

# 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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Let the  
*children come to me;*

do not prevent them,  
for the kingdom of God  
belongs to such as these.

Mark 10:14



OCTOBER 7, 2018

**Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

### 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 6 SAT.** 4:30 pm **Frances & Albert Rosamilia**  
Req. by The Morton Family

**Oct 7 SUN** 8:00 am **Anna & Thomas Neary**  
Req. by The Neary Family

10:00 am **Hilda Bernadette O'Doherty**  
Req. by The Runkel Family  
**James Darconte**  
Req. by The Ferris Family

11:30 am **Guisepppe & Anna Cantatore**  
Req. by Son

**Oct. 8 MON** 9:00 am **Carlo Matranga**  
Req. The Galante Family  
**Benjamin Kushnir**  
Req. by Joanne Monroe

**Oct. 9 TUES** 9:00 am **Deacon Michael Principato**  
Req. by The Moore Family

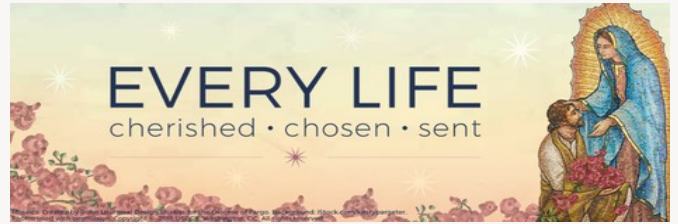
**Oct. 11 THURS** 9:00 am **Sarah Matranga**  
Req. by Carmel & Walter Pezzola

**Oct. 12 FRI** 9:00 am **Agnes, Thomas & James Nash**  
Req. by Anne Hilker

**Veronica Burdge**  
Req. by Betty & Luis Cartagena

**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](http://www.usccb.org/respectlife).

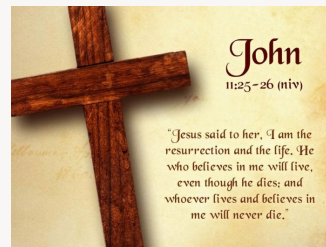


**BISHOP'S ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS**  
OCTOBER 7, 2018

**Barbara & Alexander Ust**  
25 Years

**Kelly & Erick Machado**  
1 Year

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



May the good Lord bless all the faithful departed.  
And especially for:

**Frank Confor ti**  
**Frank Tor torello**  
**Joseph Ruggerio**

May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

**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 Seventh Sunday of the Year.

Here is an interesting tale that I want to share with you as we start off with my reflection. After God created Adam and Eve, they were in the Garden of Eden for quite a while and Adam asked God, "God why did you make Eve so beautiful, so attractive and hence, so desirable?" God replied, "So you would love her, Adam." Then Adam continued, "But why did you make her so dumb?" And God answered, "So she would love you, Adam."

In the story of Creation in Chapter One of the Book of Genesis, God looked upon what he had made and saw that it was good. When we read the second chapter, God sees something that was lacking in his Creation. He sees Adam surrounded with all these good things he created, but he has no one to share them. So, he says, "It is not good for man to be alone." And so, God created Eve from the side of Adam to be a helpmate, one by whom the man would find support and strength and love. The language the author uses in this passage implies a covenant relationship between the two of them when he writes, "That is why a man leaves his father and mother and clings to his wife, and the two of them become one body." This is Jesus' response from the Scripture to satisfy his opponents regarding separation and divorce in marriage.

The question was, "Is it lawful for a husband to divorce his wife?" In my opinion, first of all, it was not a sincere question because the Pharisees already assumed they knew the answer. Hence, when Jesus asked, "What did Moses command you?" they basically said the answer is, "It is lawful because Moses permitted divorce." Jesus' answer was completely unexpected when he said, "No, it is not lawful" because it was not God's intention from the very beginning. God's intention was that a husband and wife were to be ONE and a divorce was like cutting a person into two. It is worth noting how Jesus phrased the question, "What did Moses command you?" not, "What did Moses command us?". Jesus was implying that Moses was giving an answer that would accommodate their stubbornness.

