

ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

DIOCESE OF TRENTON



5th Sunday

I N O R D I N A R Y T I M E

Simon said in reply, "Master, we have worked hard all night and have caught nothing, but at your command I will lower the nets." - Lk 5:5

Welcome



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OFFICE HOURS

MON—THURS
9:00AM — 2:00PM

SUNDAY
9:00AM — 12:45PM

*The Church is open during
parish office hours
for prayer.*

WORSHIP WITH US

MASS TIMES

SATURDAY 4:30PM

SUNDAY 8:00AM
10:00AM
11:30AM

Holy Days of Obligation
9:00AM & 7:00PM

31 Asbury Rd., Farmingdale, NJ

WEEKDAY MASS

St. Catherine's
Chapel

1 West Main Street Farmingdale

MONDAY 9:00AM
TUESDAY 9:00AM
THURSDAY 9:00AM
FRIDAY 9:00AM



DEVOTIONS

Miraculous Medal Novena

Monday's immediately following
Weekday 9 AM Mass at Chapel

Eucharistic Adoration

First Friday of the Month
immediately following Weekday
9 AM Mass at Chapel

RECONCILIATION

SATURDAY 3:30—4:00PM

Parish Hall Narthex

Other days by Appointment
Confessionals will not be used
due to lack of
ventilation. Masks will be worn
by priest and penitents.

A Message from our Pastor

Dear Parishioners,

As we have announced, the blessing of throats and invoking the intercession of St. Blasé, Bishop, and Martyr, will be done at all the weekend Masses on February 5 and 6. His feast day is on February 3. However, given these challenging times due to the Covid-19 pandemic, we decided to offer our faithful people the general blessing and prayers. We need all the help we can get to fight this ongoing public health crisis. Hopefully, in due time what we are experiencing will end. St. Blasé devoted the early years of his life to philosophy and afterward became a physician. He was ordained to the priesthood and made bishop of Sebaste in Armenia, where he was seized and carried off to prison by the Governor, Agricola.

On his way to prison, a distracted mother whose child was suffering from a disease of the throat implored his aid. Through his intercession, he cured the child. Since that time, his aid has been solicited in cases of similar maladies. After cruel tortures, the saint was beheaded in the year 316. Many have been cured of throat diseases or protected from them through his intercession. You will hear these words from the Priest: "Through the intercession of Saint Blasé, Bishop and Martyr, may God deliver you from every disease of the throat and every other illness. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and the Holy Spirit." Amen.

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Today's readings show three men who did great things for God, Isaiah, Paul, and Peter. None of them felt competent for the work entrusted to them. They felt unworthy of the great call. When called by God, Isaiah lamented: "What a wretched state I am in! for I am a man of unclean lips." Paul said: "I am the least of the apostles; I persecuted the Church of God. I hardly deserve the name apostle." And Peter, after the miraculous catch of fish, declared: "Leave me, Lord, I am a sinful man."

Each of them began by acknowledging his unworthiness, inadequacy, and sinfulness but ended up accepting God's invitation. And later, relying not on their resources but God's help, they did a splendid job. What an ideal way to start the Lord's work! Usually, people who start out hoping to do great things for God through their gifts and strengths often do more harm than good. They seek their own glory, rely on their own resources, and look for success at any cost. Their spiritual edifice crumbles like sandcastles, built on human pride, self-sufficiency, and self-righteousness.

But look at the life of Paul to see a great paradox. Paul said, "When I am weak, that is when I am strong" (2 Cor 12:10). When Paul recognized his weakness, he realized the need to turn to Christ, who assured him: "My grace is sufficient for you."

God's purpose and plan for each of us are unique and mysterious. When God entrusts us with a mission, we experience a sense of personal inadequacy. It can't be helped. But it should not cripple us, for no one is quite adequate for the mission God has for him. When God calls, it is wise we respond and surrender. He will do the rest.

Lord, may the feeling of inadequacy not discourage me from doing the work You called me to do. Amen.

