

# ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA

Roman Catholic Church  
Diocese of Trenton



Jesus looked at them and said, “ For human beings it is impossible, but not for God. All things are possible for God.”

— Mk 10:27

*28<sup>th</sup> Sunday*  
**IN ORDINARY TIME**

**OCTOBER**  
**10**  
**2021**

RESPECT LIFE  
MONTH

October 2021

[Respectlife.org/celebrate](http://Respectlife.org/celebrate)



St. Joseph: Faithful Protector of Mother & Child & Defender of Life

*God trusted Joseph, as did Mary, who found him someone who would not only save her life, but would always provide for her and her child.*

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### MASS SCHEDULE

#### WEEKEND

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

#### RECONCILIATION/CONFESSION TIMES

**3:30 p.m. Saturday's and**  
**other day's by appointment.**  
**St. Catherine of Siena Church**  
**Parish Hall Narthex**

#### HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

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

*Unless otherwise announced*

#### WEEKDAY

#### ST. CATHERINE's CHAPEL

**One West Main Street 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's CHAPEL

**One West Main Street Farmingdale**

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

#### MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA

#### ST. CATHERINE'S CHAPEL

**One West Main Street Farmingdale**

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



## A MESSAGE FROM OUR BISHOP

### **"I HAVE COME THAT YOU MAY HAVE LIFE AND HAVE IT TO THE FULL" (John 10:10)**

I am convinced, after 66 plus years on this earth, that all of the problems impacting us in this world of ours derive from a single root cause: the failure to "respect life in all its stages, from conception to natural death."

Abortion, euthanasia, capital punishment; acts of terror and war; escalating crime; violence and wanton killing of innocents; domestic and sexual abuse; drugs and gang crimes; the immigration crisis; poverty and inequality; discrimination and injustice; racism and hatred; breakdown of the family; blatant disregard for the environment — these are all "life issues" because they tear at the most basic obligation of every human: to respect life. Think about it for a moment.

Of all these failures to respect life, the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops have declared that the threat of abortion remains "our preeminent priority" because it directly attacks life itself, because it takes place within the sanctuary of the family, and because of the number of lives destroyed. At the same time, we cannot dismiss or ignore other serious threats to human life mentioned above. Our efforts to protect the unborn remain as important as ever, for just as the Supreme Court may allow greater latitude for state laws restricting abortion, state legislators have passed statutes not only keeping abortion legal through all nine months of pregnancy but opening the door to infanticide. Additionally, abortion contaminates many other important issues by being inserted into legislation regarding immigration, care for the poor, and health care reform, and so on.

All human life is sacred. The dignity of the human person is the foundation of a moral vision for society. Direct attacks on innocent persons are never morally acceptable, at any stage or in any condition. In our society, human life is especially under direct attack from abortion, which some political actors mischaracterize as an issue of "women's health." Other direct threats to the sanctity of human life include euthanasia and assisted suicide (sometimes falsely labelled as "death with dignity"), human cloning, in vitro fertilization, and the destruction of human embryos for research.

October 1 this year begins "Respect Life Month," with October 3 designated as "Respect Life Sunday" in the Catholic Church in the United States. Beginning on the weekend, all Catholics are called to celebrate our Church's commitment to respect life in all its stages. The Church invites us all to consider every means at our disposal to advocate on behalf of every human life.

To believe in God as Creator requires that we must believe that God is the author of life, all life, every life. It is not merely the logical conclusion of that belief: it is the only conclusion. And if that is what we believe; if that is the only conclusion that we can derive from our common human experience, how can anyone reasonably not respect life in all its stages?

Even those who do not believe in God as Creator have to admit that respect and care for life must be the thing that differentiates us, as human beings, from everything else that exists. The survival of the human species depends on it. It is not only a religious conviction, and it is certainly that. Respect for life is a profoundly human conviction, a dictate of human reason and science that, when joined to religious faith, elevates respect for life to the level of what is truly sacred about human existence.

