



# St. Catherine of Siena

Roman Catholic Diocese of Trenton

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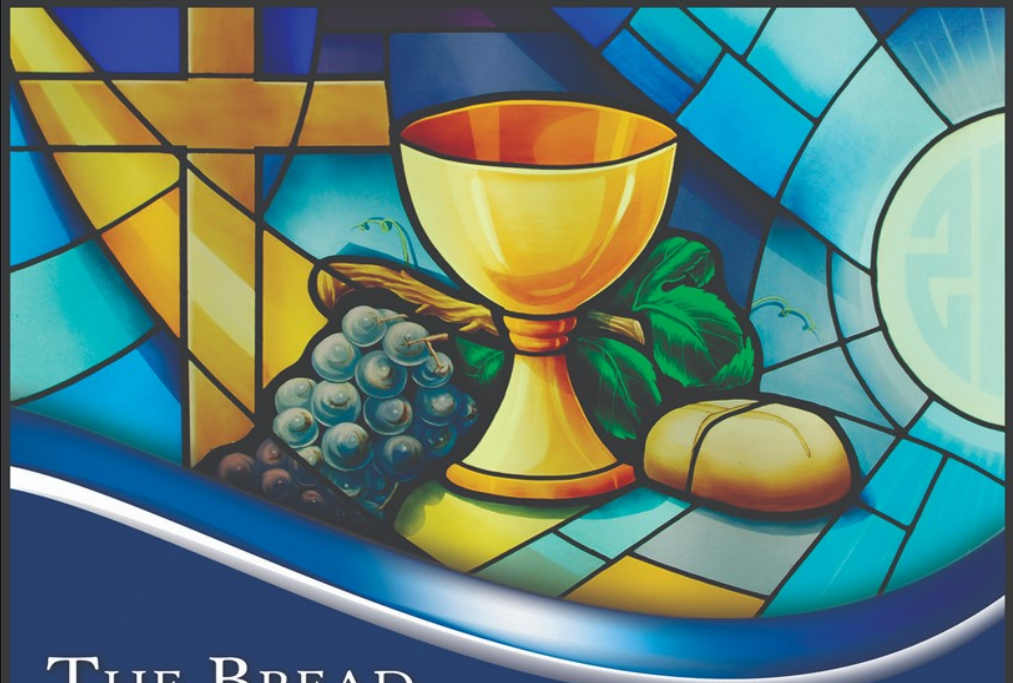
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Monday, Wednesday:  
10:00 AM to 2:00 PM

## NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

August 12, 2018



THE BREAD  
THAT I WILL GIVE  
IS MY FLESH FOR THE  
LIFE OF THE WORLD.

John 6:51

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*St. Catherine of Siena Chapel*  
One West Main Street

**Weekday Mass 9:00 AM**  
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday

**Miraculous Medal Novena**  
Monday following 9:00 AM Mass  
**Adoration of the Blessed  
Sacrament**  
9:00 AM to 11:00 AM 1st Friday

*St. Catherine of Siena Church*  
**Weekend Masses**  
**Saturday 4:30 PM**

**Sunday**  
8:00 AM / 10:00 AM / 11:30 AM

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**  
Saturday 3:30 PM — 4:00 PM

**Holy Day Masses—Main Church**  
9:00 AM / 7:00 PM

## SACRAMENT INFORMATION

**Sacrament of Baptism** is celebrated on the second Sunday of each month at 12:30 P.M. or during the 11:30 A.M. Mass. Arrangements for all Baptisms must be made in advance by contacting the parish office at 732-938-5375. 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 Classroom 10 at 7:30 P.M. on the last Monday of each month. To sign up, please fill out the **registration form** on our website for the date you wish to attend.

**Sacrament of Marriage:** Contact the parish office to begin marriage preparation at least one year before the anticipated wedding date.

**Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick** is available as needed, by calling the Pastor's Office at 732-938-5375 OPT. 7

**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 (*showing attendance through the use of your church envelopes, the welcome envelopes located in the narthex, or via WeShare online giving*); 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 your form is ready.

