

St. Catherine of Siena

31 Asbury Road, Farmingdale, New Jersey 07727

July 28, 2013

Weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 4:30 P.M.

Sunday: 8:00 A.M., 10:00 A.M., 11:30 A.M.

Weekday Masses @ Chapel, 9:00 A.M. :

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, & Friday

Miraculous Medal Novena:

Monday, following 9:00 A.M. Mass

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

1st Friday, following 9:00 A.M. Mass to 11 A.M.

Holy Day Masses:

 As announced in bulletin

Confessions: Saturday - 3:30 to 4:00 P.M.

Baptism Classes: 3rd Wed of each month

Summer Parish Office Hours -

Monday thru Thursday:

8:30 A.M. to 3:00 P.M.

Closed on Fridays

Rev. Angelito I. Anarcon, Pastor

Deacon Joseph Prioli

Coordinator of Religious Education: Nancy Riddell

Director of Nursery School: Susan Connolly

Coordinator of Nursery School: Patricia Cranmer

Parish Office Secretary: Carol Morton

Religious Education Secretary: Janice Deakyne

Sacristan: Ruth Ziznewski

Organist: Judy Hyer

Parish Trustees: Donna Lee and Dean Wright

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, July 27, 2013

4:30 PM Angel S. Anarcon r/o Lou & Rosa Garcia

Kurt Neubauer r/o Joan Pearson

John Shapiro r/o Jane & Anthony Morro

SUNDAY, July 28, 2013

8:00 AM Nonna Tiburzi r/o Johnson Family

Parishioners

10:00 AM Michael Massey r/o Dawn & Michael Dice & Family

Doris Walsh r/o Mary Anne Frasier

11:30 AM John Arbaczawski r/o Wife, Alice

Salvatore & Lillian LaRocca r/o Ella LaRocca

Michael DiAiso r/o Sister, Mary Jean



Contacts:

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www.sienachurch.org

Mass Schedule:

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Parish Office:

732-938-5375

Religious Education:

732-938-6229

Nursery School:

732-938-3454

FAX phone:

732-938-3260

Pastor's Office:

732-938-5375 ext. 7

Deacon's Office:

732-938-5375 ext. 5

Parish Bookkeeper:

732-938-5375 ext. 8

St. Vincent de Paul:

732-701-7837

Weekday Masses at St. Catherine's Chapel, 9:00 AM 1 W. Main St, Farmingdale

Mass Intentions:

Monday, July 29, 2013

Dorothy Kunz r/o Nardo Family

Tuesday, July 30, 2013

Rev. Gerard J. Brown

Thursday, August 1, 2013

Rev. Gerard J. Brown

Friday, August 2, 2013

Joan Baillie r/o St. Catherine's

Homebound Ministry



After Mass until 11:00 A.M.
ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT



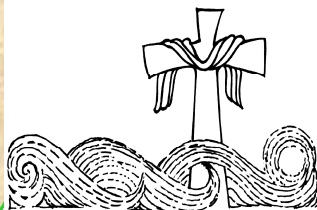
Solemn Exposition
of the Blessed Sacrament

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Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

You were buried with him in baptism,
in which you were also raised with him
through faith in the power of God,
who raised him from the dead.

— Colossians 2:12



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Dear Parishioners,

We are welcoming Very Rev. Father Oscar Sumanga, Judicial Vicar of the Diocese of Trenton to our parish on the weekend of August 3-4. He is going to make an appeal for his former Diocese in the Philippines and will be speaking at all the masses. Please be generous as your means allow it in as much as the local church in that part of the Philippines are in dire need of our material as well as spiritual assistance. I request you also to pray for the success of his mission. In advance I thank you for your kindness and willingness to give.

The readings for this Sunday lead us to some interesting questions: Why do we ask for things in prayer? Are we trying to get God to change his mind? And why ask at all if God already knows our needs?

You would say, it's unreal Abraham in the 1st reading is bargaining, almost haggling with God? That might get our attention and it is quite disturbing, isn't it? Because it seems perfectly normal to people accustomed to lengthy bargaining in the store. The real point of the story is Abraham's persistence. He is out to win. He refuses to take NO for an answer.

In our own experience, it can be seen as lack of persistence if we call on God in prayer only when we are in a jam. Then anybody can pray. Continuing to pray when God seems to answer only with silence increases our desire and strengthens our faith. As we learn from St. Gregory the Great: All holy desires grow by delays. And if they fade because of these delays, they were never holy desires. Prayer does not change God. It changes us. Each time we place our needs before God in prayer, we are opening ourselves up to the action of God in our lives. That is why Jesus teaches us to pray for our needs, and those of others, even though God knows those needs already.

When we pray, we are acknowledging our dependence on God. God does not need a reminder. We do. When everything is going well, we easily forget that we still need God. Such forgetfulness is often the prelude to a humiliating fall. The best insurance against such falls is to keep placing our needs before God, in good times and in bad.

Of course, even we have done our best to understand prayer, it remains a mystery like everything to do with God. Prayer is mysterious not in the sense that we can understand nothing about it; but that what we do understand is partial only. We can better understand how the human mind or heart work than we can understand exactly how prayer works.

Ultimately, we need to ask for the gift of God's Holy Spirit. That is a wonderful prayer. Jesus tells us at the end of this Sunday's Gospel, that will always be granted: If you then, who are wicked, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him?

May God bless us all,

Father Angelito

Sacrificial Offertory

7/21/13 Weekly Energy & Fuel **\$6,329.00**
\$1,113.00

8/4/13 Weekly & Co Op Sunday

Thank you so much for your generous contributions.