One need not be a philosopher or theologian or even particularly intellectual or religious to draw this conclusion. One need only to open one's eyes, to draw a breath, to get out of bed in the morning, to hear another's voice, to grasp another's hand, to love another to know that life is worth living and a gift to be cherished.

And if one is not able to see or to breathe easily or to get out of bed or to hear or to grasp — for some reason known only to God our Creator — to love and to be loved is still possible and defines the purpose of our existence in this world.

Even God himself chose to take on flesh in Jesus Christ, to be born, to be loved by his family, to grow, to laugh, to cry, to make friends, to feel loneliness, to be understood by some and misunderstood by others, to be happy, to be sad, to give himself to others, to suffer for them out of love — in essence, to be fully human while fully divine — and in all of this, to show that human life is sacred, a gift of God, and worthy of respect without exception from conception until natural death.

We who follow Jesus Christ, the Lord of Life, cannot do otherwise than respect life in all its stages. To do less, regardless of any circumstance or situation that we can conceive of or experience, is to be less human, rejecting what God has created, rejecting what Jesus has redeemed in his own human body, rejecting what the Holy Spirit has sustained. On this earth, only the human being can truly respect life and know what that means and requires.

There is no other human choice but to do this. As your Bishop, I am pleased to share with you this year's message from the nation's bishops. I invite all the faithful to pray the "Prayer to St. Joseph, Defender of Life" and in this month dedicated to the rosary of his Beloved and Blessed Wife, Mary, to pray her rosary daily or, at least frequently, that human life be cherished in all its stages.

Most Reverend David M. O'Connell, C.M., J.C.D., D.D.



# SUNDAY'S READINGS

## FIRST READING:

I pleaded, and the spirit of wisdom came to me.  
I preferred her to scepter and throne,  
and deemed riches nothing in comparison with her  
(Wis 7:7-8)

## PSALM:

Fill us with your love, O Lord, and we will sing for joy! (Ps 90)

## SECOND READING:

No creature is concealed from him,  
but everything is naked and exposed to the eyes of him  
to whom we must render an account. (Heb 4:13)

## GOSPEL:

"Go, sell what you have, and give to the poor  
and you will have treasure in heaven; then come,  
follow me." (Mk 10:21)

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## OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 10, 2021

- Sunday: 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time
- Monday: St. John XXIII, Pope; Columbus Day
- Thursday: St. Callistus I, Pope and Martyr
- Friday: St. Teresa of Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church
- Saturday: St. Hedwig, Religious;  
St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, Virgin; BVM
- Next Sunday: 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time



## Saint of the Week

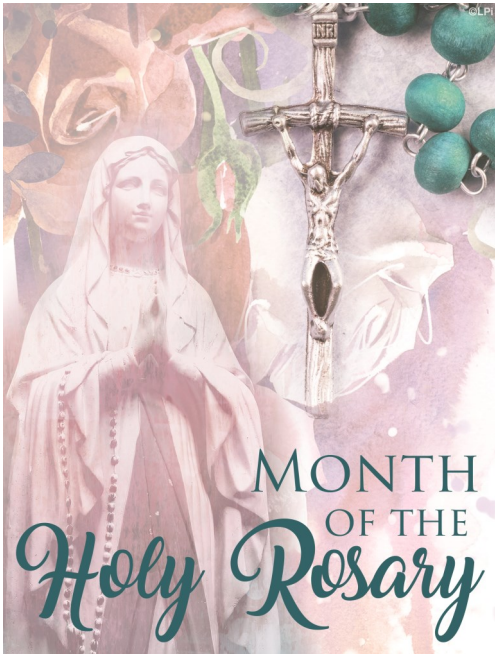
St. Teresa of Ávila (1515-1582) was a Spanish Carmelite nun who lived in the 16th century. She was a mystic and author of spiritual writings and poems. The originator of the Carmelite Reform, she founded numerous convents throughout Spain and restored a contemplative life to the order. She became well known for the mystical experiences, many of which she described in her autobiography.