May God bless you,

Father Angelito

Mass Intentions



*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon them.*

*Let us pray for those who have passed away and call
on God's love and mercy to grant them eternal rest in
Heaven.*

Saturday · February 5
4:30 PM

† **Dorothy DiLiberto**
r/b The Ust Family

Sunday · February 6
8:00 AM

† **Consolacion I. Anarcon**
r/b The Mercado Family

10:00 AM
† **John DeBernardis**
r/b Bill & Anne Moffitt

11:30 AM
† **Dolores Rosener**
r/b The Infante Family

Monday · February 7
9:00 AM

† **Joseph King**
r/b The Randazzo Family

Tuesday · February 8
9:00 AM

† **Consolacion I. Anarcon**
r/b Cheri Crowl

Thursday · February 10
9:00 AM

† **Vincent Marzulli**
r/b June Hankel

Friday · February 11
9:00 AM

† **Anthony Pennetti & Family**
r/b Libby Miller



WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 6, 2022

- Sunday:** Is 6:1-2a, 3-8/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 7-8 [1c]/1 Cor 15:1-11 or 15:3-8, 11/Lk 5:1-11
- Monday:** 1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13/Ps 132:6-7, 8-10/Mk 6:53-56
- Tuesday:** 1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30/Ps 84:3, 4, 5 and 10, 11/Mk 7:1-13
- Wednesday:** 1 Kgs 10:1-10/Ps 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40/Mk 7:14-23
- Thursday:** 1 Kgs 11:4-13/Ps 106:3-4, 35-36, 37 and 40/Mk 7:24-30
- Friday:** 1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19/Ps 81:10-11ab, 12-13, 14-15/Mk 7:31-37
- Saturday:** 1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34/Ps 106:6-7ab, 19-20, 21-22/Mk 8:1-10
- Next Sunday:** Jer 17:5-8/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4, 6 [40:5a]/1 Cor 15:12, 16-20/Lk 6:17, 20-26

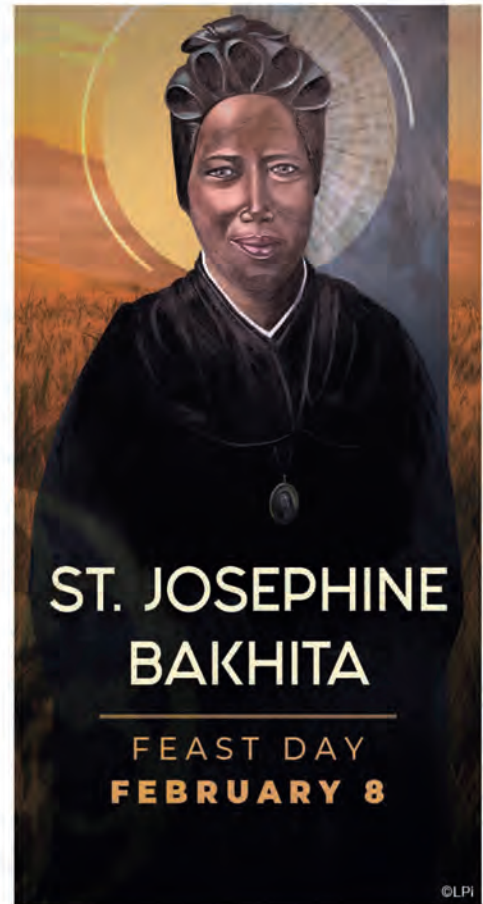
OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 6, 2022

- Sunday:** 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time; St. Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs
- Tuesday:** St. Jerome Emiliani; St. Josephine Bakhita, Virgin
- Thursday:** St. Scholastica, Virgin
- Friday:** Our Lady of Lourdes
- Next Sunday:** 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time; World Marriage Day

LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration for the week

When we encounter or even ponder God's magnificence, power, and awesomeness, we easily begin to feel our own smallness and perceived insignificance. After all, who can compete with eternal greatness, seraphim, or the ability to catch great numbers of fish? We unfortunately think that God's presence somehow overrides us, reduces our importance, and only seeks to judge our inadequacies and doubts. Things begin to change a bit when we realize that what we may have seen as overwhelming and frightening is really only unconditional, unmerited love. Love has tremendous majesty and power. When we listen to this power and stop seeing it as threatening or dooming, our fear dissipates and Divine friendship takes root. Remaining close to what we once preferred at a distance, we can journey to places we never thought possible and do things we never thought we could do. Strengthened by Divine friendship and encouraged by its life-giving power, we can say "here I am, send me!" when God asks, "whom shall I send?" Sin and fear no longer are of concern to the one who remains close to God in a bond of trust.



