

St. Catherine of Siena

31 Asbury Road, Farmingdale, New Jersey 07727

September 1, 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 Friday:

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

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



Contacts:

Website:

www.sienachurch.org

Mass Schedule:

732-938-5375 ext. 6

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, September 2, 2013

Mary Ellen D'Elia r/o Hoehman Family

Tuesday, September 3, 2013

John Hunt r/o Hoehman Family

Thursday, September 5, 2013

Parishioners

Friday, September 6, 2013

"Living" Intention Marge Seagriff r/o Betty &

Ced McCann

After Mass until 11:00 A.M.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT



Solemn Exposition
of the Blessed Sacrament

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Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

You have approached Mount Zion
and the city of the living God.

— Hebrews 12:22a



Dear Parishioners,

The unofficial end of summer season starts this Monday as we celebrate the Day for the Laborers. Let us remember those people who are doing menial jobs for us as they continue to serve us. Let us not forget that the Divine Creator has given us our lives, talents, characteristics, potentials and the gift of time for the betterment of others and glory of God.

The 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time offers us a great theme which is taken from the Gospel, that is, HUMILITY is the perfect virtue for our age.

It is said that when you think you have the virtue of humility it is a sure sign that you do not have it. Today's readings center around this virtue, and in the life of the Christian, it is an indispensable one. Without it, we cannot possibly reach our goal of heaven. Jesus in the Gospel reminds us that we ought not to presume to take the place of honor at a celebration. The event He refers to is, as usual, a wedding. In the parables of Jesus, a wedding feast is often an image for the everlasting banquet in heaven where we will all rejoice at our union with God who is love. The point Jesus makes, therefore, is that when invited to a wedding feast of heaven, as we all are, we ought not to make too many assumptions. This is a very important message for us today. Our spiritual life has two extreme sins against hope. One is despair. Despair is the assumption that we are never good enough for God's love and so are probably destined to hell. It might sound like humility to say that I'm just too terrible a person for God to love, but it isn't. At its root, despair is the sin of believing that God is not good enough, not strong enough, to forgive and love us. Only someone who has refused the gift of hope can believe that they have sinned enough to make God give up on them.

The other extreme in the spiritual life is presumption. There is a great deal of presumption today. We may presume that by being a decent person, civil to our neighbor and generally obedient to the laws of our country, we are somehow deserving of going to heaven, the place of honor. We may forget that heaven is an invitation not a birthright. We may forget that heaven is a gift, not something we are owed.

The humble response to God's invitation to grace is to simply say yes. The Blessed Virgin Mary, who had a uniquely difficult invitation from the Angel Gabriel, gave the proper response: Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord, be it done unto me according to your word. By the humble, the Lord is glorified, so do not despair or presume. Let us listen to God's invitation in every moment of the day and say yes as Mary did.

Loving and generous God, you have invited us to the table of the Word and the table of the Eucharist, where we are nourished and where we learn what it means to live as humble children of your Kingdom. We thank you for this generous gift. May it continue to shape our lives. Amen.

May God bless us all,

Father Angelito

Sacrificial Offertory

8/25/13 Weekly	\$6,784.00
Diocesan Assessment	\$1,165.00
9/8/13 Weekly & Catholic University	

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

**Luke Owen Hoehman
Vincent Xavier Hoehman
Ella Marie Rapuano
Max Barrett Woods**

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



of all our Parish family and friends, and especially the recently departed:

Alfred Goerke

(Husband of Dolores & Father of Michael)

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

SICK RELATIVES AND FRIENDS:

Angie Gorda, Edward Kress, John Masterson

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.

Thursdays

10 AM Legion of Mary Conference Room

Monday, September 9

7 PM Society of St. Vincent de Paul Parish Hall

Saturday, September 14

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

Tuesdays, Starting September 17-December 17

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

Wednesday, September 18

7:30 PM Baptism Prep Class Church

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

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 KOFC15703@gmail.com or call (732) 835-2049.

The Monmouth County Board of Catholic Charities is hosting its Second Annual **Oktoberfest for Vets** on Saturday evening, **September 28, 2013** at the Parker House in Sea Girt. The purpose of the event is to raise funds to expand our Monmouth Counseling Program for Veterans suffering from post-traumatic stress disorder or depression. Visit www.catholiccharitiestrenton.org/ monmouthevents for details.

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.

The Vincentians at St. Thomas More, Manalapan, are holding their 7th Annual **Golf Outing** on **Monday, Oct. 14**. This year it's at Forsgate Country Club, Monroe, and the fee is only \$175. It's going to be a fun-filled day at this prestigious course. The registration form is available at www.moremercy.org. Call 732 446-6661 x208.

