

ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



Fifth
Sunday
of Lent

APRIL 3, 2022

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OFFICE HOURS

MON—THURS
9:00AM — 2:00PM

SUNDAY
9:00AM — 12:45PM

*The Church is open during
Parish Office hours
for prayer.*

WORSHIP WITH US

MASS TIMES

SATURDAY 4:30PM

SUNDAY 8:00AM
10:00AM
11:30AM

Holy Days of Obligation
9:00AM & 7:00PM

31 Asbury Rd., Farmingdale, NJ

WEEKDAY MASS

St. Catherine's
Chapel
1 West Main Street Farmingdale

MONDAY 9:00AM
TUESDAY 9:00AM
THURSDAY 9:00AM
FRIDAY 9:00AM



DEVOTIONS

Miraculous Medal Novena
Monday's immediately following
Weekday 9 AM Mass at Chapel

Eucharistic Adoration

First Friday of the Month
immediately following Weekday
9 AM Mass at Chapel

RECONCILIATION

SATURDAY 3:30—4:00PM

Other days by Appointment



A Message from Fr. Angelito



Dear Friends in Christ,

It is incredible how the Lord God would provide our faithful in the parish community with an opportunity to be evangelized and to evangelize other people. As we look back at the beginning of the Lenten Season, Ash Wednesday, we announced to our faithful that we are giving monetary donations to the victims of Ukraine to express our solidarity with them. Believe it or not, it's not easy to imagine how the faithful responded by offering their donations in kind to us, and the rest is history. Our active volunteers were able to gather seven truckloads of essential goods for the people of Ukraine, and up to now, we are still receiving some essential items. Once again, as your pastor, I am amazed and humbled as the people have shown a magnificent level of support for this great cause. We express our deepest gratitude and a big word of thanks to all.

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

In today's Gospel, we have an incident all about the sinful woman – despised and legally condemned by all – being restored to the dignity of a human person. In her direst of need, she was saved. Saved because there was Christ the Redeemer, friend of publicans and sinners, who had the heart to feel with the despised and the eyes, the divine insight, to perceive what is in a person, rather, what is a human being – a child of God, however, disfigured and disgraced.

Her great fortune was that her enemies brought her to her best friend and redeemer, Jesus. How little did the Scribes and Pharisees realize that Jesus came not to condemn sinners but to save them by calling them to repentance! They could not have a partner to Jesus, the Savior of sinners, in their wicked designs to stone sinners to death.

Our parish and religious communities do not lack sinners, even public sinners, real or labeled as such. What is our attitude towards them? Do we find understanding, sympathetic persons to lean upon, or do we find persons busy selecting the sharpest stones to hurl at the sinner because they 'deserves it'?

The God we believe in is a saving God. The Master we follow is the Savior of all. To be true believers in the saving God and faithful followers of the redeeming Christ, we must be saviors of our brethren. The Pharisees had more concern for the law than for the human person. Concerned with law, they succeeded only in keeping external appearance, and that at the cost of human persons and of the supreme law: Love. Jesus, moved by love, saves both the human person and the law.

God is the only one worthy and capable to judge and condemn because only He has perfect knowledge and complete authority to do so. Yet even He does not exercise it and patiently waits till the day of judgment, giving more and more chances to sinners, hoping that they will repent. Moreover, He does not make a separation between the just and the unjust in this world. But we, how foolish we are to rush in to judge and condemn our brothers and sisters while we too are sinners like them! It is true that "Fools rush in where angels fear to tread."

The episode of the woman caught in adultery appears to be very dramatic. We may laugh at the foolish behavior of the Scribes and the Pharisees who brought that woman to Jesus to be condemned. But what we do several times a day is as stupid. They tried to draw a very sharp, decisive line between the good and the bad ones. They thought they were very good and the woman very bad. The Scribes and the Pharisees confronted Jesus, intending to trap Him. If Jesus said, "Yes, stone her," He would no longer be seen as the merciful miracle worker and would lose His popularity. If He said, "No, don't kill her," He would go against their law and traditions.

When Jesus said to them, "Let him who is found without sin among you be the first one to throw a stone at her," they became conscious of their smug sinfulness. They had drawn a line around her and labeled her a "sinner" until that time. Now they understood that they too were in the same circle and had the same label on them. One after the other, starting from the eldest, they all dropped their stones and disappeared as quickly and silently as possible.

As we continue to journey this Lenten Season and are about to begin the holiest days of the year, let us ask ourselves are we judging and condemning others? Are we prepared to repeat these beautiful words of Jesus, "Neither do I condemn you," in our interaction with others?

Father, fill me with Your merciful and forgiving love. Amen.

