

ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA CHURCH

Roman Catholic Diocese of Trenton



REST



“Come to me, all you
who labor and are
burdened.”

MATTHEW 11:28

July 5, 2020



14th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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MASS SCHEDULE **TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED**

WEEKEND

Saturday/Sunday Vigil—4:30 p.m.

Sunday

8:00 a.m. / 10:00 a.m. / 11:30 a.m.

CONFESSION TIMES

Saturday

3:30 p.m.—4:00 p.m.

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

CHURCH 31 Asbury Road

9:00 a.m. / 7:00 p.m.

WEEKDAY

ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA CHAPEL

One West Main Street Farmingdale

Monday—9:00 a.m.

Tuesday—9:00 a.m.

Thursday—9:00 a.m.

Friday—9:00 a.m.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA CHAPEL

One West Main Street Farmingdale

**First Friday of the Month immediately
following the 9:00 a.m. Mass**

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA

ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA CHAPEL

One West Main Street Farmingdale

**Monday immediately following the
9:00 a.m. Mass**

FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parishioners,

As I am writing this letter to you, my beloved, faithful, parishioners, we are pleased to announce that we have exceeded our parish's goal for the Annual Catholic Appeal 2020. Kindly be aware that even if we have exceeded the assigned goal, we have to be responsible enough to complete our pledge, just a friendly reminder, even to myself included. It is encouraging for the parish to show our support to this project as the beneficiary would be the ministries and services of the Diocese of Trenton. Also, we, as a community of God, please keep in mind, that funds collected in excess of the parish goal we will earn a fifty percent rebate check. Our buildings and grounds need a multitude of repairs and maintenance, for it has been in existence for more than twenty-five years. We announced over the weekend Masses that we need to replace one of our air conditioners, for it is failing. Currently, we are in summer, and the upcoming months can be sweltering. Since we are still in an unprecedented time due to the COVID 19, we do not have yet the regular schedule in the parish office as well as the CCD Program. Temporarily, we are installing two window air conditioners in two of our offices. Hopefully, they will be sufficient for now to make us comfortable while working in the office complex. Knowing our people, we are confident that everyone will be concerned and caring for the good of the parish. As your Pastor, I am so grateful and immensely thankful for your generosity and unconditional support. Thank you so very much.



FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus says in the Gospel today, "Shoulder my yoke." Perhaps we are wondering, and I suppose few of us have ever seen a yoke, not unless we have been to an agricultural museum. They look like instruments of torture, and it is more or less what they are. There are several and different kinds of them. There is the heavy wooden bar used to "yoke" or couple two oxen together to pull a colossal cart or plow, which is still used in some societies today. I tell you, oxen are not called "beasts of burden" for nothing. Even more horrifying are the yokes for shackling slaves. The word "yoke" has become a metaphor for something oppressive: the "yoke of slavery and servitude."

However, there is a better kind of yoke designed to make it easier to carry heavy loads. They are carrying poles, which are not too heavy, used by explorers and adventurers on long expeditions, fitting across the shoulders around the back of the neck, allowing two bags to be hooked on and carried at each side.

Jesus uses the word yoke in both senses. He is concerned about people "who labor and are overburdened." He had in mind some of the strict Jewish faith followers, whose religious life had become a burden. Scholars enumerated 613 laws that they enjoined to keep. The main idea was that by striving to keep all these laws, you made yourself pleasing to God. Jesus spoke harsh words about those scribes and Pharisees who "tie up heavy burdens and lay them on men's shoulders", but they will not lift a finger to move them.

Jesus tells us his yoke is easy, and we must learn from him. We can do this by experiencing his gentleness and humility, to love him and realize his love for us. He does not want life to be a burden. He may suggest we let go in some ways, changing our priorities. Jesus burdened with the heavy cross did not insist on carrying it alone but was happy to have someone help him like, Simon of Cyrene. It may just mean talking to someone sometimes. As we have heard, "a trouble shared is trouble halved." Going to confession relieves the burden of sins and guilt. It offers the opportunity to have a conversation with a priest with confidentiality, who can provide hope and encouragement.