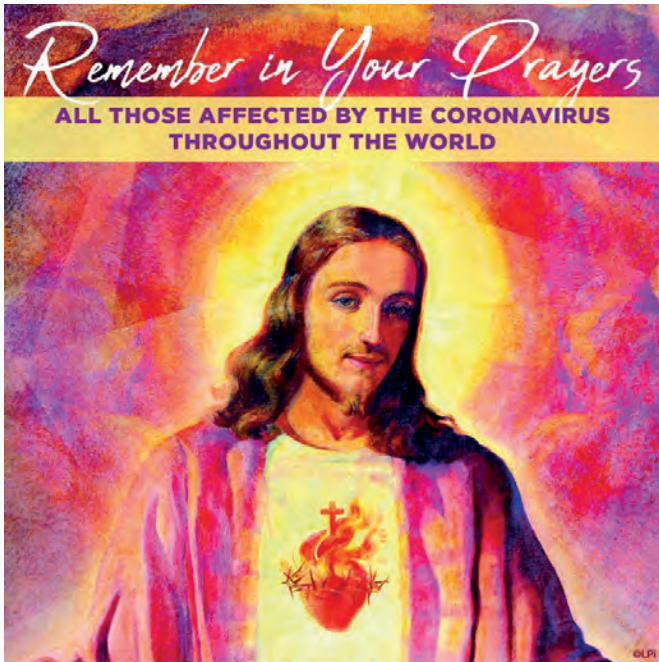
SAINT OF THE WEEK

The story of St. Josephine Bakhita (1869-1947) is a story that many people taken into slavery have experienced. Born in the Darfur region of Sudan, she was kidnapped at the age of 8 and sold into slavery many times. As she passed from owner to owner, she experienced the moral and physical humiliations associated with slavery. It was only at the age of 13 that her suffering was alleviated after she was bought for the Italian Consul in Sudan. It was here that she was fortunate to receive kindness, respect, and peace from her new master.

She was later handed over to the Canossian Sisters when she made the case that slavery had been outlawed in Italy for years. She was baptized and confirmed in the Catholic Church in 1890, where she took the name Josephine. She later entered the Institute of St. Magdalene of Canossa in 1893 and made her profession three years later.

St. Josephine Bakhita's next 50 years were spent serving people through cooking, sewing, embroidery, and housekeeping. She was a source of encouragement and her constant smile won people's hearts, as did her humility and simplicity. Today she is known as the patron saint of victims of modern slavery and human trafficking.

Let us Pray



Compassionate and Loving Father,
In the face of confusion and concern
impart to us the calm of Your presence.
In You allow us to find hope and healing.
Be with those who serve the sick and
give them Your caring hands.
Be with those who lead and give them
Your Spirit of wisdom.
Be with those who have fallen ill and give
them Your comforting heart.
Wrap Your arms around our world and
hold us in Your love.
Allow us at this time of trial to then
serve as instruments of that love to all
we meet.
We ask this in Your name. Amen.



We pray to you, God all loving, for the gift of peace in our world. We pray to you, God all loving, for all those serving in the military, and for the peace and safety of all persons who suffer due to war and violence. Grant that all people might put aside their differences, and seek the unity of your Kingdom. Amen.

BAPTISM



*With Joyful Hearts, We Welcome
Our Newly Baptized.*

Sebastian Robert Stallone

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



SPONSORS FOR THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM AND CONFIRMATION

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).

Requirements to Obtain a Sponsor Certificate/Letters of Eligibility

In St. Catherine's Parish and in all Catholic Parishes in the U.S.

- 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

First-time parents are required to attend a Baptismal Preparation Course prior to scheduling 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 will be worn by priest and penitent.

Announcements

Parish



News

Last week we welcomed our Religious Education students back after a break due to the increase in Covid outbreaks. We are mindful of the importance of maintaining a safe and secure environment for our students. We continue to pray for an end to this pandemic so that our faith formation continues with in-person class instruction.

During the month of February, we will focus on the Sacrament of Reconciliation, and preparing for the season of Lent.

