ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

DIOCESE OF TRENTON



SUNDAY, JANUARY 30, 2022

4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

[He said to them], "Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing." And all spoke highly of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They also asked, "Isn't this the son of Joseph?" - Lk 4:21-22

Welcome



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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

SUNDAY

4:30PM 8:00AM

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 Parish Hall Narthex Other days by Appointment Confessionals will not be used due to lack of ventilation. Masks will be worn by priest and penitents.

A Message from our Pastor

Dear Parishioners,

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

One of the greatest prophets of the Old Testament times, Jeremiah lived in the turbulent and eventually fatal period of Jewish history (c. 600-500). For years, the people and most of their kings neglected the things of God. Jeremiah was consecrated to be a prophet and was asked to prepare for action.

Jeremiah complained that he was too young to admonish people, but God told him to stand up fearlessly and speak. He had nothing to fear, for God was with him. Under three images, God described the strength He gave Jeremiah as a fortified city, a pillar of iron, and a wall of bronze.

Jeremiah accepted the vocation God gave him and tried his best to turn Judah's kings and their people from evil ways. He found his task hard and shuddered at the thought of it. Yet, once he realized this was God's will for him, he set about the task and carried it out to the bitter end. However, he failed in saving his people. He saw Jerusalem destroyed and its citizens carried off in chains to Babylon. His life ended in martyrdom as a prisoner in Egypt, where his Jewish enemies had forcibly taken him. Yet he was a success because he faithfully carried out God's will without considering the cost.

The Good news tends to arouse opposition. When we go through the Bible, we see that prophets are messengers of God's Word. They were to urge the people to return to God. The prophet Jeremiah stood for truth, incurring the wrath of kings, officials, priests, and people. They rejected him and his warning.

Looking at history, one can find that people who stand for justice and rights are often rejected. No wonder Jesus was rejected by His people. The locals were embarrassed by Jesus' goodness, felt uncomfortable with his preaching, and were threatened by His lifestyle. The Scribes and the Pharisees opposed Him. Priests and the top leaders rejected Him. Finally, His people abandoned and rejected Him because He did not match their expectations. They could not see God in a carpenter. He was rejected because He told them the truth. But the truth is seldom welcome and is unpleasant to hear. Jesus was rejected because they were prejudiced and preconditioned to believe that no good could come from Nazareth. To discredit Him and His teachings, they referred to his background. But no matter how many times people rejected Him, He did not reject them. He never gave up on them. On the contrary, He forgave those who insulted Him and continued to love those who persecuted Him.

All of us have experienced rejection in our lives. Usually, rejection comes precisely from those we love and those who love us. This makes the experience of rejection more difficult to forgive. When we feel rejected, we are tempted to give up. It is easy for us to give up, stop loving and become bitter and resentful. But, drawing inspiration from Jesus, our Master who was rejected, let us resist the temptation to become bitter and resentful towards those who reject us.

Lord, grant that I may sincerely bless those who curse or oppose me. Amen.

May God bless you,

Father Angelito

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 · January 29 4:30 PM **+ Armando Ciallella** r/b The Ust Family

Sunday · January 30 8:00 AM + Carl Stewart

r/b Neal & Lorraine Pronek

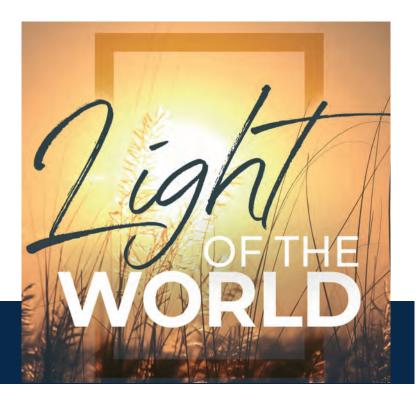
10:00 AM **H Kenny Barychko** r/b The DiBello Family

11:30 AM **H Dolores Rosener** r/b The Whittaker Family Monday · January 31 9:00 AM • Vincent Marzulli r/b The Kurzenberger Family