Studying the question seriously, you will notice that the real question here is not about divorce and remarriage. Jesus refers to it as adultery. The issue is not just about a man divorcing his wife, which was the only way divorce could happen among the Jews, but in Mark's Gospel, Jesus also condemned the Roman custom, which was, that a wife could divorce her husband if she chooses.

Jesus reminded us of the bigger picture of what God intended marriage should be. But what happens when that ideal did not come into fruition? We know that Jesus would understand that as well as St. Paul and the early Church. Also, with the Church today, there are marriages that should not have taken place. There are marriages that for one reason or another do not measure up to the standards and requirements of the Church, for example when couples are not mature enough to make a life-long commitment, or they are getting married for the wrong reasons or intentions. There are opportunities to go into the process and look for all the grounds and reasons why a marriage is not valid in the eyes of the Church. When that happens, one or both parties can apply to begin the annulment process. An annulment is not a divorce. A divorce says that marriage no longer exists because one or both parties want to get out. An annulment process is an official declaration from the Church's Ecclesiastical Tribunal that says the marriage was not in existence from the very beginning and therefore, null and void.

A few years back, you may recall that the Holy Father, Pope Francis, issued some new procedures on dealing with marriage and annulments. Believe it or not, I had a few couples, divorced, and re-married for many years, who were not married in the Church and therefore, not in a sacramental marriage. They came to me and after the annulment process, I married them. Certainly, our Holy Father has made some impact on family and marriage. By the way, there is no indication whatsoever that Pope Francis, now or in the future, plans on making doctrinal changes, meaning changing any of the Church's teachings on marriage or divorce but he shows great compassion and deeper understanding.

Let us keep in mind, the Church does try to make provision for human failure and inadequacy, even if the help seems to many to be slow in coming. Nonetheless, the Church must submit to the vision of Jesus, and that vision remains the norm. Because we believe that marriage is a sacrament, we refuse to see it as a casual experiment for adventurous people. Let us recall the Book of Genesis. Jesus invites all of us to catch up with our beginning. Amen.

May God bless you,  
Father Angelito

## ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA PARISH NEWS



**Women of the parish:** Join the **Rosary Altar Society** and the **Legion of Mary Auxiliary** at **10:00 am** on **October 11, 2018** to pray the Rosary followed by a Rosary Meeting.

**All parishioners:** We invite you to join in praying the Rosary at after the **8:00 am Mass on October 14** and **October 28, 2018**, at **11:00 am** (after the 10:00 am Mass/before the 11:30 am Mass) on **October 21, 2018**.

We also invite you to come celebrate the 101<sup>st</sup> anniversary of Fatima. We will be praying the Rosary in the parking lot by the statue of Mary at **12:00 noon** on **Saturday, October 13, 2018** followed by refreshments and socializing in the Parish Hall.

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 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](mailto: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:

**The Scano Family**  
**Matthew, Elizabeth,**  
**Guilanna & Gabriella**

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

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**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**

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**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, September 29/30 2018**

4:30 PM Mass	\$1,521.00	149 people
8:00 AM Mass	\$1,528.00	107 people
10:00 AM Mass	\$1,295.00	127 people
11:30 AM Mass	\$1,362.00	124 people
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$5,706.00</b>	<b>507 people</b>
Online Giving Sept 24 — Sept 30	\$2,651.00	59 donors



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.

**Second Collection**

**Society of St. Vincent de Paul      \$543.00**  
**The Good Samaritan Ministry      \$910.35**



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

**October 13/14 Collection**  
**Diocesan Assessment**

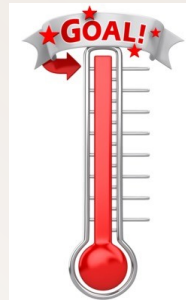
**EXPENSES FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER**

Maintenance Contract	\$1,440.00
Care of Grounds	\$1,989.95
Religious Education Supplies	\$11,001.57
Liturgical Supplies	\$277.90
Office Supplies	\$49.95
Electric	\$160.32
Telephone/Internet/Cable	\$861.32
Waste	\$111.95
Water	\$111.95
GAS	\$224.12
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$16,229.03</b>

**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!

Our Parish Office will be closed on

**Monday, October 8, 2018**, in observance of Columbus Day, and will re-open on



Tuesday, October 9, 2018. Our Office of Religious Education will be closed and will re-open on Wednesday, October 10.



