

# St. Catherine of Siena Church

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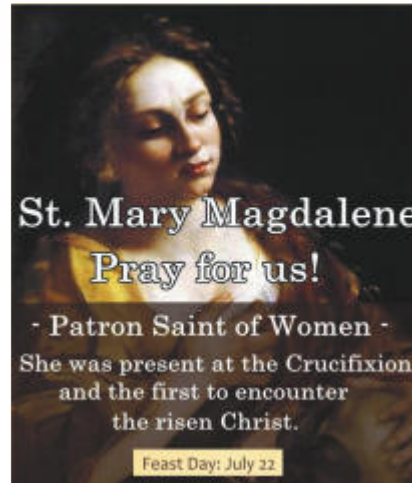
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## MASS SCHEDULE

**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.

# ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA, PITTSTOWN, NJ

## PARISH MINISTRIES AND ORGANIZATIONS

### Altar Servers

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stcathfamilymass@gmail.com

### Family Promise

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892-3513

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328-6605

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996-6760

### Parish Picnic

Debbie Fass  
730-7303

### Prayer Shawl

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### Printable Materials

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391-0857

### Readers

Robert Preston  
510-2712

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### Rosary Society

Jane Ricketts  
782-6216

### Sanctuary Guild

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735-9511

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208-0472

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Doreen Opeikun  
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713-1997

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735-4024

### Website

Ed Schilke  
713-4914

### Wedding Coordinator

Ellen McCarthy  
735-2028

### Welcome

Carol Rocha  
996-7612

## Weekly Schedule

### SATURDAY, JULY 17TH

3:30 PM — 4:00 PM RECONCILIATION

4:30 PM MASS

### SUNDAY, JULY 18TH

8:00 AM MASS

9:30 AM MASS

11:00 AM MASS

### MONDAY, JULY 19TH

8:00 AM MASS

### TUESDAY, JULY 20TH

8:00 AM MASS

1:00 PM PRAYER SHAWL MEETING

3:30 PM STEWARDSHIP MEETING

### WEDNESDAY, JULY 21ST

6:30 PM — 7:00 PM RECONCILIATION

7:00 PM MASS

### THURSDAY, JULY 22ND

8:00 AM MASS

### FRIDAY, JULY 23RD

8:00 AM MASS

### SATURDAY, JULY 24TH — AFTER MASS, BLESSING OF THE CARS

12:00 PM MAEVE CATHERINE REID BAPTISM

3:30 PM — 4:00 PM RECONCILIATION

4:30 PM MASS

### SUNDAY, JULY 25TH — AFTER MASSES, BLESSING OF THE CARS

8:00 AM MASS

9:30 AM MASS

11:00 AM MASS



To pray the Chaplet of St. Mary Magdalene go to:  
<https://www.thecatholiccrusade.com/chaplet-of-st-mary-magdalene.html>

**Readings for the week of July 18, 2021**

Sunday: Jer 23:1-6/Ps 23:1-3, 3-4, 5, 6 [1]/Eph 2:13-18/Mk 6:30-34  
Monday: Ex 14:5-18/Ex 15:1bc,-2, 3-4, 5-6 [1b]/Mt 12:38-42  
Tuesday: Ex 14:21—15:1/Ex 15:8-9, 10 and 12, 17 [1b]/Mt 12:46-50  
Wednesday: Ex 16:1-5, 9-15/Ps 78:18-19, 23-24, 25-26, 27-28 [24b]/Mt 13:1-9  
Thursday: Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 [2]/Jn 20:1-2, 11-18  
Friday: Ex 20:1-17/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [cf. Jn 6:68c]/Mt 13:18-23  
Saturday: Ex 24:3-8/Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15 [14a]/Mt 13:24-30  
Next Sunday: 2 Kgs 4:42-44/Ps 145:10-11, 15-16, 17-18 [cf. 16]/Eph 4:1-6/Jn 6:1-15

**Observances for the week of July 18, 2021**

Sunday: 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Tuesday: St. Apollinaris, Bishop and Martyr  
Wednesday: St. Lawrence of Brindisi, Priest and Doctor of the Church  
Thursday: St. Mary Magdalene  
Friday: St. Bridget, Religious  
Saturday: St. Sharbel Makhlūf, Priest; BVM  
Next Sunday: 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time (c)LPI

**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](http://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](http://www.thecatholiccrusade.com)

Daily Rosary Meditations

[www.schooloffaith.com](http://www.schooloffaith.com)

Daily Gospel Reflection

[www.faith.nd.edu](http://www.faith.nd.edu)

Pray More Novenas

[www.praymorenovenas.com](http://www.praymorenovenas.com)

United States Conference of Catholic Bishops

[www.bible.usccb.org](http://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](http://www.thedivinemercy.org/articles/explaining-faith)



**The Church dedicates  
the month of July  
to honor the  
Precious Blood of Jesus**

Litany of the  
**Precious Blood of Jesus**

To pray this litany go to:

<https://www.thecatholiccrusade.com/litany-of-the-precious-blood-of-jesus.html>

**YOUTH GROUP**

**Calling all 8th — 12th graders!**

Join fellow young people from St. Catherine’s on Saturday, July 31st from 10:30 AM — 12:30 PM at the Flemington Food Pantry.

Volunteers are needed for their outdoor farmer’s market. Let’s serve others and have fun doing it!

Please call or text Jen Beylickjian for more details and to register: (202) 494-4840.





**The Winners of the 2021 Knight of Columbus Good Samaritan Essay Are:**

8th Grade Boy Scholarship of \$250.00  
Bryce Hollyer

8th Grade Girl Scholarship of \$250.00  
No Applicants

12th Grade Boy Scholarship of \$1000.00 was a tie.  
Hunter Iannozzi \$500.00  
Victor Romanek \$500.00

12th Grade Girl Scholarship of \$1000.00  
Norah O'Rourke

**Family of The Year Is:**

Robert and Ann Preston

Rob is on the Parish Council and together with his wife, Ann, are the marriage preparation coordinators. Rob is also a Reader and Extraordinary Minister of Eucharist at Mass.

