

SAINT CATHERINE OF SIENA ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

LORD,
IN YOUR
GREAT
LOVE,
PLEASE
ANSWER
ME.

Psalm 69

June 25, 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

TWELVE SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Dear Friends in Christ,

Jeremiah's life is a perennial source of inspiration for all those who have any desire to live for God, or to all who wish to dedicate their lives for a just cause. Was it easy for Jeremiah to remain faithful to God? Was his life a bed of roses? Obviously, Jeremiah had to pay a very high price in order to carry out the mission that was entrusted to him. His life had become really a bed of thorns. He was vehemently opposed, persecuted and rejected by all. He had become a laughingstock, an object of mockery. He had also his own share of fears and doubts. Yet, finally we see him turning out to be a real hero, by putting his trust in the One who had chosen him.

Jesus, knowing only too well what we are made of, gives us in today's Gospel the good news, "Fear not." He tells us during His missionary speech: "Do not be afraid." We are to be witnesses to Jesus in this terror-stricken, selfish and corrupt world, and we should not be afraid of anyone or anything.

If we have to be true witnesses to Christ, we are bound to suffer; we will be opposed, persecuted and hated. The Old Testament prophets had to suffer for being spokespersons of God. Jeremiah took God's word to the people for whom he was sent, and they sought to denounce and kill him. But he was not afraid, for he believed God was with him.

The Gospel aroused opposition from its very beginning. The life-story of Jesus, ending in violent death, will always be in the life-story of His Church. Yet, no matter what the preachers of the Good News might suffer, the Gospel cannot be silenced.

Constant exposure to physical risk and even death must not frighten us. The words of Jesus and the assurance of Jesus' presence give us courage even to lay down our lives in bearing witness to Christ and in proclaiming the Good News.

Jesus tells us plainly that we have no reason to fear those who can inflict bodily death. Why is that so? Because bodily death is far less serious than the real death, separation from God, the source of life. The only One to be feared is God, who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Yet this cannot be taken as divine punishment that falls on a person, for it is the hardening from within that a person chooses for himself. The book of Wisdom teaches us, "God loathes nothing he has made" (Wis 11:24). When we are enveloped by the providential care of our heavenly Father even to the smallest detail, why should we be afraid?

Lord, teach me to be fearless in bearing witness to you. Amen.

May God bless you,
Father Angelito

Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

"Sing to the LORD,
praise the LORD,
for he has rescued the life of the poor
from the power of the wicked!" (Jer 20:13)

Psalm:

Lord, in your great love, answer me. (Ps 69)

Second Reading:

But the gift is not like the transgression.
For if by the transgression of the one the many died,
how much more did the grace of God
and the gracious gift of the one man Jesus Christ
overflow for the many. (Rom 5:15)

Gospel:

"What I say to you in the darkness, speak in the light;
what you hear whispered, proclaim on the
housetops.
And do not be afraid of those who kill the body but
cannot kill the soul." (Mt 10:28)

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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

Christ promises to acknowledge us before his Father if we will acknowledge him. In what ways are we called to acknowledge Christ today? In what ways are we tempted to deny him, to distance ourselves from him?

Observances for the week of June 25, 2023

- Sunday:** 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Tuesday: St. Cyril of Alexandria, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Wednesday: Saint Irenaeus, Bishop and Martyr
Thursday: Sts. Peter and Paul, Apostles
Friday: The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church
Saturday: St. Junipero Serra, Priest
Next Sunday: 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Saint of the week

Venerable Pierre Toussaint was born into slavery but became an elite hairstylist in New York City and a free man. He used the money he earned to transform the lives of impoverished New Yorkers, former slaves, and immigrants alongside his wife, Servant of God Juliette.

Prayer

Lord God, source of love and compassion, we praise and honor You for the virtuous and charitable life of our brother in Christ, Venerable Pierre Toussaint.