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, 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 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](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 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 [wpp@sienachurch.org](mailto:wpp@sienachurch.org) or call the parish office at 732-938-5375.



## SOCIAL CONCERNS

### THE GOOD SAMARITAN MINISTRY OF ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA PARISH



# FOOD DRIVE

**SHOW THANKFULNESS BY FEEDING THOSE IN NEED**

**OCTOBER 13—NOVEMBER 4**  
NON-PERISHABLE FOOD COLLECTION

- CANNED CORN
- CANNED GREEN BEANS
- CANNED VEGETABLES
- CANNED YAMS, AND /OR WHITE POTATO
- CANNED CRANBERRY SAUCE
- CANNED TURKEY GRAVY
- CANNED FRUIT
- CANNED OR BOTTLE JUICES
- CANNED PUMPKIN
- BOXED STUFFING MIX
- BOXED INSTANT POTATOES
- DESSERT MIX—BROWNIES, COOKIES, CAKE

\$25 GIFT CARDS

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

For more information or ways to volunteer, please email:

[socialconcernscommision@sienachurch.org](mailto: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](mailto: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

The Catholic Women of Zion will hold a  
Ministry Retreat Day on  
**Saturday, October 13, 2018**



at Holy Family Church, 1139  
East County Line Road,  
Lakewood NJ 08701. The day  
begins with Mass in the Church  
at 8:00 am and is followed by  
music, prayers for healing,  
sharing, networking, a speaker,  
and a luncheon, finishing by 12:00 pm.

Admission is \$20, payable at the door, and  
includes lunch. Register online at [cwoz.org](http://cwoz.org) or call  
732-363-0139 ext. 777 no later than Tuesday,  
October 9, 2018.



### September 26 – November 4, 2018

This fall, from September 26 – November 4 of 2018, our  
community will be uniting with over 765 other cities across  
America and 49 other countries for the largest and longest  
coordinated pro-life mobilization in history – the nationwide  
*40 Days for Life* campaign. People of faith are praying that  
this effort will mark the beginning of the end of abortion.  
Please join us in prayer and fasting for an end to abortion in  
America. The *40 Days for Life* campaign is made up of  
three key components:

**Prayer and Fasting:** inviting people of faith throughout the  
Monmouth County area to join together for 40 days of fer-  
vent prayer and fasting for an end to abortion.

**Peaceful Vigil:** standing for life in peaceful, prayerful vigil  
for 1 or 2 hours (or more) during the 40 day campaign  
outside the Shrewsbury abortion clinic at  
[69 E. Newman Springs Road](http://69 E. Newman Springs Road).

**Community Outreach:** taking a positive, upbeat pro-life  
message throughout the Monmouth/Ocean County area  
through media efforts, church presentations, and public  
visibility.

If you wish to make a lifesaving impact in our community by  
participating in *40 Days for Life*, please contact Hu Mador at  
[732-367-2565](http://732-367-2565) or at [hmador@optonline.net](mailto:hmador@optonline.net).

ST. VERONICA CHURCH, 4215 RT 9 NORTH, HOWELL, NJ 07731

## GO, THEREFORE AND MAKE DISCIPLES

(Matthew 28:19)

**November 3, 2018**

**\$15.00 P/P**  
(light breakfast and lunch included)

**SPEAKER:**  
**Deacon  
Gino Esposito**

**AGENDA:**  
8 AM Mass  
9 AM Breakfast  
10 AM Talk  
11 AM Discussion  
Noon - Lunch  
1 PM Talk  
1:30 PM discussion  
2 PM - Adoration/Benediction  
3 PM Confession  
4 PM Vigil Mass

To register call the Rectory at 732-363-4200

### UPPER ROOM SPIRITUAL CENTER

3455 WEST BANGS AVE. BUILDING 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](mailto:office@theupper-room.org)