# St. Catherine of Siena Church

Roman Catholic Diocese of Trenton

#### **OFFICE HOURS**

Mon—Thurs: 9 a.m.—2 p.m.
Sunday: 9 a.m.—12:45 p.m.
Religious Education
Monday: 10 a.m.—7:30 p.m.
Wednesday: 10 a.m.—6 p.m.

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October 14, 2018

Go, sell what you have, and give to the poor and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.

Mark 10:21

PARISH INFORMATION
PASTOR
Rev. Angelito I. Anarcon

WEEKEND ASSISTANT Rev. Alfred Burke

DEACON

Daniel Sakowski

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE Saturday—4:30 p.m. Sunday—8 a.m. /10 a.m. / 11:30 a.m.

RECONCILIATION
Saturday 3:30 p.m.—4:00 p.m.

HOLY DAY MASSES
MAIN CHURCH 9 a.m./7 p.m.

ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA CHAPEL One West Main Street

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE Monday—9 a.m. Tuesday—9 a.m. Thursday—9 a.m. Friday—9 a.m.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT 1st FRIDAY 9 a.m.—11 a.m.

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA Monday after 9 a.m. Mass



PARISH OFFICE: 732-938-5375 • OFFICE OF REL. ED: 732-938-6229 • PARISH FAX: 732-938-3260

#### WE PRAY ... CELEBRATE ... REMEMBER



Oct 13 SAT.	4:30 pm	Robert Nagy Req. by Nancy Martinez
Oct 14 SUN	8:00 am	Cathy Taylor Attard Req. by Sardone Family Thomas B. Midgley Req.by Michelle Pichardo and Patty & Kristiana Caufield
	10:00 am	Ray Bellino Req. by Mary Ann Frasier Mary Lou Kelly Req. by Robert & Debra Mueller
	11:30 am	Vicenta Martinez Req. by Nancy Martinez Yolanda Spinelli Req. by Doreen Sabio
Oct. 15 MON	9:00 am	Carlo Matranga Req. Veronica & John Nolan
Oct. 16 TUES	9:00 am	Sara Matranga Req. by Veronica & John Nolan Clare Mongon Req. by Anne Hilker
Oct. 18 THURS		<b>Delores Wynn</b> Req. by Talcott Family
Oct. 19 FRI	9:00 am	Patricia Berndt Req. by Doyle & Sullivan Families

## Please Pray For the Sick and All Those Who Have Asked for our Prayers:

MaryAnn Aulisi	Janice Kehoe	Jeanette Picciani
Jean & Mike Burke	Charles "Butch" Lavin	David Piccolo
Joseph Cocuzza	Barbara Lipari	Barbara Sansevere
Nancy Drake	Lauren MacArthur	Lenore Sears
Bob Fort	Teresa Magyar	Nancy Soper
Angie Gorda	Margie McCullam	Yolanda Spinelli
Marlene Gravatt	Tim Nagle	Ilona Supczynski
John Hart	Amber Painter	Melissa Tortorello
Lori Jones	Esther Peraza	Roseann Williams



"You who are my messenger, in you I place my absolute trust."

Our Lady of Guadalupe

#### **Celebrate Respect Life Month!**

You're invited to join Catholics nationwide in celebrating Respect Life Month this October with the message "Every Life: Cherished, Chosen, Sent"!

Learn more at www.usccb.org/respectlife.



ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS
OCTOBER 2018

**Gregory & Laurie Player** 35 Years

Orlando & Nancy DaSilva 25 Years

May God continue to bless your marriage and grant you many more happy years together!



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

Carmine John Caravello Luca Christopher Carlucci Hayley Marie Crawford Gabriella Reese Ryan

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

ALTAR FLOWERS Can be offered in memory of a deceased loved one or for any special intention. (except during Lent & Advent).

Offering: \$50/basket. Please contact the Office for orders.

#### **PASTOR'S MESSAGE**

Dear Parishioners,

Today is the TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR.

