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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Evening: 4:30 PM

Sunday: 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM and 11:00 AM

Daily: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday 8:00 AM
Wednesday 7:00 PM.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

First Fridays: 3:00 PM – 7:00 PM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays: 3:30 PM – 4:00 PM

Wednesdays: 6:30 PM – 7:00 PM or by appointment.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

For registered and practicing parishioners (weekly attendance at Mass) by arrangement with Father Chester. Preparation classes are held 7:00 PM on the third Thursday each month. Please call to register.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Engaged parishioners are requested to make arrangements with Father Chester at least one year in advance.

CARE OF THE SICK

Please notify the Parish Office for a visit for a homebound or ill individual. Call for a prayer intention to be included in the bulletin and/or weekly intentions. Please notify us when someone is hospitalized.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP AND REGISTRATION

Every family should be registered properly. Registration is necessary to qualify for the Religious Education Program and the reception of the Sacraments.

Certificates of eligibility for sponsorship for Baptism or Confirmation will be given only to active (weekly Mass attendance) registered parishioners.

PARISH MINISTRIES AND ORGANIZATIONS

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John-Joseph Bober 713-9707

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Cecile Sabatino 256-2085

Readers

Robert Preston 510-2712

Audio/Visual

Ken Mandoli
735-2879

Prayer Shawl

Donna Mustillo
237-0211

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735-4024

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391-0857

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623-0345

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268-2910

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Denise Botto
996-6760

Rosary Society

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894-8923

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730-9384

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735-9511

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996-3226

SCRIP Program

Jennifer Perna
208-0472

Family Mass

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Sandra Kopka
735-8759

Family Promise

Mary Jo Haggerty
892-3513

Stewardship

Lori Young
713-1997

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735-6020

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797-4607

Knights of Columbus

Michael J. Iannozzi
328-6605

Veterans Military Apostolate

Parish Office
735-4024

Monthly Eucharistic Adoration

Mary Kauza/Jane Ricketts
735-4582 782-6216

Website

Ed Schilke
713-4914

Parish Landscape

Kevin Cahill
730-9384

Wedding Coordinator

Ellen McCarthy
735-2028

Parish Pastoral Council

Denise Botto
996-6760

Welcome

Carol Rocha
996-7612

Parish Picnic

Patti Longordo
735-6495

Weekly Schedule

SATURDAY, JANUARY 23RD

4:30 PM MASS

SUNDAY, JANUARY 24TH

8:00 AM MASS

9:30 AM MASS

11:00 AM MASS

MONDAY, JANUARY 25TH

8:00 AM MASS

TUESDAY, JANUARY 26TH

8:00 AM MASS

7:00 PM **KNIGHTS SOCIAL MTG & DEVOTION**

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 27TH

6:30 PM **RECONCILIATION**

7:00 PM MASS

THURSDAY, JANUARY 28TH

8:00 AM MASS

7:00 PM **PARENTS 1ST EUCHARIST MTG**

FRIDAY, JANUARY 29TH

8:00 AM MASS

SATURDAY, JANUARY 30TH

4:30 PM MASS

SUNDAY, JANUARY 31ST

8:00 AM MASS

9:30 AM **FAMILY MASS**

11:00 AM MASS

Readings for the week of January 24, 2021

Sunday: Jon 3:1-5, 10/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [4a]/1 Cor 7:29-31/Mk 1:14-20
 Monday: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Ps 117:1bc, 2 [Mk 16:15]/Mk 16:15-18
 Tuesday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8a, 10 [3]/Mk 3:31-35
 Wednesday: Heb 10:11-18/Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4 [4b]/Mk 4:1-20
 Thursday: Heb 10:19-25/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 [cf. 6]/Mk 4:21-25
 Friday: Heb 10:32-39/Ps 37:3-4, 5-6, 23-24, 39-40 [39a]/Mk 4:26-34
 Saturday: Heb 11:1-2, 8-19/Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75 [cf. 68]/Mk 4:35-41
 Next Sunday: Dt 18:15-20/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9 [8]/1 Cor 7:32-35/Mk 1:21-28

Observances for the week of January 24, 2021

Monday: The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle
 Tuesday: Sts. Timothy and Titus, Bishops
 Wednesday: St. Angela Merici, Virgin
 Thursday: St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church
 Saturday: BVM
 Next Sunday: 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Catholic Schools Week

**CATHOLIC SCHOOL 2021-2022
TUITION ASSISTANCE**

ONLINE APPLICATION PROCESS OPEN

Families interested in applying for tuition assistance to attend an eligible Diocese of Metuchen elementary or high school may apply online now through FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment at <https://online.factsmgt.com/aid>. Online applications must be completed (including all required documentation) by no later than March 31, 2021. Applications are available in English and Spanish.

Families that need assistance completing the online application or need access to a computer to apply should contact their school.

Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

Heavenly Father and maker of all,
You adorn all creation with
splendor and beauty, and fashion
human lives in your image and likeness.
Awaken in every heart reverence for the
work of your hands, and renew
among your people a readiness to
nurture and sustain Your precious gift of life.

Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ,
your Son who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

St. Catherine's Family Mass

Calling ALL St. Catherine Families...

Family Mass will be resuming. Unfortunately, because of COVID, our youngsters will not be able to altar serve, bring up the gifts, usher, read, or play music, but it will be a time to come together as a family and pray.



Join us January 31st at 9:30AM to show our family strength in support of our faith.



Come Pray a Rosary for Life

(In solidarity with those at the March for Life in Washington, DC and across the country)

When: Friday, January 29, 2021 at 1 pm

Where: Main Street, Woodbridge

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You are asked to park and meet in the
St. James Parish parking lot at 12:45 pm
(369 Amboy Ave, Woodbridge, NJ)

There is a 12:10 pm daily Mass at St. James for those who wish to attend.

