

# St. Catherine of Siena

31 Asbury Road, Farmingdale, New Jersey 07727

**November 30, 2014**

## 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

## Parish Office Hours

Monday thru Friday: 8:30 A.M. to 3:00 P.M.

## Religious Education Office Hours

Monday 8:30 A.M. to 7:00 P.M.

Wednesday: 8:30 A.M. to 5:30 P.M.

## Rev. Angelito I. Anarcon, Pastor

Deacon Joseph Prioli

Deacon Daniel Sakowski

Director of Religious Education: Kyle Galante

Parish Office Secretary: Carol Morton

Religious Education Secretary: Janice Deakyne

Sacristan: Ruth Ziznewski

Organist: Judy Hyer

Parish Trustees: Cindy Ventura and Dean Wright



## Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, November 29, 2014

4:30 PM **Michael Marino** r/o Anthony & Jane Morro

**Ellen Scarpari** r/o Tricia & Dan Cottrell

**Joanne Kennedy** r/o Son, Kevin & Family

SUNDAY, November 30, 2014

8:00 AM **“Living” Maryann O’Neill** r/o Friend

**“Living” Ryan & Saadiya Boutote** r/o Mom

**Parishioners**

10:00 AM **Michael Anzano & Shirley Cushing** r/o Cushing Family

**James Maher** r/o Kelso Family

**Kenneth Hennelly** r/o Mary Anne Frasier & Ray Bellino

11:30 AM **Caroline & Ralph Favilla** r/o Favilla Family

**Maria Muggeo** r/o Gabbard Family

**Rosemary (Sister John Louise)** r/o Anne Hilker

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

## Mass Intentions:

Monday, December 1, 2014

**Rev. Bernardino Esguerra**

Tuesday, December 2, 2014

**“Living” Lynn Yancey**

Thursday, December 4, 2014

**Rev. Bernardino Esguerra**

Friday, December 5, 2014

**James Nash** r/o Sister, Anne Hilker



## Contacts:

### Website:

[www.sienachurch.org](http://www.sienachurch.org)

### Mass Schedule:

732-938-5375 ext. 6

### Parish Office:

732-938-5375

### Religious Education:

732-938-6229

### FAX phone:

732-938-3260

### Pastor’s Office:

732-938-5375 ext. 7

### Deacon Joe:

732-938-5375 ext. 9

### Deacon Dan:

732-938-5375 ext. 3

### Parish Bookkeeper:

732-938-5375 ext. 8

### St. Vincent de Paul:

732-938-3454



## First Sunday of Advent

**November 30, 2014**

Be watchful! Be alert!

You do not know when the time will come.

— Mark 13:33

Dear Parishioners,

Today is the First Sunday of Advent. As we have heard many times, the word "Advent" means coming. Jesus says, Be watchful. Be alert! The season of advent is a time to prepare for the coming of Christ to us 2000 years ago and Christ's coming to us in the future. Jesus emphatically tells us to watch for his coming, be alert.

As we know from experience, in order to watch and be alert, we have to stay focused, centering on Jesus as our Lord and Savior. It is not easy because staying focused in this way means that we have to take time to reflect, to slow ourselves down. However our culture and the common trend are telling us to hurry up, to get things done, such as get our shopping done, our Christmas cards sent, our house decorated, party here, there and everywhere. True enough, it can raise a person's anxiety level to hear those contrasting messages: Slow down, hurry up.


In today's Gospel, Jesus is telling us how to prioritize in our lives. He is going to return and we have no idea when. Hence, we must be watchful—meaning we have to keep ourselves ready for him to return—which means keeping our busy lives in proper perspective. One of the most suggested practical ways to do that is to take time to meditate. Here are some ways to do that: 1) Have a good conversation with Jesus, (2) Prayerfully read the Sacred Scriptures, (3) Look over the day ask yourself what went well and what you are thankful for and what didn't and why, (4) Quiet our mind and say nothing, just giving God an opportunity to possibly say something to us, (5) Say the rosary or pray the Divine Mercy prayers. I tried it so many times. Whatever way you choose, it will help you stay more at peace, reduce stress, lower your blood pressure and most importantly help you to stay focused as to what is very important in your life and what is not too important.

