

# 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



## 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.

You have approached  
Mount Zion and the city  
of the living God,  
the heavenly Jerusalem,  
and countless angels  
in festal gathering.

Hebrews 12:22

September 1, 2019

**TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

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Those who humble themselves will be exalted.

— Luke 14:7-14

## MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, AUGUST 31

4:30 PM

**Mary Kruse** • *sister, June*

**Anthony Farinella** • *Mary Sears*

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

8:00 AM

**Mary Martin Gaughan** • *Eileen & Bill Murphy*

10:00 AM

**Robert Russamano** • *loving cousin*

**John Notare** • *Phillip & Kristin Natilli*

11:30AM

**Ron Snyder** • *Lempka Family*

**Pietro DeGrande Jr.** • *Suzanne DeGrande*

*Living Intention*



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

**Gregory Peterson**  
**José Martinez Sr.**

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



**Mass Intentions Book  
2020 Opening**

Sunday, September 8  
and  
Wednesday, September 11



**ALTAR FLOWERS** We invite our parishioners to donate flowers in memory of a loved one or perhaps to mark a special occasion. You will help us provide beauty for the Lord's worship and pay a visible tribute to a special person or celebrate a special event. Please call the Parish Office to place an order.

**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, Barbara Lipari, Lauren MacArthur, Teresa Magyar, 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-SECOND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR.

Allow me to share with you an exciting story which would entertain you, and hopefully, we can derive a valuable lesson. There lived a king whose daughters were all beautiful, but the youngest was so beautiful that the sun itself was astonished whenever it shone on her face. Near to the king's castle lay a vast dark forest, and under an old oak tree in the woods was a deep well. So when the king's youngest daughter was restless and bored, she went into the forest to play with a golden ball.

One day when the princess was playing near the well, the golden ball went straight into the water. The well was so deep that the bottom was not visible, and the princess started to cry and wail for her loss. Her cries attracted a big, ugly frog who asked her what she could give him if he got the ball back. The princess offered him her crown and her best dress, and of course, as expected, the frog had no longing to be the best-dressed frog in the kingdom. "If you promise to love me," he said, "I will bring you your golden ball."

The princess thought, since frogs were unimportant, you could promise them anything, so she agreed. When the frog came back with the golden ball, the princess grabbed it and ran home, leaving the frog and promise behind her. On that same evening, the king and all the courtiers were eating at the table; there was a knock at the door. The princess ran to answer it but slammed it shut when she saw the caller. The king asked who it was, and the princess was compelled to tell the whole story of what had happened.

The king told her, "You should never despise those who have helped you in trouble. What you have promised, you must perform. Let him in." His daughter rose from the table and reluctantly let in the frog who took the place of honor at the dinner table. The frog enjoyed what he ate, but the princess had a sudden loss of appetite. After the feast, she took hold of the frog with two fingers, carried him upstairs, and put him in a corner. He challenged her to keep her promise. And in sympathy, he suggested that she kiss him on the nose while closing her eyes and thinking of England. Of course, then he was transformed into the most handsome prince she had ever set sights on. He had been under a spell and could be released only by a little love. That was enough to transform him into someone who was recognizably human. The following day, as expected, the couple left to inherit the kingdom that was awaiting them.

In the Gospel today, we hear about Jesus in a wedding banquet. It is interesting, Jesus went to parties and had a fun time with everyone watching him and looking for something to criticize. On the other hand, he was not hesitant about telling them what he thought. At this wedding banquet, he observed individual guests putting themselves forward as being especially noteworthy. The seating at a formal dinner indicates a person's position on the social ladder. Some of the guests were not satisfied where they were seated, and they wanted a seat that would spotlight their high importance.

When Jesus addresses his host, he advocates a more profoundly rooted style: Learning humility not so much by playing musical chairs at banquets, but by associating with the poor, the crippled, the lame and the blind. The guest-list for Jesus' feast is a parable of the kingdom, for God is the host whose delight is to feast with those who are always overlooked in a society that scrambles for the honor.