Almost every little boy at some time has said, "When I grow up I want to be a fireman." How thrilling it seems to stand on the back of a big red truck as it races toward a fire, with its sirens sounding and its lights flashing! How dramatic for a little kid to climb a precarious ladder into a blazing home to rescue a child, carry him to safety, and place him in the arms of his anxious parents. Imagine how satisfying to be acclaimed a hero with your picture on the front page of the morning paper! Or so it seems to a little boy. For the veteran fire fighter, the romance and the thrill has ended a long time ago. He has made thousands of trips in the middle of the night and climbed as many ladders, breathed immeasurable quantities of poisonous smoke, suffered injuries and burns, and seen and witnessed his fellow firemen die. He knows better than anyone else, why hell is described in terms of fire.

It is interesting to hear that many firemen have asked themselves whether it is all worth the limited pay or the expectation of a pension still far in the future. Why does such a man continue in his job? One fireman gave his answer, "I know that I could not do anything else with such a great sense of accomplishment." His answer reflects the true spirit of wisdom presented in our first reading today. It is much like the attitude of the nun who was a nurse in a Louisiana hospital for lepers. A man watched her changing bandages on the ulcerated legs of a patient and said, "Sister, I would not do what you do for a million dollars." The sister, barely looking up, answered, "Neither would I."

Experts, particularly psychologists, have conducted studies and research on the source of the most elusive of human qualities, which we call happiness. Guess what their conclusion is? They summarized it this way, "Happiness is not in proportion to wealth and leisure but comes with a sense of accomplishment." It is not without reason that we have developed the saying, "Money can't buy happiness." Many widows, despite comfortable financial means, have discovered that with their husbands dead and their children grown, they feel that their lives are without purpose and value. They are unhappy. Men have retired hoping to enjoy a life of leisure, only to find that there is hollowness in having nothing worthwhile to do. They are unhappy. Yet people like the fireman and the nun have found happiness, not in wealth or leisure, but in a sense of accomplishment.

You know, the world did not have to wait for psychologists to determine that happiness does not come from wealth and leisure. Jesus taught that truth a long time ago. In fact, he repeatedly warned that riches are a threat to achieving eternal happiness in heaven. That is why he invited the rich man to sell what he had and give to the poor so that he would have treasure in heaven. Throughout the history of the Church, some men and women have taken the words of Jesus literally and embraced the vow of poverty. Yes, everyone can, and must, take as his own the spirit of the words of Jesus. Everyone can acquire a sense of detachment from wealth, a realization that money is not the end and goal of life, but only a means for supporting life.

I guess nobody can deny that it is nice to have enough money to do things and go places and not have to worry about making ends meet. However, experience would tell us that after you have taken a trip or enjoyed some entertainment there is a certain emptiness when it is all over. The pleasure soon fades. But when you do something for someone else, when you have followed the teaching of Jesus to love your neighbor as he has loved you, the satisfaction does last. And the reward, of course, will last forever.

In the Eucharist we have a living memorial of the sacrifice of Jesus Christ: his body given up for us and his blood shed for the forgiveness of our sins. That sacrifice was the greatest accomplishment in the history of the world. We are here in Church today for we are celebrating this Mass because of the command of Jesus. "Do this in memory of me." We will keep his command, not only by celebrating the Mass, but also by trying to lead lives which reflect his sacrificial spirit. This spirit would lead us to be generous and unselfish with others.

Amen.

May God bless you,

**Father Angelito** 

#### ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA PARISH NEWS



We invite you to join in praying the Rosary on October 21, 2018 at 11:00 am (after the 10:00 am Mass/before the 11:30 am Mass) and on October 28, 2018 after the 8:00 am Mass.

Visit the Rosary Altar Society and Legion of Mary Auxiliary tables at the Ministry Fair on Saturday and Sunday, October 20 and 21, 2018.