Life becomes too hectic sometimes or maybe all the time for some. We become very busy easily. Sometimes we get so caught up in the here and now, to the point that we forget the perfect happiness and peace that truly awaits those who accept the gift of salvation. And this gift is made possible by the suffering, death, and resurrection of God's only begotten Son, Jesus. Advent calls us to prepare and be ready for Christ's return, and continues to motivate us. The prophet Isaiah reminds us today: do the right thing and be mindful of God in our ways.


Lord our God, as we eagerly await your coming, we know that our lives are in your hands. Hold us firmly but gently and may we keep a watchful eye toward our salvation. Amen.

May God bless us,  
Father Angelito

Due to medical reasons, the overall Coordinator of the Usher Ministry, George Zieminski, has to step down. As soon as he recovers, he will be back as an usher. We truly appreciate the work he has done these past 10 years.  
Let's welcome Scott Rubinson to the position.



**ALTAR FLOWERS**  
This weekend are offered for:  
**Joanne Kennedy**  
r/o Son, Kevin, Deneen & Family



Giving Tree

All Christmas Giving Tree gifts must be returned to the church by **Sunday, November 30**. Please help make Christmas brighter for those in need by returning your gifts on time. Thank you for your generosity.

**SAVE THE DATE**  
**2ND ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CAROL FESTIVAL**  
**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 4TH, 7:00 -8:30 PM**

Calling all children, grades 1-8, to the St. Catherine of Siena Children's Choir! The choir will sing on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of each month at the 11:30 mass. Rehearsals are held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays after the 11:30 Mass. Call Lorrie at 908-814-8022.

**SICK RELATIVES AND FRIENDS:** Joe Diamond, Bob Fort, Angie Gorda, Edward Kress, Mike Lubniewski, Lauren MacArthur, Betty McCann, John Masterson, Esther Peraza, Marjorie Seagriff, George Zieminski

**Thursdays**  
10 AM Legion of Mary Conference Room  
**Tuesdays, First & Third - December 2**  
7:00 PM RCIA Conference Room  
**Monday, December 8**  
7:30 PM Society of St. Vincent de Paul Parish Hall  
**Thursday, December 11**  
7:00 PM Rosary Altar Society Church & Parish Hall  
**Saturday, December 13**  
9 AM Men's Prayer Group Chapel Call 732-477-7567  
**Tuesdays, thru December 16**  
7-8:30 PM Christian Yoga Chapel Call 732-938-3139  
**Wednesday, December 17**  
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.



CONGRATULATIONS &  
BEST WISHES TO ...

**WILLIAM RYAN  
LAUREN MORRELL**

who were married at St. Catherine of Siena Church  
on Saturday, November 22, 2014.



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

**Gerard Thomas Allutto  
Mason Anthony Sanchez**

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

**New Parishioners**

ST. CATHERINE'S PARISH  
**WARMLY WELCOMES**  
THE FOLLOWING NEW MEMBERS:

**Robert & Isabel Amling**

THANK YOU TO ALL FOR YOUR GENEROSITY  
IN SUPPORTING THE 2014 ANNUAL CATHOLIC  
APPEAL!

As of November 17th the amount pledged was  
\$47,315 and there are 20 parishioners more than  
last year's donor total. This qualifies our parish to  
receive an extra 5% rebate! Instead of \$6,600, St.  
Catherine's will receive \$8,000, plus 50% of  
anything over the \$44,000 goal which is paid.

If you have not already done so, please consider  
paying your pledge amount before Dec. 31 in order  
for the parish to receive the 50% additional funds.

<b>REGISTERED</b>	1466
<b>DONORS</b>	215
<b>PARTICIPATION</b>	15%
<b>GOAL</b>	\$44,000.00
<b>PLEDGED</b>	\$47,315.00
<b>PAID</b>	\$43,207.75
<b>% OF GOAL</b>	108%

**First Friday Healing Mass**

Mary, Mother of God Church,  
Rev. Jeffrey J. Kegley, Pastor  
19 Cherry Tree Farm Road Middletown, NJ

