

SAINT CATHERINE OF SIENA ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

March 12, 2023

Welcome



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MON—THURS
9:00AM — 2:00PM

SUNDAY

*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 our Pastor

Dear Friends in Christ,

The season of Lent is a call to repentance, conversion and a change of heart. Lent is an opportunity to assess our personal and spiritual lives and check on where we are and where we are going with regards to our relationship with God, with others and with ourselves. The parish is offering the sacrament of Reconciliation and Penance to the Religious Classes tomorrow, Monday at 4:30 and 6:00 PM, respectively as well as on Tuesday at 4:30 PM. Please be mindful that this opportunity for the Sacrament of Confessions is open to the community. We have invited a few priests in the area to help us hear confessions and give absolutions. Let us make our Lenten Journey meaningful and joyful as we prepare for the Great Paschal Feast of the Resurrection of Jesus.

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

God speaks to us: “You will never succeed in life if you try to hide your sins. Acknowledge them and give them up; then God will show mercy to you” (Prov. 28:13).

Jesus meets a woman by the well. And this encounter is a turning point in her life. Surely it is not a superficial encounter. It is an in-depth meeting of two persons.

What is this well? Could it be a symbol of inner depth, the deepest level of our consciousness? The woman by the well has to get into the well. But she keeps it well covered and hidden from herself and from the rest of the world. Jesus has to lead her into her depths. It is interesting to note how gently and delicately Jesus does this.

He starts from a weaker stance, with a request for a drink of water. But the woman does not *respond* to Jesus. She *reacts*. Jesus patiently adjusts to her reaction. He doesn't allow her racial prejudice (Jews vs. Samaritans) and her ancestral pride (“Are you greater than our father Jacob?”) to prevent Him from leading her to the depths of her consciousness.

Jesus does not refute her claims for any type of superiority. But He, with feather-touch delicacy, disposes of them by transcending them and leads her to deeper truth. He deftly matches all her claims. And she doesn't feel it. With exquisite refinement, Jesus lays bare her private life (her six men) and gently un.masks her. She loses all her claims and the last alibi she loses is her theology; more precisely, her theology of worship (“Our fathers worshipped on this mountain”). Fully unmasked and thoroughly shorn of all her pretensions, she has reached the depth of her well, the depth of her being. Real encounters take place at this level. This is the genuine meeting of two authentic persons. At this depth there are only two possibilities: reception or rejection.

It is to the credit of Jesus that after having ‘announced the good news to her’, after having brought her face to face with her own self, He leaves her free to decide. And it is to the credit of the woman that despite her initial dodging of the issue, she initially accepts herself as she is (a sinner in need of salvation) and accepts Jesus for what He is (the Savior come to call sinners) and becomes His missionary. After this transforming encounter, she does not keep her experience a secret. She turns her experience of Jesus into a message for others. Because of her, the whole town comes to meet Jesus, many believe in Jesus because of her story; many more come to believe in Him when they meet Him.

Lord Jesus, accept me with all my sinfulness and make me your missionary.

May God bless you.—Father Angelito

Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

"Strike the rock, and the water will flow from it for the people to drink." (Ex 17:6)

Psalm:

If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.
(Ps 95)

Second Reading:

And hope does not disappoint,
because the love of God has been poured out into
our hearts
through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.
(Rom 5:5)

Gospel:

"Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again;
but whoever drinks the water I shall give will never
thirst;
the water I shall give will become in him
a spring of water welling up to eternal life." (Jn 4:13-14)

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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

As Christians, we are called to follow the example of the Samaritan woman — to rush out, and proclaim what we have seen, that by our testimony and our belief, others may know Christ.
Or

Sometimes, like the Samaritan woman, we can scarcely believe that God would meet us here in this fallen world. The truth of what he speaks and the beauty of what he proclaims is like a well of spring water in a dry desert. Do we dare accept the gift?

Observances for the week of March 12, 2023

Sunday: 3rd Sunday of Lent, Daylight Saving Time begins

Friday: St. Patrick, Bishop, St. Patrick's Day

Saturday: St. Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Next Sunday: 4th Sunday of Lent



Saint of the week

Venerable Eusebio Francisco Kino was a prolific Jesuit missionary to the early Americas. He covered 50,000 miles on horseback establishing missions and ranches from northern Mexico through what is now California and Arizona, befriending Natives and settlers.

