

ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



SEPTEMBER 4, 2022

23<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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“Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me  
cannot be my disciple.” - Lk 14:27

# 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 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,

One of the most popular and thriving seasons is Summer, as daylight is longer than others. It is an excellent opportunity for family gatherings and visits, students are on vacation from school, and of course, we can do plenty of work, particularly inside and outside the house. It is hard to believe that we September is here and another season is fast approaching. The nation celebrates the day of rest on September 5, Labor Day. The unofficial conclusion of the Summer Season is over, and soon enough, students are returning to school, We wish tall the youth and college students lots of luck for the coming school year as they enter another year of education and learning. Always remember that education is one of the primary means of success in life as we keep in mind our faith and live out that belief and trust in God.

## TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Great multitudes accompanied Jesus.” For one bent on cheap popularity, that was a lot of grist to the mill. He would have avidly cashed in on it. For is it not human to aspire to win adulation, popularity, and applause? Jesus did not come to get approval from people. He came to approve them. He did not want people to be swept off their feet. First, he wanted them to be themselves and stand on their own feet. And he would help them to be themselves. Jesus is the light of the world, and he who follows him does not walk in darkness. But a high price is exacted from the prospective disciple. On the one hand, he must give up everyone and everything he holds dear, and on the other hand, he has to take up that which he would be willing to give up, whatever it is!

Jesus is not a cheap leader, nor does he want cheap followers. He makes them think, reflect and decide. To drive this point home, he uses stories. No one can build a tower with a few thousand dollars. Nor does anyone engage in warfare without adequate information about the enemy. “Following Me,” Jesus tells us, “is like that. You must know what you are going to do. Otherwise, you will deceive yourselves and look ridiculous in front of others.”

“The Gospel of the Lord.” We know that Gospel means ‘good news.’ But is it good news to be told that we must turn our backs on our parents, spouses, children, brothers, and sisters? That we must renounce all our possessions? That is breathtaking. But it is also inspiring. Is it any different, at the bottom, from the demand Jesus makes when he tells us that he must mean more than family and possessions, even our very lives? Following Christ means putting him first--- ahead of money, possessions, success, ahead of those whom we love most, ahead of our very selves; it also means not having trust in our resources alone. If we don’t do so, we are like the farmer building his tower without calculating the cost, like the king setting out recklessly on a military campaign against hopeless odds.

We gather around the Lord’s holy table to receive spiritual power. This power is not something impersonal but spiritual electricity, as if we are here to get our batteries recharged for another week. The power that is offered to us here is a Person. His name is Jesus Christ.

Lord, may all my decisions be inspired and motivated by you, love and be for you. Amen.

May God bless you,

Father Angelito



# SUNDAY'S READINGS

## FIRST READING:

Who can know God's counsel,  
or who can conceive what the LORD intends? (Wis 9:13)

## PSALM:

In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge. (Ps 90)

## SECOND READING:

Perhaps this is why he was away from you for a while,  
that you might have him back forever,  
no longer as a slave  
but more than a slave, a brother. (Phmn 9:15-16)

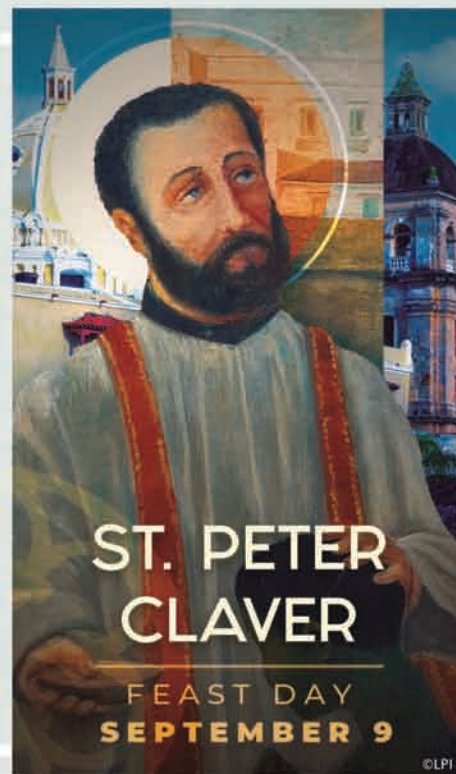
## GOSPEL:

"Anyone of you who does not renounce all his possessions  
cannot be my disciple." (Lk 14:33)

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## OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 4, 2022

- Sunday: 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
- Monday: Labor Day
- Thursday: The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- Friday: St. Peter Claver, Priest
- Next Sunday: 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Patriot Day; Grandparents' Day



## Saint of the Week

Born in Catalonia Spain in 1580, Saint Peter Claver studied at first at the University of Barcelona and then joined the Jesuits. He became friends with fellow brother Saint Alphonsus Rodriguez who encouraged him to be a missionary in the New World. Accordingly, Saint Peter went to Cartagena, a city in present-day Columbia where he was ordained in 1615.