Sometimes, there can be periods when little can be done to prioritize, but still less to share our burdens and responsibilities. But Jesus is offering us to help us with our burdens. He asks us to come to him. "The Lord is kind and full of compassion." "Come to me," Jesus says, "I am gentle and humble of heart," Jesus answers our prayers when we ask his help, and he gives us the strength to carry on with peace. Amen.

May God bless you,

Father Angelito

MASS INTENTIONS

GOD ★ BLESS ★ AMERICA

BLESSED IS THE NATION WHOSE GOD IS THE LORD...

Psalm 33:12

SATURDAY · JULY 4

4:30 PM

† Mary and John Kruse *r/b Maryann, Patty & Stephanie*

SUNDAY · JULY 5

10:00 AM

† Daniel Cherellia *r/b The Sardone Family*

† Thomas Joseph O'Reilly *r/b Loving Sister*

† Angelo Cennamo *r/b Pat & Kathie Lavin*

MONDAY · JULY 6

9:00 AM

† Dorothy Cherellia *r/b Joe & Anna Geronimo*

TUESDAY · JULY 7

9:00 AM

† Luis M. Fernandez *r/b Shelia Piegaro*

THURSDAY · JULY 9

9:00 AM

† Rosemary Knaub *r/b James Schottman*

FRIDAY · JULY 10

9:00 AM

† For the People of the Parish

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

UPDATING THE PRAYER LIST

The Prayer list is a special and sacred tradition of this parish, providing extra prayers for those of our faith community, their families and friends.

Please email your prayer recipients to frontoffice@sienachurch.org.

SUNDAY'S READINGS

FIRST READING:

See, your king shall come to you;
a just savior is he,
meek, and riding on an ass,
on a colt, the foal of an ass. (Zec 9:9b)

PSALM:

I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.
(Ps 145) or Alleluia

SECOND READING:

For if you live according to the flesh, you will die,
but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body,
you will live. (Rom 8:13)

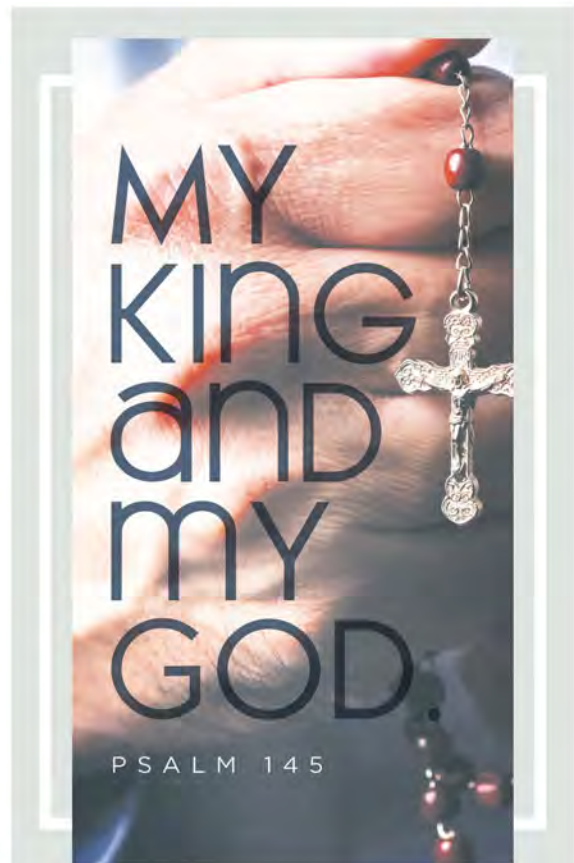
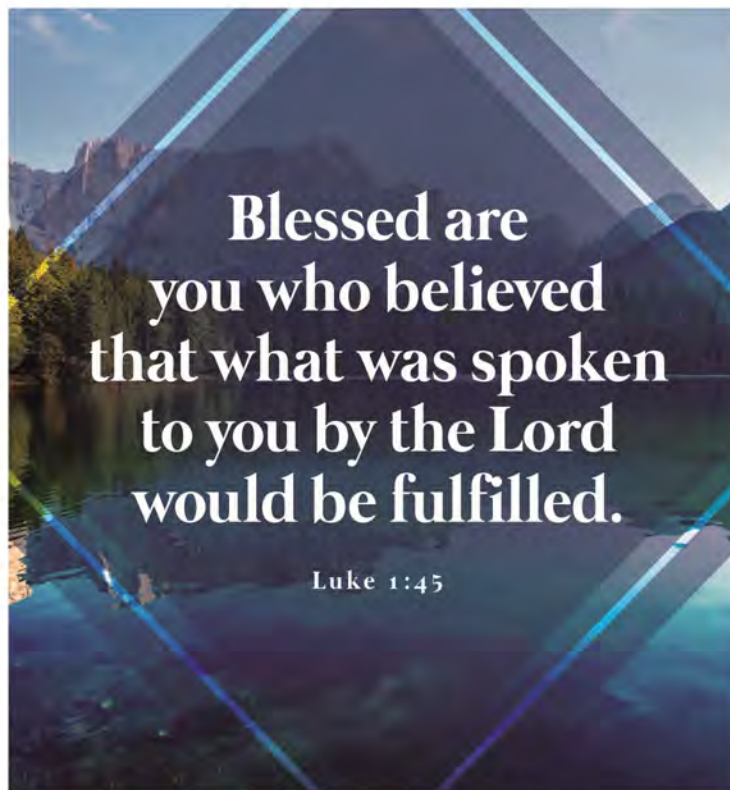
GOSPEL:

