

ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA CHURCH

Roman Catholic Diocese of Trenton



4th SUNDAY OF EASTER

“I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. These also I must lead, and they will hear my voice, and there will be one flock, one shepherd.” - Jn 10:17

April 25, 2021

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MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKEND

Saturday/Sunday Vigil–4:30 p.m.
Sunday
8:00 a.m. / 10:00 a.m. / 11:30 a.m.

CONFESSION TIMES

By Appointment

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

CHURCH 31 Asbury Road Farmingdale
9:00 a.m. / 7:00 p.m.

Unless otherwise announced

WEEKDAY

ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA Church
31 Asbury Road Farmingdale
Monday–9:00 a.m.
Tuesday–9:00 a.m.
Thursday–9:00 a.m.
Friday–9:00 a.m.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA CHURCH
31 Asbury Road Farmingdale

First Friday of the Month immediately
following the 9:00 a.m. Mass

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Monday immediately following the
9:00 a.m. Mass

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until further notice.

FROM THE DESK OF THE PASTOR

Dear Parishioners,

Back in the days, while still in my younger years, I had the chance to be an altar server in my home parish. My parents, most notably my late father, was very involved in the Church. Hence, I became accustomed to the parish atmosphere and environment to the point that I became a regular youngster that serves in the celebration of the Mass on weekends. Being familiar with the people and the parish, I was able to gain some friends. Most notably with the aid of the parish priest. I hung out most of the time in the rectory, enjoying helping and serving at the Masses, even on weekdays when I had free time. When I became a teenager, I spent my days in three different places, home, school, and Church.

My former parish priest (God rest his soul) would constantly have a productive conversation with my father. It was all about parish life. Both of them were praying hard for me to have the calling to the priesthood. However, neither one of them would share the idea about the priesthood with me. They kept it to themselves, and this was so effective as I was the one who became so curious and interested. The rest is history.

When God calls us in any area of life, we have no idea what it is all about. Why is he calling us? How can we do what he asks of us? In other words, we have to listen carefully to his voice, find out what the call is all about, continue to search, discern and most importantly, pray hard about it. Sooner or later, we have to respond to God's call, whether it is YES or NO. If we say YES, then it naturally leads to other questions. Why me? Am I qualified? to name a few. In my particular case, it is God who prepares the call.

Unworthy as I am, God called and has chosen me to belong to his ministerial priesthood. On April 9, 1981, at my home parish in the Philippines, I was ordained to the sacrament of Holy Orders, the Priesthood. I owe this great honor and humbling privilege to my beloved parents. They have been extraordinarily supportive and immeasurably generous as they offered me to God, to His Church, and the faithful. I cannot forget my former Bishop, his Excellency, Bishop Cirilo Almario, Jr., now deceased, who administered the Sacrament of Ordination to the priesthood, the late Bishop John Smith, who welcomed me to the Diocese of Trenton, and our current Shepherd, Bishop David O'Connell, who appointed me as a Pastor and assigned me to St. Catherine of Siena Parish here in Farmingdale in 2011.

The World Day of Prayer for Vocations is this weekend, April 24-25. We always talk about it as we experience the lack and scarcity of priests and vocation to consecrated life. Vocation work is an effort that requires all of us to plant the seeds of vocations in the hearts and minds of the youth as we start from our families and homes from which the overwhelming support and incredible encouragement are supposed to come. We have work to do, and let us work together. And if by any chance we know or hear of a potential vocation, please call or email our Parish Office. For more information, also visit the Diocese of Trenton website: <http://www.GodsCallingYOU.org>.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Allow me to share a story of a man who owned several hundred sheep. His servants used to take these sheep out for grazing, but they found two or three missing as they brought the group back each evening. He asked his servants to go and look for them, but they did not trouble themselves for fear of wild beasts.

