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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

DFVOTIONS

Miraculous Medal Novena

Monday's immediately following Weekday 9 AM Mass at Chapel

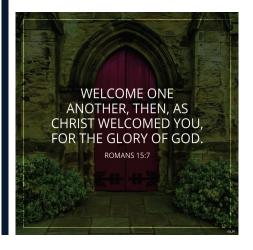
Eucharistic Adoration

Friday of the 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.

We cannot thank you enough for the fantastic response from our kind, caring, generous and dedicated parishioners and churchgoers who contributed to the appeals that we have been doing in our bulletin and announcements on Sunday worship. When we started asking for your help and assistance for our students for the back-to-school drive, it was pretty amazing to see the quick results of that drive. As you know, we did not expect the chapel's air conditioner and the parish's fire alarm panel not to function as it is supposed to; we needed to find an immediate solution to the problem. And there you are, always close and near to us, listening and being involved. As your administrator and spiritual leader, I am humbled and inspired by the high level of response to our pleas. Allow me to express my immense gratitude and deep appreciation for all the great things that you people are showing. May God bless you all!

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN THE ORDINARY TIME

Have you ever thought why Jesus the Master asked us explicitly to learn from him to be meek and humble? When Jesus taught humility, he gave us a tremendous lesson about human nature. Jesus' teaching contains a perennially valuable psychological insight. As Arthur Help's pointed out, "humility is the true cure for many a needless heart." The word 'needless' is to be stressed. What can the best psychiatrists do for many patients who flock to them with their problems? The best they can do is to lead them to gradually accept themselves: to be at peace and at ease with themselves. The psychiatrist can do nothing for those who can't or won't accept themselves.

Let us look at our own lives. How many of our crosses are self-inflicted? And how many of them would have been less in intensity, frequency, and duration if we were humble? For want of humility, how much we suffer and how much suffering we inflict on others! A humble man accepts himself and is at peace with himself. In his self-acceptance, he is rich and robust. No one made him poorer, and no one could make him weaker either. He is at peace with his God-given reality, his *self*. And so, he cannot be far from all other facts created by God and the ultimate Reality--- God.

Today's parable about taking first place at the banquet sheds further light on humility's meaning and significance. It means a lack of concern for one's prestige and consequently esteeming others above self. It means being willing to associate with those who can do nothing for us, to be looked down upon because of the company we keep. Remember, Jesus was despised by the respectable people of his day because of the company he kept. Humility born of truth enables a person to realize that at the heavenly banquet in God's kingdom, no one can choose his place or exalt himself on his own. A humble man knows that at the end of life's journey, nothing matters except a humble and contrite heart when we stand before the Lord.

In the first reading, we hear, "Humble yourself, and you will find favor with God." Humbling oneself is not the negation or suppression of the human. It is not the destruction of talents but accepting that everything is from him and for him. It is choosing to put oneself in the hands of the Creator to be re-created; it is the opposite of pride, self-worship, and the attempt to set ourselves at the center of the world.

The great emphasis on humility in Judaism and Christianity must be traced back to its roots at the beginning of Israel. The people of Israel knew they owed their origin to no one but God, who chose them out of love and not for their human excellence and achievements. This enabled them to realize their smallness before God. God himself humbles man, whether it be Pharaoh or Israel in the wilderness. Following the tradition of Israel, the New Testament gives greater significance and meaning to humility. Jesus himself says: "Learn of Me, for I am meek and humble of heart."

Lord God, may I be humble and gracious in suffering humiliations. Amen.

May God bless you,

Father Angelito

SUNDAY'S READINGS

FIRST READING:

Humble yourself the more, the greater you are, and you will find favor with God. (Sir 7:18)

PSALM:

God, in your goodness, you have made a home for the poor. (Ps 68)

SECOND READING:

You have approached Mount Zion and the city of the living God. (Heb 12:22)

GOSPEL:

"For every one who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted." (Lk 14:11)

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OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 28, 2022

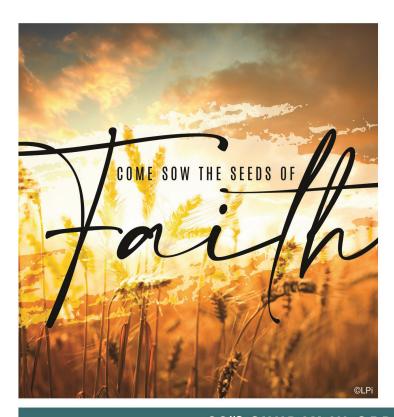
Sunday: 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time; St. Augustine, Bishop

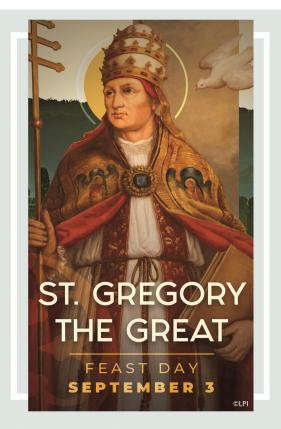
and Doctor of the Church

Monday: The Passion of St. John the Baptist

Saturday: St. Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church

Next Sunday: 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time





Saint of the Week

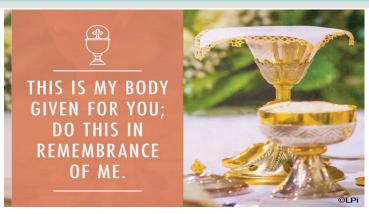
Saint Gregory the Great lived in a most turbulent time. There were devastating episodes of plague, the sacking of Rome and the breakdown of strong Roman rule, invasions by Lombards and Franks, floods, and a widening gap between imperial Byzantium and the Roman Church.