Please pray for our youth, that they may participate in class and learn about our beautiful faith. Pray for our teachers and the entire behind the scenes people who are engaged in the ministry of bringing the Good News to our children. Pray for all our Religious Education families as they raise their children in the ways of the Lord.

POSITION AVAILABLE



COMMUNICATIONS ASSISTANT AND CIRCULATION COORDINATOR

The Diocese of Trenton has a full-time vacancy for the combined position of Communications Assistant in the Office of Communications and Media, and Circulation Coordinator for The Monitor – the website and monthly magazine of the Diocese of Trenton.

This job would involve customer service for subscribers; input and maintenance of the circulation data system; coordination with printer and postal service; assistance with marketing, publicity and media relations; administrative support to the Executive Director and department leadership staff; and general secretarial work.

Looking for a self-motivated and detail-oriented individual with excellent communication skills, competency with Windows functionality; familiarity with social media and website operations, and a friendly, helpful style in dealing with the public. Bi-lingual skills a plus.

No telephone calls will be accepted. Please submit your salary requirements and résumé, along with two professional and one personal reference letters to:

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Join Our Parish Family



We welcome you to St. Catherine of Siena Church to experience the warmth of our parish family.

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.

WELCOME

NEW PARISHIONERS!

The Lisi Family

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The Lissaris Family

Matthew & Jenna
Lucia & Giancarlo

The Straniero Family

Salvatore & Amelia

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

REASONS WHY TO REGISTER IN THE PARISH

Registration is the official way we join a parish community. Some people think that because they attend a particular parish they automatically belong.

Registration is a commitment to community, a way to be included in the religious, social and ministerial activities of the parish. Registration shows you belong. It is also necessary for certain benefits and administrative purposes, like scheduling sacraments, obtaining a Sponsor/Godparent Certificate and Letter of Eligibility, and donation statements for your income tax returns. Most importantly, it lets the parish count on you, to call on you to assist in its mission.

Registering a parish is simple. It just requires signing up, formally enrolling yourself by contacting the Parish Office. Young adults 18 and over who are still living at home with their parents, or attend college, are recommended to register in their own name. Thank You.

Parish Life



As ASH WEDNESDAY approaches, **March 2**, we burn the Palm from previous years to create the Ashes which will be blessed for the service on Ash Wednesday.

Please bring any Palm and return it to the collection bin in the Narthex



The first step toward the Sacrament of Baptism for Infants for new parents is our Baptismal Preparation Class. Classes are:

Tuesday, March 1, 2022 At 7 PM

Sign up at www.sienachurch.org

Online Giving

Our Online Giving Program assists you and the parish at the same time. You can avoid having to write checks, or gather your cash week after week, by simply signing up for WESHARE. The process is simple, safe and secure.

Please visit <https://sienachurch.churchgiving.com> to set-up your donations. Call the parish office for more information.



ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS



If you wish to receive a tax statement for your 2021 contributions to St. Catherine of Siena Church. Please email taxstatements@sienachurch.org.

In your email include your full name, address, phone number, and envelope number.

If you have any questions, please call the Parish Office at 732-938-5375.

2021 CHRISTMAS COLLECTION

With deepest gratitude to all during our Christmas season. Thank you for attending Mass, your prayers and your gifts and service to our church.

Christmas Collection 2021	\$21,613.00
Christmas Collection 2020	\$20,605.00

Do you give Online?

Let the parish know if you no longer need offertory envelopes mailed to you. You can save our parish the expense of sending envelopes if you are giving online.

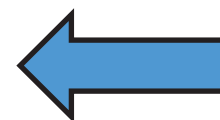
Weekly First Sunday Collection Saturday/Sunday, January 29-30, 2022		
4:30 PM Mass	\$.00	SNOWSTORM Mass Canceled
8:00 AM Mass	\$719.00	42 People
10:00 AM Mass	\$726.00	58 People
11:30 AM Mass	\$581.00	63 People
Mail	\$440.00	
Online Giving	\$1,491.00	80 donors
Total Weekly Collection	\$3,957.00	
SECOND COLLECTION Saturday/Sunday, January 29-30, 2022		
Sponsorship for Catholic Schools		\$360.00

UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS



FEBRUARY 13, 2022
DIOCESAN ASSESSMENT

FEBRUARY 20, 2022
PARISH ENERGY & FUEL



FEBRUARY 27, 2022
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