### St. Catherine of Siena Children's Christmas Choir now forming!

All children Grades 2 and up are welcome! Practice will be on **Thursday's at 6:30 p.m.** in the Church.

Contact our Music Director, Alice, at akovach@aol.com for more information.

#### St. Catherine of Siena Music Ministry needs



Cantors and Choir members.

If you would love to be part of our ministry of giving to the Glory of God through music, please come and join us! We are planning for special liturgies and a concert series.

Contact our Music Director, Alice, at akovach9@aol.com to sign up and begin a journey of learning and growing with your Parish.

The choir meets on Thursdays at 7:30 pm in the Church.



Welcome to St. Catherine of Siena Parish:

Christopher Pompilio Melissa Tortorello Norma Tortorello

With warmth and prayers, we welcome you into our family of faith.

## ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA ANNUAL MINISTRY



GROWING IN THE SPIRIT OF SERVING OTHERS

### **October 20 & 21**

After all Masses
IN THE
PARISH HALL

Learn about our newest Ministries, Programs, & Events

WINE & CHEESE SATURDAY, OCTOBER 20 AT 5:30 PM

COFFEE\*TEA\*SWEET TREATS SUNDAY, OCTOBER 21 AT 9 AM, 11 AM & 12:30 PM

50/50 FUNDRAISING RAFFLE
DRAWING ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 21 AT 1:30 PM
Need Not be Present to Win

Featured Ministries: Altar Servers,
Extraordinary Ministers, Homebound,
Lectors, Chapel Readers, Music, Ushers, Rosary
Altar Society, Legion of Mary Auxiliary, Men's
Prayer Group, Funeral Preparation, FORMED,
RCIA, RCIA for Children, Walking with Purpose,
Respect for Life, The Good Samaritan Ministry,
The Social Concerns Commission, The Giving
Tree, Hospitality Committee, Knights of Columbus,
Religious Education, Website,
Safety Management Committee, Money Counters,
Buildings and Grounds, Youth Ministry

#### **ADMINISTRATION**

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

#### Weekly First Sunday Collection Saturday/Sunday, October 6/7 2018

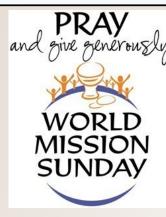
4:30 PM Mass	\$1,843.00	161 people
8:00 AM Mass	\$2,063.00	99 people
10:00 AM Mass	\$1,570.00	144 people
11:30 AM Mass	\$795.00	142 people
Totals	\$6,271.00	546 people
Online Giving Oct 1 — Oct 7	\$3,588.00	90 donors

#### **Second Collection**

Maintenance & Repairs \$1,158.75



## October 20/21 Collection World Mission Sunday



MISSION SUNDAY, we are called to be part of the Church's missionary efforts, supporting mission priests, religious Sisters and Brothers, and lay catechists who provide loving service to those most in need. As Catholics around the

Next Sunday, WORLD

world—here at home and in the Missions—gather at the Eucharist around the table

of the Lord, let us...

PRAY for the Church's worldwide missionary work
OFFER financial HELP through the Society for the
PROPAGATION OF THE FAITH for vulnerable
communities throughout Asia, Africa, Latin America
and the Pacific Islands.



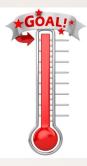
We are so happy to welcome new members to our Parish family! We invite you to stop by the Parish Office, Mon.-Thur. 9 am - 2 pm or Sunday, 9 am—12:45 pm., for registration, to learn about our various ministries and to receive offertory envelopes.

Young Adults who are still living at home with their parents, who have graduated from college, and/or are employed full-time, are encouraged to register under their own name.

For address changes, including a change in Parish, please stop by the office or call us at 732-938-5375.

#### 2018 ACA Goal \$44,000.00

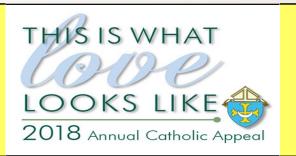
October 1, 2018
Only \$6,088.90 needed
to meet our Goal of \$44,000.00



We are at 86% - Won't you please help with the remaining 14%?

