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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

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730-9384

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730-7303

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237-0211

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510-2712

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782-6216

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713-1997

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735-4024

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713-4914

### Wedding Coordinator

Ellen McCarthy  
735-2028

### Welcome

Carol Rocha  
996-7612

## Weekly Schedule

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 11TH

3:30 PM — 4:00 PM RECONCILIATION

4:30 PM FAMILY MASS

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 12TH

8:00 AM MASS

8:15 AM — 9:00 AM 2ND GRADE REL ED — CHAPEL

9:30 AM MASS

11:00 AM MASS

7:00 PM — 8:45 PM 8TH GRADE REL ED — CHURCH

### MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 13TH

8:00 AM MASS

7:00 PM PARENT MEETING FOR 1ST & 5TH GRADE REL ED — UNDERCROFT

### TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14TH

8:00 AM MASS

1:00 PM PRAYER SHAWL MEETING — UNDERCROFT

7:00 PM KNIGHTS BUSINESS MTG — UNDERCROFT

### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15TH

6:30 PM — 7:00 PM RECONCILIATION

7:00 PM MASS

6:30 PM — 8:00 PM 3RD & 4TH GRADE REL ED — CHURCH

### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 16TH

8:00 AM MASS

### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 17TH

8:00 AM MASS

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 18TH

3:30 PM — 4:00 PM RECONCILIATION

4:30 PM FAMILY MASS

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 19TH

8:00 AM MASS

8:15 AM — 9:00 AM 2ND GRADE REL ED — CHAPEL

9:30 AM MASS

11:00 AM MASS

7:00 PM — 8:45 PM 8TH GRADE REL ED — CHURCH



**Readings for the week of September 12, 2021**

Sunday: Is 50:5-9a/Ps 116:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 [9]/  
Jas 2:14-18/Mk 8:27-35

Monday: 1 Tm 2:1-8/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17 [1Cor  
11:26b]/Lk 7:1-10

Tuesday: Nm 21:4b-9/Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38  
[cf. 7b]/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17

Wednesday: 1 Tm 3:14-16/Ps 111:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [2]/Jn  
19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35

Thursday: 1 Tm 4:12-16/Ps 111:7-8, 9, 10 [2]/  
Lk 7:36-50

Friday: 1 Tm 6:2c-12/Ps 49:6-7, 8-10, 17-18,  
19-20/Lk 8:1-3

Saturday: 1 Tm 6:13-16/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5 [2]/  
Lk 8:4-15

Next Sunday: Wis 2:12, 17-20/Ps 54:3-4, 5, 6-8 [6b]/  
Jas 3:16—4:3/Mk 9:30-37

**Observances for the week of September 12, 2021**

Sunday: 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time;  
Grandparents' Day

Monday: St. John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor  
of the Church

Tuesday: The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Wednesday: Our Lady of Sorrows

Thursday: Sts. Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop,  
Martyrs

Friday: St. Robert Bellarmine, Bishop and Doctor  
of the Church

Saturday: BVM (Blessed Virgin Mary)

Next Sunday: 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time;  
Catechetical Sunday

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Our parish offers Online Giving as an electronic tool for contributions so you can give online just like you auto pay your household expenses. Online Giving helps you ensure your offering even if you cannot be here at Mass. Even in times when there are concerns about exposure to disease or spreading of a virus, On-line Giving is a convenient option to continue to support your church and its mission. Whether you are attending weekly Mass at the parish or worshipping at home, your vital support can still happen regardless of where you are.

**Go to ([scoschurch.org](https://www.scoschurch.org)) and click on the Online Giving link, it's quick and easy.  
Or sign up at  
<https://www.osvonlinegiving.com/329>**



*Blue Mass*  
TO HONOR THE WORK OF ALL PUBLIC SAFETY PERSONNEL

**Save the Date!**

**At 10:30 AM on September 29th**

Feast of Ss. Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels  
Bishop James F. Checchio will celebrate the  
19<sup>th</sup> Annual Blue Mass at the  
**Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi in Metuchen**

Gathered together with local, county, state and federal law enforcement officials, we will honor and pray for those law enforcement officials of all faiths, who live and work in the Diocese of Metuchen.

All are welcome to attend. More information will be available in the coming weeks on the diocesan website: [www.diometuchen.org](http://www.diometuchen.org).

**FAITH FORMATION NEWS...**

**September 12<sup>th</sup>, SUNDAY, 8<sup>th</sup> Grade 7:00 PM – 8:45 PM (Meet in the Church).**

**September 13<sup>th</sup>, MONDAY, Parent meeting for 1<sup>st</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grades ONLY! 7:00 PM (Meet in undercroft).**

**September 15<sup>th</sup>, WEDNESDAY, 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> Grade 6:30 PM – 8:00 PM. Parents of these students will be expected to stay for the 7 PM Mass and a meeting afterwards.**

**NO ENVELOPES???? NO WORRIES...**



If you are a parishioner, drop your check into the offertory basket and you will receive credit. If donating cash, please use the white envelopes at the entrances.

**Scripture Reflections**

**September 12, 2021 - 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

“Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me.” MARK 8:34



Living a stewardship lifestyle means not only being responsible for my own life, but for the lives of others as well. We realize that our gifts are not intended for ourselves, rather they are meant to be shared with others. “Taking up my cross” means doing things when someone else needs me and not when it’s convenient for me.



**ST. CATHERINE'S PICNIC & GAME CARNIVAL**  
September 26th at 12:00 PM  
Rain or Shine

This year's gathering will be a time to spend with special friends and new acquaintances. This quality time is long overdue. We also hope it will be a day the children of our parish will remember.