The owner loved his sheep and wanted to save them. "If I go myself searching for the sheep, they will not recognize me, as they have not seen me before. They would recognize my servants, but the servants will not search for them. So I must become like a sheep." When the owner went out, he found that some sheep are wounded and some had gone astray. They readily followed him, thinking he was a sheep, like one of them. He brought them in, sat with them, and fed them.

When he had saved all the sheep and brought them home, he took off his sheepskin and revealed he was a man. Out of love, he became a sheep to save the lost sheep. God became man to save us. The word shepherd connotes relation. It is a relational word, calling for its counterpart, sheep. The goodness of the shepherd manifests in his relationship, in his attitude towards his sheep. Jesus is the Good Shepherd because He, unlike hirelings, loves His sheep and, in moments of danger, risks His life for the safety and protection of His Sheep, which generates trust. And it is this trust that makes the sheep listen to His voice and leads them to know Him. A deep and intimate relationship is established between the sheep and the good shepherd. Jesus, the Good Shepherd, is God's love and compassion in action.

It is an illusion for man to think that he can manage all by himself. In doing so, he ends up making a mess of his life or following blind leaders or giving himself to causes that bind him into a knotty bundle, leaving him empty and fettered. How touching are Jesus' words! "I am the Good Shepherd. I have the interests of My sheep foremost in my heart. I am ready to lay down My Life for My sheep." How fortunate we are to belong to the flock of Jesus. We did nothing to merit it. Jesus is our heavenly Father's gift to us. Jesus is the Good Shepherd who leads us to the kingdom of His Father. Thank you, Jesus, for being my Good Shepherd. Amen.

May God bless you,

SUNDAY'S READINGS

FIRST READING:

"There is no salvation through anyone else, nor is there any other name under heaven given to the human race by which we are to be saved."
(Acts 4:12)

PSALM:

The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone. (Ps 118) Or Alleluia.

SECOND READING:

Beloved, we are God's children now; what we shall be has not yet been revealed. We do know that when it is revealed we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is. (1 Jn 3:2)

GOSPEL:

"I am the good shepherd, and I know mine and mine know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I will lay down my life for the sheep." (Jn 10:14-15)

For Mass Intentions, Mass Cards and all Prayer Requests, please call the Parish Office.



REFLECT

FIRST READING

We hear how Peter courageously testified before the Sanhedrin that in Jesus' name the crippled man was healed and in Jesus' name all believers are saved. How strong is the conviction of your faith when someone challenges you?

SECOND READING

John speaks to his community of believers as "children of God." What do you see as some of the implications of such a designation?

GOSPEL READING

In speaking of himself as "the good shepherd" who cares deeply for his sheep, Jesus contrasts himself to "a hired man" (the Pharisees) who has no concern for his sheep. How should have the Pharisees reacted to this criticism?

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday · April 24

4:30 PM

† **John & Mary Kruse, &
Daughter MaryAnn**

r/b Patty & Stephanie

Sunday · April 25

8:00 AM

† **Rose Cataffo**

r/b JoAnn Callari

10:00 AM

† **Arnold Carpenter**

r/b Joan & Wayne Walling

11:30 AM

† **Deceased Members of the
Hanaway Family**

r/b Edward & Maggie Lempka

Monday · April 26

9:00 AM

† **For all Our Faithful Departed**

Tuesday · April 27

9:00 AM

† **Maureen Murphy**

r/b Eileen & Bill Murphy

Thursday · April 29

9:00 AM

† **For all Our Faithful Departed**

Friday · April 30

9:00 AM

† **For all our Faithful Departed**



Deacon Dan will be undergoing surgery on May 6th and will be recovering at home until the end of May. Please keep him and his family in your prayers.

Thank you.

Please pray for the sick, the homebound and those who have asked to remember them in prayer.

Continually keep in prayer all those who serve in our Armed Forces and all health care workers as well as all priests of the Diocese of Trenton.