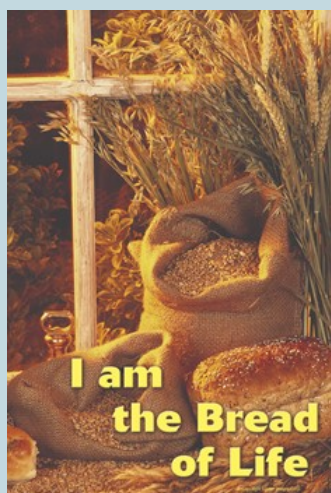


### Homebound Ministry

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

**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.*

## MASS READINGS



**First Reading** -- Elijah looked and there at his head was a hearth cake and a jug of water (1 Kings 19:4-8).

**Psalm** -- Taste and see the goodness of the Lord (Psalm 34).

**Second Reading** -- Be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love (Ephesians 4:30 - 5:2).

**Gospel** -- Jesus said, "I am the living bread; whoever eats this bread will live forever" (John 6:41-51).

## WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Aug 11 <b>SAT.</b>	4:30 pm	George Hankel Morton Family
Aug 12 <b>SUN.</b>	8:00 am	Frank Percaccio Req. by wife, Mary Ann
	10:00 am	Living Intention Todd Lubin Req. Giakas Family
	11:30 am	Teresa Hobday Req. Anne Hilker & Ed Martin
	Living Intention	Yolanda Spinelli Req. By Doreen Sabio

### WEEKDAY CHAPEL MASS—9:00 AM

Aug 13 <b>MON.</b>		Peter Lamb Req. by Amy Lawrence
Aug 14 <b>TUES.</b>		Peter Lamb Req. by Vee Savignano
Aug 15 <b>WED.</b>	9:00 am	Shawn Orbach Req. by Quigley Family
	7:00 pm	Dorothy Lee Morgan Req. by sister, Mary Obrochta
Aug 16 <b>THURS.</b>		Jacques LeGrand Req. by Annette Wright
Aug 17 <b>FRI.</b>		Arthur A. "Butchie" Bitz Req. by June Hankel

Please pray for the sick and all those who have asked for our prayers:

MaryAnn Aulisi	John Hart	Esther Peraza
Jean & Mike Burke	Lori Jones	Jeanette Picciani
Joseph Cocuzza	Edward Kress	David Piccolo
Denise Davidowski	Charles "Butch" Lavin	Barbara Sansevere
Nancy Drake	Barbara Lipari	Lenore Sears
Bob Fort	Lauren MacArthur	Nancy Soper
Richard Giordano	Teresa Magyar	Ilona Supczynski
Angie Gorda	Margie McCullam	Roseann Williams
Marlene Gravatt	Amber Painter	



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



## PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Parishioners,

Today is the Nineteenth Week of the Year.

One of the many reasons that Christians were persecuted in the 1<sup>st</sup> century was that pagans called them "cannibals." They had heard that these Christians ate flesh and drank blood. It is true, Jesus' words are shocking: Jesus describes himself as the "living bread," the bread from heaven is His flesh that He wants His followers to eat. While in our present world many want to be served and fed, Jesus does the opposite: He gives Himself as nourishment: Eat the bread of life. Eat my flesh. Eat me! After He was gone, they would still have God's word, and they would have His living bread for nourishment. They could smell, share, taste and swallow bread, an earthly reminder that Jesus would always be with them and was the bread that would take away all hunger.

Christ wants to be united with us in a unique way, in the most intimate way possible. As the saying goes, "You are what you eat." Jesus wants to be part of our lives, regardless of who we are. Bread was the staple food in his time and culture. Jesus speaks about Himself as the Bread of Life we should eat. He wants to become the staple food for our spiritual life. Staple food is not eaten once a year, or once a month or week. It is eaten daily! This makes us aware of the need to receive Christ in the Eucharist as often as possible.

As Catholics, we believe that when we receive the Eucharist we receive the body of Christ. Thomas Merton, a monk and a writer, suggested that "while we eat the substance of the true body of Christ under the sacramental species, we ourselves are eaten and absorbed by the mystical body of Christ, we become, as it were, perfectly part of that body, assimilated by it, one with its spiritual organism." By loving one another we are incorporated into the body of Christ and enlightened by Christ. We are to bring life to the world, as he did; courage, gifts and blessings come to us when we remain close to Jesus and deepen our relationship through the Eucharist.

It is so important for us to be mindful when we approach the Eucharist. The early Church Fathers taught: while ordinary food is assimilated into man, the very opposite takes place in communion. Here man is assimilated into the Bread of Life. This profound truth of Christ's total self-giving can help to overcome the tendency of just "going to Communion" when all others in the Church also line up. Be prepared and approach Jesus with reverence. Amen.

August 15—THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY.

I remember in my Mariology class when the Professor asked us to explain the doctrine of the Assumption of Mary, one of my classmates replied, "Yes, that's the teaching whereby the Catholic Church 'assumes' that Mary is in heaven."

There is of course a bit more to the dogma of the Assumption than that. The Church does not just "assume" that any canonized saint is in heaven. Rather, it declares with authority that a holy person is in glory and should therefore be honored in liturgy and imitated in life.

