

St. Catherine of Siena

31 Asbury Road, Farmingdale, New Jersey 07727

November 15, 2015

Diocese of Trenton

Most Reverend David M. O'Connell, C.M.
Bishop of Trenton

Rev. Angelito I. Anarcon, Pastor

Rev. Alfred Burke, Weekend Assistant

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: Robert Mercado and Cindy Ventura

Baptism Classes:

3rd Wednesdays 7:30 PM *Church*

Children's Choir Practice/Sings:

1st & 3rd Sundays/4th Sunday 11:30 AM

Children's Liturgy of the Word:

2nd & 4th Sundays 11:30 AM

Christian Yoga:

Tuesdays 7:00-8:30 PM *Chapel*

Legion of Mary:

Thursdays 10:00 AM *Conference Room*

Men's Prayer Group:

2nd Saturdays 9:00 AM *Chapel*

RCIA:

1st & 3rd Tuesdays 7:00 PM *Classroom 10*

Rosary Altar Society:

3rd Wednesdays 7:00 PM *Church/7:30 Parish Hall*

Society of St. Vincent de Paul:

2nd Mondays 7:00 PM *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.

Weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 4:30 PM Sunday: 8:00, 10:00, 11:30 AM

Weekday Masses @ Chapel, 9:00 AM

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday

Miraculous Medal Novena:

Monday, following 9:00 AM Mass

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

1st Friday, following 9:00 AM Mass to 11:00 AM

Holy Day Masses:

As announced in bulletin

Confessions:

Saturday: 3:30 to 4:00 PM

Baptisms:

2nd & 4th Sundays

Parish Office Hours

Monday thru Friday: 8:30 AM to 3:00 PM

Religious Education Office Hours

Monday: 8:30 AM to 7:00 PM

Wednesday: 8:30 AM to 5:30 PM

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, November 14, 2015

4:30 PM Angelina Martins r/o Kevin & Deneen
Kennedy & Family

SUNDAY, November 15, 2015

8:00 AM Galina Lubniewski r/o Husband, Mike

10:00 AM Viola O'Reilly r/o Daughter, Mary

11:30 AM Sal Remigio r/o Nancy Martinez
& Family

Weekday Masses at St. Catherine's Chapel, 9:00 AM

1 W. Main St, Farmingdale

MONDAY, November 16, 2015

9:00 AM George Weber r/o Janet Weber

TUESDAY, November 17, 2015

9:00 AM Mary E. Dale r/o Palmie

THURSDAY, November 19, 2015

9:00 AM Andrew & Alan Nuccio r/o Irene Nuccio &
Family

FRIDAY, November 20, 2015

9:00 AM Josephine Guy r/o Niece, Carol & Family

SICK RELATIVES AND FRIENDS:

Jean & Mike Burke, Joseph Cocuzza, Joe Diamond, Carmen Devaux, Michael Fekete, Kathleen Fitzgerald, Bob Fort, Angie Gorda, John Gerow, Marlene Gravatt, Lori Jones, Edward Kress, Charles Lambert, Lauren MacArthur, Teresa Magyar, Betty McCann, Margie McCullam, John Masterson, Amber Painter, Esther Peraza, Jeanette Picciani, Betty Reuter, Nancy Soper, Ilona Supczynski, George Zieminski

Website:

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

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time



Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

-Mark 13:31

Gospel Reading: Mark 13:24-32



The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is holding its Annual Thanksgiving Food Drive. We are collecting non-perishable food items to make Thanksgiving Baskets for the most needy in our parish boundaries. Please help by bringing in food when you attend mass and placing it in the baskets in the Narthex. Please bring your donations in by **NOVEMBER 15.**



Dear Parishioners,

Today our First Communion candidates, together with their respective parents, are going to have their retreat in the Parish Hall starting at 9 AM and will conclude at the 11:30 AM Mass in the Church. This is a great opportunity for our little young boys and girls together with their Moms and Dads to listen, pray, and have some activities to experience Jesus as they prepare to receive Him in His Most Holy Sacrament in Communion next year. Let us support them as we pray for the success of their retreat.

The annual giving tree will start today as the Altar Rosary Society sponsors this great endeavor to benefit the less fortunate, poor, and needy kids in our area. Everyone is invited to support this project as we bring our gifts generously.

Today is the Thirty Third Sunday of the Year. When I prayed and reflected on the readings for this Sunday, I was reminded of a woman who left instructions to her children that when she dies they should place on her grave a parking meter that read: "Time expired." Even in the face of death this lady manifests her good sense of humor.

Every given Sunday, at the end of the Creed, we say of Jesus, "He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end." This Second Coming of Jesus is described in today's gospel reading in vivid, dramatic, overpowering language. It will take place at the end of the world as we know it, at a time mysterious, remote, far off in the future. At the risk of being irreverent, we are tempted to say, "So not to worry."

But then Jesus brings us up short. He says, "When you see those things happening, know that he is near, at the gates. This generation will not pass away until these things take place." What does he mean?

