

St. Catherine of Siena Church

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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 Friday: 3:00 PM – 7:00 PM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 3:30 PM – 4:00 PM
Wednesday: 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 at 7:00 PM on the third Thursday of 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.

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730-9384

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996-6760

Parish Picnic

Debbie Fass
730-7303

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237-0211

Printable Materials

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391-0857

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510-2712

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)

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268-2910

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894-8923

Sanctuary Guild

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735-9511

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208-0472

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477-0105

Doreen Opeikun
507-6752

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713-1997

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797-4607

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Parish Office
735-4024

Website

Ed Schilke
713-4914

Wedding Coordinator

Ellen McCarthy
735-2028

Welcome

Carol Rocha
996-7612

Weekly Schedule

SATURDAY, JUNE 26TH

3:30 PM — 4:00 PM RECONCILIATION

4:30 PM MASS

SUNDAY, JUNE 27TH

8:00 AM MASS

9:30 AM MASS

11:00 AM MASS

AFTER 11:00 AM MASS ALTAR SERVER TRAINING IN CHURCH

MONDAY, JUNE 28TH

8:00 AM MASS

6:30 PM KNIGHTS ASSEMBLY MEETING

TUESDAY, JUNE 29TH

8:00 AM MASS

1:00 PM PRAYER SHAWL MEETING

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 30TH

6:30 PM — 7:00 PM RECONCILIATION

7:00 PM MASS

THURSDAY, JULY 1ST

8:00 AM MASS

3:00 PM WEDDING REHEARSAL

6:00 PM WEDDING REHEARSAL

FRIDAY, JULY 2ND

8:00 AM MASS

4:30 PM RUFINO/LUMIA WEDDING

SATURDAY, JULY 3RD

1:30 PM KUBIAN/CONNOLLY WEDDING

3:30 PM — 4:00 PM RECONCILIATION

4:30 PM MASS

SUNDAY, JULY 4TH

8:00 AM MASS

9:30 AM MASS

11:00 AM MASS





NO ADORATION

July 2nd because of

4th of July weekend

Please join us next

month,

August 6th

Readings for the week of June 27, 2021

Sunday: Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11, 12, 13 [2a]/2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15/
Mk 5:21-43 or 5:21-24, 35b-43

Monday: Gn 18:16-33/Ps 103:1b-2, 3-4, 8-9, 10-11 [8a]/Mt 8:18-22

Tuesday: *Vigil:* Acts 3:1-10/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 [5]/
Gal 1:11-20/Jn 21:15-19
Day: Acts 12:1-11/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [5]/2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18/Mt 16:13-19

Wednesday: Gn 21:5, 8-20a/Ps 34:7-8, 10-11, 12-13 [7a]/Mt 8:28-34

Thursday: Gn 22:1b-19/Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 [9]/
Mt 9:1-8

Friday: Gn 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67/Ps 106:1b-2, 3-4a, 4b-5 [1b]/Mt 9:9-13

Saturday: Eph 2:19-22/Ps 117:1bc, 2 [Mk 16:15]/
Jn 20:24-29

Next Sunday: Ez 2:2-5/Ps 123:1-2, 2, 3-4 [2cd]/2 Cor 12:7-10/Mk 6:1-6a

Observances for the week of June 27, 2021

Sunday: 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: St. Irenaeus, Bishop and Martyr

Tuesday: Sts. Peter and Paul, Apostles

Wednesday: The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church

Thursday: St. Junipero Serra, Priest

Saturday: St. Thomas, Apostle

Next Sunday: 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Independence Day

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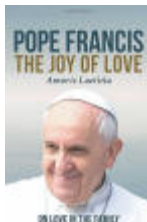
The Joy of Love & Family Conference

The Diocese of Metuchen, in collaboration with the other four Roman Catholic Arch/Dioceses in New Jersey, will sponsor "The Joy of Love & Family," a conference series in celebration of the Year of the Family as declared by Pope Francis.

Beginning on June 24, the series of free talks will premiere over six months, covering topics for every stage of family life.

More information, including the full speaker line up and talk titles, is available on www.lightingheartsonfire.org, where you can also sign up to receive notifications.

Stay tuned to diocesan social media pages @diocesemetuchen for continued updates!



Spiritual Links to Prayers and Daily Devotions

The Catholic Crusade

www.thecatholiccrusade.com

Daily Rosary Meditations

www.schooloffaith.com

Daily Gospel Reflection

www.faith.nd.edu

Pray More Novenas

www.praymorenovenas.com

United States Conference of Catholic Bishops

www.bible.usccb.org

"Explaining the Faith" — Father Chris Alar, MIC from National Shrine of the Divine Mercy, Stockbridge, MA

www.thedivinemercy.org/articles/explaining-faith

Volunteer to Make Pocket Rosaries for Law Enforcement



The Office of Family Life is pleased to announce the creation of the Blue Rosary Guild. The purpose of the Guild is for community members of all ages to make pocket Rosaries for law enforcement officers, providing them with support and spiritual strength and promoting devotion to the Rosary among all the faithful. All materials and instructions will be provided and a Zoom virtual tutorial will also be scheduled. Anyone interested should contact:

Cristina D'Averso Collins,
Director of the Office of Family Life at
cdaverso@diometuchen.org.

As we celebrate the Year "Amoris Laetitia Family,"

the diocesan Office of Communications and Public Relations is compiling a digital family photo album.



We invite you to share a photo of your family – a photo of your domestic church by which our local Church of Metuchen is constantly enriched.

Please consider sharing your family's photo with us by sending your photo to:
communications@diometuchen.org

so we can together bear witness to the love of God through our "family of families."