Prayer

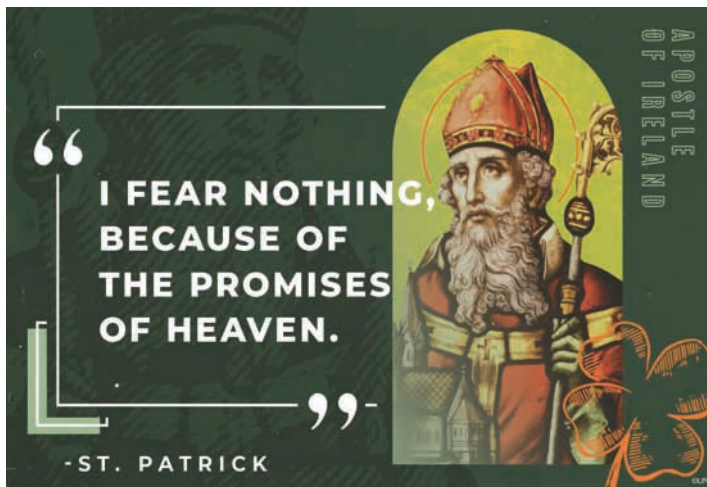
Prayer for Venerable Eusebio Francisco Kino's intercession

Heavenly Father, source of all holiness, You raise up within the Church in every age sons and daughters who serve you and your people with heroic love and dedication. You have blessed Your Church through the life and ministry of Your faithful servant, Fr. Eusebio Francisco Kino, S.J. He has taught and preached well of Your Divine Son, Jesus Christ, and was a true instrument of the Holy Spirit in touching the hearts of countless people through his missionary ministry in the New World. As he joyfully accepted Your divine plans, I ask You, according to Your Will, to hear my prayer for (your intention) offered through the intercession of Fr. Kino through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

If it be according to Your Will, for the honor and glory of the Most Holy Trinity and for the salvation of souls, we ask You to move the Church to proclaim Fr. Kino a saint.

We ask this prayer through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.



Mass Intentions

Saturday • March 11

4:30 PM

† **Philip & Stella Olenitsky**

r/b Loving Daughter, June

Sunday • March 12

8:00 AM

† **Lisa Snow**

r/b Ginny & Tony Mielnicki

10:00 AM

† **Dominic Callari**

r/b Loving Wife, JoAnn Callari

11:30 AM

† **Dinh Nguyen**

r/b Loving Wife & Children

Monday • March 13

9:00 AM

† **Nicholas LJ Felicione**

r/b The Felicione Family

Tuesday • March 14

9:00 AM

† **Bruno & Christa Kneucker**

r/b the Kneucker Family

Thursday • March 16

9:00 AM

† **Arlette Coughlan**

r/b Phyllis Hurley

Friday • March 17

9:00 AM

† **Jack & Rose Kehoe**

r/b Cathy Keegan

Worship & Meditation

What are
you planning
on doing
for Lent?

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Parish Lenten Reconciliation

St. Catherine of Siena Church
31 Asbury Road

Monday, March 13
4:30 PM & 6:00 PM

Tuesday, March 14
4:30 PM

Saturdays'
3:30 PM



JOIN US FOR THE
**STATIONS OF
THE CROSS**

All Friday's During
Lent

6 PM at the
Church

February 24

March 3

March 10

March 17

March 24

March 31

Good Friday
April 7



ST. PATRICK'S DAY

Potluck

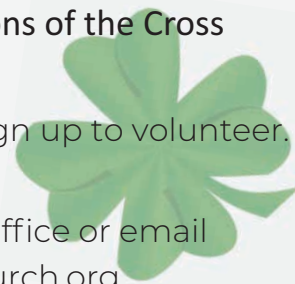
Friday **March 17**

Parish Hall Immediately Following
Stations of the Cross

*Bring a dish for
everyone to share!*

Sign up to volunteer.

Call Laura in Parish Office or email
passociate@sienachurch.org





OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

February 1, 2023

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

During the days and weeks of penance that lie ahead --- from **Ash Wednesday, February 22, 2023, until Holy Thursday morning, April 6, 2023** --- the Catholic Church throughout the world commemorates the penitential season of Lent ending with the Sacred Triduum of Holy Week. The model Jesus gave us for “these forty days” was his own experience in the desert and the temptations that followed him there where he encountered Satan face to face. And yet, Jesus, there in the desert --- alone, fasting and in intense prayer --- beat back the devil and triumphed over temptation, as strong and as unrelenting as it was throughout those forty days.

We enter the desert of Lent like Jesus, led by the Holy Spirit, to face our devils, our temptations head on. But we are not alone. The Lord Jesus Christ is with us. And so, too, is the Church, the entire community of faith observing Lent. Here is what the Catholic Church in the United States requires of us as baptized Catholics:

The days of FAST (only one full meal) and ABSTINENCE (no meat) are Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. No dispensations are granted on these solemn days except for reason of sickness or those provided in canon law below. ALL OTHER FRIDAYS OF LENT are days of ABSTINENCE.

The pastor of a parish has the faculty to give a dispensation to individual parishioners in his parish and the Diocesan Bishop alone has the authority to dispense groups of Catholics but only for a serious reason.

Those who are automatically dispensed from fast and abstinence regulations outside the age limits noted below include: the physically or mentally ill, especially individuals suffering from chronic illnesses such as diabetes. Also included in the dispensation are women who are pregnant or nursing. In all cases, common sense should prevail, and ill persons should not further jeopardize their health by fasting.

Those between the ages of 18 and 59 are obliged to FAST (only one full meal) as above. From the age of 14, people are also obliged to ABSTAIN (no meat): this obligation prohibits the eating of meat, but not eggs, milk products or condiments of any kind, even though made from animal fat).