Cartagena was a center for the slave trade, and the young missionary knew where he could best serve God. He proclaimed himself, "the slave of the Negroes forever." As ships would arrive with their human cargo, Saint Peter and a group of interpreters would rush into the hold with food and medicines. When the slaves were moved to pens to await sale, the saint continued to work among them, communicating God's love with acts of generosity and teaching the Catholic faith. He also led missions in the interior, refusing the hospitality of plantation owners and preferring to stay in the slave quarters. He organized charitable societies and is said to have baptized and catechized more than 300,000 enslaved persons.

Saint Peter Claver died on September 8, 1654. He was canonized with his friend Saint Alphonsus Rodriguez in 1888, by Pope Leo XIII. He is the worldwide patron saint of African Americans and of enslaved peoples.

## Holy Mass with Healing Prayer

**Fr. John Bashobora**

Thursday, Sep 8<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at 7PM



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# 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 • September 3**

**4:30 PM**

† **Connie Gersbeck**

*r/b Loving Husband, Joe*

## **Sunday • September 4**

**8:00 AM**

† **Angelina & Patsy Percaccio**

*r/b The Percaccio Family*

**10:00 AM**

† **Theresa Hobday**

*r/b Loving Sister, Marie*

**11:30 AM**

† **Marie Christine Tumminello**

*r/b Leon & Pam Davison*

## **Monday • September 5**

**9:00 AM**

† **Joseph Napoli**

*r/b Loving Niece, Laura*

## **Tuesday • September 6**

**9:00 AM**

† **Walter A. Meagher**

*r/b Joseph Meagher*

## **Thursday • September 8**

**9:00 AM**

† **Sylvia Albrecht**

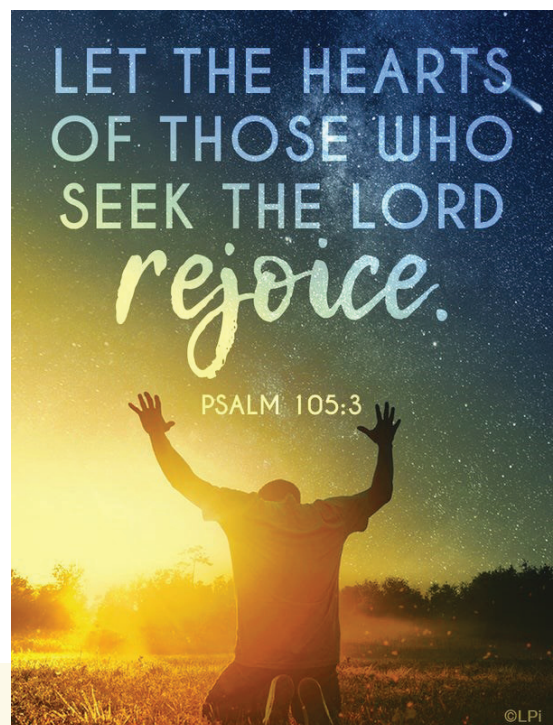
*r/b loving friend*

## **Friday • September 9**

**9:00 AM**

† **James Clark**

*r/b Phil & Natalie Livoti*





# Liturgical Life



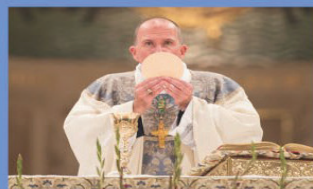
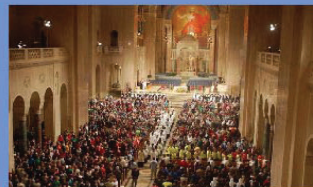
The Diocese of Trenton invites you and your family to:

## 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.



*Save the Date*  
**November 12, 2022**  
Saturday

The day will include special activities for children.  
More information will follow.



