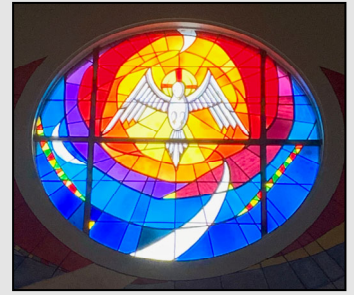


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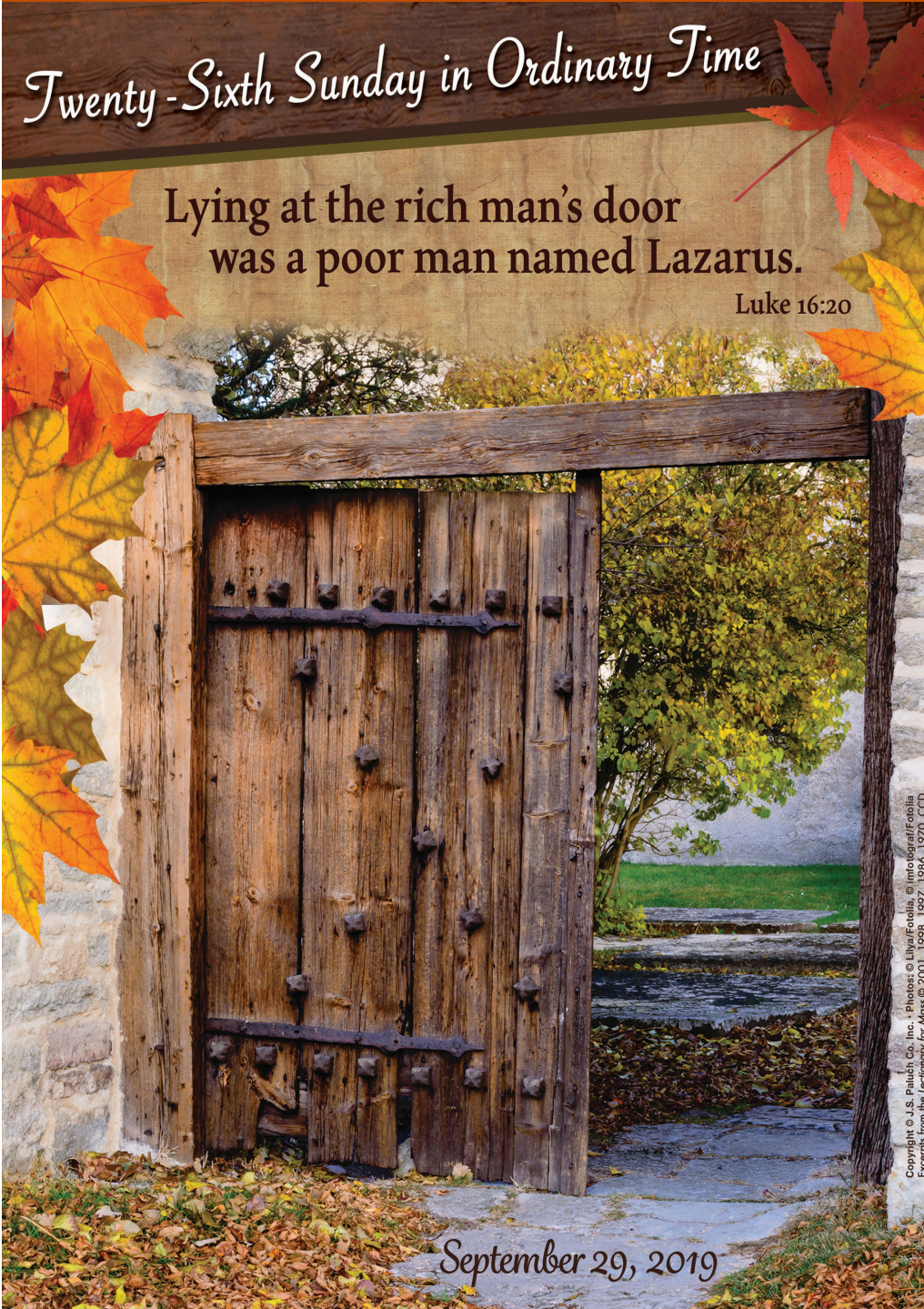
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Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Lying at the rich man's door
was a poor man named Lazarus.

