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HAPPY
Independence
DAY



**SING THE
GOODNESS
OF THE LORD.**

PSALM 89 *July 2, 2023*

Welcome



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OFFICE HOURS

MON—THURS

9:00 AM — 2:00 PM

SUNDAY

9:00 AM — 12:45 PM

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

WORSHIP WITH US

MASS TIMES

SATURDAY 4:30 PM

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

Holy Days of Obligation

9:00 AM & 7:00 PM

31 Asbury Rd., Farmingdale, NJ



WEEKDAY MASS

St. Catherine's Chapel

1 West Main Street Farmingdale

MONDAY 9:00 AM

TUESDAY 9:00 AM

THURSDAY 9:00 AM

FRIDAY 9:00 AM

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—4:00 PM

Church

Other days by Appointment



A Message from our Pastor

Dear Friends in Christ,

HAPPY INDEPENDENCE DAY TO ALL!

The 4th of July has been a federal holiday in the United States since 1941, but the tradition of Independence Day celebrations goes back to the 18th century and the American Revolution. On July 2, 1776, the Continental Congress voted in favor of independence, and two days later, delegates from the 13 colonies adopted the Declaration of Independence, a historic document drafted by Thomas Jefferson. From 1776 to the present day, July 4 has been celebrated as the birth of American independence, with festivities ranging from fireworks, parades, and concerts to more casual family gatherings and barbecues.

The Fourth of July is on Tuesday, July 4, and however you celebrate, may you take time to pray in thanksgiving for all we have in our lives and for those who came before us who fought for the freedoms we enjoy so that we may live in an independent country. Let us remember from whom all our freedoms originate, our good and gracious God.

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“He who loves his father or mother more than Me is not worthy of Me. He who finds his life will lose it, and he who loses his life for My sake will find it.” These are the words of Jesus in today’s Gospel.

To give to God is to make a deposit in the safest bank. And God’s bank has the highest interest rates. What we give to God is accepted by God and God gives us Himself in return. Even the smallest gift to God will be amply rewarded. In Scripture and the history of the Church, we don’t have a single instance of

generosity to God going unrewarded or under-rewarded. Think of Abraham, think of the woman in today’s first reading. Think of Francis of Assisi, Thomas Aquinas, Martin of Tours, etc.

And now it is time to think of ourselves. When was the last time we were generous with God? In the few times that we were generous, how often were we stingy? How can we be generous with the Lord? He himself tells us today: “He who receives you receives me.”

The world is rich in its poor and needy. It is poor only in those who are generous and magnanimous. But the future of the world, of humanity and civilization, depends on people who love God absolutely and love all God’s children because they are God’s children. Are we ready for such a love? Only those who are ready for this type of love are, in Jesus’ own words, worthy of Him and will ultimately save themselves and others. Such persons always walk in newness of life, they are always alive to God in Christ Jesus as we heard in the 2nd reading. It is a heroic life. And it is on the shoulders of people of such caliber that the future of humanity rests.

Lord, may I be forgetful of self and mindful of you and my brothers and sisters in love and service. Amen

May God bless you,
Father Angelito



Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

"I know that Elisha is a holy man of God. Since he visits us often, let us arrange a little room on the roof and furnish it for him with a bed, table, chair, and lamp, so that when he comes to us he can stay there." (2 Kgs 4:9-10)

Psalm:

For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord. (Ps 89)

Second Reading:

Are you unaware that we who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were indeed buried with him through baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might live in newness of life. (Rom 6:3-4)

Gospel:

"Whoever receives you receives me, and whoever receives me receives the one who sent me." (Mt 10:40)

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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

Our relationship with Christ is the ultimate starting point. The wellspring. Every good quality in our character, every kind action of our lives, every devout practice of our day must flow from this place where we encounter him in our hearts.

Observances for the week of July 2, 2023

- Sunday:** 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: St. Thomas, Apostle
Tuesday: Independence Day
Wednesday: St. Anthony Zaccaria, Priest; St. Elizabeth of Portugal
Thursday: St. Maria Goretti, Virgin and Martyr
Next Sunday: 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Saint of the week

Servant of God Fernando Rielo Pardal was a philosopher, mystical poet, author, and founder of the Idente Missionaries of Christ the Redeemer. He also founded a metaphysical school of thought called the Genetic Metaphysics of Fernando Rielo.

Prayer

Father, who granted Your son Fernando the grace of following Your voice and that of Your Son, Jesus Christ, under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, when You said, "Be holy, son, as I, Your Father, am holy" (Mt 5:48), grant that I, too, following his example, may fully live the love to which You call me and, in imitating your Son, Jesus Christ, or Firstborn Brother, make Your name known so that all of us, on feeling ourselves to be children of the Father, may worship You.