Inspired by the example of our Lord Jesus, Pierre worshipped You with love and served Your people with generosity. He attended Mass daily and responded to the practical and spiritual needs of friends and strangers, of the rich and the poor, the sick and the homeless of the 19th century, New York.

If it is your will, let the name of Venerable Pierre Toussaint be officially raised to the rank of Saint, so that the world may know this Haitian New Yorker who refused to hate or be selfish, but instead lived to the full commandments of heaven and the divine law of love — love for God and for neighbor.

By following his example and asking for his prayer, may we, too, be counted among the blessed in heaven.

We ask for this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

(Prayer Source: <https://nolacatholic.org/news/black-catholic-history-month-pierre-toussaint#:~:text=Prayer,served%20Your%20people%20with%20generosity>)

Mass Intentions

Saturday • June 24

4:30 PM

† **Iraida Dale**

r/b Palmie Cummings

Sunday • June 25

8:00 AM

† **Wayne Sos**

r/b Loving Wife, JoAnn

10:00 AM

† **Rose & Anthony Cataffo**

r/b JoAnn Callari

11:30 AM

† **Loi Paul Nguyen**

r/b Trinh & Family

Monday • June 26

9:00 AM

† **Mario Pennetti & Family**

r/b Libby Miller

Tuesday • June 27

9:00 AM

† **Laura McGlynn**

r/b Donna Mass

Thursday • June 29

9:00 AM

† **Lucy Dugan**

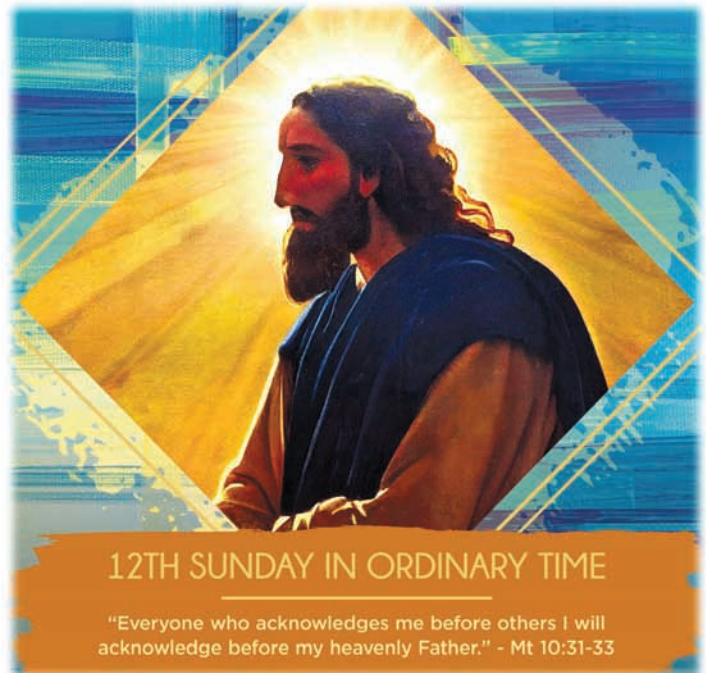
r/b June Hankel

Friday • June 30

9:00 AM

† **Maxima Ebreo-Kerns**

r/b Janniello Family



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donated in
loving memory of:

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Leon & Pam Davison

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 June 25, 2023

Sunday:

Jer 20:10-13/Ps 69:8-10, 14, 17, 33-35
(14c)/Rom 5:12-15/Mt 10:26-33

Monday:

Gn 12:1-9/Ps 33:12-13, 18-19, 20 and 22/Mt
7:1-5

Tuesday:

Gn 13:2, 5-18/Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5/Mt
7:6, 12-14

Wednesday:

Gn 15:1-12, 17-18/105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9/Mt
7:15-20

Thursday:

Vigil: Acts 3:1-10/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Gal 1:11-
20/Jn 21:15-19 *Day:* Acts 12:1-11/Ps 34:2-3,
4-5, 6-7, 8-9/2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18/Mt 16:13-19

Friday:

Gn 17:1, 9-10, 15-22/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5/Mt
8:1-4

Saturday:

Gn 18:1-15/Lk 1:46-47, 48-49, 50 and 53,
54-55/Mt 8:5-17

Next 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



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 “Prayer for the Protection of Religious Liberty”

Our Parish Family



*With Joyful Hearts, We
Welcome*

Our Newly Baptized.