**The Eagle Scout Award—Troop 108 Is:**

Victor Romanek

Thank you to everyone who submitted essays.

*Stewardship Scripture Reflections*

**July 18, 2021 - 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Stewardship reflection**

“He said to them, “Come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while.” MARK 6:31

Do you spend time, every day, alone and in silence listening to how God is calling you? If not, you are missing out on a wonderful opportunity to develop a more personal relationship with Him. Unless we talk and more importantly, listen to God every day, how else will we know how He is calling us? Consider making a retreat this year, spend some “alone” time with God.



**St. Catherine of Siena Parish  
Picnic/Game Carnival 2021  
Sunday, September 26<sup>th</sup>**



Our picnic committees are in need of several more volunteers. There are sign-up sheets in the kitchen area. Please find an area that might interest you to volunteer. There are many opportunities to help and we would greatly appreciate it.

Please sign-up, as soon as possible, so we may get a plan together. If you would like to chair one of our committees or supervise the games with our student assistants, please contact Debbie Fass (cell) 973-222-8100.

Our religious education students WILL earn service hours for volunteering. We especially need your help assisting us with our many carnival games. We would also need students to assist any of our parishioners who may need help at the picnic.

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

Tickets will be available starting on August 7<sup>th</sup> at the 4:30 PM Mass and continuing at all Masses through Saturday, September 25<sup>th</sup>. 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!**



***St. Catherine's Family Mass***

Calling ALL St. Catherine's Families...

Come celebrate "FAMILY MASS" on the last Sunday of every month at 9:30 AM, where youngsters serve as contemporary musicians, altar servers, ushers, readers, and offertory helpers.

Join us on July 25<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 AM for our next Family Mass.

Please contact us at [stcathfamilymass@gmail.com](mailto:stcathfamilymass@gmail.com) to volunteer at any Family Mass.



# Mass Intentions

**Saturday: July 17, 2021**

4:30 PM Olympia Pazdrey  
r/o Dennis Tomsky

**Sunday: July 18, 2021**

8:00 AM The Parishioners of St. Catherine's

9:30 AM Veronica April  
r/o Joseph April

11:00 AM Carmen Antonelle  
r/o The Pasculli Family

**Monday: July 19, 2021**

8:00 AM Carey Kopf Birthday Blessings

**Tuesday: July 20, 2021**

8:00 AM Carol Muir  
r/o St. Catherine Knights of  
Columbus

**Wednesday: July 21, 2021**

7:00 PM Hedwig Post  
r/o The Quick Family

**Thursday: July 22, 2021**

8:00 AM Lori Young Birthday Blessings

**Friday: July 23, 2021**

8:00 AM Adelin & Earl Morgan  
r/o The Morgan Family

**Saturday: July 24, 2021**

4:30 PM Albert Zrebiec  
r/o The Baker Family

**Sunday: July 25, 2021**

8:00 AM Edward Padfield  
r/o Mr. & Mrs. Stanislawczyk

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

11:00 AM Paul Muir Sr.  
r/o The Paulmeno Family

## *From the Pastor's Desk*

### *Return to Mass*

Many of us have friends, relatives, siblings, co-workers, or neighbors who are Catholic but who do not come to Mass on a regular basis. They may fall away from the active practice of the faith for a time but some eventually come back and begin participating in the life of the Church. As disciples, we are challenged to assist those who are considering a return to the Church. They need our guidance; they need our support; they need our encouragement; they need our prayers.

There are many reasons that influence the decision of people to return to the practice of the Catholic faith. Some return because they have acknowledged mistakes and seek forgiveness and spiritual healing. Some return because they want their children to have a sound spiritual and moral foundation. Some return because they want to be part of a faith community and to have a sense of belonging. Some return because they truly want to help others and realize that the Catholic Church offers many opportunities to touch the lives of others. Some return because they believe that the Catholic Church has the fullness of truth and grace. Many return because they feel an intense longing for the opportunity to encounter Christ in the Eucharist. They yearn for the spiritual nourishment that comes when they receive the Body and Blood of Christ. The Eucharist is the number one reason people return to the Church. They have come to realize and appreciate the value and importance of attending Mass.

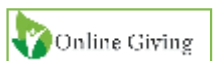
*Our Sunday Visitor* has provided some good reasons to go to Mass. It stated, "God asks us to set aside one day to refocus physically, mentally, and spiritually. We live in a secular world. Going to Mass helps us to see everything from a different perspective." It also stated, "At every Mass, we have the opportunity to stand up and proclaim what we believe publicly. We admit that we believe in God, in Jesus, in the Holy Spirit, in the Catholic Church, in the communion of saints, in the forgiveness of sins, and in life after death. It is a powerful statement of allegiance and an opportunity to recommit ourselves." The publication also reminds us that, "We are strengthened by the Eucharist and sent out into the world to bring the Gospel message to all people. The Mass gives meaning and purpose to our lives."

As we reflect on these words, we are challenged to reach out to our loved ones during these summer months and invite them to Mass. We are also reminded to truly give thanks to the Lord for the gift of the Mass, the gift of the Eucharist, and the gift of our faith.

Fr. Chester



The collections for July 4th were \$3,770.00 (92 envelopes) for the general collection and \$886.00 (36 envelopes) for our Religious Education. July 11th was \$4,777.00 (109 envelopes) for general collection.



On-Line Giving for July 4th was \$3,307.00 (107 donors) and July 11th was \$2,472.00 (96 donors).

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