As most of you know, our picnic/carnival is less than a month away. Please don't forget to sign up for the dish you'd like to bring to the picnic and/or volunteer for food setup and food service on the day of the picnic, Sunday, September 26<sup>th</sup> at noon. There are plenty of other areas to volunteer. Please stop by the kitchen area or outside, for ticket sales after all Masses OR sign up.

We will have one last picnic meeting on Thursday, September 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM in the kitchen area.

Feel free to call me, Debbie Fass at (973) 222-8100 if you have any questions or concerns or would like to help in any way. Thank you.



We are saddened to announce the death of

Angela Giambrone, mother of Maria Giambrone who passed away on August 23, 2021



**SCRIP Ministry** is looking for help after weekend Masses to sell ShopRite gift cards and take orders for Shopwithscrip.

If you have a few minutes after Mass to sell SCRIP in the kitchen area, or want to join our ministry or need more information, please call, text or email Jennifer Perna at (908) 208-0472 or SCOSCOOffice@gmail.com



*We would like to welcome  
The Ocha Family  
to St. Catherine of Siena Parish.*

**Marriage Encounter**

With summer winding down, why not treat yourself to a Marriage Encounter Experience?

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Contact Tom & Ruth DeFalco at (732) 904-9636 for an application and information.

Visit us at: [www.wvme.org](http://www.wvme.org) for more information .



**Silver & Gold Wedding Anniversary Celebration**

You are cordially invited to celebrate your 25<sup>th</sup> or 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary with the Church of Metuchen and renew your marriage vows with Bishop James F. Checchio at a special Evening Prayer Service at the Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi in Metuchen on Sunday, October 17, 2021 at 3:30 PM. Couples who celebrated their Silver or Gold anniversary in 2020 are also invited to attend.

Registration is required. Please register online at: <https://www.diometuchen.org/silver-and-gold-anniversary-celebration>.

If you are unable to access, please contact your parish secretary or the Family Life Office at 732-562-1543 or [amarshall@diometuchen.org](mailto:amarshall@diometuchen.org). Registration will close on October 7, 2021. Although no fee is required, in the past many Jubilarian couples have given a donation of gratitude to the Church in memory of this special occasion. Donations of Gratitude may be made online at <https://www.diometuchen.org/donation-silver-and-gold> or calling 732-562-1543.

# Mass Intentions

**Saturday: September 11, 2021**

4:30 PM World Trade Center Victims and Their Families

**Sunday: September 12, 2021**

8:00 AM Cecelia Mauro  
r/o Grace & Stanley Kozal

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

11:00 AM Rev. Paul Viale  
r/o Irene & Paul Morrongiello

**Monday: September 13, 2021**

8:00 AM Brian Erling  
r/o The Erling Family

**Tuesday: September 14, 2021**

8:00 AM Bill Ester  
r/o The Piotrowski Family

**Wednesday: September 15, 2021**

7:00 PM Kathleen Grey  
r/o Diane Corrigan

**Thursday: September 16, 2021**

8:00 AM Lucille Sullivan  
r/o The Quick Family

**Friday: September 17, 2021**

8:00 AM Joseph & Betty Kosinski  
r/o Marlene Kosinski

**Saturday: September 18, 2021**

4:30 PM Margaret Rocca  
r/o Jennifer, David & Boys

**Sunday: September 19, 2021**

8:00 AM John Unorski  
r/o Nancy Unorski

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

11:00 AM John & Catherine Raymonds  
r/o St. Catherine's Parish

*From the Pastor's Desk*

*The Most Holy Name of Mary*

*September 12, 2021*

Mary! A name so lofty, in the regal majesty of its sound and meaning – Mary, Maria, Miriam! It is a name as familiar to us as the name of our Mother, as the bells of the church, as the peaks of the mountains which send their friendly greetings to the valleys below. Mary! A thousand times we have prayed, sung, wept this name, in good and evil days. Millions of women are called by that name and it weaves a golden thread around even the plainest woman. Mary! Holding on to this name, grope the way through the darkness of life and death. It is the rosy dawn heralding the rising sun, Jesus, in the Gospels as well as in the hearts of men.

“The name of Mary,” says Saint Anthony of Padua, “is sweeter to the lips than the honeycomb, more delightful to the ear than a sweet song, more entrancing to the heart than the purest joy.”

“Surely,” says Saint Bernard, “the Mother of God could not have a name more appropriate, nor one more impressive of her high dignity. Mary is in fact the beautiful and brilliant star which shines upon the vast and stormy sea of the world.”

How we should honor this holy name of Mary; we should always invoke Father God, the Son of God, and the Holy Spirit, through His name. Tenderly must Jesus have spoken the name of His Mother. How His Sacred Heart was moved when He was called the Son of Mary.

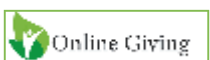
“Mary, how sweetly falls thy name  
On my enraptured ear;  
Oft do I say in holy love  
Thy name when none are near.  
Sing oh, my lips, and loudly proclaim,  
Oh Mary, my Mother, how sweet is thy name.  
Sweet as the warbling of a bird,  
Sweet as a Mother's voice;  
So sweet to me is thy dear name;  
It makes my soul rejoice.  
Bright as the glittering stars appear,  
Bright as the moonbeam's shine,  
So bright in my mind's eye is seen  
Thy loveliness divine!

Never cease to plead with Him through His Mother's holy name; ever call on God the Father for pity and help in the name of His daughter Mary! Pray to the Holy Spirit in the name of His spouse to strengthen, guide and bless us. Mary! Mary! Mary!

Fr. Chester



The collections for September 5th and 12th will be posted in the September 19th bulletin.



On-Line Giving for September 5th & 12th will be posted in the September 19th bulletin.

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