

SAINT CATHERINE OF SIENA ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



**REMEMBER  
YOUR MERCY,  
O LORD.**

PSALM 25

*October 1, 2023*

# Welcome



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## CONNECT WITH US

### CLERGY

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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 Parishioners,

In 2018, we as a parish utilized a subscription to FORMED, a premier platform filled with more than 7,000 titles of Catholic studies, movies, audio, dramas, talks, e-books, and even cartoons for our children.

Our parish is using the material on FORMED again to support our ministries, families, and, most significantly, our Religious Education students and catechists to provide continuing education for our parishioners and outreach for our sick and homebound members.

You can enjoy FORMED on your computer or TV and listening and watching on your cell-phone.

We hope that the content of FORMED will enrich, deepen, and inspire your faith. Kindly look at our Bulletin for further information about FORMED.

We are happy to announce that there are more than 219 students in our Religious Education Program this year, and it continues to grow as more parents are coming to the office to enroll their children. Once again, we would like to give a big word of thanks to our staff and dedicated volunteers as they help us form and educate our young people about their faith.

### TWENTY SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

There is something charming about the first son in today's Gospel. If anything, there is a lot of kick in him, and he has the guts to say no when he feels like saying so. It is in contrast with the second son that the saving grace of the first becomes evident.

To start with, the second son is a yes-man, but he is worse than that. He is a hypocrite to boot.

The two sons illustrate two types of people. And we know whom Jesus recommends and why. By this parable, Jesus drives home a fundamental truth about man, a fallen man at that.

this parable Jesus drives home a very basic truth about man, fallen man at that. It is dangerous to pretend we are all right. We are not. We are sinners and rebellious. Accept it and repent. It is an ideal thing to be able to say always 'yes' to God. But often we say 'no'. Why not accept it rather than pretend to be, OK? Jesus came to save sinners. And if we are not sinners, we have no salvation. Do we believe this, let us repent – in order to be saved.

*Help me, Lord, to be loyal in words as well as in deeds. Amen.*

May God bless you,

Father Angelito

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# Weekly Prayer

## Sunday's Readings

### First Reading:

But if he turns from the wickedness he has committed,  
he does what is right and just,  
he shall preserve his life. (Ez 18:27)

### Psalm:

Remember your mercies, O Lord. (Ps 25)

### Second Reading:

Have in you the same attitude  
that is also in Christ Jesus. (Phil 2:5)

### Gospel:

Jesus said to them, "Amen, I say to you,  
tax collectors and prostitutes  
are entering the kingdom of God before you."  
(Mt 21:31)

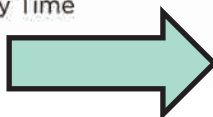
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## Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

God invites each of us to work in His vineyard,  
but it's our choice whether we "clock in" or stay  
home. Let's never fail to show up. It's the most  
important job we will ever have.

## Observances for the week of October 1, 2023

- Sunday:** 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time;  
Respect Life Sunday
- Monday:** The Holy Guardian Angels
- Wednesday:** St. Francis of Assisi
- Thursday:** Saint Faustina Kowalska, Virgin; Bl.  
Francis Xavier Seelos, Priest
- Friday:** St. Bruno, Priest; Bl. Marie Rose Durocher,  
Virgin
- Saturday:** Our Lady of the Rosary
- Next Sunday:** 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time



## St Francis of Assisi



### St. Francis of Assisi | Feast Day October 4

St. Francis of Assisi (1181 – 1226) left a life of luxury for a life devoted to Christianity after reportedly hearing the voice of God, who commanded him to rebuild the Christian church and live in poverty. He founded the men's Order of Friars Minor, the women's Order of St. Clare, the Third Order of St. Francis and the Custody of the Holy Land.

Born in 1181 in Italy, St. Francis of Assisi was renowned for drinking and partying as a youth. During a military expedition/battle between Assisi and Perugia, he was captured and imprisoned for ransom. He spent nearly a year in prison and began receiving visions from God. After his release from prison, St. Francis of Assisi claimed to have heard the voice of Christ, who told him to restore the Christian Church and live a life of poverty. As a result, St. Francis of Assisi abandoned his life of luxury and became a devotee of the Catholic faith.

Today, St. Francis of Assisi, known for his deep love of nature and animals, is the patron saint of the environment and animals. Each October, many animals are blessed on his feast day.

### JOIN US

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4TH— 6:00 PM**  
**BLESSING OF PETS—WEATHER PERMITTING**

**CHURCH PARKING LOT**

# Mass Intentions

**Saturday • September 30**

**4:30 PM**

**† John Williams**

*r/b Fred & Sally Sisbarro*

**Sunday • October 1**

**8:00 AM**

**† Rachel Pennetti & Family**

*r/b Libby Miller*

**10:00 AM**

**† Mary Civitano**

*r/b The Steinman Family*

**11:30 AM**

**† Glenn Conigliaro**

*r/b Loving Wife*

**Monday • October 2**

**9:00 AM**

**† JoAnn Brooks**

*r/b Anne Hilker*

**Tuesday • October 3**

**9:00 AM**

**† Ralph Pacella**

*r/b Lisa & Sal Mirabelli*

**Thursday • October 5**

**9:00 AM**

**† Michael Grybowski**

*r/b Sisters & Family*

**Friday • October 6**

**9:00 AM**

**† Monsignor Frederick Valentino**

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THE MOST HIGH SON OF GOD WITH  
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ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI



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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 October 1, 2023

### Monday:

Zec 8:1-8/Ps 102:16-18, 19-21, 29 and 22-23/Mt 18:1-5, 10

### Tuesday:

Zec 8:20-23/Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7/  
Lk 9:51-56

### Wednesday:

Neh 2:1-8/Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6/Lk 9:57-62

### Thursday:

Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/  
Lk 10:1-12

### Friday:

Bar 1:15-22/Ps 79:1b-2, 3-5, 8, 9/Lk 10:13-16

### Saturday:

Bar 4:5-12, 27-29/Ps 69:33-35, 36-37/  
Lk 10:17-24

### Next Sunday:

Is 5:1-7/Ps 80:9, 12, 13-14, 15-16, 19-20  
(Isaiah 5:7a)/Phil 4:6-9/Mt 21:33-43

Hymn for the 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Tune: Traditional Appalachian Folk Tune

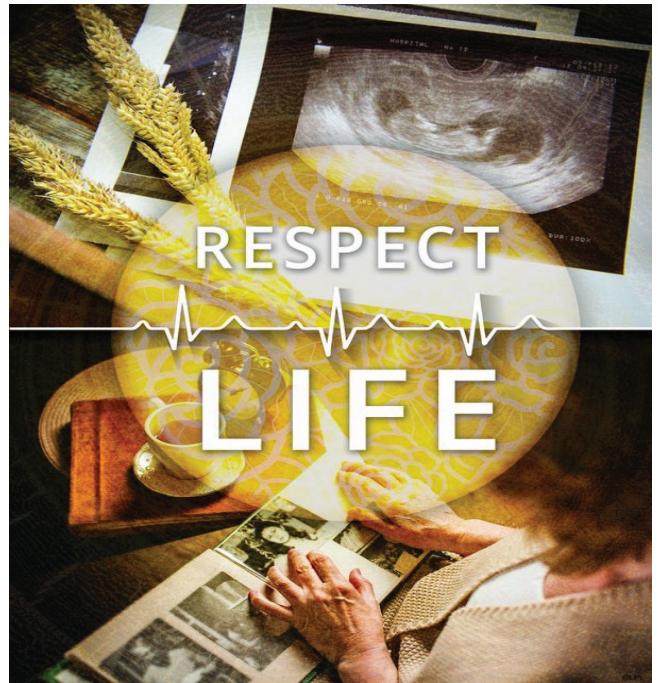
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"What Wondrous Love Is This" holds significant historical importance as a hymn deeply rooted in American religious and cultural heritage. It emerged in the 19th century as part of the shape-note singing tradition, which played a pivotal role in shaping American sacred music. This hymn was featured prominently in early hymnals and songbooks used by various Christian denominations, contributing to the development of a distinct American hymnody. "What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul!" - This line reflects the wonder of God's love, John 3:16, which speaks of God's love for the world.



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Join us for the recitation of the Rosary every  
Sunday after the 10:00 AM Mass for the  
month of October.

# Our Parish Family



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

**The Pugliese Family**  
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**Alfie**

**The Lahoda Family**  
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## Prayer

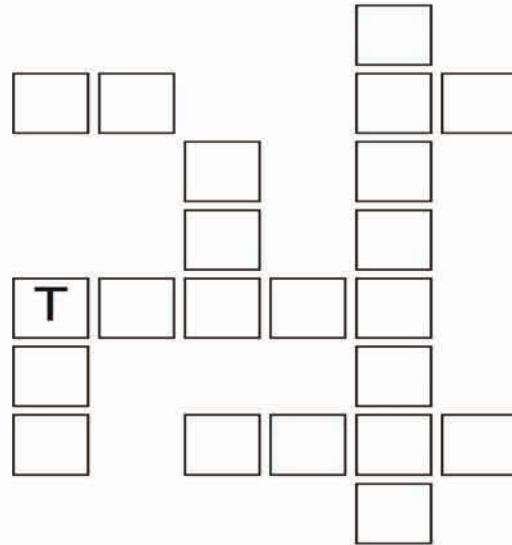
God, I want to show you that I love you.

## Mission for the Week

Show kindness to a friend. Help someone pick up a mess they made, just because you love Jesus.

Fit this Gospel message into the empty squares:

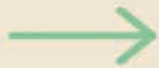
Go and work today in the vineyard.



## Sharing the Gospel

Maybe you have heard that actions speak louder than words. It means that the things you do are more important than the things you say. Show kindness to others. Trust God. He wants what is best for you, so find out how to work for God. Then do what he asks.

## Now color the picture!



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2023 | 26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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**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](mailto: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.



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10:00 AM Mass	\$1,310.00	125 People
11:30 AM Mass	\$1,196.00	126 People
Online Giving	\$1,734.00	
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$6,323.00</b>	
Second Collection		
Good Samaritan Ministry		\$1,328.00

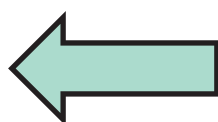
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## SECOND COLLECTIONS



October 8, 2023  
Diocesan Assessment

October 15, 2023  
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# ANNUAL CATHOLIC Appeal 2023

DIOCESE of TRENTON



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2023 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

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

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

Total ACA Goal is  
**\$6.5 Million**

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## ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

### Parish Update

As of September 25, 2023

Pledged: **\$40,216.00**      101% of Goal

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