Mary shows us where we are going, what we are striving for. But we must remember that this was the end of a life completely devoted to love and service. Mary not only shows us the end goal, but she models for us how we should act to achieve that goal.

The Feast of the Assumption, therefore, prompts us to acknowledge the basis for our Christian joyful hope. We are pilgrims on a long journey. Our blessed mother has gone ahead. She tells us that we can make it, despite life's challenges and difficulties. If we are humble, faithful and obedient as she was, we will reach home. Her Assumption foreshadows our future, our resurrection. She tells us that our final home is not here on earth but in heaven. Amen.

May God bless you,

Father Angelito

# ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA PARISH NEWS



## ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Wednesday  
**AUGUST 15, 2018**

Holy Day of Obligation  
**MASS TIMES**

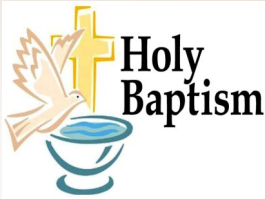
9:00 A.M.  
**Main Church**  
7:00 P.M.



Congratulations & Best Wishes to ...

**Patrick Dennis Trenton & Alicia Marie Decker**  
who were married at St. Catherine of Siena Church on  
Saturday, August 4, 2018

**Steven Bower & Michaela Ferrara**  
who were married at St. Catherine of Siena Church on  
Friday, July 27, 2018  
May God Bless these Couples Abundantly.  
May Love Live in your Hearts Forever.



Through the Sacrament of Baptism, we Welcome to the Church:

**CAROLINE LILY ANTONIELLO**  
**CLAIRE MARGARET KEIGHERY**  
**DYLAN RAMBO RUDDY**

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

## PARISH MINISTRIES

## LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

### SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMISSION OF ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA



People are hungry all year long...  
but often forgotten in the summer months.

Through the efforts of our Social Concerns Commission, our parish now supports the **Howell Emergency Food Pantry**. They are in need of non-perishable food items and personal care items. Donations can be dropped off in our Narthex or to the parish office.

To find out more on the numerous way you can help, please contact:  
[socialconcernscommission@sienachurch.org](mailto:socialconcernscommission@sienachurch.org).

### RCIA—The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

ARE YOU SOMEONE OR DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO...

- Has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic?**
- Has a child over the age of seven who has not been baptized?**
- Was baptized Catholic as a child, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist?**

We offer an opportunity to come together in a small group to learn more about our faith. Sessions focus on the teachings and experience of Church and prepare individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist during the Easter season. You are welcome to participate in the process with your questions, your insights and your faith story in a warm accepting setting. For information contact [RCIA@Sienachurch.org](mailto:RCIA@Sienachurch.org) or call our office at 732-938-5375.

**Ushers Needed**  
*Are you willing to serve?*

Anyone over age 12 can be an usher. Confirmation students - earn service hours.

Contact [scottrubinson@gmail.com](mailto:scottrubinson@gmail.com) or 732-492-6861.

*Save the Date*

### HOSPITALITY SUNDAY

August 26, 2018

After the 8:00, 10:00 & 11:30 AM Masses—Parish Hall  
**Complimentary Breakfast**  
[hospitality@sienachurch.org](http://hospitality@sienachurch.org).



**Extraordinary Ministers needed for all Masses!**

For more information, please contact  
**Donna Lee** at  
[massministries@sienachurch.org](mailto:massministries@sienachurch.org).



**CATECHISTS** Needed for our 7th grade students. Please email, [dre@sienachurch.org](mailto:dre@sienachurch.org) to volunteer.

God Bless!



## ADMINISTRATION

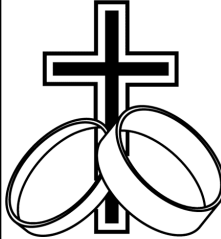
**Weekly Collections & Attendance**  
**THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS HELP AND SUPPORT!**



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**TRENTON**

### Weekly First Sunday Collection Saturday/Sunday, August 4/5 2018

### BISHOP'S ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS 2018 October 7 Ocean/Monmouth County



All couples celebrating their 1st, 25th, or 50+ wedding anniversary during the 2018 calendar year are invited to gather with family and friends to share the Eucharist, renew your sacred wedding vows, and receive Bishop O'Connell's Episcopal Blessing.