SICK RELATIVES AND FRIENDS:

Angie Gorda, Edward Kress



through the Sacrament of Baptism, we welcomed to the Church:

Henry Charles Artherhold
Caroline Rose Blustein
Giuliana Marie Veneras

We ask God's blessings on these children and their families every day of their lives!



CONGRATULATIONS &
BEST WISHES TO ...

TREVOR ANDERSEN
LAUREN HARTIGAN

who were married at St. Catherine of Siena Church on Friday, July 19, 2013.

MAY GOD BLESS THIS COUPLE
WITH A LONG HAPPY LIFE TOGETHER!

Tuesdays thru July 30

7-8:30 PM Christian Yoga Chapel
Contact Terry 732-938-3139

Saturday, August 10

9 AM Men's Prayer Group Chapel
Contact Rich 732-477-7567

Monday, August 12

7 PM Society of St. Vincent de Paul Parish Hall

Wednesday, August 21

7:30 PM Baptism Prep Class Church

Thursdays

10 AM Legion of Mary Conference Room

Homebound Ministry If a homebound family member, friend, or neighbor would like to receive Holy Communion, visits, or calls, contact the Parish Office.

Next weekend, August 3 & 4, the Very Rev. Oscar Sumanga, will be here to speak to us about the needs of the Diocese of Legazpi in the Philippines. Legazpi has a population of one million people who are served by 85 active priests and 130 religious. It serves the people through schools and special apostolates such as among street children and the mentally challenged, as well as programs to help families, youth and the poorest of the poor. The Diocese of Legazpi has developed a five year plan to build the Christian community and serve the needs of the people. They need our help. Your donations will help the people of Legazpi with: programs to form clergy, religious, and lay leaders; social outreach programs to serve the poor and marginalized; evangelization; education; and the renewal of society through promotion of justice, peace and the integrity of creation. Your prayers and support is greatly appreciated. May the Good Lord reward you for your kindness and bless your parish and homes with His peace.

Bishop's Anniversary Blessing

For more than 40 years, the bishop of the Diocese of Trenton has been celebrating the gift of sacramental marriage with anniversary couples. **If you're celebrating your 1st, 25th or 50th (or more!) year of marriage**, we invite you to a special Eucharistic liturgy (Mass) and blessing celebration at 3:00 pm on Sunday, October 6, 2013 at the Cathedral of St. Mary in Trenton. We invite married couples celebrating these milestone anniversaries to participate in this beautiful event. Please visit the parish office to register. The deadline for registration is September 6, 2013.



Calling On All Catholic Men: The Knights of Columbus is welcoming all men over the age of 18 to become a member of the new St. Catherine of Siena council here at our church.

Devoted to the principles of charity, unity, fraternity and patriotism, The Knights of Columbus strives to be a positive Catholic presence in both our parish and community. If you wish to join this brotherhood of over 1.8 million world-wide members, please email us at KOFC17503@gmail.com or call (732) 835-2049.

Saint Catherine of Siena's Fall Picnic:

Please come join us on **October 6th, 2013** from **12:30 – 4:00** for our parish picnic. Hosted by The Knights of Columbus, the event will be held in the church's back parking lot. There will be plenty of food, music and Fall-themed activities for kids of all ages. All are welcome.

Are you aware that St. Catherine of Siena has a Pastoral Council?

The revised Code of Canon Law calls for each parish to form and maintain a Pastoral Council. This council serves in an advisory capacity to the Pastor. The council holds no authority, has no budget, and has no power. The Council's purpose is to identify matters of interest and areas for growth within the parish and to advise the Pastor to the Council's findings. Over the next few months, we will be introducing its members to you so that you will be able to identify council members and approach them with your creative and positive ideas to help our parish grow and thrive as an enlivened community of Jesus. We will look forward to walking with you in the journey together.

Summer Program: "The Mystery of Sandy"

Fri. August 2, 7:30 PM – Mon. August 5, 1:00 PM
Many of us have lived through, and, in some ways, are still living through the heart wrenching experience of Sandy and its aftermath. Such suffering can lead to a spiritual and transformative journey in which we can find healing. Come away to where water meets shore for a gentle time of peace, hope and a re-energized faith in God's loving presence. Cost: \$325. Call 732-923-9788 or visit waterspirit@stellamaris.comcastbiz.net.

Please join us for the 11th anniversary of "**WALK WITH JOE**", a memorial 5K walk honoring Patrick "Joe" Driscoll, Christopher Gray and Tom McCann, local area residents who lost their lives on September 11th. The Walk will be held on Saturday, **September 7, 2013, 10:00 a.m.**, at Monmouth Battlefield State Park, Manalapan, NJ. Visit www.walkwithjoe.com to register and for more information. All proceeds are donated to local charities and non-profit organizations.

PARISH SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

**ALL PARISH OFFICES WILL BE OPEN
8:30 A.M. - 3:00 P.M., MONDAY - THURSDAY.
OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED ON FRIDAYS
THROUGH FRIDAY, AUGUST 30**



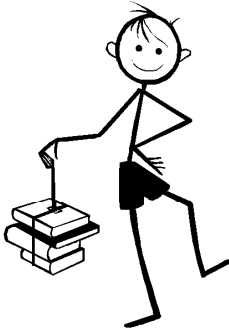
St. Catherine's Nursery School

31 Asbury Road
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Register Now for Fall!
Children Ages 2 ~ 6 accepted.

Weekly Activities Include:

- * Free Play * Music * Crafts *
- * Computers * Story Time * Writing *
- * Science & Math Concepts *
- * Kindergarten Class Available *
- * Before Care & After Care Optional *



Through Christian based instruction, your child will develop a positive sense of self-worth in a loving, safe and consistent environment.

All Classes are
now forming for 2013 - 2014.
Please call to take a tour!

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