Ministry Leaders, Doreen Opeikun and Dawn Salerno, are looking for volunteers to help with the Social Concerns Ministry.

Volunteers would help make food when needed, possibly pick up meds from a pharmacy, and light grocery shop.

**Please RSVP to
Doreen Opeikun at (908) 507-6752 or
doreenop@gmail.com
Dawn Salerno (908) 477-0105**



Faith Formation 2021 – 2022

Religious education will resume this September. The parent handbook and registration forms are on our parish website.

We are in need of **Catechists** and **volunteers** in order for our program to be successful. Please consider participating in passing our Catholic faith onto our youth who are the future of our church.

Training available for catechists. If interested, please contact:

**Sandra Kopka PCL
(908) 735-5086
stcscre@gmail.com**



PROTECT OUR PLANET by Caring for God's Creation Eat those leftovers!

Be a good steward to the Earth – **CONSUME THE FOOD YOU PURCHASE!**

The average American throws away 25% of the food that is bought. This is a waste of money and is harmful to the environment because producing food takes land, water, and energy.

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Ask the Legislature to Increase Nonpublic School Accounts in FY 2022 Budget

Governor Murphy announced his proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2022 on February 23, 2021. The Budget process is now in the hands of the Legislature. We are asking the Legislature for increases in the per-pupil amounts for the nonpublic transportation ceiling and the Nonpublic School Technology Initiative. Specifically, we are asking for the nonpublic school transportation ceiling to be raised to \$1,150.00 and for the per-pupil amount for nonpublic school technology to be increased to \$45.00.

For more information, visit:
<https://njcatholic.org/faith-in-action>

**Shrine Chapel of the Blessed Sacrament
52 West Somerset St., Raritan, NJ 08869**



ADORERS URGENTLY NEEDED AT THE SHRINE

Weekly Adoration
Monday – Friday 10 AM – 4 PM

Can you give 1 hour to be with our Lord?

Please Call (973) 722-1489 or email
Blessedsacramentshrine@blessedsacramentshrine.org

St. Catherine of Siena Parish Picnic 2021

Sunday, September 26th

(Rain or Shine)

Our picnic committees are in need of several more volunteers. There will be sign-up sheets downstairs in the kitchen area beginning, Saturday, June 26th after all the weekend Masses and continuing through July 4th.

Please find an area which might interest you to volunteer. There are many opportunities to help and we greatly appreciate it.

If you would like to chair one of our committees, please contact Debbie Fass (973) 222-8100.

Look for future sign-up sheets for hot/cold foods, specialty items, and desserts.

Tickets will be available starting August 7th after all the Masses and continuing through Saturday, September 25th.

Tickets will also be available at our main entryway to the picnic grounds on the day of the picnic. **YOU WON'T MISS IT – IT'S GOING TO BE A SPECIAL CARNIVAL TENT!!**



WE WANT YOU!

Mass Intentions

Saturday: June 26, 2021

4:30 PM Mary Sax
r/o Dan Dawson

Sunday: June 27, 2021

8:00 AM Michael P. Mitariten
r/o The Mitariten Family

9:30 AM Richard & Lucille Sullivan
r/o The Quick Family

11:00 AM The Parishioners of St. Catherine's

Monday: June 28, 2021

8:00 AM Frances Rampino
r/o The Mitariten Family

Tuesday: June 29, 2021

8:00 AM Mary Schofield
r/o Bob & Dori Schofield

Wednesday: June 30, 2021

7:00 PM Theodore Rocca
r/o Margaret Rocca

Thursday: July 1, 2021

8:00 AM Josefina Rodriguez Halili
r/o Mercia Spinks

Friday: July 2, 2021

8:00 AM Glenn Ricketts Sr.
r/o The Ricketts Family

Saturday: July 3, 2021

4:30 PM Protection of Babies in the Womb &
Their Families

Sunday: July 4, 2021

8:00 AM Jose Matos
r/o The Koretzky and Matos
Family

9:30 AM The Parishioners of St. Catherine's

11:00 AM For Our Country

From the Pastor's Desk Dress Code

In a few weeks many of us will have an opportunity to take a break from school or work and make time for leisure activities. As we continue to make time for leisure activities and travel, we are strongly encouraged to keep our focus on God. We are reminded that the time for Mass and prayer should be included in our plans.

When attending Mass, especially during the summer months, we are asked to exercise prudence and judgment in how we act and in what we wear. Each year our Church leaders strive to remind the faithful of the need to dress modestly at Mass since we are in the presence of God. Our Catechism states that "...modesty guides how we look at others and behave toward them in conformity with the dignity of persons and their solidarity." It also states that modesty "...inspires one's choice in clothing." Certain summer apparel which may be appropriate for an informal meal or a picnic may not be appropriate for Mass.

In an article, "Dressing for Church," written by Abbot Tryphon from Washington, stated, "The church is our home, a place where we should feel comfortable and at ease. It is also God's house and is a temple set aside for worship. Our way of dressing for the church should reflect our desire to offer out very best to Christ."

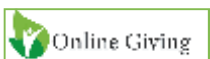
He also stated, "Both men and women should avoid wearing clothing that can be distracting to other worshipers. Jesus should be the focus of our worship, not our personal outfits. The Mass is not the place to show off the latest fashion, nor the result of the fitness center."

As we reflect on these words of wisdom, we are invited to dress appropriately for Mass and keep our focus on the Lord as we enjoy this time of leisure.

Fr. Chester



The collection for June 20th was \$3,960.00 (96 envelopes) for the general collection.



On-Line Giving for June 20th was \$3,714.50 (104 donors).

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