4:30 PM Mass	\$1,496.00	155 people
8:00 AM Mass	\$1,570.00	111 people
10:00 AM Mass	\$1,662.00	125 people
11:30 AM Mass	\$1,618.00	166 people
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$6,346.00</b>	<b>557 people</b>
<b>Online Giving July 30— Aug 5</b>	<b>\$3,690.00</b>	<b>89 donors</b>

Anniversary Couples from Ocean and Monmouth Counties may attend the **Sunday, October 7, 2018 Mass and Blessings at 3:00 pm at the Co-Cathedral of St. Robert Bellarmine** in Freehold. Couples must register through their home parish; registration opens July 1 and will be available until September 15, 2018.

### Second Collection

**Missionary Cooperative                      \$2,033.00**



FOR IT IS IN GIVING  
 THAT WE RECEIVE.  
— St. Francis of Assisi

THIS IS WHAT  
*Love*  
 LOOKS LIKE

2018 Annual Catholic Appeal

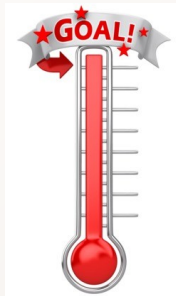
### August 18/19 Collection Diocesan Assessment



The Good Samaritan Ministry has helped our first client in need of temporary, financial assistance.

We thank Father Angelito Anarcon and the Good Samaritan Ministry members for their compassion and willingness to help.

If you would like to learn more about works of this ministry, please email [socialconcerns@sienachurch.org](mailto:socialconcerns@sienachurch.org).



**Goal \$44,000.00**  
 August 6, 2018—\$37,495.00

**85 % of Goal Pledged**

**Pledge Balance**  
**\$5,108.50**

Only \$6,505.00 remains to meet our \$44,000.00 Goal!

Our Parish will receive a 15% rebate from the Diocese if goal is achieved.

Thank you for your generosity!  
 If you have not made a contribution, please prayerfully consider doing so.



The Parish Office & Religious Education Office will be closed on **Wednesday, August 15, 2018** for the **Assumption of Mary**



Please prayerfully consider giving to our parish community online as it does benefit our parish in so many important ways. To get started with online giving, go to [sienachurch.org](http://sienachurch.org), click on the Online Giving logo, follow the easy registration steps. For assistance, please contact the parish office at 732-938-5375.

## FAITH FORMATION



### Our Children's Faith Journey

The RCIA for children is a process that invites any child age 7 to 18, interested in the Catholic Faith, to discover what the Catholic Church teaches and believes. It is open to anyone seeking to get to know Jesus. Like the RCIA for adults, this process is accomplished in a comfortable,

friendly and informal environment designed for children. Certain Rites are celebrated in the church throughout their journey in faith. Near the end of the process the Sacraments of Initiation—Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist—are celebrated at the Easter Vigil.

Our program will be offered on the **1st, 2nd and 3rd Sunday of the Month October thru May**. Children will arrive at 9:45 AM. The program will conclude after the 11:30 AM Mass. Families are invited to celebrate Mass together with their children. There is no cost for this program.



We will be hosting an Ice Cream Social on **Sunday, August 19 after the 11:30 AM Mass** for you and your child to look at this program. For more information, call the parish office or email [RCIA@sienachurch.org](mailto:RCIA@sienachurch.org).



Are you interested in getting together with other women to explore your faith? Walking with Purpose is a Catholic Bible study for women that aims to bring women to a closer relationship with Christ. Personal study and small group discussions at WWP each week link our everyday challenges with the solutions given to us through the teachings of Christ and the Catholic Church.

**STARTING Tuesday, September 25, 2018  
10:00 – 11:30 AM**

**TWO PROGRAMS WILL RUN SIMULTANEOUSLY**



**Opening Your Heart:  
The Starting Point**



**Keeping in Balance:  
Creating Order Within**



**Interested in Learning More?** Join us on **Sunday, August 19** after all masses in St. Catherine of Siena Parish Hall. For information, please email [wpp@sienachurch.org](mailto:wpp@sienachurch.org) or call the parish office at 732-938-5375.

## SOCIAL CONCERNS



**DEADLINE  
EXTENDED**

**Now — August 25**

**Help a child in need start the school year equipped to succeed!**

### Most Needed Supplies

Backpacks	Lunch Boxes
Binders (1" & 1 1/2" )	Markers
Calculators	Notebooks (spiral)
Colored Pencils	Paper (lined, 3-holed)
Composition Notebooks	Pencil Cases
Crayons (box of 24)	Pencils
Erasers	Pencil Sharpeners
Folders	Pens
Glue Sticks	Post-its
Highlighters	Rulers
Index Cards	Scissors
	Writing Pads