Luke 16:20



September 29, 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.

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Keep the commandment without stain or reproach
until the appearance of our Lord Jesus Christ.

— 1 Timothy 6:1-4

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

4:30 PM

Michael DelPriore • Ella LaRocca
Lucy Zuppa • The Schrader Family

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

8:00 AM

Tessie Haligowski • The Conway Family

10:00 AM

Lottie Rossi • loving daughter, JoAnn
William O'Doherty • Catherine & Dave Runkel

11:30AM

Helen Simon • Roy & Terri Murray & Family

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

9:00 AM

John J. Vaccano • Jim & Marian Ferris

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1

9:00 AM

Rachel Pennetti • Libby Miller

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3

9:00 AM

For the People of the Parish

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4

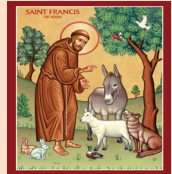
9:00 AM

Angelina Gorda • Homebound Ministry
Salvatore Cali • The Riddle Family

Blessing of the Animals Thursday, October 4 Church Parking Lot—6 PM

The feast of Saint Francis of Assisi will be observed with the traditional
Blessing of the Animals. All are invited to bring their pets for a special blessing.

Weather Permitting



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, the whole parish community is having the Annual Fall Festival combined with the presentation of Parish Ministries. We started this beautiful tradition a few years ago through the strong leadership of our very own Knights of Columbus, and for this, we thank them so much. It is also essential to keep in mind that the Hospitality Ministry, together with other hard-working ministries of the parish, are working to make this event a success. There's plenty of food, drinks, games and most importantly, we have to take a moment and browse on the pamphlets and flyers that are presented to us as each ministry/committee/council has a pamphlet that contains information regarding their ministry. Anybody interested in or considering joining any ministry, please do not hesitate to let us know. We are glad to have your help and to be of service to God's people.

Twenty-Sixth Sunday of the Year

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells a story of two men, a rich and a poor man. The first detail we have concerns the rich man's wardrobe: he dresses in purple and fine linen, an outfit which was similar to that worn by the high priest. He feasts magnificently, not once a week but every day, which is a figure of massive self-indulgence. You might wonder when he comes up for air in his obsessive commitment to eating. The rich man is wealthy not only in clothes and food, but he is also rich in privilege and in the freedom he enjoys from the worry that besets the poor. You cannot imagine him praying, "Give us this day our daily bread." His privilege conceals from him his responsibilities; it blinds him to the man who lies at his gate.

On the other hand, which is in contrast to the rich man's clothing, the poor man Lazarus is covered in sores. Lying at the gate of the house, Lazarus can see the traffic that is heading for the rich man's table. He does not expect to be invited to the table for experience has educated him to have humble hopes, and he wishes only for the scraps that fall from the rich man's table. In those days they used their hands rather than knives and forks to eat with, and in wealthy houses the diners cleaned their hands with bread which was then thrown to the dogs.

Keep in mind the Gentile woman who came begging Jesus to help her daughter and how she said: "Even house-dogs can eat the scraps that fall from their master's table." The scraps were regarded as dog-food. All he gets is the attention of the half-savage dogs which hunted in packs for food. Meanwhile, he lies there waiting. And you cannot but imagine Lazarus praying with bended knees: "Give us this day our daily bread." But he receives not a crumb. As we hear it in the Gospel story, Lazarus dies at the gate of the rich man. The unburied dead were believed to bring a curse on the land. There is no mention of a funeral or a burial for Lazarus. Later, the "rich man died and was buried." Jesus is not saying a person will automatically be condemned because they are wealthy or will automatically be saved because they are poor. Remember that we will all be judged by the same law, the great commandment of love, love for God, and love for others. Some people are well off, and at the same time, they are loving and generous, and some people are poor and self-centered and egotistical. Having wealth is not necessarily a vice and being poor is not necessarily virtuous. The rich man in today's Gospel was condemned not because he was a bad man, cruel, violent, or evil; he was condemned for his lack of love. For him, Lazarus did not exist.

Our readings today propel us to consider our attitude toward the material things we enjoy. The essence of today's readings is that no matter how hard we've worked or how talented/experienced we may be or how thrifty we've been, what we have is not just for our self-indulgence. We must share them with others. Here is the irony of things, in this world, the experience would tell us that those who have less of this world's goods, they are more generous than those who have been blessed with more.