**Friday, December 5, 2014**

**7:30 PM Music and Worship 8:00 PM Mass**

For more information, please call 732-671-0071

**ADVENT and CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE**

**Evening Prayers and Benediction**

Sunday, Nov. 30, December 7, 14, 21 @ 7:00 PM CHAPEL

Followed by fellowship and refreshments

**Christmas Carol Festival**

Thursday, December 4 @ 7:00 PM PARISH HALL

Followed by fellowship and refreshments

**Advent Penance Service**

Thursday, December 11 @ 7:00 PM CHURCH

**Simbang – Gabi**

Thursday, December 18 @ 7:00 PM CHURCH

Followed by fellowship and refreshments

**Reconciliation**

Saturday, December 6, 13, 20, 27 @ 3:30 – 4:00 PM

**Christmas Mass Schedule**

**Christmas Eve**

4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (Children's Mass) - 12:00 Midnight

**Christmas Day**

8:00 AM - 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM

**New Year's Mass Schedule**

**New Year's Eve**

4:30 PM CHURCH

**New Year's Day**

9:00 AM CHURCH

**EPIPHANY MASSES**

Saturday, January 3 @ 4:30 PM

Sunday, January 4 @ 8:00, 10:00, 11:30 AM

**Healing Mass - Sacred Heart Church**

In Honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe and The  
Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
751 Main Ave. Bay Head

**Saturday December 6th 8:30 AM**

If you are suffering with an illness or experiencing  
the stress of life and its burdens, please join us on  
Saturday December 6th at 8:30am for a Mass with  
Healing Prayer. We will seek the intercession of Our  
Blessed Mother for Jesus Healing as we celebrate  
Her upcoming Feast Days. Light refreshments will  
immediately follow mass in the parish hall. Please  
come and bring a friend or family member. For  
further info., contact DawnRusinko@yahoo.com or  
call the parish office at 732-899-1398.



The **FILIPINO \* AMERICAN** Catholic Community Of  
Monmouth County Invites You To A Nine Day

## **SIMBANG GABI (ADVENT MASS)**

In Preparation For The Birth Of Our Lord Jesus Christ We ask,  
“What Is The Wisdom And Meaning Of Christmas 2014 For Me ?”

### **SCHEDULE OF MASS**

Monday, **Dec. 15, 2014** - **Holy Family Church**

727 State Rt 36, Union Beach 07735 (732)725-8088  
Celebrant: **Rev. Gene Daguplo** Mass @ 7:00 pm

Tuesday, **Dec. 16, 2014** - **St. Rose of Lima Church**

16 Mclean St., Freehold NJ 07728 (917)656-3968  
Celebrant : **Rev. Sheldon Amasa** Mass@ 7:00 pm

Wednesday, **Dec. 17, 2014** - **Church of St. Veronica**

4215 US Hwy 9, Howell NJ 07731 (732)363-4200  
Celebrant : **Rev. Vic Magdaraog** Mass @ 8:00 pm

Thursday, **Dec 18, 2014** - **St. Catherine of Siena Parish**

31 Asbury Ave., Farmingdale NJ 07727 (732)829-1612  
Celebrant : **Rev. Angelito Anarcon** Mass @ 7:00 pm

Friday, **Dec. 19, 2014** - **St. William De Abbot Church**

2740 Lakewood Allenwood Rd, Howell NJ 07731 (732)766-0988  
Celebrant : **Rev. Carlo Calisin** Mass @ 8:00 pm

Saturday, **Dec. 20, 2014** - **Holy Innocents Church**

3455 W Bangs Ave. Neptune, NJ 07753 (732)996-5966  
Celebrant : **Rev. Mark Nillo** Mass @ 7:00 pm

Sunday, **Dec. 21, 2013** - **St James Catholic Church**

30 Peters Place, Red Bank, NJ 07701 (732)732-822-7635  
Celebrant : **Rev Ariel Robles** Mass @7:00 pm

Monday, **Dec. 22, 2014** - **Holy Trinity Church**

408 Prospect St., Long Branch NJ 07740 (732)870-1778  
Celebrant : **Rev. Leon Buni** Mass @ 7:00 pm

Tuesday, **Dec. 23, 2014** - **St. Dorothea's Church**

240 Broad St., Eatontown NJ 07724 (732)829-1612  
Celebrant : **Rev. Silvano Amora** Mass @7:00 pm



***\*Please join us 30 min before every mass for the Holy Rosary  
\*Reception will be catered on Dec. 23, 2014, but also open  
for those who wants to share their covered dishes and desserts.***