The first of only four women to be named a Doctor of the Church, St. Teresa's ascetic doctrine and Carmelite reforms shaped Roman Catholic contemplative life, and her writings on the Christian soul's journey to God are considered works of art. Her writings, especially the "Way of Perfection" and "The Interior Castle," have helped generations of believers.

St. Teresa of Avila died on Oct. 15, 1582. She was canonized on March 22, 1622, along with three of her greatest contemporaries: St. Ignatius Loyola, St. Francis Xavier, and St. Philip Neri.



*Let Us Pray*



MONTH  
OF THE  
*Holy Rosary*

October 2021

*Pray with Us*

Recitation of The Rosary  
After the 10:00 AM Sunday Mass

October 17 & 24

October 31

After the 9:00 AM Weekday Mass (M/T/Th/F) at  
St. Catherine's Chapel

Prayer Intentions for Personal & Respect Life

*Wrapped in Her Mantle*

## MASS INTENTIONS

**Saturday • October 9**

**4:30 PM**

† **Raymond F. Shea**

*r/b Neal & Lorraine Pronek*

**Sunday • October 10**

**8:00 AM**

† **Anna & Thomas Neary**

*r/b Loving Daughter Maryann*

**10:00 AM**

† **Richard Hanaway**

*r/b Loving Daughters*

**11:30 AM**

† **Ron Snyder**

*r/b Ed & Maggie Lempka*

**Monday • October 11**

**9:00 AM**

† **Doris Deeg**

*r/b Terri Murray*

† **Kenneth Moore**

*r/b Bertalina Moore*

**Tuesday • October 12**

**9:00 AM**

† **Wayne Sos**

*r/b Loving Wife, JoAnn*

**Thursday • October 14**

**9:00 AM**

† **Janine Johnson Stewart**

*r/b The Amato Family*

**Friday • October 15**

**9:00 AM**

† **Sandra Koziar**

*r/b Joanne Monroe*

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time





### **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.*

### **Low Gluten Host**

**An extremely low-gluten host (37 micrograms) is available for those in need. Please notify the Priest prior to the beginning of Mass.**

## **WE CELEBRATE THE SACRAMENTS**

### **Anointing of the Sick**

**Please call 732-938-5375.**

### **Baptism**

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

**Godparents are required to provide Sponsor Certificates before a Baptismal date is given.**

**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**

**3:30 p.m. Saturday -Parish Hall Narthex  
Other days by appointment.**

**Confessionals will not be used due to lack of ventilation. Masks and sanitizer available for priest and penitent.**

# Parish Life

**YOU ARE**  
*Welcome Here*

St. Catherine of Siena Parish

Warmly Welcomes the Following  
New Parishioners:

## **The King-Moraga Family**

**Louis, Teresa  
and Jett William**

With Warmth and Prayers,  
We Welcome You into  
Our Family of Faith.

If you would like to  
join the parish or if you  
are not Catholic and would like to  
learn about the Catholic faith,  
please call the  
Parish Office.

**Newly  
Baptized**

WITH JOYFUL HEARTS,  
WE WELCOME OUR  
NEWLY BAPTIZED.



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

**Joseph A. Miller, PhD**

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

**Carly Rose Doren**

*We ask God's blessings on this  
child and their family  
every day of their lives!*



# A Few Good Reasons For Praying the Rosary

Rosary is said to be the most popular Catholic devotion in the world.

1. Those who recite the blessed Mother's Rosary faithfully are her beloved children, and thus strengthen their bond as brothers & sisters of her son, Jesus. The Rosary enables us to know our Blessed Mother better. By getting to know Mary better, we in turn get to know Jesus better.
2. The repetition of the prayers within the Rosary leads one into restful contemplation related to each Mystery. The gentle repetition of the words helps us enter into the silence of our hearts, where Christ's spirit dwells.
3. The rhythm of the Rosary's prayers, coupled with the fact that many Catholics have been reciting them since early childhood, makes the Rosary a familiar touchstone in a world that often feels unfamiliar and chaotic indeed.
4. Through the promises of the blessed Mother, praying the Rosary offers us her special protection and graces.
5. The Rosary will make virtue and good works flourish. It lifts the hearts of men and women above the temptations and vanities of this world and to the desire of things eternal.
6. The Rosary is a forceful sword and shield against evil and Satan. It can overcome vice, deliver from sin, and dispel heresy. The Rosary serves as a spiritual weapon that every soldier for Christ and His Church needs in order to fight successfully in the spiritual battle that comprises much of our earthly sojourn.
7. Whoever says the Rosary devoutly will never be overwhelmed by discouragement or despair. Prayed together with the family, the Rosary creates stability and peace.





