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OFFICE HOURS

MON—THURS

9:00 AM — 2:00 PM

SUNDAY

9:00 AM — 12:45 PM

*The Church is open during
Parish Office hours
for prayer.*

WORSHIP WITH US

MASS TIMES

SATURDAY 4:30 PM

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

Holy Days of Obligation

9:00 AM & 7:00 PM

31 Asbury Rd., Farmingdale, NJ



WEEKDAY MASS

St. Catherine's Chapel

1 West Main Street Farmingdale

MONDAY 9:00 AM

TUESDAY 9:00 AM

THURSDAY 9:00 AM

FRIDAY 9:00 AM

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—4:00 PM

Church

Other days by Appointment



A Message from our Pastor

Dear Friends in Christ,

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The world is made up of good people and bad people. It is exactly like a field in which wheat and weeds grow side by side. The good and the bad, the sinners and saints are everywhere: in the world, in the Church, and in every human society. We experience this reality in ourselves and in others as well. Jesus wants us to let them grow until the harvest time. Only at the final gathering is the separation to be made. Does it mean Jesus is saying that evil people should be given a free hand to do whatever they wish? This would seem to defy common sense. The suggestion to root out 'weeds' seems to make a lot of sense, and indeed it has often been tried. Though an attractive solution, this is not humane, it is not what Jesus wants.

It is in the real world that we must live—a world tainted by sin as well as institutionalized evil. The abuse of power, the enslavement and exploitation of the underprivileged and the murder of the innocent have always been a part of the human story. Jesus asks us to grow strong amid all this. As with the smallest seed and the leaven, the kingdom of Jesus will not be destroyed.

God is ever patient. He bears with us, and we too must be patient with the good and the evil, the sinner and the saint. We must not fear. The key to the mystery of good and evil co-existing is the confidence that the Lord of all history will be present when the crop is gathered.

Jesus Himself tells us to go on growing confidently during human ambiguity, trusting that it is our God who will finally reap a rich harvest.

Patience is the full flowering of love. At a deep level, patience is love-supporting, bearing all things and everyone. To be impatient with someone means to find or consider him, for the moment at least, unbearable. It means — if the impatience lasts- the positive goodwill, the benign disposition, the concern and care for that person has come to a halt. To be impatient is to allow the forces of evil to overpower or eclipse the forces of good. Impatience is lack of and diminution of love.

In this sense God cannot be impatient, for there is no force that can upset God's goodness towards us. He is not subject to variation in mood as we are. God's goodness is boundless and stable as rock. The Scripture rightly describes God as long-suffering, slow to anger.

One is patient with someone if he loves that person. St. Paul therefore says love is patient. God is love and His love never diminishes. God, who is love, is patient as well. Only the patient sons/daughters of a patient Father can shine like the sun in the Kingdom of their Father.

Lord, let me be so patient and forgiving that I may resemble you. Amen.

May God bless you,
Father Angelito

Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

And you taught your people, by these deeds,
that those who are just must be kind;
and you gave your children good ground for hope
that you would permit repentance for their sins.
(Wis 12:19)

Psalm:

Lord, you are good and forgiving. (Ps 86)

Second Reading:

The Spirit comes to the aid of our weakness;
for we do not know how to pray as we ought,
but the Spirit himself intercedes with inexpressible
groanings. (Rom 8:26)

Gospel:

“Let them grow together until harvest;
then at harvest time I will say to the harvesters,
‘First collect the weeds and tie them in bundles for
burning;
but gather the wheat into my barn.’” (Mt 13:30)

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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

When the disciples cannot understand something, they approach Jesus, and beseech him to explain. Let us be this forthcoming when we are discerning the will of God or struggling with a decision. Let us ask him to explain in words we can understand.

Observances for the week of July 23, 2023

- Sunday:** 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: St. Sharbel Makhlūf, Priest
Tuesday: St. James, Apostle
Wednesday: Sts. Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Saturday: Sts. Martha, Mary and Lazarus
Next Sunday: 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Saint of the week

Blessed Stanley Francis Rother spent most of his priestly life serving the Tz'utujil people of Southwest Guatemala, whom he loved. He was shot and killed by non-native guerilla forces in their attempt to terrorize the community. He is the first U.S.-born beatified martyr.

Prayer

O God, fount of all holiness, make us each walk worthily in our vocation, through the intercession of Your Saints, on whom You bestowed a great variety of graces on earth.

Having graced Your Church with the life of Your priest and martyr, Blessed Stanley Rother, grant that by his intercession this humble flock may reach where the brave shepherd has gone. Grant that Your Church may proclaim him a saint living in Your presence and interceding for us.

Through Christ our Lord.