May God bless you. – Father Angelito

WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 3, 2022

- Sunday:** Is 43:16-21/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/Phil 3:8-14/Jn 8:1-11
- Monday:** Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5-6/Jn 8:12-20
- Tuesday:** Nm 21:4-9/Ps 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21/Jn 8:21-30
- Wednesday:** Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/Jn 8:31-42
- Thursday:** Gn 17:3-9/Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 8:51-59
- Friday:** Jer 20:10-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7/Jn 10:31-42
- Saturday:** Ez 37:21-28/Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13/Jn 11:45-56
- Next Sunday:** Lk 19:28-40/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 [2a]/Phil 2:6-11/Lk 22:14—23:56 or 23:1-49

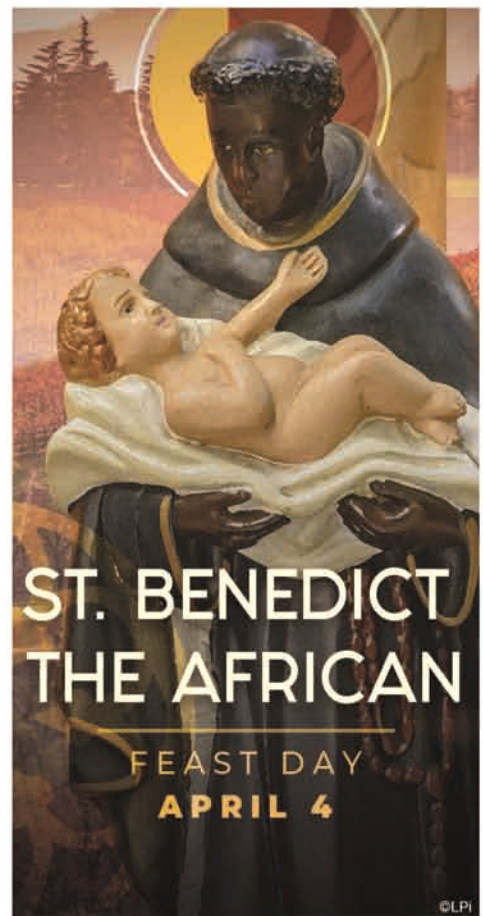
OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 3, 2022

- Sunday:** 5th Sunday of Lent
- Monday:** St. Isidore, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
- Tuesday:** St. Vincent Ferrer, Priest
- Next Sunday:** Holy Week begins; Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration for the week

Mercy makes us attentive to the voice of truth. We do not know what ever happened to the woman caught in adultery, after her encounter with Jesus. It is hoped that she found what she needed to feel true sorrow. What we do know is that through his gentle and wise persuasiveness, Jesus puts the Pharisees in their place and opens the door to grace for this child of God. Being exploited and used to test and discredit Jesus, she who is publicly known to be a sinner is now the victim. Jesus never tolerates people being used and immediately rushes to her defense. As the author of mercy, Jesus became her advocate and opened the door for her to God's love. Jesus also stands between us and the harsh, judgmental, and often hurtful stance of our world. He invites us to grace, to leave the sin that binds us, and for which we are often criticized, and pursue a life of virtue and freedom.



SAINT OF THE WEEK

St. Benedict the African (1524-1589), was born in San Fratello, Sicily to Cristoforo and Diana Manasseri, Africans who had been taken as slaves. Some accounts claim that because of his parents' loyal service that Benedict was given his freedom at birth, other sources say that his freedom was granted when he turned 18. At 21 Benedict joined a society of hermits living under the rule of St. Francis of Assisi. Eventually he succeeded his friend, Jerome Lanze, as their leader. When the Pope disbanded the independent hermit society, Benedict joined the Order of Friars Minor and he was sent to Palermo, to the Franciscan Friary of St. Mary of Jesus. There Benedict worked in the kitchens and despite being illiterate and a lay brother (not a priest), he also served as Master of Novices, and as Guardian of the Community. St. Benedict was known throughout his life as a brilliant cook under whose hands food seemed to multiply miraculously, a healer, and a spiritual leader with profound understanding. He is recognized as the patron saint of African Americans.

Mass Intentions



*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon them.*

*Let us pray for those who have passed away and call
on God's love and mercy to grant them eternal rest in
Heaven.*

Saturday • April 2

4:30 PM

† Anthony & Rachel Pennetti & Family

r/b Libby Miller

Sunday • April 3

8:00 AM

† Kevin Gallagher

r/b The Janniello Family

10:00 AM

† Deceased Members of the Lempka Family

r/b The Lempka Family

11:30 AM

† Vicenta Martinez

r/b Mr. & Mrs. Jose Martinez Jr.

Monday • April 4

9:00 AM

† John Weg

r/b Luis & Betty Cartagena

Tuesday • April 5

9:00 AM

† Joseph Buyes

r/b The Devaux Family

Thursday • April 7

9:00 AM

† Sandra Koziar

r/b Joanne Monroe

Friday • April 8

9:00 AM

† Leroy Cranmer

r/b Cheri Crowl



May the good Lord bless all the faithful
departed. And especially for:

Joyce Ann Sowpel

May her soul and the souls of all
the faithful departed,
through the mercy of God,
rest in peace.