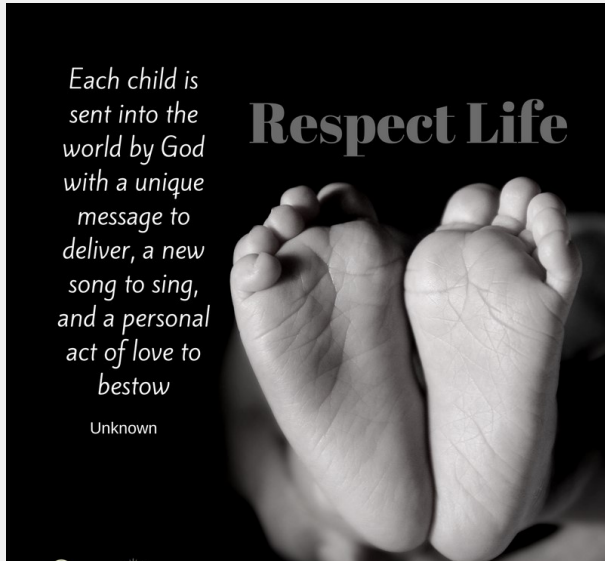
### Ways to Donate

**Donate Supplies** from our most needed list and return them to the Narthex of the main church. Look for the school bus collection bin.

**Donate Money** to purchase needed school supplies. Mail to Parish Office ATTN: Social Concerns Commission, School Supplies Drive, 31 Asbury Road. Farmingdale, NJ 07727.

For more information or to volunteer, please email [socialconcernscommission@sienachurch.org](mailto:socialconcernscommission@sienachurch.org).

## COMMUNITY CORNER



### **RESPECT LIFE**

Help Support the Respect Life Committee of St. Veronica Parish

All are Welcome to  
**Pray and Witness**

Wednesday's 10:15 a.m.—11:15 a.m.

Friday's 2:30 p.m. — 3:30 p.m.

102 Candlewood Commons (off Salem Hill Road)  
Howell, NJ

Our prayers and witnessing make a difference in encouraging pregnant women to keep their babies.

For more information, please contact St. Veronica Parish Office at 732-363-4200.



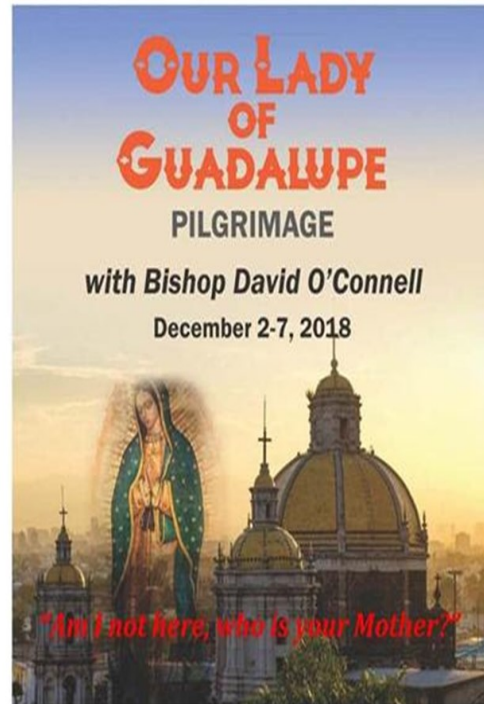
### **2018 CATHOLIC WOMEN OF ZION WOMEN'S RALLY**

**Speaker: Maria Vadia  
Holy Family Church**

**1139 East County Line Road, Lakewood NJ 08701  
Saturday, September 15, 2018  
8:00 AM - 3:00 PM**

Bishop David M. O'Connell, C.M., Bishop of the Diocese of Trenton, will celebrate Mass at the 2018 Women's Rally.

Please register on line: [www.cwoz.org](http://www.cwoz.org) or call and leave your phone number, spell your last name at: 732-363-0139 ext. 777 by Tuesday, Sept. 11, 2018.



Our Lady of Guadalupe is among the most tender, beautiful, vibrant, and influential truths of the Christianity of the Americas.

Join us and our Bishop David O'Connell on this pilgrimage to honor her as we enter into her story and her presence at the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Mexico City.

Space is limited so reserve now!

For more information, visit  
<https://dioceseoftrenton.org/events/pilgrimage-our-lady-of-guadalupe-mexico>



### **Italian Feast of the Assumption**

**The Church of Epiphany  
615 Thiele Road, Brick  
18th Annual Italian Festival**

**August 16th - 19th 5pm-10pm**

Free Parking, Entertainment, Food Court, Beer & Wine Garden, Arcade, Rides, Vendors, Mary's Prayer Garden, and much more! Stop by the Feast and bring your family and friends! Thursday night is wristband night, for \$18 ride the rides all night long.

Visit our website at: [www.churchofepiphany.org](http://www.churchofepiphany.org).