Cristiano Mateo Russo

*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.

Around the Community



Saint Mary, Mother of God Church

19 Cherry Tree Farm Road
Middletown, NJ

The 2023 Great Fair Is Here!

**Dates: June 26 to July 1, 2023
at 6pm to 10pm**

We are so excited for this upcoming Great Fair. There will be rides, boardwalk games, food stands, beer tent, Super 50/50 and hourly 50/50: There is something for everyone at every age to enjoy!

Advance tickets are now on sale at the parish office.

You don't want to miss this great family event!



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Howell Senior Center
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For more information, call Melanie Decker, Director of Senior Services at [732-938-4500](tel:732-938-4500) x 2550.

Offerings at Francis House of Prayer
Trenton Diocesan Spiritual Center and
Retreat House
84 Walnford Road • Allentown, NJ
08501
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, I thank you for loving me so much.

Mission for the Week

After you brush your hair, count the hairs in the brush. God knows how many hairs you lost!

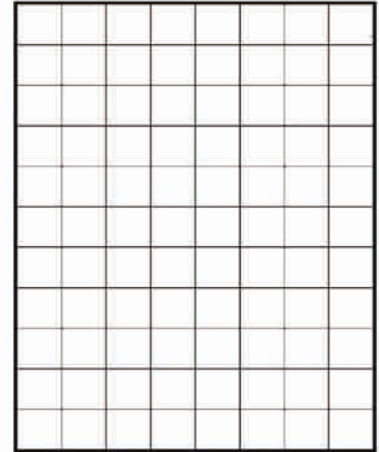
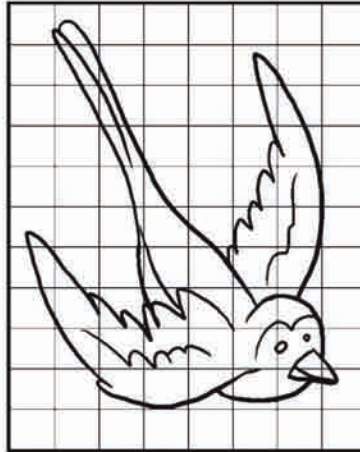
Sharing the Gospel

You are God's special child. He knows all about you. He knows what you like to eat. He knows your favorite color. He knows how many teeth you have. He even knows how many hairs are on your head. No one in this world loves you as much as God loves you. Be sure to tell your friends how much God loves them, too.

Now color the picture!



Copy the picture square by square. Then color it.



Parish Support

Weekly Sunday Collection Saturday/Sunday, June 17-18, 2023		
4:30 PM Mass	\$1,329.00	113 People
8:00 AM Mass	\$1,719.00	108 People
10:00 AM Mass	\$1,393.00	151 People
11:30 AM Mass	\$1,566.00	103 People
Online Giving	\$2,056.00	
Total	\$8,063.00	
Second Collection		
Father's Day		\$1,060.00
Candle		\$570.00

Thank You for Your Generosity.

UPCOMING COLLECTION JULY 2, 2023

SUPPORT THE WORKS OF THE HOLY FATHER THROUGH THE
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For more information on Peter's Pence, please visit the Vatican's Peter's Pence website: <https://www.obolodisanpietro.va/en/cos-e-l-obolo.html> (English) or <https://www.obolodisanpietro.va/es/cos-e-l-obolo.html> (español).

PLEASE CONSIDER ONLINE GIVING

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ANNUAL CATHOLIC Appeal 2023

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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 19, 2023

Pledged: **\$38,866.00** 97% of Goal

Paid: **\$32,911.00** 82% 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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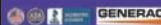
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