# Announcement from the Social Concerns Commission of St. Catherine of Siena Parish

We are proud to partner with Catholic Charities in support of the Afghan Refugees Humanitarian Crises.

As you may have heard from various news agencies, Afghan refugees are being housed at Joint Base McGuire-Dix, Lakehurst NJ. Catholic Charities Diocese of Trenton has been asked to assist in this humanitarian crises by identifying and mobilizing legal representation for immigration, & helping to coordinate wellness activities for the children & their families.

We have been asked to assist with the collection of donations. Please bring donations to the collection bin located in the Church Narthex after each Mass or donations can be brought to the Parish Office Monday through Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

To volunteer with this collection, please email:  
[sociaconcernscommission@sienachurch.org](mailto:sociaconcernscommission@sienachurch.org) OR call  
Laura Randazzo at 732-938-5375.

## LIST OF ITEMS NEEDED

BEACH BALLS	BUBBLE WANDS	PLAYING CARDS
WHITEBOARDS	KIDS SCISSORS	JENGA
PERMANENT MARKERS	STUFFED ANIMALS	DOMINOS
DRY ERASE MARKERS	SOCCER BALLS <i>SMALL &amp; LARGE</i>	JUMP ROPES
SIDE WALK CHALK	FORCE WIPES 220 CT.	CONNECT FOUR
WHITE SILKS	MICROBAN SPRAYS	PENS, PENCILS
FABRIC MARKERS	GARBAGE BAGS <i>13 GAL.</i>	PENCIL SHARPENERS
JOURNALS	HAND SANITZER	CONSTRUCTION PAPER
PUZZLES FOR YOUNG CHILD	MASKS	GLUE STICKS
PLAYDOUGH	TEA STATION	CRAYONS
LARGE LEGOS DUPLO	TEA KETTLES	WASHABLE MAGIC MARKERS, NON-TOXIC
HULA HOOPS	TEA BAGS	TOY CARS FOR CHILDREN
JUMP ROPES	SIGNAGE	CROCHET NEEDLES AND YARN
BUBBLE SOLUTIONS <i>LARGE</i>	SANDWICH BOARDS	ELECTRIC PENCIL SHARPENER

This list comes directly from Catholic Charities. All items donated are to be **new**, not used. THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT.



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# Announcements

## 40 DAYS FOR LIFE *THE BEGINNING OF THE END OF ABORTION* SEPTEMBER 22 —OCTOBER 31, 2021

40 Days for Life is a campaign of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion here in America. Since its inception in 2007, it has proven to be very effective: 19,198 babies have been saved, 221 abortion workers have quit, and 112 abortion centers have closed. 40 Days for Life also involves prayerful, peaceful witnessing in front of an abortion clinic (**Planned Parenthood facility at E. Newman Springs Rd in Shrewsbury**).



We have been asked to staff each Wednesday from Sept 22 to Oct 31. That would be 6 Wednesdays, Sept 22, 29, Oct 6, 13, 20, and 27. The hours are from 8 AM to 6 PM. Please visit the 40 Days for Life

web site <http://40daysforlife.com/Shrewsbury> for more information. Please consider helping in this life saving effort by spending just one hour on one or more Wednesdays. Call Hu or Joan Mador at **732-367-2565**, or send us an email at [hmador@optonline.net](mailto:hmador@optonline.net) to sign up.

### Offerings at Francis House of Prayer

Trenton Diocesan Spiritual Center &  
Retreat House

84 Walnford Road • Allentown, NJ 08501  
609-877-0509 or [FHOP@verizon.net](mailto:FHOP@verizon.net)

Please check [www.FHOP.org](http://www.FHOP.org) for registration, directions and for our other offerings!