Amount Pledged: \$37,278.00 Pledge Amount Collected: \$33,911.10 Pledge Balance Owed: \$3,366.90

A sincere thank you to all who have contributed to the 2018 ACA. Your generosity is deeply appreciated!





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**, click on the Online Giving logo, and 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 for children 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 10:15 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.

For more information, call the parish office or email 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.

TARTING OCT. 30. 2018 TWO PROGRAMS WILL RUN SIMULTANEOUSLY





**Opening Your Heart:** The Starting Point

Keeping in Balance: **Creating Order Within** 



**Interested in Learning More? Please** email wwp@sienachurch.org or call the parish office at 732-938-5375.

#### **SOCIAL CONCERNS**

THE GOOD SAMARITAN MINISTRY OF ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA PARISH





\$25 GIFT CARDS

SHOW THANKFULNESS BY FEEDING THOSE IN NEED

#### OCTOBER 13—NOVEMBER NON-PERISHABLE FOOD COLLECTION

ANNED CORN \$25 GIFT C ANNED GREEN BEANS ANNED VEGETABLES ANNED YAMS, AND /OR WHITE POTATO ANNED CRANBERRY SAUCE ANNED TURKEY GRAVY ANNED OR BOTTLE JUICES

ANNED FROM ANNED OR BOTTLE JUICES ANNED PUMPKIN OXED STUFFING MIX OXED INSTANT POTATOES DESSERT MIX—BROWNIES, COOKIES, CAKE

PLEASE RETURN YOU DONATION TO THE NARTHEX. THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY.

For more information or ways to volunteer, please email:

socialconcernscommision@sienachurch.org.



#### **SOLES4SOULS SHOE DRIVE** COLLECTION ONGOING

A collection box will be in the Narthex for new and/or gently used shoes of all sizes and types, including athletic, cleats, dance, dress, flip flops, heels, hiking, pumps, sneakers, sandals, work boots. Please bag, tie, or elasticize each pair of shoes donated. THANK YOU! For more information, email

socialconcernscomission@sienachurch.org.

#### **COMMUNITY CORNER**

## NEWS FROM THE DONOVAN CATHOLIC ADMISSIONS OFFICE

Open House Thursday, Oct. 18th 7-9pm & Sunday, Oct. 21st 2-4pm Shadow a student for the day. Call Admissions 732-349-8801x2425 Applications for the Class of 2023 are NOW available.

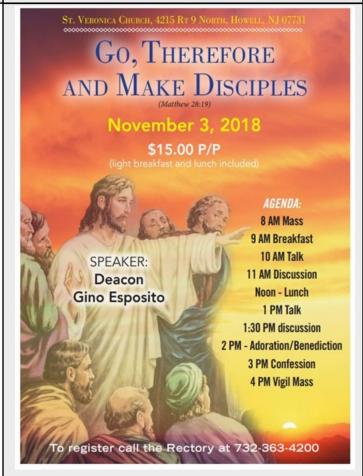
Tuition Assistance applications through FACTS are NOW available.

SCHOLARSHIP Applications available October 1st.

High School Placement Test Saturday, Nov. 3rd Register NOW







UPPER ROOM SPIRITUAL CENTER
3455 WEST BANGS AVE. BUILING 2 , NEPTUNE NJ
PROGRAMS FOR ALL:

CENTERING PRAYER: CONTINUING OUR TRANSFORMATION IN CHRIST, TUESDAY, OCT. 16 10-2PM
KNITTING AND PRAYER, WEDNESDAY, OCT. 17, 1:30-3:30 PM
MENS SPIRITUALITY GROUP: WEDNESDAY, OCT. 17, 7:30—9:00 PM
EMAIL: office@theupper-room.org