"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened,
and I will give you rest." (Mt 11:28)

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OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 5, 2020

Sunday: 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: St. Maria Goretti, Virgin and Martyr
Thursday: St. Augustine Zhao Rong, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs
Saturday: St. Benedict, Abbot
Next Sunday: 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time



REFLECT

FIRST READING

The prophet Zechariah envisioned a future king for the people of Israel who would rule the nations with justice and humility. How do you see these virtues as a strength in leadership?

SECOND READING

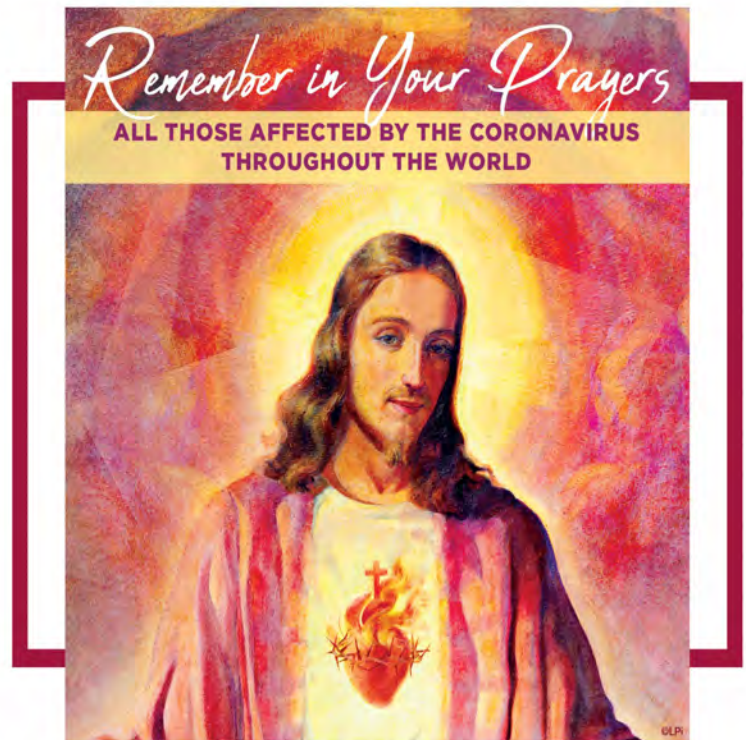
Paul speaks of the promise of the resurrection from the dead for believers who reject the flesh and live according to the Spirit. What spiritual exercises do you practice that help reject the flesh?