I ask You, Father, to glorify your son Fernando and to grant me, through his intercession, the grace which I request. Amen.

(Prayer Source: <https://www.idente.org/postulation-of-the-cause/?lang=en>)

Mass Intentions

Saturday • July 1

4:30 PM

† **John & Mary Kruse & Daughter Maryann**

r/b Daughters, Patty & Stephanie

Sunday • July 2

8:00 AM

† **Salvatore Ciaravino**

r/b Ciaravino Family

10:00 AM

† **Patty Croddick Delatush**

r/b The Carpenter Family

11:30 AM

† **Graham Murray**

r/b Terri Murray & Family

Monday • July 3

9:00 AM

† **Lucy Dugan**

r/b Loving Family

Tuesday • July 4

9:00 AM

† **Robert Dembowski**

r/b Kay & Bill Warren

Thursday • July 6

9:00 AM

† **Laura Ann McGlynn**

r/b Loving Friends

Friday • July 7

9:00 AM

† **Ann Murray**

r/b Terri Murray & Family



Prayer of Thanksgiving for Freedom

God, giver of all good gifts,

Help us to be thankful for rest and food,

and remember that, in all we do or say,

you are with us, here this day.

We are thankful for all you do

and for everything you have given us.

But above all we are thankful for our freedoms

and the ability to protect others' freedom.

We are free because of you.

We ask for your continued blessing on all your creation.

Through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.



May the good Lord bless all the
faithful departed.

And especially for:

Daniel C. McCormick

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

We Celebrate the Sacraments

SPONSORSHIP 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's, 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.***

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.

Matrimony

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

Ministry to the Homebound

For Homebound requests, please call the Parish Office.

Rite of Christian Burial or Memorial Mass

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

Reconciliation

3:30 p.m. Saturday
Other days by appointment.

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.

Altar Flowers

Floral pieces start at \$50 and can be ordered except during Lent. Please call the Parish Office.

Worship & Meditation

Readings for the week of July 2, 2023

Sunday:

2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16a/Ps 89:2-3, 16-17, 18-19 (2a)/Rom 6:3-4, 8-11/Mt 10:37-42

Monday:

Eph 2:19-22/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Jn 20:24-29

Tuesday:

Gn 19:15-29/Ps 26:2-3, 9-10, 11-12/Mt 8:23-27

Wednesday:

Gn 21:5, 8-20a/Ps 34:7-8, 10-11, 12-13/Mt 8:28-34

Thursday:

Gn 22:1b-19/Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9/Mt 9:1-8

Friday:

Gn 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67/Ps 106:1b-2, 3-4a, 4b-5/Mt 9:9-13

Saturday:

Gn 27:1-5, 15-29/Ps 135:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 9:14-17

Next Sunday:

Zec 9:9-10/Ps 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13-14 (see 1)/Rom 8:9, 11-13/Mt 11:25-30



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Respect Life “O God our Creator... we ask you to bless us in our vigilance for the gift of religious liberty. Give us the strength of mind and heart to readily defend our freedoms when they are threatened; give us courage in making our voices heard on behalf of the rights of your Church and the freedom of conscience of all people of faith.” USCCB



Tuesday, July 4, 2023

Mass is celebrated at

9 AM at

St. Catherine's Chapel

1 West Main Street

The parish office is closed and will reopen on
Wednesday, July 5 at 9 AM.

Our Parish Family



*With Joyful Hearts, We
Welcome*

Our Newly Baptized.

Kelsea Ryan Lowe

*May God bless this
child and the
family always.*



**RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION
THINKING OF BECOMING CATHOLIC?**

**ARE YOU A CATHOLIC IN NEED OF COMMUNION OR
CONFIRMATION?**

If your answer is "yes," then our RCIA program may be just what you need. The process of spiritual and educational formation is open to any adult who would like to become a full member of the Catholic Church. For more information, please contact the office at 732-938-5375.

REGISTER FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

REGISTRATION FOR THE 2023-2024 Parish Religious Education program is now open.

We look forward to sharing the faith with your child for the upcoming catechetical year!

Our program begins in September for grades 1 –8.

Please stop by the parish office to pick-up a registration packet.

For more detailed information, please call 732-938-5375.



You are Invited to be a Catechist!

2023-2024

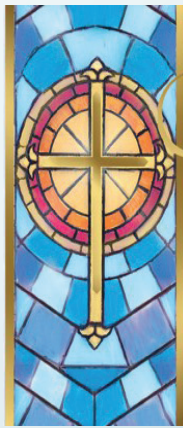
Parish Religious Education Program

ENRICH A CHILD'S LIFE: We are looking for volunteers for the 2023-2024 Parish Religious Education Program (PREP).