The obligation to observe the laws of fast and abstinence is a serious one for Catholics. Failure to observe one penitential day in itself is not considered a serious sin. It is the intentional failure to observe any penitential days at all, or a substantial number of penitential days, that must be considered a serious matter.

The obligation, the privilege really, of receiving the Eucharist at least once a year --- often called “Easter duty” --- for those in the state of grace should still be fulfilled during the period from the **First Sunday of Lent, February 25-26, 2023, to Trinity Sunday, June 3-4, 2023**. However, the Church’s law does permit this precept to be fulfilled at another time during the year when there is a just cause.

I want to encourage all Catholics, especially those who are conscious of serious sin, to go to confession and to make use of the sacrifices and traditions that have always been part of our Lenten practices in the Church.

We do, indeed, fast and pray with the Lord Jesus and with our fellow Catholics. May this Lent be a time of penance leading to grace and joy for us all at Easter.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend David M. O’Connell, C.M.

Bishop of Trenton

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—Parish Hall Narthex
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.

New Parish Event



Create for Christ Art Ministry of St. Catherine of Siena Parish

Calling all creative youth of the parish! Our NEW Art ministry is a place for all to come together and create art that shows God's creation in a beautiful way and lets us share our unique God-given talents with others. Thank You to all who participated on February 28!

Our next Random Acts of Art Session:

Sunday, March 12 9:30- 11:30 AM
Saturday, March 18 1:00—3:00 PM

More dates and
times to be
announced.



Ages 10 and up. All artistic abilities welcome.

Interested? Call Laura in the Parish Office for more information and to sign-up.

Call 732-938-5375 or email:
passociate@sienachurch.org.



Our Parish Family

Sponsor A



WHAT ARE CARE BAGS? Show love to a child or teen coming into foster care by providing much needed comfort items as they transition to their foster home. Many times the children/teen arrive with very few belongings in trash bags. Let our parish bless the foster child/teen with care bags as they become placed into a safe and loving environment.

All items must new & unopened

YOUTH/TEEN BAG

SOAP
SHAMPOO
TOOTHPASTE & BRUSH
FEMININE PRODUCTS
DEODORANT
LOTION
UNDERWEAR ALL SIZES
BRUSHES
COMBS
HAIR TIES
HAIR ACCESSORIES
PAJAMAS ALL SIZES
SOCKS ALL SIZES
JOURNAL & ART PENS
BACKPACK

CHILD BAG

SOAP
SHAMPOO
TOOTHPASTE & BRUSH
LOTION
UNDERWEAR ALL SIZES
DIAPERS SIZE 5 AND 6
PULL UPS SIZE 5 AND 6
HAIR TIES/ACCESSORIES
PAJAMAS ALL SIZES
SOCKS ALL SIZES
STUFFED ANIMALS
COLORING BOOK
CRAYONS
BACKPACK

Return by March 19

To the Parish Collection Bin in the Narthex or to the Parish Office. Call the Laura in the Parish Office for questions or other ways to help.

Thank you for your generosity and for making a difference this Lenten season.



Children's Liturgy of the Word

At Sunday Mass

2nd & 4th Sunday's
Monthly @ 11:30 AM

Ages 4 -8

Next
Session:
March 12
March 26

Prayer

Dear God, thank you for caring about me, no matter where I live, and no matter what I have done wrong.

Mission for the Week

Ask God to open your heart so that you will be friends with other kids, no matter what they look like.

Sharing the Gospel

Jews didn't usually like the people from Samaria, let alone visit one of their towns or talk to any of them. Men didn't usually talk to women back then, either. When Jesus talked to the woman at the well, Jesus broke those silly rules. Jesus saw into the woman's heart and knew that she needed God in her life. Jesus came to rescue her from her sin. She was so happy that she invited everyone in her town to meet Jesus, too.

Now color the picture! →



Kids Corner

Unscramble the words from today's Gospel:

Sychar
woman
drink

well
worship
Father

truth
faith
Savior

Scyhra S y c h a r

wroshpi _____

fatih _____

wmoan _____

Fethar _____

Svairo _____

wlel _____

turth _____

dirkn _____

Parish Support

Weekly Sunday Collection Saturday/Sunday, March 4-5, 2023

4:30 PM Mass	\$1,335.00	115 People
8:00 AM Mass	\$1,596.00	107 People
10:00 AM Mass	\$1,348.00	128 People
11:30 AM Mass	\$1,221.00	145 People
Online Giving	\$3,780.00	
Total	\$9,280.00	

SECOND COLLECTIONS	
Diocesan Assessment	\$521.00

Thank You for Your Generosity.

Ways to Give

PLEASE CONSIDER ONLINE GIVING

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WEEKLY OFFERTORY

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

To receive envelopes, please register in the parish. Please call the Parish Office to check your status.

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

THE POWER TO CHOOSE:

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

Pledged: **\$25,031.00**

63% of Goal

Paid: **\$18,104.00**

45% of Goal

As of March 6, 2023

Thank you to all who donated so far. Donations received over the goal will be given in a parish rebate. This year the rebate will be used to support our Religious Education Program.

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