

7th *May 21, 2023*
SUNDAY OF EASTER

Jesus raised his eyes to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come. Give glory to your son, so that your son may glorify you." - Jn 17:1

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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

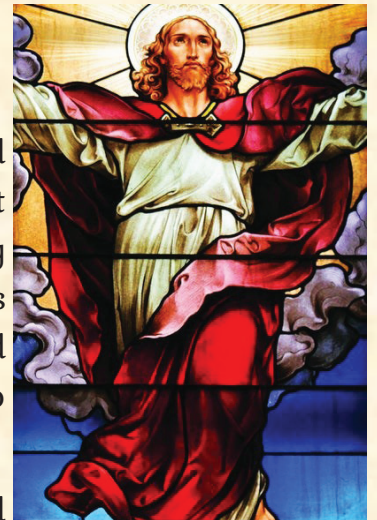


A Message from our Pastor

Dear Friends in Christ,

FEAST OF THE ASCENSION OF OUR LORD JESUS

Action postulates power. The disciples of Jesus had to act; they had to continue the work of Christ and to witness to Christ, and that in the midst of during violent opposition. They needed power very urgently and they were given power, the power with which Jesus was equipped, the power of the Spirit of God. Just as God had anointed Jesus with the Holy Spirit and with power (Acts 10:38) so were the disciples of Jesus.



“Stephen, therefore, full of grace and power, did great wonders and signs among the people” (Acts 6:8). And when the disciples act with the power from above, people were amazed and accuse them of acting in the power of spirit (liquor). But the apostles were really drunk, drunk with the Spirit of the risen/ascended Lord.

The Lord Jesus has ascended from where He had descended, the bosom of the Father. Now it is for the Church to continue what the Lord was and has done. The Lord, however, will be present to her through His Spirit until the close of the age. Through the power of the Spirit – there is no other substitute – the Church must incarnate Jesus in every nook and corner of the world. This is the task of the local Church.

The Church needs power to exist and to act. But the power from above is given to those who believe. Do we – you and I believe? How often do we believe in the power that comes from mammon! Hence the power-struggle in the Church. We trust more in the power that flows from mammon. That is ultimately our weakness and powerlessness.

The Ascension is a pointer to when real power comes and where we must look up for it. Jesus wants to establish His kingdom here and now through you and me. It is not an earthly kingdom, as people normally think; it is one in which all human beings are called to share in Jesus’ life and glory. Jesus has put into our hands the task. He held dearest to His heart: to lead all people into His kingdom, to lead all to the Father.

Lord may your ascension be a powerful source of hope for all who believe in you. Amen.

May God bless you,

Father Angelito

Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

All these devoted themselves with one accord to prayer,
together with some women,
and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers.
(Acts 1:14)

Psalm:

I believe that I shall see the good things of the Lord in
the land of the living. (Ps 51)
Or Alleluia.

Second Reading:

If you are insulted for the name of Christ, blessed are
you,
for the Spirit of glory and of God rests upon you.
(1 Pt 4:14)

Gospel:

Jesus raised his eyes to heaven and said,
"Father, the hour has come.
Give glory to your son, so that your son may glorify
you." (Jn 17:1)

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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

When the world sees us, do they see to whom
we belong? In what ways are we most manifestly
Christian? In prayer, in service, in sacrifice?
Whatever it is, let us devote ourselves to it with
one accord, so that Jesus Christ may be glorified
in all that we do.

Observances for the week of May 21, 2023

- Sunday:** The Ascension of the Lord; 7th Sunday of
Easter; World Communications Day
- Monday:** St. Rita of Cascia, Religious
- Thursday:** St. Bede the Venerable, Priest and Doctor
of the Church; St. Gregory VII, Pope;
St. Mary Magdalene de'Pazzi, Virgin
- Friday:** St. Philip Neri, Priest
- Saturday:** St. Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop
- Next Sunday:** Pentecost Sunday



Saint of the week

Servant of God Fr. Emil Kapaun was an American military chaplain who served heroically on the battlefield as well as inside of a POW camp in North Korea until his death. While a POW, he cared for other prisoners bodily with stolen food and medicine, and spiritually as a priest.

Prayer

Lord Jesus,

In the midst of the folly of war, your servant, Chaplain Emil Kapaun, spent himself in total service to you on the battlefields and in the prison camps of Korea, until his death at the hands of his captors. We now ask you, Lord Jesus, if it be your will, to make known to all the world the holiness of Chaplain Kapaun and the glory of his complete sacrifice for you by signs of miracles and peace. In your name, Lord, we ask, for you are the source of peace, the strength of our service to others, and our final hope.

Amen.

(Prayer Source: www.FatherKapaun.org)

Mass Intentions

Saturday • May 20

4:30 PM

† **John Williams**

r/b June Hankel

Sunday • May 21

8:00 AM

† **Nancy Baehny**

r/b Kenneth & Susan Baehny

10:00 AM

† **John Lavin**

r/b MaryAnne Frasier

11:30 AM

† **Fr. John Scully**

r/b Terri Murray

Monday • May 22

9:00 AM

† **Peter Corallo**

r/b Edna Casella

Tuesday • May 23

9:00 AM

† **Rita Ascione**

r/b Howell Senior Center



Thursday • May 25

9:00 AM

† **Eleanor Hanlon**

r/b Karen & Guy Barbagelata

Friday • May 26

9:00 AM

† **Antoinette Pennetti & Family**

r/b Libby Miller

MASST
INTENTIONS

The Mass Intention Book for
2024 will open on
Sunday, June 4, 2023.