Holy Week Schedule

2022
Schedule



Monday
April 11

9:00 AM Mass
St. Catherine's
Chapel

Tuesday
April 12

9:00 AM Mass
St. Catherine's
Chapel

Parish Office is closed
on Holy Thursday &
Good Friday.

Easter Triduum



Holy Thursday



Good Friday



Easter Sunday

HOLY WEEK/EASTER TRIDUUM

PALM SUNDAY

Saturday, April 9
Blessing of Palm
4:30 PM Vigil Mass

Sunday, April 10
8:00 AM Mass
10:00 AM Mass
11:30 AM Mass

Palm Distributed at all Masses

HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 14

Church open for prayer
Noon–7:00 PM

Mass of the Lord's Supper
7:30 PM

No morning Mass

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 15

Church open for prayer
9:00 AM–3:00 PM

The Celebration of the Lord's Passion
Liturgy of the Word, Veneration of the
Holy Cross and Holy Communion
3:00 PM

Stations of the Cross – 6:00 PM
No morning Mass

HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 16

Morning Prayer &
Blessing of Easter Food
9:00 AM

EASTER VIGIL

7:30 PM

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 17

8:00 AM Mass
10:00 AM Mass
11:30 AM Mass



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The godparents, together with the parents, must be willing to help the baptized grow in love for Christ and neighbor. By word and example, the godparents will encourage the candidate to live the Christian life and fulfill faithfully the obligations connected with it (cf. Code of Canon Law, c. 872-874).

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In St. Catherine's Parish and in all Catholic Parishes in the U.S.

- A sponsor must have received the Sacraments of Baptism, Holy Eucharist, & Confirmation and if married, married in the Catholic Church.
- A sponsor must be at least 16 years of age.
- A sponsor attends Mass faithfully participating in the life and support of the Church, receiving the Eucharist, and leading a life according to the teachings of the Church.

A sponsor must be registered at St. Catherine of Siena Parish and registered for at least six (6) months prior to the request.

Note, if he/she received all his/her sacraments here at St. Catherine of Siena Parish years ago but now lives elsewhere, he/she is not a member of this parish. Rather, he/she is a member of the parish in whose territory he/she resides. This is where the sponsor certificate must be obtained.

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Baptism

First-time parents are required to attend a Baptismal Preparation Course prior to scheduling the Baptism.

Godparents are required to provide Sponsor Certificates before a Baptismal date is given.

Please call the Parish Office for detailed information.

Ministry to the Homebound

Please call the Parish Office at 732-938-5375.

Matrimony

Engaged Couples should contact our parish at least one year in advance of the proposed date of marriage and before making other arrangements.

Rite of Christian Burial or Memorial Mass

Please call the Parish Office at 732-938-5375.

Reconciliation

3:30 p.m. Saturday–Parish Hall Narthex
Other days by appointment.

Join Our Parish Family



We welcome you to St. Catherine of Siena Church to experience the warmth of our parish family.

If you would like to join the parish or if you are not Catholic and would like to learn about the Catholic faith, please call the Parish Office.

WELCOME

NEW PARISHIONERS!

The Bamonte Family
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Lily & Violet



John Candito
Kristen Masterson

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

REASONS WHY TO REGISTER IN THE PARISH

Registration is the official way we join a parish community. Some people think that because they attend a particular parish they automatically belong.

Registration is a commitment to community, a way to be included in the religious, social and ministerial activities of the parish. Registration shows you belong. It is also necessary for certain benefits and administrative purposes, like scheduling sacraments, obtaining a Sponsor/Godparent Certificate and Letter of Eligibility, and donation statements for your income tax returns. Most importantly, it lets the parish count on you, to call on you to assist in its mission.

Registering a parish is simple. It just requires signing up, formally enrolling yourself by contacting the Parish Office. Young adults 18 and over who are still living at home with their parents, or attend college, are recommended to register in their own name. Thank You.

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PHONE

For further information, please contact Laura Randazzo at 732-938-5375.

www.dioceseoftrenton.org/catholicappeal



Weekly First Sunday Collection

Saturday/Sunday, March 26-27, 2022

4:30 PM Mass	\$1,096.00	106 People
8:00 AM Mass	\$1,021.00	85 People
10:00 AM Mass	\$1,525.00	111 People
11:30 AM Mass	\$1,156.00	103 People
Online Giving	\$1,391.00	

Total Weekly Collection \$6,189.00

SECOND COLLECTION

Saturday/Sunday, March 26-27, 2022

MAINTENANCE & REPAIRS	\$625.00
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UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS

APRIL 3, 2022

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APRIL 10, 2022

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