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', you must be registered at 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.*

## **WE CELEBRATE THE SACRAMENTS**

### **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.

## **Anointing of the Sick**

**Please call 732-938-5375.**

## **Baptism**

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

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

Please call the Parish Office for 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 Santiago Family**  
**Joe & Judy**



**The Pelszynski Family**  
**Pawel, Agnieszka**  
**Kylie & Jacob**

**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.



# Kids Corner

## READ THE GOSPEL AND COMPLETE A PUZZLE!

### SHARING THE GOSPEL

Living God's way can be very hard for some people. Name the people in your family. Can you love God more than you love your family? Name some of your friends. Can you love God more than you love your friends? Name your favorite books, movies or toys. Can you love God more than those things? It is OK to love your family, have good friends, and enjoy the gifts God has given you. Just remember to love God first.

### PRAYER

Dear God, help me to love you more than anyone or anything else.

### MISSION FOR THE WEEK

Say a special prayer to God today. Thank him for your family, your friends, and for all the things God has given you to enjoy.

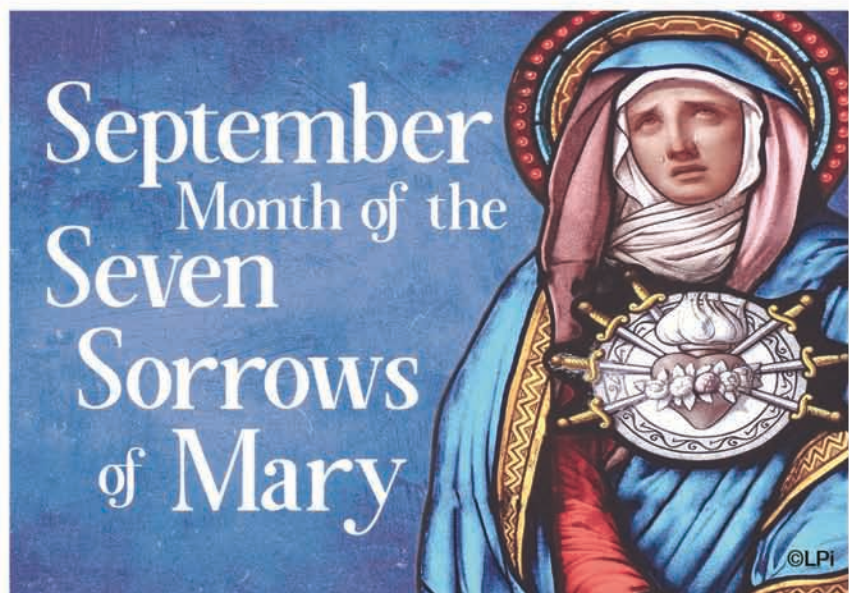
Find and circle these words from today's Gospel:

DISCIPLE  
FATHER  
MOTHER

WIFE  
CHILDREN  
BROTHER

SISTER  
LIFE  
CROSS

C R O S S U L I F E  
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# A Note from the Office



Join us for Mass on Monday,  
September 5th at 9 AM at  
St. Catherine's Chapel.

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are looking for volunteers to help with our NEW parish initiatives, programs & events. Please call Laura in the Parish Office for more details or return the card below to the office.

Thank you.



## Discover Ways To Serve In Our Parish

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### Ways to Donate



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MAIL to St. Catherine of Siena

Parish Office or

Diocese of Trenton Department of Development

PO Box 70170

Newark, NJ 07101



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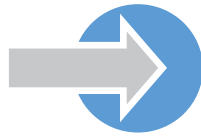


PHONE

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



# Support St. Catherine of Siena Parish



## Ways to Give

Weekly Sunday Collection		
Saturday/Sunday, August 27-28, 2022		
4:30 PM Mass	\$1,124.00	88 People
8:00 AM Mass	\$974.00	68 People
10:00 AM Mass	\$1,083.00	107 People
11:30 AM Mass	\$1,098.00	105 People
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<b>Total</b>	<b>\$5,742.00</b>	

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Drop your envelopes in the collection basket at Mass or mail directly to the Parish Office.

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### ONLINE GIVING

Sign up for online giving through WESHARE.

### HOW TO CREATE YOUR ONLINE GIVING ACCOUNT

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Click on the collection you wish to donate to.  
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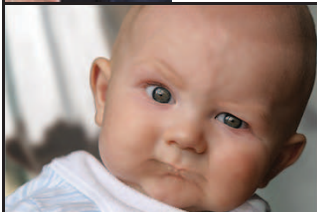
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