GOSPEL READING

Jesus praises his Father for the irony of the wise and learned who are unable to see what is revealed to the childlike. What does this tell us about the kingdom of heaven?



PRAY



Compassionate and Loving Father,

In the face of confusion and concern
impart to us the calm of Your presence.

In You allow us to find hope and healing.

Be with those who serve the sick and
give them Your caring hands.

Be with those who lead and give them
Your spirit of wisdom.

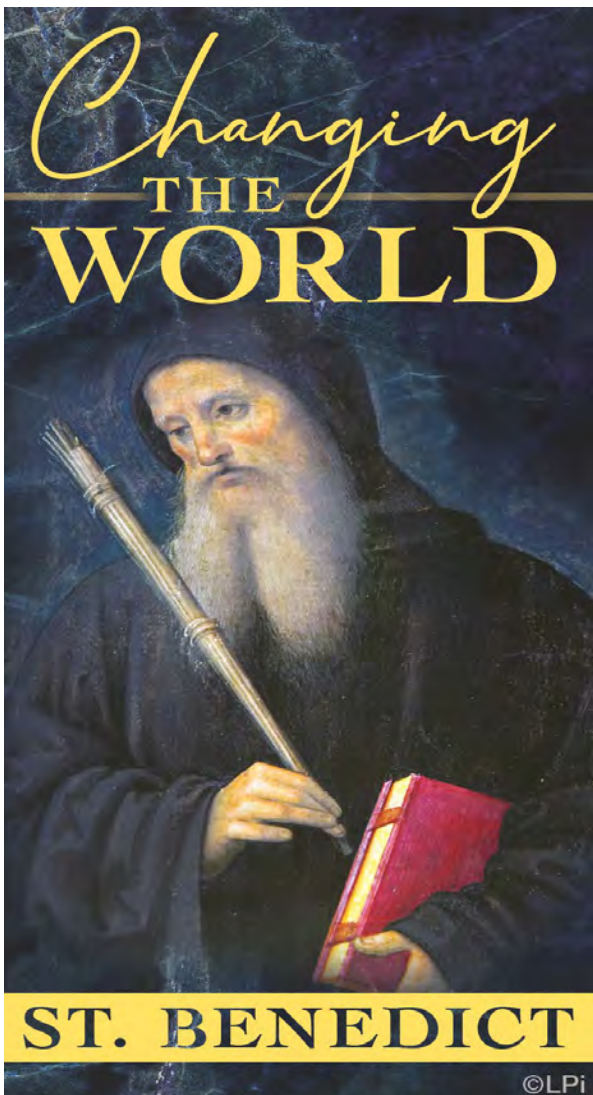
Be with those who have fallen ill and
give them Your comforting heart.

Wrap Your arms around our world
and hold us in Your love.

Allow us at this time of trial to then
serve as instruments of that love
to all we meet.

We ask this in Your Name.

Amen



IMPORTANT PARISH UPDATES

Welcome Back



Limited Public Celebration of the Mass and Sacraments at St. Catherine of Siena Church

The dispensation from Sunday/Holy Day Mass obligation remains in effect until Monday, September 7, 2020 (unless otherwise announced).



MASS TIMES

Saturday 4:30 P.M. Sunday 10:00 A.M.

We will record the 10:00 A.M. Mass and the video will be posted on our parish YouTube Channel.

An overflow Mass will be held in the parish hall if the Church exceeds the 1/3 capacity limit.

**Daily Mass held in the Church 9:00 A.M. Monday – Friday.
Closed Wednesday.**

Chapel will remain closed until further notice.

For those who are not feeling well, those with underlying health conditions or in a high-risk category, one should stay home and avoid any public gathering. We strongly encourage you to watch or participate in Mass remotely.