WEEKLY PRAYER

Readings for the week of April 25, 2021

SUN 4/25	Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9 [7a]/1 Jn 2:1-5a/Lk 24:35-48
MON 4/26	Acts 6:8-15/Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30 [1ab]/Jn 6:22-29
TUES 4/27	Acts 7:51—8:1a/Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 7b and 8a, 17 and 21ab [6a]/Jn 6:30-35
WED 4/28	Acts 8:1b-8/Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a [1]/Jn 6:35-40
THR 4/29	Acts 8:26-40/Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20 [1]/Jn 6:44-51
FRI 4/30	Acts 9:1-20/Ps 117:1bc, 2 [Mk 16:15]/Jn 6:52-59
SAT 5/1	Acts 9:31-42/Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17 [12]/Jn 6:60-69
SUN 5/2	Acts 4:8-12/Ps 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29 [22]/1 Jn 3:1-2/Jn 10:11-18

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 25, 2021

Sunday:	4th Sunday of Easter; World Day of Prayer for Vocations
Wednesday:	St. Peter Chanel, Priest and Martyr; St. Louis Grignon de Montfort, Priest
Thursday:	St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor of the Church
Friday:	St. Pius V, Pope; Arbor Day
Saturday:	St. Joseph the Worker
Next Sunday:	5th Sunday of Easter

LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration for the week

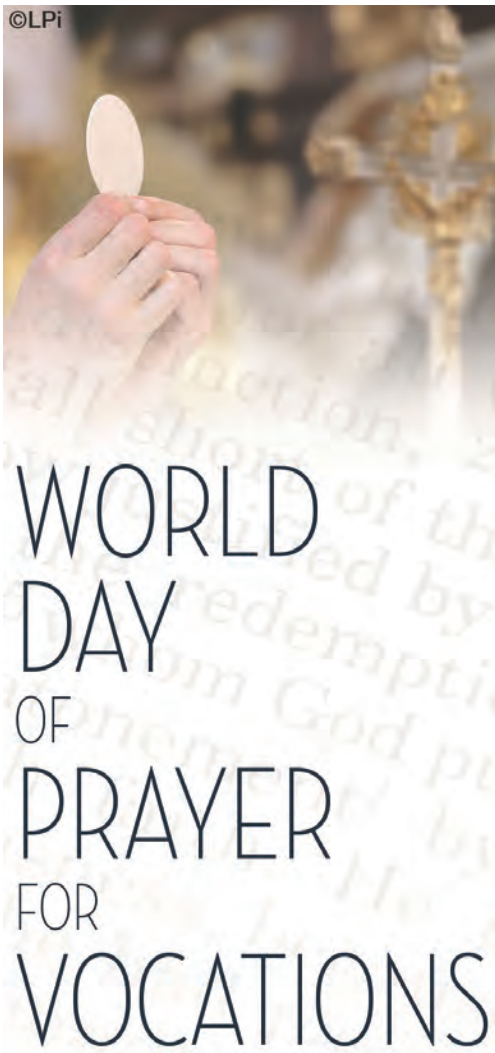
The cornerstone is the first stone that is laid and the stone that not only determines how the other stones are placed but the position of the entire structure. As human beings, we need a cornerstone or reference point so that our lives can be properly placed and positioned. Our cornerstone determines not only how we see ourselves but who we will become. Without a cornerstone or reference point, we will be disconnected, disoriented, and poorly positioned for effective action in our world. In order to be the children of God we are, Jesus Christ needs to be our cornerstone and the reference point for all that we do. He alone is the Good Shepherd who can guide through life's questions and challenges, bringing us to proper pasture. Without this proper base, we can easily fall into the trap of self-aggrandizement and quickly lose our way. If that happens, then moral principles, proper conduct, justice, wisdom, and virtue will be difficult to find. We need to listen to the right voices and allow God to show us how to build our house well. Salvation only comes from God and only God will protect us, no matter the cost.



ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER

*I am
the good
shepherd*

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WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

April 25, 2021

In our politically charged society, I imagine many have heard the quote, "It takes a village..." Whether or not one likes the politics of the author of that quote, in the words are truth. It takes many people to create and sustain a community.

For those of us who are Catholic, we believe in the power of vocations to help spread the Gospel message. And vocations are an important part of the community. The vocations to priesthood, or the diaconate, or religious life are at the center of our efforts to spread the good news. However, we need to also speak about the vocation of married life as service to the church; and furthermore, the vocation of single life. It is at our baptism that we are given the mandate to spread the Gospel through our vocation in the church.

"Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, then I will enter his house and dine with him, and he with me" (Rv 3:20).

We hear in Scripture that Jesus stands at the door of our heart and knocks. He only invites and never demands or breaks into our lives without our acceptance. He knocks, we open the door, and the invitation and welcome are complete. For great content and information about discernment, please visit the Diocese of Trenton website: <http://www.GodsCallingYOU.org>.

Let us pray...

*Lord Jesus, Son of the Eternal Father and Mary Immaculate,
give to our young people the generosity necessary to follow Your call and the
courage required to overcome all obstacles to their vocation.*

*Give to parents that faith, love and spirit of sacrifice which will inspire them to offer
their children to God's service and to rejoice whenever
one of their children is called to the priesthood or religious life.*

*May Your example and that of Your Blessed Mother
and Saint Joseph encourage both young people and parents and
let Your grace sustain them.*

Amen.



Requirements to Obtain a Sponsor Certificate/ Letters of Eligibility

The godparents, together with the parents, must be willing to help the baptized grow in love for Christ and neighbor. By word and example, the godparents will encourage the candidate to live the Christian life and fulfill faithfully the obligations connected with it (cf. Code of Canon Law, c. 872-874).

- A sponsor must have received the Sacraments of Baptism, Holy Eucharist, & Confirmation and if married, married in the Catholic Church.
- A sponsor must be at least 16 years of age.
- A sponsor attends Mass faithfully participating in the life and support of the Church, receiving the Eucharist, and leading a life according to the teachings of the Church.

A sponsor must be registered at St. Catherine of Siena Parish and registered for at least six (6) months prior to the request.

Note, if he/she received all his/her sacraments here at St. Catherine of Siena Parish years ago but now lives elsewhere, he/she is not a member of this parish. Rather, he/she is a member of the parish in whose territory he/she resides. This is where the sponsor certificate must be obtained.

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Baptism

Parents are required to attend a Baptismal Preparation Course prior to the Baptism.

Baptisms are celebrated on the second Sunday of the Month.

Please call the Parish Office for detailed information.

Ministry to the Homebound

Please call the Parish Office at 732-938-5375.

Matrimony

Engaged Couples should contact our parish at least one year in advance of the proposed date of marriage and before making other arrangements.

Rite of Christian Burial or Memorial Mass

Please call the Parish Office at 732-938-5375.

Reconciliation

In a time of COVID-19, please contact the Parish Office at 732-938-5375 for an appointment.



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If you are new to the area and have questions regarding Parish Registration, please call the Parish Office.



The first step for Infant Baptisms at St. Catherine of Siena Parish is our Baptism Preparation Class.

Upcoming sessions for new parents:

Wednesday, May 12, 2021

For more detailed information and to register, visit our Parish Website, www.sienachurch.org.



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THE ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL—IN ACTION

MINISTRY HIGHLIGHT

CLERGY AND RELIGIOUS ADMINISTRATION—VOCATIONS

God calls each person to a life of holiness and service, whether single, married, ordained or consecrated. The Diocesan Ministry of Vocations provides discernment opportunities, encouragement, support, education and resources for those responding to God’s call through the ministerial priesthood.

We are committed to fostering an environment where vocations to the priesthood are valued and nurtured within the domestic church of the family and the local parish community.

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thank you

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you can do things I cannot;
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we can do great things."

St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta



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