation to the Annual Catholic Appeal in 2019. We truly appreciate your commitment to the programs within the Diocese of Trenton as well as to your own parish. Your ongoing generosity and commitment means so much!

It is not too late to donate and we need your support. In the coming weeks, the Diocese of Trenton will be sending requests to those who have not yet had a chance to make a donation. We ask that you prayerfully consider making a gift at this time. It is our sincere hope that our entire community will come together to support this effort. We ask that you pray for the success and participate to whatever your means will allow. Thank you again for your goodness and generosity.

May God continue to bless you for all you give in stewardship to our Church.

Three Ways to Make Your Donation

ONLINE
[www.dioceseoftrenton.org/
 catholicappeal](http://www.dioceseoftrenton.org/catholicappeal)

BY MAIL:
 Annual Catholic Appeal—Diocese of Trenton
 Department of Development
 701 Lawrenceville Road
 Trenton, New Jersey 08650-4887

BY PHONE: 609-403-7197

Please help. Please contribute. Please make a pledge.

2019

As of October 14, 2019

Pledged Amount: \$32,679.60
 Collected: \$31,353.11

Percent of Goal Raised 74%
 Donors: 138

Pledge Balance As of October 14, 2019
 \$1,326.49

Our Parish Goal: \$44,000.00



2018

As of October 15, 2018

Pledged Amount: \$32,278.00
 Collected: \$34,076.10

Percent of Goal Raised 85%
 Donors: 164

Pledge Balance As of October 15, 2018
 \$3,201.90

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.

Hospitality • God's Love Made Visible

GREETERS and Ushers

MANY HANDS MAKE
LIGHT WORK!

Men & Women are
invited to serve

To volunteer please call the Parish Office at
732-938-5375 or email
frontoffice@sienachurch.org



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

Ellen Martinez

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



HARVEST BAKE SALE held on Oct. 19 & 20

Thank you to all who helped make our parish bake sale a success. With your support we collected \$571.00.



A special thanks to the youth of the parish for your baking and volunteering efforts!

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 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

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
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, October 27
Sunday, November 10

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

Rosary Altar Society



All are invited to recite the Rosary in our Church.

Saturday, Oct. 5 at 4 pm
Saturday, Oct. 12 at Noon
*Fatima Anniversary * Bring a lunch*
Sunday, Oct. 13 at 11 am
Sunday, Oct. 20 at 11 am
Sunday, Oct. 27 at 11 am

Join us

New members welcome! Next meeting Nov. 13 at 7 pm. Email rosary@sienachurch.org for more info.

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.



Diocese of Trenton

Next weekend at all parishes across the Diocese of Trenton, we will be promoting vocations through a program, "Called by Name." For now, pray about a young man ages 16-40 who you think would make a fine priest. Details next Sunday.

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.

CALLED BY NAME
DIOCESE OF TRENTON



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 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?*



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

walking with purpose

Please join us for our next Connect Coffee on Tuesday, October 29, 2019 at 10 am. Come as you are and see what this fresh and relevant Catholic Scripture based program for women is all about. Bring a friend!

For more information, please call the Parish Office at 732-938-5375 or email wwp@sienachurch.org

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 admirer 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



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 or
call 732-349-8801 x 2446