Often, Jesus' words are very comforting, but today's readings may make us uncomfortable, especially if we need to be more mindful and sensitive to the suffering of others. If Jesus makes us uncomfortable, it is to help us think about what God wants from us and if we are doing what he wants from us. Jesus wants only one thing from us, that is our salvation, and it will happen if we follow the way he has shown it to us. Amen.

May God bless you,

Father Angelito

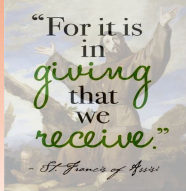
ADMINISTRATION AND STEWARDSHIP

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

Weekly First Sunday Collection
Saturday/Sunday, Sept 21/22 2019

4:30 PM Mass	\$1,359.00	136 people
8:00 AM Mass	\$1,039.00	95 people
10:00 AM Mass	\$1,434.00	146 people
11:30 AM Mass	\$1,085.00	133 people
Totals	\$4,917.00	510 people
Online Giving Sept 16—Sept 22	\$1,279.00	65 donors

Second Collection
Energy & Fuel \$1,124.00



Upcoming Second Collection
October 5/6

Maintenance & Repairs



“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 September 23, 2019		As of September 24, 2018
Pledged Amount: \$32,634.60		Pledged Amount: \$37,250.00
Collected: \$30,935.11		Collected: \$33,572.60
Percent of Goal Raised 74%		Percent of Goal Raised 85%
Donors: 138		Donors: 163
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Pledge Balance As of September 23, 2019 \$1,699.49		Pledge Balance As of September 24, 2018 \$3,677.40

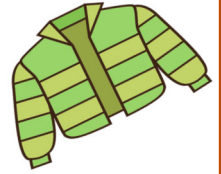
ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL NEEDS HELP **Important Message from Bishop O'Connell:**

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.

St. Catherine of Siena Social Concerns Commission
proudly supports



NHS Coat Drive

In Support of the Kids and Families of Monmouth County

DONATE BY

Now—Oct. 13

For more information, contact socialconcernscommission@sienachurch.org



BACK TO SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

Dear Parishioners,

A very sincere
THANK YOU for your
generosity to our

Farmingdale students! With the items donated we
were able to complete supply lists for all our
students. We appreciate your kindness and thank
you for always including us.

Sincerely, Farmingdale Public School

Parish Harvest Festival

Including a
Showcase of Ministries



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



The Grasso Family
Michael, Kaitlyn
Mia, Lily, Carter

The Portera Family
Jessica & Sophia

The Robbins Family
Dave, Staci
Davy, Georgiana, Vincenza

The Russell Family
Scott & Christine

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



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 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.

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 30, 2019
DEADLINE EXTENDED



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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 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 www@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.

Bereavement Group

Starting **October 7, 2019**, St. Veronica Church, 4215 Rt. 9, Howell, will commence a support group for those who have lost loved ones. The meetings will be held on Monday evenings, in the rectory (basement office) at 6:30PM for a duration of 7 weeks. To sign up please call St. Veronica Rectory at **732-363-4200**.

St. William the Abbot

www.stwilliamtheabbot.com

DONOVAN CATHOLIC OPEN HOUSE

THURSDAY
OCTOBER

3

7:00 to 9:00 p.m.



SUNDAY
OCTOBER

6

2:00 to 4:00 p.m.

IT MAKES A DIFFERENCE

Register TODAY at DonovanCatholic.org

711 Hooper Ave. Toms River, New Jersey 08753
Admissions: 732-349-8801 x2425

29th Annual LIFE CHAIN

Please join us in a peaceful, prayerful witness against abortion and for greater respect for all human life

TAKE A STAND FOR LIFE!

SUNDAY, October 20, 2019 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Rain or Shine

Meet Near St. Veronica's Rectory

Refreshments will be served following the Life Chain

For more information, contact Joan or Hu Mador at 732-367-2565.

LIFE CHAIN is an annual event to provide a prayerful, peaceful, non-denominational public witness against abortion and for greater respect for all human life. Pro-life witness will be forming a "Life Chain" approx. 1 mile long along Rt 9. in front of the St. Veronica's Rectory.