**Labor Day**

**PARISH OFFICE
IS CLOSED ON
MONDAY,
SEPTEMBER 2**

ATTENTION: PLEASE GO THROUGH THE LOST AND FOUND ARTICLES LOCATED IN THE NARTHEX BY SEPTEMBER 1.

**HELPFUL HINTS
FROM THE MONEY COUNTING TEAMS:**

- ◆ Put the dollar amount on the outside of the envelopes to get proper credit.
- ◆ Do not put stickers, address labels, staples, or scotch tape on the outside of the envelopes as they will not go through the scanner.
- ◆ If you are writing one check for both collections, write the dollar amount you want on each envelope and FOLD the 2nd collection envelope and put inside the 1st collection envelope along with the one check. Do not cut the top off the 2nd collection and include as it cannot be scanned.
- ◆ Since all cash goes through a money counting machine, please do not fold or crinkle up loose bills.

Weekly envelopes are scanned and the dollar amount is entered into a computer for yearly totals. Remembering these few items would be a tremendous help and save time and improve the process.

**St. Catherine's
Nursery School**

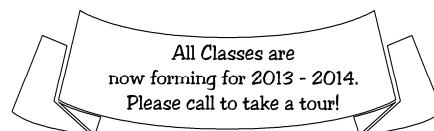
31 Asbury Road
Farmingdale, NJ 07727

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.



State Approved Facilities
License No. 08082121
(732) 938-3454

Email: nurseryschool@sienachurch.org
www.sienachurch.org



ELECTRONIC GIVING**ParishPay***Making it Easier to Give***Enrollment is easy, too ...****Phone: 866-PARISH-1****Website: www.parishpay.com****... and enrollment forms also are available from the Parish Office.****ATTENTION:****PARISHIONERS WITH CELIAC SPRUE**

An extremely low-gluten (37 micrograms) host is available for those in need. Please notify the Celebrant or the Deacon prior to the beginning of the Mass you are attending. Further information can be found on our website under "Sacraments". Thank you.

ST. CATHERINE'S ONLINE!

Check out our website www.sienachurch.org for all the latest Parish info, including Parish Policies, Church Bulletin, Nursery School and CCD Calendars, Closings & Delays, Minister Schedules, and more.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

A listing for prayers of those who are ill appears in the bulletin weekly. To have a family member included on this list, please call the Parish Office @ 732-938-5375.

TO ALL GROUPS & INDIVIDUALS**WHO SUBMIT ARTICLES FOR****ST. CATHERINE'S BULLETIN**

Because of the deadline assigned to us by the bulletin company, all information must be submitted to the Parish Office by Monday morning. Articles given later will be included in the bulletin for the following week.

Thank you for honoring this request!



ALTAR FLOWERS ... can be offered in memory of a deceased loved one or for any special intention (except during Lent & Advent). Offering: \$40/basket ... To arrange for Altar Flowers, please call the Office @ 732-938-5375

Parish Policies

Parish Registration ... To be recognized as a practicing member of the Parish, it is necessary to be registered, and to show your presence and support by attendance at Mass and through the regular use of offertory envelopes.

If you have questions regarding Parish Registration, please call 732-938-5375 or email frontoffice@sienachurch.org.

If you move or change addresses or parishes, please notify the Parish Office in a timely manner.

Young adults ... who are still living at home with their parents, who have graduated from college, and/or who are employed full-time, **should register with the Parish under their own name**.

Weddings ... Please call the Parish Office **one year in advance of desired wedding date, BEFORE completing any other arrangements (reception hall, etc.)**

Baptisms ... The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated on Sundays at 12:30 P.M. or can be celebrated during Sunday Mass. Arrangements must be made in advance.

Prior to the birth of the child, attendance at a Baptism Preparation Class is mandatory for parents, and sponsors/godparents also are encouraged to attend. Classes are held in the Church at 7:30 P.M. on the third Wednesday of each month. For more information, contact the parish office.

Sponsorship ... In order to be a sponsor/godparent for Baptism or Confirmation, a person must have received all Sacraments through Confirmation; be at least 16 years of age; if married, be married in the Catholic Church; attend Mass faithfully ... **also, be a registered, actively participating parishioner for a minimum of six (6) months**. One month's notice is desirable when requesting a Sponsor Certificate, a Letter of Recommendation for Parochial School, and other items of this nature.



ATTENTION: ALL PARENTS
Register Now for ST. CATHERINE'S

- * NURSERY SCHOOL
- * FULL-DAY KINDERGARTEN
- * KINDERGARTEN WRAP AROUND
- * ENRICHMENT PROGRAM
- * EXTENDED HOURS
- * SUMMER PROGRAM

Registrations are available on our website at www.sienachurch.org. For more information, please contact the Nursery School Office at 732-938-3454; or email nurseryschool@sienachurch.org.