Tuesday · February 1 9:00 AM **+ Ruth D'Amico** r/b James D'Amico

Thursday · February 3 9:00 AM **+ Walter A. Meagher** r/b Joseph Meagher

Friday · February 4 9:00 AM **+ The D'Amico Family** r/b James D'Amico



WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 30, 2022

Sunday:	Jer 1:4-5, 17-19/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15-17 [cf. 15ab]/ 1 Cor 12:31—13:13 or 13:4-13/Lk 4:21-30
Monday:	2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13/Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk 5:1-20
Tuesday:	2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30—19:3/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mk 5:21-43
Wednesday:	Mal 3:1-4/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10/Heb 2:14-18/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32
Thursday:	1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12/1 Chr 29:10, 11ab, 11d-12a, 12bcd/Mk 6:7-13
Friday:	Sir 47:2-11/Ps 18:31, 47 and 50, 51/Mk 6:14-29
Saturday:	1 Kgs 3:4-13/Ps 119:9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14/Mk 6:30-34
Next Sunday:	Is 6:1-2a, 3-8/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 7-8 [1c]/1 Cor 15:1-11 or 15:3- 8, 11/Lk 5:1-11

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 30, 2022

Sunday:	4th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Celebrate Catholic Schools Week	
Monday:	St. John Bosco, Priest	
Wednesday:	The Presentation of the Lord; World Day for Consecrated Life	
Thursday:	St. Blaise, Bishop and Martyr; St. Ansgar, Bishop	
Saturday:	St. Agatha, Virgin and Martyr	
Next Sunday:	ext Sunday: 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time; St. Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs	

LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration for the week

Prophets possess an intimate knowledge of God and act on their experience of God. Prophetic messages usually challenge the status quo and draw us up and out of ourselves, focusing us on the bigger picture. We often think of ourselves and our own needs first. When we listen to someone speak, we judge the merit of the message by its degree of usefulness. If the message or vision contains no personal benefit or profit but a call to stretch and grow, we can become indignant. Prophets are usually the ones whose message challenges us and calls us to see things differently and love more perfectly and deeply. God is love. When listening to St. Paul speak about love we witness the unfolding of this type of unconditional, other centered, self-sacrificial perfect God. It is an invitation to life, freedom, and happiness that can be offered to us only by God. Jesus, who is God and Love incarnate, calls us to this richer expression of love. Are we ready to listen and be challenged and stretched?



SAINT OF THE WEEK

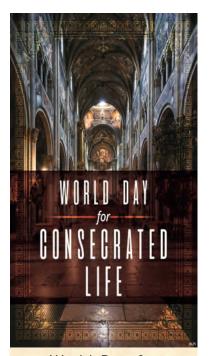
You may be familiar with the annual "blessing of throats" that many parishes in the United States use to commemorate the beloved bishop and martyr. St. Blaise lived in the fourth century in Turkey and Armenia. Due to religious persecution, he was forced to flee and hide in a cave in the back country in order to save his life.

History has it that one day a group of hunters stumbled upon where St. Blaise was living. They found the bishop kneeling in prayer, surrounded by wolves, lions and bears that he had tamed. The legend has it that as the hunters dragged Blaise off to prison, a mother came with her young son who had a fish bone lodged in his throat. At Blaise's command, the child was able to cough up the bone and thus lived.

Today we remember the saint on his feast day by taking two candles, crossing them against the throat, and saying the following prayer:

Through the intercession of St. Blaise, bishop and martyr, may God deliver you from ailments of the throat and from every other evil. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Let us Pray



World Day for Consecrated Life will be celebrated in the Churches on Wednesday, February 2, 2022 and in parishes over the weekend of February 5-6, 2022.

Please pray for all those who have made commitments in the consecrated life, and be sure to thank them on their special day.

May they continue to be inspired by Jesus Christ and respond generously to God's gift of their vocation.



The Memorial of St. Blaise falls on a Thursday this year. Throats will be blessed at the conclusion of the Masses the weekend of February 5-6.

Due to Covid and as a general health/safety precaution, no individual blessing of throats will occur.

The Presider of the Mass will administer the blessing and prayers to the whole congregation.

Through the intercession of Saint Blaise, bishop and martyr, may God deliver you from every disease of the throat and from every other illness. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.



We pray to you, God all loving, for the gift of peace in our world. We pray to you, God all loving, for all those serving in the military, and for the peace and safety of all persons who suffer due to war and violence. Grant that all people might put aside their differences, and seek the unity of your Kingdom. Amen.



BLESSED SACRAMENT IS AT THE HEART OF WORSHIP 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.

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 <u>but now</u> <u>lives elsewhere, he/she is not a member of this</u> <u>parish. Rather, he/she is a member of the parish in</u> <u>whose territory he/she resides</u>. This is where the sponsor certificate must be obtained.

Low Gluten Host

An extremely low-gluten host (37 micrograms) is available for those in need. Please notify the Priest prior to the beginning of Mass.

WE CELEBRATE THE SACRAMENTS

Anointing of the Sick

Please call 732-938-5375.