(Prayer Source: <https://archokc.org/prayers-for-blessed-stanley-rother>)

Mass Intentions

Saturday • July 22

4:30 PM

† **Francis William Tampone**

r/b Randazzo Family

Sunday • July 23

8:00 AM

† **Ann & Sandor Fekete**

r/b Loving Daughter

10:00 AM

† **Filippo, Maria & Michael Natilli**

r/b Phillip & Kristin Natilli

11:30 AM

† **Vittoria Koziar**

r/b Joanne Monroe

Monday • July 24

9:00 AM

† **Jim Massaro**

r/b Ray & Carolina Minadeo

Tuesday • July 25

9:00 AM

† **Lawrence Hoagland**

r/b Granddaughter, Janet

Thursday • July 27

9:00 AM

† **William & Dorothy Meagher**

r/b Joseph P. Meagher

Friday • July 28

9:00 AM

† **Armando E. Sanchez**

r/b Carol Jamieson



In Remembrance

As we celebrate the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, we remember all those gone before us and give thanks for their lives.



We Celebrate the Sacraments

SPONSORSHIP 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.

For sponsor requests from St. Catherine's, you must be registered at St. Catherine of Siena Parish and registered for at least six (6) months prior to the request, showing participation in the life & support of the Church.

*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.***

Anointing of the Sick

Please call 732-938-5375.

Baptism

First-time parents are required to attend a Baptismal Preparation Class prior to scheduling the Baptism.

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

Please call the Parish Office for information.

Matrimony

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

Ministry to the Homebound

For Homebound requests, please call the Parish Office.

Rite of Christian Burial or Memorial Mass

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

Reconciliation

3:30 p.m. Saturday
Other days by appointment.

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.

Altar Flowers

Floral pieces start at \$50 and can be ordered except during Lent. Please call the Parish Office.

Worship & Meditation

Readings for the week of July 23, 2023

Sunday:

Wis 12:13, 16-19/Ps 86:5-6, 9-10, 15-16
(5a)/Rom 8:26-27/Mt 13:24-43 or
13:24-30

Monday:

Ex 14:5-18/Ex 15:1bc-2, 3-4, 5-6/
Mt 12:38-42

Tuesday:

2 Cor 4:7-15/Ps 126:1bc-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5,
6/Mt 20:20-28

Wednesday:

Ex 16:1-5, 9-15/Ps 78:18-19, 23-24, 25-26,
27-28/Mt 13:1-9

Thursday:

Ex 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20b/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55,
56/Mt 13:10-17

Friday:

Ex 20:1-17/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/Mt 13:18-23

Saturday:

Ex 24:3-8/Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15/Jn 11:19-
27 or Lk 10:38-42

Next Sunday:

1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12/Ps 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-
128, 129-130 (97a)/Rom 8:28-30/Mt
13:44-52 or 13:44-46



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Prayer for Priests

Lord God, most holy, we approach you in gratitude for your holy ordained priesthood.

You have called these men to be set apart and to shepherd your people, as you shepherd your entire church.

We pray for them in their daily work. Grant to them an increase in spiritual gifts and grace, so they may be prepared for the tasks at hand.

Lead them not into temptation and protect them from the grasp of the evil one. It is through the sacraments they confer

that we encounter the divine in a real and profound way. May your church never lose sight of these, your special sons, and may we, the body of Christ,

never fail to cherish the gift of their lives, which they have freely given to you and your holy church. We ask this in the name of Jesus, your Son. Amen.

National Natural Family Planning Awareness Week,

July 23-29, 2023 In celebration of 2023 National Natural Family Planning Awareness Week (July 23-29), the Diocese of Trenton encourages all married couples in their fertile years to learn more about *Fertility Awareness Based Methods* of Family Planning that cooperate with God's wonderful plan for co-creation and responsible parenthood.

Natural methods of family planning are consistent with the healthy, holistic lifestyle so many couples are seeking today. To learn more Natural Family Planning or to take an online class, go to www.dioceseoftrenton.org/natural-family-planning, or call 609-403-7156.

Our Parish Family



St. Catherine of Siena Parish
Warmly Welcomes the Following
New Parishioners:

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



RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION
THINKING OF BECOMING CATHOLIC?

ARE YOU A CATHOLIC IN NEED OF
COMMUNION OR CONFIRMATION?

If your answer is “yes,” then our RCIA program may be just what you need. The process of spiritual and educational formation is open to any adult who would like to become a full member of the Catholic Church. For more information, please contact the office at 732-938-5375.

IT IS TIME TO REGISTER FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

St. Catherine of Siena Religious Education Program (PREP)
registration for the 2023-2024 year is Now Open!

Weekly in-person classes for:

- Elementary Grades 1-5
- Middle School Grades 6-8
- First Holy Communion
- Confirmation

In-person
Classes start

September 18 - May 6

Family Faith Formation Home Study Program:

- Elementary Grades 3-6

Home Study Parent Meeting
September 12

Register Online

<https://www.wesharegiving.org/App/Form/2b0c9c46-acf2-4b6d-a56d-f996492b43f1>



OR STOP BY THE PARISH OFFICE TO PICK UP A REGISTRATION PACKET. GLPI

St. Catherine of Siena Church

SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

Help families in need start the school year fully equipped!