For more information, contact amarshall@diometuchen.org

Face coverings and social distancing are required.



Scout Sunday Mass Celebration



St. Catherine of Siena welcomes all Scouts (Boys, Girls, Cubs, and Brownies) to wear their uniforms at the 9:30AM mass on February 7, 2021 to celebrate Scout Sunday.

Due to COVID please contact Jim Kieran videojim@hotmail.com to sign up for assignments. Please bring the kids 10-15 early to ensure space.

Do Catholics always need to receive communion in wafer form, or can it be different kinds of bread?



Answer:

In the Roman Rite of the Catholic Church, the most common form for the eucharistic bread is the small white communion “wafer” that is a ubiquitous part of the Catholic Mass. The instructions of the Church have been very specific regarding the make-up of the bread used in the Mass: “The bread used in the celebration of the Most Holy Eucharistic Sacrifice must be unleavened, purely of wheat, and recently made ... it follows therefore that bread made from another substance, even if it is grain, or if it is mixed with another substance different from wheat to such an extent that it would not commonly be considered wheat bread, does not constitute valid matter for confecting the Sacrifice and the Eucharistic Sacrament” (see Redemptionis Sacramentum by the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments, no. 48). The Church’s tradition of using a wheat-based bread is based on the bread that Jesus would have used at the Last Supper and is considered to be an essential part of the “matter” of the Sacrament of the Eucharist.

As we consider the question of whether a “wafer” — which is properly called a “host” — should be used, we also must keep in mind that in the Eastern Rites of the Catholic Church, leavened (i.e. “raised”) bread is more often used. And so, while the thin, white “wafer” is most commonly used in the Roman Rite of the Church, the full expression of the Catholic tradition does allow for a more substantial form of bread to be used, but the tradition of using a simple wheat bread with no other additions or additives is considered essential. ©LPi

Knights of Columbus VALENTINE'S RAFFLE

The Knights of Columbus are running an annual 50/50 raffle. The winning tickets will be drawn on Feb 14th after the 11am Mass. There are 3 prizes 25%, 15% and 10% of the total net proceeds.

#19217 Knights of Columbus, 50/50 Raffle
 Drawing on Feb 14, 2021
 Tickets on Feb 14, 2021
 25% of proceeds collected from ticket sales
 15% of proceeds collected from ticket sales
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 To support our blood banks in our Church and Community.

All proceeds support Charity in the St Catherine's Community.

Tickets will be sold, outside, after all masses or see any Knight for tickets.

2021 Immaculate Conception School Open House

Immaculate Conception School in Annandale is inviting you to tour the school during our Catholic Schools Week Open House on Sunday, January 31st from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Each family will be offered a private tour of all school facilities and will be able to meet the teachers, the principal, Mrs. Fortunato, and parent representatives. You will be able to hear details about our educational program, get all of your questions answered, and receive registration information for the 2021-2022 school year. Please RSVP for a specific time window at www.icsannandale.org so that we can ensure social distancing.

Immaculate Conception School, the only Catholic School in Hunterdon County, offers an exceptional educational program within a supportive, faith-filled community for students aged two through 8th grade. ICS is proud of how they have safely offered engaging, in-person instruction this year five days per week. With a growing enrollment, we invite you, too, to discover the ICS difference!

To learn more visit our website (www.icsannandale.org) or call 908-735-6334.



Mass Intentions

Saturday: January 23, 2021

4:30 PM Jennifer Perna Birthday Blessings
r/o The Family

Sunday: January 24, 2021

8:00 AM Madeline Ayres
r/o The Potempa Family

9:30 AM Walter Quense
r/o The Quick Family

11:00 AM The Parishioners of St. Catherine

Monday: January 25, 2021

8:00 AM Dennis Tomsy Birthday Blessings

Tuesday: January 26, 2021

8:00 AM Thomas Higgins
r/o The Munro Family

Wednesday: January 27, 2021

7:00 PM Jennifer Perna Birthday Blessings

Thursday: January 28, 2021

8:00 AM Michael & Antonia Schelmay
r/o Dennis Tomsy

Friday: January 29, 2021

8:00 AM Frank Vodraska
r/o Ruth Ann & Joe Jamicky

Saturday: January 30, 2021

4:30 PM The Parishioners of St. Catherine

Sunday: January 31, 2021

8:00 AM Anthony & Leila Piotowski
r/o The Piotowski Family

9:30 AM Penny Ann Crevoiserat
r/o The Alberdi Family

11:00 AM John Opeikun
r/o The Tuozzolo Family

From the Pastor's Desk

Respect Life Sunday

January 22, 2021 marked the 48th anniversary of Roe V Wade, the U.S. Supreme Court's decision that legalized abortion. Since 1970, there have been over 50,000,000 abortions in the United States.

I wonder how many of those children would have grown up to be doctors, priests, teachers ... Would one of those children have been the scientist to cure Alzheimer's disease, diabetes or cancer? Blessed Mother Theresa of Calcutta said that: "Probably the scientist who would have cured AIDS was killed through abortion."

What a tragic time we live in. The reality is that most abortions are not performed to save the mother's life as they would have us believe, but abortion used as a form of contraception. It is the attitude that "If I get pregnant, I can always terminate it."

Let us pray to the Lord for deliverance from this horrible scourge that is killing so many children, but also destroying the lives of their mothers, who are faced with their misguided decision.

God bless you all

Fr. Chester



Stewardship



The collection for January 17th was \$3,383.00 (94 envelopes) for general collection, and \$962.00 (41 envelopes) for the Foundation for Catholic Education.



On-Line Giving for January 17th was \$3,171.00 (124 donors).

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