He is telling us not to try to figure out when the world will end. Live in this world right here, right now, he says, the way I have told you to, loving and making love happen wherever you are, at home, at work, at school. This moment, this life, is the time to bear fruit. After all, the end times happen to us all, not only in each one's death but to all of us as a generation that will pass into the mist of disappearing ages. The years go by so quickly. In fact as we know, another one is almost over. So seize the day.

We live in the shadow of eternity. We are like workers who do not know when the master will come. We must live in such a way that it does not matter when he comes. Day by day, our work must be completed. We are called to try to live each day in a way that will be pleasing to him. We must be ready, at any given moment, to meet him face to face. As we have to keep in mind, all our life is a preparation to meet the King. Amen.

May God bless us,
Father Angelito

11/8/15 Weekly	\$8,083.00
Diocesan Assessment	\$1,361.00

Thank you so much for your generous contributions.

11/22/15 Weekly & CCHD

Some bills paid this week:

G&L Landscaping	\$1,046.00
Quarterly Burglar/Fire Alarm	\$ 939.47
Office Expenses	\$ 924.09
Utilities	\$ 411.42
Maintenance Supplies	\$ 201.16
Book & Reference Materials	\$ 177.14

Next week's collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) needs your help. CCHD was founded to end the cycle of poverty in the United States by funding organizations that help individuals help themselves. With the tradition of improving education, housing situations, and community economic development, CCHD continues to make a positive impact in communities nationwide. Your contribution will defend human dignity and reach out to those living on the margins. Please give to the CCHD Collection.



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

Emilie Elizabeth Ackermann

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:

Cathy Ann Ball
Robert & Linda Cassano

SPIRITUAL ADOPTION-Seventh Month-Your baby is now about 3 pounds - this added weight makes her skin look smoother. Her eyelids can now open and close, her eyes look around and respond to light. She has a powerful grip now - strong enough to support her body weight with one hand.

Children's Liturgy of the Word All children, ages 5-10, are invited to participate in CLOW during the 11:30 am Mass every 2nd & 4th Sunday. Contact Laura at (732) 919-6263 or randazzo20alex@verizon.net

Did You Know-St. Catherine's Religious Education

Did you know that we have over 350 students in the Religious Education Program? Teachers that teach the Catholic faith are called Catechists. Our 26 Catechists glorify God by passing on the faith to children of grades 1st through 8th. The children are learning many ways to serve God and others as well. Please pray for the continued success of our Religious Education Program at Saint Catherine of Siena.

Christmas Giving Tree

Once again our parish will be preparing a Giving Tree to help make Christmas a little brighter for those who find themselves in need during this holiday season.

Beginning Saturday, November 14, our Giving Tree will be in the vestibule of the Church.

The Giving Tree is decorated with paper ornaments. Each tag contains information about the gift recipient, as well as a gift request. The cost of the gifts varies from a few dollars to perhaps the cost of a coat. When you select an ornament from the tree, if at all possible, please consider purchasing the requested gift. If you are unable to locate the gift that was requested, please substitute a comparable item in its place.

Please place the unwrapped gift in a gift bag and attach the ORIGINAL PAPER ORNAMENT to the outside of the package/gift bag. It is important that the ornament be attached to the gift as this is the only method we have for distributing the gifts to the proper individual.

All gifts **MUST** be returned to the Church vestibule **no later** than Monday, November 30th. **Please return the gifts on time so that we have time to sort and distribute them to the different organizations.** Thank you for your generosity.

HELP FEED THE HOMELESS! The Youth Group is preparing 800 bagged lunches for the Loaves & Fishes Soup Kitchen this Thanksgiving at St. Mary's in Trenton. Needs: Peanut Butter, Grape Jelly, Boxed Drinks, Plastic Sandwich Bags, Individually Packaged Cookies/Chips and Paper Napkins. Please drop off items up until Nov. 15 in the church lobby. Monetary donations are also accepted. Make checks payable to St. Catherine's Church and mark envelope YOUTH GROUP – FEED THE HOMELESS. Contact Deacon Dan with questions.

ATTN: CONFIRMATION STUDENTS: need hours for community service? The Youth Group could use the **FIRST TEN VOLUNTEERS** to help with making 800 bagged lunches Friday, November 20, from 4–6pm in the parish hall. To sign up: contact Deacon Dan at sienachurchy@yahoo.com to get your name on the list! **SPOTS FILL UP FAST SO PLEASE DO NOT DELAY!**

Third Annual CHRISTMAS CAROL FESTIVAL
Thursday, December 10 at 7 PM in the Parish Hall
31 Asbury Ave. Farmingdale, NJ 07727

To SVDP Parish Pay donors - SVDP is no longer included in Parish Pay. A replacement online donation system is being developed and will be in service soon. We will publish, and send directly to you, the details when available. As always, we thank our donors for making SVDP's charitable work possible. We look forward to your continued support & include all our donors in our prayers.