For those who choose to attend Mass in person, for everyone's protection, please be aware of the following:

- Please wear a face mask at all times in the Church
- Please enter through the front door and use the hand sanitizer
- Maintain social distancing of at least 6 feet at all times
- Bring your own hand sanitizer that can be used before receiving Holy Communion.
- No public gatherings, or greetings (handshakes, hugs, etc.) at Church entrance and Church property.

A full listing of the directives issued by Bishop O'Connell and St. Catherine of Siena Parish Re-Opening Protocols can be viewed at our website, www.sienachurch.org. Should you have any questions, please call the parish office at 732-938-5375, Opt. 1.

Thank you for your understanding.

A NOTE FROM THE OFFICE

UPDATE TO PARISH RECORDS

For our current parishioners, please help us update our parish records by filling out the following form and returning it to us either by email, frontoffice@sienachurch.org or mail it to St. Catherine of Siena Parish, 31 Asbury Road, Farmingdale, NJ 07727

To register in the parish, please call the parish office at 732-938-5375.

DATE: _____

FAMILY INFORMATION

LAST NAME	_____	FIRST NAME	_____
SPOUSE LAST NAME	_____	SPOUSE FIRST NAME	_____
MAILING NAME	_____		
CHILD FULL NAME	_____	CHILD FULL NAME	_____
CHILD FULL NAME	_____	CHILD FULL NAME	_____

ADDRESS INFORMATION

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CONTACT INFORMATION

HOME TELEPHONE	()	_____	
HIS CELLPHONE:	()	HER CELLPHONE	()
_____	_____	_____	_____
HIS EMAIL:	_____	HER EMAIL	_____

Yes, I would like to receive parish communications sent by email:

Email: _____

ANNUAL
CATHOLIC
Appeal 2020

St. Catherine of Siena Parish
ACA Status

As of June 29, 2020

GOAL \$38,000

Raised \$39,124.30

Collected \$33,456.50

Pledge Balance \$5,667.80

Thank You

100% of Goal

We are blessed that St. Catherine of Siena Parish reached and exceeded our 2020 Annual Catholic Appeal goal of \$38,000! Thank you to our parishioners who generously contributed.

We ask you to please continue to donate and send in your pledges. Keep in mind, funds collected in excess of the parish goal we earn a 50% rebate check which directly benefits our parish.

*Thank you for
your generosity.*

Dear Friends in Christ,

As your pastor, let us take

a moment and reflect on all God's blessings and graces. I extend to you a heartfelt thank you to those who have continued their financial support of the parish by mailing in your envelopes, and those who have reached out to us to sign up for online giving. Our parish is truly blessed with generous, caring and faithful members.

May God's peace and grace be with you always,

Father Angelito

Thank You!

THE LORD BLESS AND KEEP YOU—Numbers 6:24



2021 Mass Intention Book Opening

The 2021 Mass Intention Book will open on **Wednesday, July 8.**

Please call the Parish Office during regular office hours at 732-938-5375 to request your Mass Intentions.

Intentions are a \$10 offering, and dates and times are scheduled on a first-come, first-served basis.

Thank you.

Dear Parishioners,

It is my pleasure to introduce myself as your new director of Music Ministry here at St. Catherine of Siena Church.

I had the privilege of knowing and working with Father Angelito at St. Mary, Mother of God Church in Middletown. I am thankful for the warm welcome I have received from everyone. I look forward to worshipping and serving this wonderful parish community.

Please keep me in your prayers and I will keep you in mine.

Blessings and Peace,

Doris Ramme



< KID'S > KORNER

Gospel Today

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time | Matthew 11:25-30

Blessed are the children and child-like who are open to receiving the Word of Jesus. Living His Word will give peace and rest.

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BIBLE WORD SEARCH

Find all the words...
left, right, up, down
or diagonally.

- Blessed
- Children
- Open
- Receiving
- Praise
- Father
- Lord
- Heaven
- Earth
- Living
- Word
- Jesus
- Knows
- Peace
- Revealed
- Come
- Burdened
- Take
- Learn
- Meek
- Gentle
- Humble
- Heart
- Rest
- Find
- Yoke
- Upon
- Easy
- Light

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