Collection Period: **NOW** through **AUG. 15**

Supplies Needed:

- Backpacks •Marble Compositions Notebooks
- Highlighters •Black or Blue Pens •#2 Pencils •Erasers
- Glue sticks •Post it Notes (3'x3') •Pencil Cases
- Pocket Folders •1" Binders •Boxes of 24 Crayons
- School Scissors •Colored Pencils •Dry Erase Markers & Erasers
- Washable Markers •Colored Pencils •Colored Pens
- 3 Tab Dividers (for binders) •Loose Leaf Paper •Headphones or Earbuds •Gallon Size Freezer Bag •Construction Paper •Tissues

NEW ITEMS ONLY

INFO:

Call the Parish Office at:

732-938-5375 Sunday through Thursday

Drop off: **Collection Bin in Church Narthex**



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Hospice Volunteer Training

Monday: Sept 21th, 28th, and October 5th 2023

10:00am - 3:00pm

23 Main St. Holmdel, NJ 07733 Suite D1

Advanced registration is required. Volunteers must attend all three sessions.

We encourage volunteers to wait one year following the death of a loved one.

Interested in becoming a volunteer: Contact: Pauline DePalma, BSW Director of Volunteers at 732-224-6933
Pauline.depalma@vnahg.org



THE DIOCESE OF TRENTON is committed to the initiative outlined in the U.S. Bishop's Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People and to its own policies and guidelines regarding the reporting and investigation of sexual abuse allegations involving minors.

If you have been sexually abused as a minor by a member of the clergy or anyone representing the Catholic Church, or if you know of someone who was, you can report that abuse through the diocesan ABUSE HOTLINE: 1-888-296-2965 or via email at abuseline@dioceseoftrenton.org.

The Diocese of Trenton reports any allegations of sexual abuse to the appropriate law enforcement agencies. Anyone with an allegation is also encouraged to provide that information to local law enforcement authorities.

Around the Community



Interfaith Neighbors at the
Howell Senior Center
Needs Volunteers
to Deliver Meals to
Homebound Seniors.

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For more information, call Melanie Decker, Director of Senior Services at [732-938-4500](tel:732-938-4500) x 2550.

Offerings at Francis House of Prayer
Trenton Diocesan Spiritual Center and Retreat House
84 Walnford Road • Allentown, NJ 08501
609-877-0509 or FHOP@verizon.net

Please check www.FHOP.org for dates, registration, directions and for our other offerings!



Fr. Pio Mandato FMHJ
Thursday, August 10th
St. Pio of Pietrelcina Church
in Lavallette

5:30pm Confession with directives for an examination of conscience

7:00pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

7:15 Gospel Reading followed by Fr. Pio's teaching on "**WHY DO WE FALTER IN OUR FAITH?**" Peter: "Lord Save me". Jesus put out His hand at once and held him. Jesus: "Man of little faith, why did you doubt". (Matthew 14:31)

8:15 Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

8:30pm Healing Service individual healing prayer with St. Padre Pio's Relic Glove.

Closing prayer and Dismissal

Music by Mark T. L. Mattheiss *Encounter School of Ministry Second Year Student*

All are welcome! For further info please contact DawnRusinko@yahoo.com

Parish Support

Weekly Sunday Collection Saturday/Sunday, July 15-16, 2023		
4:30 PM Mass	\$1,231.00	110 People
8:00 AM Mass	\$1,211.00	88 People
10:00 AM Mass	\$1,358.00	117 People
11:30 AM Mass	\$918.00	90 People
Online Giving	\$1,955.00	
Total	\$6,673.00	
Second Collection		
Energy & Fuel		\$684.00

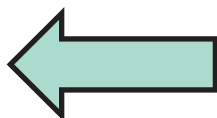
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AUGUST 6, 2023
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ANNUAL CATHOLIC Appeal 2023

DIOCESE of TRENTON



We are the
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2023 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

Parish Goal: **\$40,000**

EYES OF CHRIST

Yours are the eyes through which he looks compassion on this world.

\$1,750,000

- Families, Youth & Young Adult Ministries
- Catholic Social Services (Mount Carmel Guild)
- Pastoral Care (Prison Ministry, Respect Life, Grief)
- Outreach to the Poor and Vulnerable

FEET OF CHRIST

Yours are the feet with which he walks to do good.

\$2,250,000

- Finding and Forming Priests (Vocations Recruitment & Seminary Preparation)
- Retired Priest Care
- Preparation of Deacons
- Support of Religious Women and Men

HANDS OF CHRIST

Yours are the hands with which he blesses all the world.

\$2,500,000

- Evangelization and Communications Outreach
- Religious Education for Children and Rite of Election of Adults
- Catholic School Programs
- Professional Development for Educators

Total ACA Goal is
\$6.5 Million

Your gift supports
essential programs and
ministries.

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

Parish Update

As of July 17, 2023

Pledged: **\$39,466.00** **99% of Goal**

Paid: **\$35,145.00** **88% of Goal**

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