In our story and the Gospel, there is a wisdom of reversal. Behind what appears to be ugliness there is beauty, behind what seems to be foolishness there is wisdom, behind the faces of the scarred and the broken, there is dignity. Jesus keeps God's preference for the little people at the forefront of His teaching. He has the kind of love that that sees beyond appearances, the type of love that pierces disguises. His love dignifies people. He asks us to do the same. Amen.

May God bless you,

Father Angelito

*ADMINISTRATION AND STEWARDSHIP*

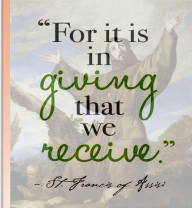
**Weekly Collections & Attendance  
THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS  
HELP AND SUPPORT!**

**Weekly First Sunday Collection  
Saturday/Sunday, August 24/25 2019**

4:30 PM Mass	\$1,391.00	138 people
8:00 AM Mass	\$1,080.00	95 people
10:00 AM Mass	\$1,437.00	140 people
11:30 AM Mass	\$829.00	112 people
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$4,737.00</b>	<b>485 people</b>
Online Giving Aug 19—Aug 25	\$1,259.00	65 donors

**Second Collection**

Energy & Fuel \$1,087.00



**Upcoming Second Collection  
September 7/8**

**The Catholic University of  
America**



“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.*

<p><b>2019</b> As of August 26, 2019 Pledged Amount: <b>\$32,609.60</b> Collected: <b>\$30,730.28</b> <b>Percent of Goal Raised 74%</b> Donors: 138 ***** Pledge Balance As of August 19, 2019 <b>\$1,879.32</b></p>	<p><b>Our Parish Goal: \$44,000.00</b></p>	<p><b>2018</b> As of August 27, 2018 Pledged Amount: <b>\$37,245.00</b> Collected: <b>\$32,982.30</b> <b>Percent of Goal Raised 85%</b> Donors: 163 ***** Pledge Balance As of August 20, 2018 <b>\$4,262.70</b></p>
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**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](mailto:frontoffice@sienachurch.org).

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Happy Labor Day!  
Join Us...  
Mass will be held  
in our Chapel at  
9 a.m.

# LABOR DAY

Heavenly Father,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
we praise you for your glory.  
Bless us as we continue to do our work  
Guide us in all we do, help us  
build your kingdom through  
Jesus Christ our Lord  
Amen.

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



**The Blustein Family**  
Laura & Noah

**The DiBenedetto-Rocchio  
Family**  
Kristin, Vito  
Giovanni, Lorenzo

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

## Back to School Supply Drive From the Heart ...

Many thanks to our parishioners and friends for the beautiful support of our Back to School Supply Drive. 2000 school supplies were collected and donated to our local schools, families in need, & a local domestic abuse shelter to ensure every child starts school equipped to succeed. Special thanks to all who volunteered to sort and distribute the collected items. ❤️❤️❤️



## 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

**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.



# 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.



### First Day of Classes:

Monday, September 16, 2019  
Tuesday, September 17, 2019  
Sunday, September 22, 2019

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).

# Bishop's Anniversary Blessing

*Celebrating Couples Married  
1 year, 25 years, 50+ years*

Ocean & Monmouth Counties

Oct. 6, 2019  
3 p.m. Mass

Co-Cathedral of  
St. Robert of Bellarmine  
Freehold, NJ

Visit St. Catherine of Siena  
Parish Office to register by  
September 15, 2019



**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)

#### 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 October. For more information, please email [wwp@sienachurch.org](mailto:wwp@sienachurch.org) or call Laura Randazzo at 732-938-5375.

#### St. Veronica

[www.stveronica.com](http://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](mailto:drev514@aol.com) or leave a message at 732-367-7750.

#### St. William the Abbot

[www.stwilliamtheabbot.com](http://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 17<sup>th</sup> 2019  
St. Isaac  
Jogues Parish  
Call Maria Guzman-  
Paczkowski -  
856-317-6400

**Announcing:  
A Recovery Mass  
---Grace for the Journey**  
*For All on the Journey from Addiction to Recovery*  
**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*



'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](http://www.cwoz.org) or call and leave your phone number, spell your last name at: 732-202-8352 by Tuesday, September 10, 2019.