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

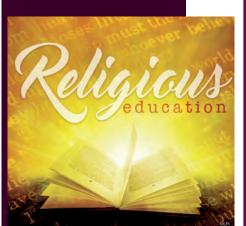
Please call the Parish Office at 732-938-5375.

Reconciliation

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

Confessionals will not be used due to lack of ventilation. Masks will be worn priest and penitent.

Annoucements



In-Person Parish Religious Education Classes Return

Sunday, January 30 Monday, January 31 Tuesday, February 1

> Welcome Back All Students & Catechists

Offerings at Francis House of Prayer

Trenton Diocesan Spiritual Center and Retreat House 84 Walnford Road • Allentown, NJ 08501 609-877-0509 or <u>FHOP@verizon.net</u>

Please check **www.FHOP.org** for registration, directions and for our other offerings!

CLAIM YOUR LIGHT/FIND YOUR VOICE

Thursday, February 3 9:30 AM – Noon

Ever feel as though you are running on empty? You are not alone! mid-morning retreat Come join in a and fill vour spiritual gas tank with the energy hidden in the back-to-back feasts of the Presentation of Jesus and St. Blaise. Renewed by God's presence, go forth and be God's light and God's voice in our world. Donation: \$20.

PERSONAL RETREAT DAY IN-PERSON ONLY

Wednesday, February 9 9:30 AM - 2:30 PM

Take a day away from the busyness of your life. Come to Francis House for silence, personal prayer and optional spiritual direction. The day begins and ends with a brief prayer together. Please bring your lunch. Donation: \$10; \$40 with spiritual direction.

VALENTINE'S CELEBRATION FOR COUPLES IN-PERSON ONLY

Sunday, February 13 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Liturgy at 11:00 AM

This year our Valentine Celebration takes a different shape. We begin with Mass at 11:00 AM which will include the renewal of marriage vows. We follow with a delicious lunch. Donation: Love Offering.



In observance of World Marriage Day, 2/13/22, & National Marriage Week, 2/7—2/14/22, the Diocese of Trenton honors all catholic married couples with a special web resource to enhance their marriage. Please visit www.dioceseoftrenton.org/worldmarriage-day-for-couples.

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 Fernandez Family

Steven & Yamilka Steven, Summer & Emma

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.

Parish Life



As ASH WEDNESDAY approaches, **March 2**, we burn the Palm from previous years to create the Ashes which will be blessed for the service on Ash Wednesday.

Please bring any Palm and return it to the collection bin in the Narthex





The first step toward the Sacrament of Baptism for Infants for new parents is our Baptismal Preparation Class. Classes are

Wednesday, February 2, 2022 at 7 PM

Tuesday, March 1, 2022 At 7 PM

Sign up at www.sienachurch.org

Online Giving

Our Online Giving Program assists you and the parish at the same time. You can avoid having to write checks, or gather your cash week after week, by simply signing up for WESHARE. The process is simple, safe and secure. Please visit <u>https://</u> <u>sienachurch.churchgiving.com</u> to set-up your donations. Call the parish office for more information.



ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

If you wish to receive a tax statement for your 2021 contributions to St. Catherine of Siena Church. Please email taxstatements@sienachurch.org.

In your email include your full name, address, phone number, and envelope number.

If you have any questions, please call the Parish Office at 732-938-5375.

2021 CHRISTMAS COLLECTION

With deepest gratitude to all during our Christmas season. Thank you for attending Mass, your prayers and your gifts and service to our church.

Christmas Collection	2021	\$21,613.00
Christmas Collection	2020	\$20,605.00

Do you give Online?

Let the parish know if you no longer need offertory envelopes mailed to you. You can save our parish the expense of sending envelopes if you are giving online.



Weekly First Sunday Collection Saturday/Sunday, January 22-23, 2022

4:30 PM Mass	\$871.00	78 people
8:00 AM Mass	\$986.00	89 people
10:00 AM Mass	\$1,400.00	134 people
11:30 AM Mass	\$899.00	88 people
Mail	\$915.00	
Online Giving	\$1,751.00	87 donors
Total Weekly Collection	\$6,822.00	

SECOND COLLECTIONSaturday/Sunday, January 22-23, 2022LATIN AMERICA\$659.00Candles\$108.00Candles\$108.00UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONSOPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONSPARISH MAINTENANCE & REPAIRSFEBRUARY 13, 2022JOCESAN ASSESSMENTOPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONSFEBRUARY 13, 2022COLLECTIONSFEBRUARY 13, 2022COLLECTIONSFEBRUARY 13, 2022COLLECTIONSFEBRUARY 20, 2022COLLECTIONS

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