Please come to the office to
have a mass said for a loved
one or a special intention.

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.

Liturgical Life

God mounts
his throne to
joyful shouts:
a blare of
trumpets for
the Lord.

Psalm 47

Jesus raised his eyes to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come. Give glory to your son, so that your son may glorify you, just as you gave him authority over all people, so that your son may give eternal life to all you gave him. Now this is eternal life, that they should know you, the only true God, and the one whom you sent, Jesus Christ." - Jn 17:1-3

Respect Life

Be Not Afraid

"The Lord says to us, 'Do not fear: I am with you' (Isaiah 41:10). He speaks these words not as one who merely observes our pain, but as one who experienced immense suffering. And the very wounds that bear witness to his suffering indicate the essence of our identity and worth: we are loved by God. Reflecting on the healed wounds of the Risen Christ, we see that even our most difficult trials can be the place where God manifests his victory. He makes all things beautiful. He makes all things new."



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

of May 21, 2023

Sunday:

Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 (6)/Eph 1:17-23/Mt 28:16-20

Seventh Sunday of Easter: Acts 1:12-14/Ps 27:1, 4, 7-8 (13)/1 Pt 4:13-16/Jn 17:1-11a

Monday:

Acts 19:1-8/Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab/Jn 16:29-33

Tuesday:

Acts 20:17-27/Ps 68:10-11, 20-21/Jn 17:1-11a

Wednesday:

Acts 20:28-38/Ps 68:29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36ab/Jn 17:11b-19

Thursday:

Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/Jn 17:20-26

Friday:

Acts 25:13b-21/Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab/Jn 21:15-19

Saturday:

Morning: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31/Ps 11:4, 5 and 7/Jn 21:20-25

Next Sunday:

Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5/Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30 (see 30)/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39

Extended Vigil: Gn 11:1-9/Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b/Ez 37:1-14/Jl 3:1-5/Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30 (see 30)/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39

Day: Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34 (see 30)/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13/Jn 20:19-23



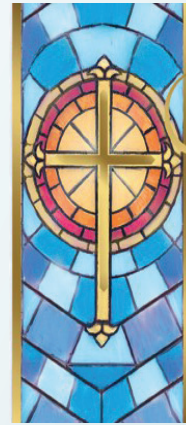
**You are Invited to be a
Catechist!**

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 have 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 the Laura in the office at 732-938-5375.

*Our
Parish Family*



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

The Jordan Family
Timothy, Nadia
Lucy & Charly

The Watkins Family
Craig, Ashley &
Craig & Cameron

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

Thank You

Our Parish Religious Education Program for the 2022-2023 Year has been completed.

Thank you, catechists,
for your time in and out
of the classroom!

Thank you, parents, for making
Religious Education an
important part of your
children's lives!



Thank you,
Fr. Angelito for
guiding us
towards God!

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.

Thank you to all our
High School
Volunteers. Your
enthusiasm and
dedication this year
was a amazing.

Prayer

God, thank you for my friends. Help me to treat them like you would.

Mission for the Week

The next time you talk to God, pray for each of your friends. Ask your friends to pray for you, too.

Sharing the Gospel

Jesus prayed for his friends. He knew they were a special gift from God. Jesus was patient with them. He taught them about God. He cared about his friends and forgave them from his heart. Everything that Jesus did showed what God was like. Be a friend like Jesus. Care for your friends like God does.

Now color the picture!



Find and circle these words from today's Gospel:

ETERNAL
CHRIST
FATHER

GLORY
GIVEN
FOLLOWERS

WORLD
SHOWN
PRAYING

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Parish Support

Weekly Sunday Collection Saturday/Sunday, May 13-14, 2023		
4:30 PM Mass	\$2,164.00	233 People
8:00 AM Mass	\$1,256.00	95 People
10:00 AM Mass	\$1,908.00	176 People
11:30 AM Mass	\$1,961.00	128 People
Online Giving	\$1,571.00	
Total	\$8,860.00	
Second Collection		
Mother's Day		\$1,269.00

Thank You for Your Generosity.



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Our parish is grateful for your continued support. Thank you!

ONLINE GIVING

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ANNUAL CATHOLIC Appeal 2023

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2023 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

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

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- Catholic Social Services (Mount Carmel Guild)
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- Outreach to the Poor and Vulnerable

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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

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ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

Parish Update

As of May 15, 2023

Pledged: **\$36,576.00** 91% of Goal

Paid: **\$29,628.00** 74% of Goal

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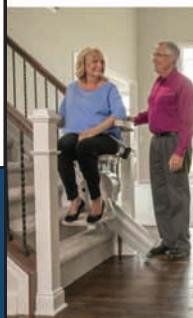
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