Please consider becoming a catechist (teacher) or a catechist aide. You don't need to have a child in our program to volunteer. We encourage all adults to prayerfully consider whether this ministry is right for you!

All volunteers must be cleared through our Safe Environment program. We will provide training and support along the way.

If interested, please contact Laura in the office at 732-938-5375.



St. Catherine of Siena Parish
Warmly Welcomes the Following
New Parishioners:

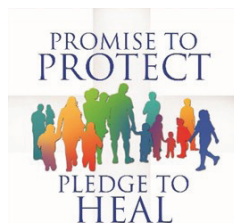
Dennis & Ann Kennedy

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

THE DIOCESE OF TRENTON is committed to the initiative outlined in the U.S. Bishop's Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People and to its own policies and guidelines regarding the reporting and investigation of sexual abuse allegations involving minors.

If you have been sexually abused as a minor by a member of the clergy or anyone representing the Catholic Church, or if you know of someone who was, you can report that abuse through the diocesan ABUSE HOTLINE: 1-888-296-2965 or via email at abuseline@dioceseoftrenton.org.

The Diocese of Trenton reports any allegations of sexual abuse to the appropriate law enforcement agencies. Anyone with an allegation is also encouraged to provide that information to local law enforcement authorities.



Around the Community



Interfaith Neighbors at the
Howell Senior Center
Needs Volunteers
to Deliver Meals to Homebound
Seniors.

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For more information, call Melanie Decker, Director of Senior Services at 732-938-4500 x 2550.

Offerings at Francis House of Prayer
Trenton Diocesan Spiritual Center and
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84 Walnford Road • Allentown, NJ
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609-877-0509 or FHOP@verizon.net

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

Healing Mass

WHEN: Thursday, July 13th 7pm

WHERE: St. Pio of Pietrelcina Church Rt 35 N in Lavallette

WHO: Celebrants Fr. Joy Chacko & Fr. Joe Hlubik;
prayer teams and Music Ministry are
NJ Campus Graduates/Students of
Encounter School of Ministry.

Come join us for a Mass with healing prayers.
All are welcome!

CONTACT: DawnRusinko@yahoo.com for more information

Prayer

God, show me ways to help all people who love you.

Mission for the Week

Together as a family send a care package to a missionary family.

Sharing the Gospel

God wants you to love your family and friends. But God wants you to love him even more. Be kind to your mom and listen to her. Help your dad with chores and have fun with him. But also remember to help people who are not in your family. God gets excited when you share his love with others.

Now color the picture!



Find and circle these words from today's Gospel:

LOVE
CROSS
LIFE

GIVE
WELCOME
PROPHET

GOOD
REWARD
FOLLOWER

F A Y I O E U O L U V
L R E W A R D F I A Y
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Parish Support

Weekly Sunday Collection Saturday/Sunday, June 24-25, 2023		
4:30 PM Mass	\$1,032.00	98 People
8:00 AM Mass	\$1,396.00	90 People
10:00 AM Mass	\$1,020.00	125 People
11:30 AM Mass	\$1,034.00	110 People
Online Giving	\$1,785.00	
Total	\$6,267.00	
Second Collection		
Chapel Restoration		\$1,324.00

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ANNUAL CATHOLIC Appeal 2023

DIOCESE of TRENTON



We are the **BODY of CHRIST**

2023 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

Parish Goal: **\$40,000**

EYES OF CHRIST

Yours are the eyes through which he looks compassion on this world.

\$1,750,000

- Families, Youth & Young Adult Ministries
- Catholic Social Services (Mount Carmel Guild)
- Pastoral Care (Prison Ministry, Respect Life, Grief)
- Outreach to the Poor and Vulnerable

FEET OF CHRIST

Yours are the feet with which he walks to do good.

\$2,250,000

- Finding and Forming Priests (Vocations Recruitment & Seminary Preparation)
- Retired Priest Care
- Preparation of Deacons
- Support of Religious Women and Men

HANDS OF CHRIST

Yours are the hands with which he blesses all the world.

\$2,500,000

- Evangelization and Communications Outreach
- Religious Education for Children and Rite of Election of Adults
- Catholic School Programs
- Professional Development for Educators

Total ACA Goal is **\$6.5 Million**

Your gift supports essential programs and ministries.

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

Parish Update

As of June 26, 2023

Pledged: **\$39,416.00** 99% of Goal

Paid: **\$33,623.00** 84% of Goal

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Any parish rebate received, the proceeds will benefit our Parish Religious Education Program. Donate today.

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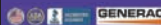
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