All programs will be offered online and in person unless otherwise indicated.

**PERSONAL RETREAT DAY IN PERSON ONLY**  
9:30 AM to 2:30 PM **Wednesday, October 13**

**ONE WITH ALL Friday, October 15**

**IN PERSON ONLY 9:30 AM – 2:00 PM** Wholeness comes from recognizing and celebrating the connection and union of all creation. We will spend time outdoors using *The Christian Practice of Praying with the Elements* as a guide for our prayer and view a portion of Rohr's DVD: *Creation as the Body of God* for reflection and discussion.

## ACA PARISH UPDATE

As of Oct. 4, 2021

**GOAL \$40,000**

**Raised: \$42,225.24**

**Collected: \$40,727.66**

**Pledge Balance: \$1,372.58**



## THANK YOU FOR YOUR HEARTFELT RESPONSE TO THE 2021 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

**Our Parish has reached 100% of goal  
thanks to your generosity & support!**

**Remember, your continued support of this year's ACA also helps St. Catherine's Church at home. When a parish collects funds equal to their ACA goal, they will receive a 15% rebate. Funds collected in excess of the parish goal earns a 50% rebate.**

**We use this rebate for building maintenance, upkeep of the parish grounds, landscaping, snow removal, & security improvements to name a few. THANK YOU!**





### Offertory

Whether given weekly or monthly, the offertory supports the parish's mission and ministries.



### Second Collection

Provides income for the running expenses of the parish – maintenance, repairs, energy, diocesan assessment. It also supports the work of the Church worldwide in addition Diocesan-wide support such as Catholic Education



### Annual Catholic Appeal

The Annual Catholic Appeal is a combined effort of all the parishes that make up the Diocese of Trenton to support a vibrant Catholic Community through the ministries and services.

## WAYS TO GIVE



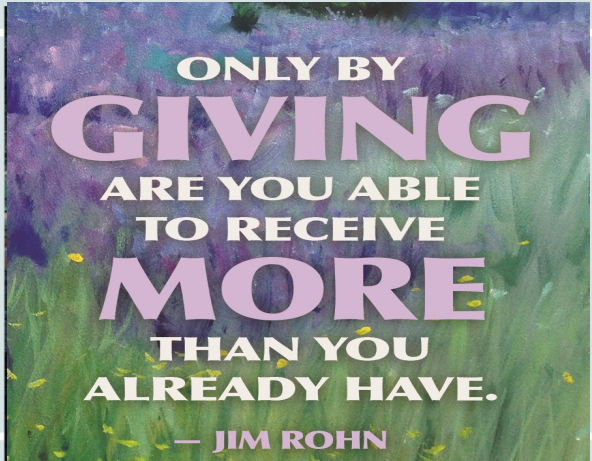
Online Giving is a web-based offertory solution that allows parishioners and visitors the opportunity to make donations using your debit, credit cards, or savings account. It is safe, convenient and easy to use.



Offertory Envelopes are traditional and effective way to submit your parish donation for cash or checks. We send Offertory Envelopes directly to your home.

Please call the Parish Office to learn more about our online giving and envelope program.

## STEWARDSHIP



### Weekly Collections & Attendance

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS HELP AND SUPPORT!

### Weekly First Sunday Collection

Saturday/Sunday, Oct 2/3 2021

4:30 PM Mass	\$1,148.00	66 people
8:00 AM Mass	\$1,487.00	85 people
10:00 AM Mass	\$1,252.00	102 people
11:30 AM Mass	\$601.00	58 people
IN MAIL	\$685.00	
Online Giving	\$3,076.00	86 donors
<b>Total Weekly Collection</b>	<b>\$8,249.00</b>	

### Second Collection

### Maintenance & Repairs

<b>Total</b>	<b>\$641.00</b>
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## Upcoming Second Collection

October 17

Energy & Fuel

World Mission Sunday

October 24