Born around 540 into a noble Roman family, Saint Gregory was probably trained in law, and started his public service as a Prefect of Rome. However, upon the death of his father, he converted his family home to monastery, where he resided as a monk. He built six more monasteries in Sicily and one in Rome.

Often called the father of the medieval papacy and Apostle of the English, Saint Gregory was proclaimed Pope by acclamation in 590. Although he was reluctant to assume this post, preferring the cloistered life, his accomplishments were many. He was an extremely capable manager of Church estates and tenants and is known for his reform of the liturgy. He was instrumental in the consolidation of papal power and led the fight against the many heresies promoted by small Christian groups at the time. Through his prolific correspondence he oversaw monastic life, curtailing the power of grasping bishops, correcting abuses, and enforcing discipline. He was particularly concerned with the conversion of England, sending 40 monks from his monastery including Saint Augustine of Canterbury to evangelize there.

Saint Gregory died in 604 and was sainted immediately. He is one of four key doctors of the Western Church, including Saints Augustine, Ambrose, and Jerome.

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 · August 27 4:30 PM + Vincent D'Amico

r/b James D'Amico

Sunday • August 28 8:00 AM + June Allen

r/b The Linden Family

10:00 AM

H John Patrick Flanders

r/b The Ready Family

11:30 AM + Jose Martinez Sr.

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

Monday • August 29
9:00 AM
4 Lin Wah Hing

r/b Judy & Warren Chunn

Tuesday • August 30 9:00 AM • Francis Tampone r/b Walter Decanio

Thursday • September 1
9:00 AM
† Thomas Field
r/b Cathy Keegan & Family

Friday • September 2
9:00 AM
• Brendan McGregor

r/b Carol Jamieson



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

Lisa Snow

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

Liturgical Life



The Diocese of Trenton invites you and your family to:

In Communion with Jesus

A Pilgrimage to Mary's House



Bishop David M. O'Connell, CM invites you and your families to journey with him to this holy site, the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Washington DC.

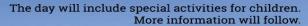






November 12, 2022

Saturday





We are organizing a bus for our parishioners who are interested in attending the Pilgrimage to Mary's House on Saturday, November 12, 2022.

For more details, please contact Laura in the Parish Office.



SPONSORS FOR THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM AND CONFIRMATION

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).

Requirements to Obtain a Sponsor Certificate/Letters of Eligibility

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.

For sponsor requests from St. Catherine',
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St. Catherine of Siena Parish and registered for at least six (6) months prior to the request, showing participation in the life & support of the Church.

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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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 Berg Family
Thomas, Kara
Brenna & Nolan



The Withers Family
Steven, Meghan
& Gunnar

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 in the 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.

Volunteer Today



Thank you to all who answered the call to help with our Religious Education Program this year.

We need a 4th Grade Catechist.

Please call the Parish Office for more information.



We are very thankful for a donation of a United States Flag from the Brach Family,

Brian, Colleen, Caroline and Emily.

St Catherine of Siena Parish salutes your generosity and proudly display the new flag.





A Note from the Office





2022 Bishop's Anniversary Blessing Events

October 9 (Ocean/Monmouth Counties)

All couples celebrating their 1st, 25th or 50+ wedding anniversary during 2022 calendar year are invited to share the Eucharist, reaffirm your sacred wedding vows, and receive Bishop O'Connell's Episcopal Blessing.

Anniversary Couples from Ocean and Monmouth Counties may attend the Mass and reception at the Co-Cathedral of St. Robert Bellarmine in Freehold on Sunday, October 9, 2022, at 3 pm.

For more information and to register for this event online visit us at www.dioceseoftrenton.org/bishops-anniversary-blessing, or call your local parish office.

The registration deadline for all anniversary couples is September 15, 2022.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM 2022-2023

Registration for our Religious Education Program is now open. Classes begin October 16, 17, 18, 2022.

Register online at www.sienachurch.org or stop by the Parish Office to register in-person.



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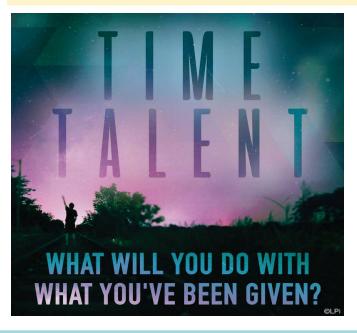
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