Rachel's Vineyard - The Healing Power of God's Love
Come learn more about this powerful healing ministry for those suffering post abortion at St. Gabriel Church, 100 N. Main St., Marlboro, Thursday, December 10, from 7:30 - 9 PM in the main church followed by light refreshments in the church hall.

VOCATION DISCERNMENT GROUP MEETING

A Vocation Discernment Group Meeting is a wonderful opportunity to share how God is calling us to serve in His Church. In these sessions we talk about the issues that affect our vocation: How does God call us? How can I know where God wants me to serve Him? What is the life of priestly ministry? What are the qualities that make a holy priest? What is the formation process like? Through prayer, experience, and a strong dedication to one's spiritual life, discernment emerges as a gift from God, leading us in the right direction. You are invited to share your journey with us in these discernment group meetings. Our next meeting will be held on November 29, 2015, at the Parish of Corpus Christi, 11 South Sunset Road, Willingboro, N.J., 08046, from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., hosted by, Rev. Joseph Jakub. The time will include prayer, sharing discernment stories, Q and A and a light meal. The meetings are a wonderful experience as you discover and respond to His invitation and serve the Church in His priesthood. Please register at vocations@dioceseoftrenton.org or call (609) 406-7449.

St. Veronica Healing Mass, 4215 Rt. 9, Howell
November 17, 2015 - Mass at 7:30 pm
Individual Prayers after Mass. All are Welcome.
Celebrant: Fr. Bill O'Brien
Call 732-364-2815 or mjohnson4321@gmail.com

National Bible Week and Lectio Divina

Do you want to deepen your appreciation and understanding of the Word of God? Are you looking for ways to enrich your experience of the Sunday Liturgy and better connect the Sunday readings with weekday priorities? Consider Lectio Divina. What is Lectio Divina? Lectio Divina is Latin for "divine reading," "spiritual reading," or "holy reading" and represents a method of prayer and scriptural reading intended to promote communion with God and provide special spiritual insights. There are eight steps involved in this prayer form:

1. Opening Prayer
2. Reading of the Gospel (What the Word says)
3. Explanation (What the Word means)
4. Meditation (What the Word means to me)
5. Questions for reflection (What the Word asks of me)
6. Word of Life (What the Word reminds me)
7. Action (What the Word tells me to do)
8. Final Prayer (What the Word makes me pray)

Presented by Fr. Michael Brizio, IMC, this group will study and reflect on the Gospel of the Sunday's liturgy so that it may become a means for God to enlighten, nourish, heal, and continue his conversation with us. We will open ourselves to God's presence in Scripture, and respond with our hearts and actions.

There is no experience necessary, and no need to commit to multiple weeks. Since each week's gathering will focus on the Gospel for the upcoming Sunday, participants may attend every week or simply on the weeks that their schedule permits. Gatherings are held on Friday mornings from 10:00 to 11:30 am in the St. Rose of Lima Parish Center. For more information, call Karen Powell at 732-462-7828.

Important Parish Information

Parish Registration ... WELCOME to the Saint Catherine of Siena Parish Family. In order to serve you better, we ask that you please take a few moments to register, to be recognized as a practicing member of the Parish. In addition to our daily and weekend mass schedules, we offer many programs and various ministries that your attendance and generous donations support. To register and receive offertory envelopes for your tax deductible donations or to inquire about our various ministries please call 732-938-5375 or email us at frontoffice@sienachurch.org. For address or other changes, including a change in Parish, please call the Parish Office. We look forward to meeting you and seeing you at our services. Thank you and God Bless.

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 the 2nd and 4th Sundays at 12:30 P.M. or can be celebrated during Sunday Mass. Arrangements must be made in advance. Prior to scheduling the baptism of your child, sponsor letters, donation, and attendance at a Baptism Preparation Class is mandatory for parents. Godparents/sponsors are also encouraged to attend. Classes are held in the Church at 7:30 P.M. on the third Wednesday of each month. For more information or to sign up for the Baptism Prep Class please contact Deacon Joe Prioli at jjprioli@gmail.com.

Recommendation for Sponsorship ... In order to be a godparent/sponsor for Baptism or Confirmation, a person must have received all their 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.** Please stop by the Parish Office to fill out a form to be recommended for sponsorship. All requests will be seen by the Pastor and you will be notified when it is ready.

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ST. CATHERINE'S ONLINE!

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



ALTAR FLOWERS can be offered in memory of a deceased loved one or for any special intention (except during Lent & Advent). Offering: \$50/basket. To arrange for Altar Flowers, please call the Office @ 732-938-5375.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

A listing of prayers for 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.

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.

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!

Remember Us in Your Will

A simple charitable bequest can provide very meaningful support for St. Catherine of Siena Church. Be sure your will is up-to-date. An up-to-date will can:

- Protect your loved ones and your dreams.
- Let you, not the state, determine how your assets will be distributed.
- Help you leave a legacy through charitable gifts.
- Help you minimize estate taxes.
- Assure those charities you valued will continue.