

St. Catherine of Siena

31 Asbury Road, Farmingdale, New Jersey 07727

January 4, 2015

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, January 3, 2015

4:30 PM **Frederick Capuano** r/o Dayton Family

SUNDAY, January 4, 2015

8:00 AM **Parishioners**

10:00 AM **Dennis Collins** r/o Michael & Connie Golden

Ann Ruello r/o Mary Anne & Ray

11:30 AM **Donald Murray** r/o Polera Family

"Living" Bernadette King r/o Sister, Suzanne



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

Mass Intentions:

Monday, January 5, 2015

Tuesday, January 6, 2015

"Living" Lynn Yancey r/o Frank Sweaney

Thursday, January 8, 2015

Charles & Barbara Horn r/o Family

Friday, January 9, 2015



Contacts:

Website:

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Mass Schedule:

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Parish Office:

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Religious Education:

732-938-6229

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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



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 any questions please call 732-938-5375 or email frontoffice@sienachurch.org.

The Epiphany of the Lord

All kings shall pay him homage,
And all nations shall serve him.

- Psalm 72:11



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Dear Parishioners,

We have been waiting for the light to return, so the people of Israel waited for the light of a Messiah who would come and proclaim a new kingdom and give people the fulfillment of a promise. Today we celebrate the Feast of the Epiphany and it proclaims to us that Christ is the Messiah, the glory of God, who is like light breaking into the night and who gives a new hope and rebirth to the people that walked in darkness.

Let us imagine and come to the crib and look into the manger to see the Christ child lying in the feeding place for animals. He is our food for life. With childlike wonder we look into the crib and see the kings (magi) gathered to worship this child and bearing their gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. Those are gifts which are extravagant and fit for a king and God. The gift of myrrh is a sign of suffering and the anointing of the dead, hence a shadow falls over this scene of joy and hope. The fulfillment of the life of this child will be poured out on the cross so that we can have life, with our sins forgiven. Therefore the cross stands over this scene of Christmas and promises victory, hope and rebirth.

As we look at the visit of the magi, it tells us that God has opened up the doors of salvation to all but not everyone chooses to enter into God's kingdom. This beautiful story of the magi reminds us that we have to put in some time and energy to find God as we want to enter into eternal life. Entrance into eternal life does not come automatically. Even if we know our faith perfectly but we don't live it, then it's not enough. The magi came quite a distance, hundreds and hundreds of miles to find the child Jesus. They had to keep searching, even to the point of seeking assistance from king Herod and the indifferent Jewish clergy who had all the answers, but not enough interest in finding the messiah themselves. God's kingdom is for everyone, but not everyone comes looking for it, and only those who do find it.

After the hectic celebration of Christmas, this feast helps us to grasp more deeply the gift that has been given to us and the revelation of the Christ child who will save us. Pope Francis challenges us to share the joy of the Gospel with people we meet everyday. Perhaps we can help a friend to find new meaning in life because of the celebration of Christmas. The Feast of Epiphany invites us to find a new path and a new way as we begin the year. The message of the Gospel calls us to be more compassionate and open to people who are more vulnerable and fragile, weak and poor. Let us share our hope and joy with others. Amen.

God bless us,
Father Angelito



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

**Adriana Noelle Hone
Ethan William Hone**

*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:

**Matthew, Barbara, Erica, & Kristen Howarth
Bill & Anne Moffitt
Vincent & Marianne Pallarino**

Calling All Catholic Men: The Knights of Columbus are welcoming all men over the age of 18 to become members of the St. Catherine of Siena council here at our church. If you wish to join call (732) 835-2049 or email KOFc15703@gmail.com

SEEKING FELLOW PARISHIONERS TO PARTICIPATE AND JOIN THE PRO LIFE CAUSE: If you are interested in giving your time and talents please call Mary at 732-580-1387.

"Legion of Mary Pilgrim Statue" is available to visit homes in our Parish Community. Anyone interested, please call 732-616-3127 or email pheathers7@yahoo.com for arrangements.

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 Ziemienksi

Tuesdays , First & Third - January 6

7:00 PM RCIA Conference Room

Tuesdays, January 6 thru March 24

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

Thursdays, Beginning January 8

10 AM Legion of Mary Conference Room

Saturday, January 10

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

Wednesday, January 21

7:30 PM Baptism Prep Class Church

Monday, February 9

7:30 PM Society of St. Vincent de Paul Parish Hall

Thursday, February 12

7:00 PM Rosary Altar Society Church & Parish Hall

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