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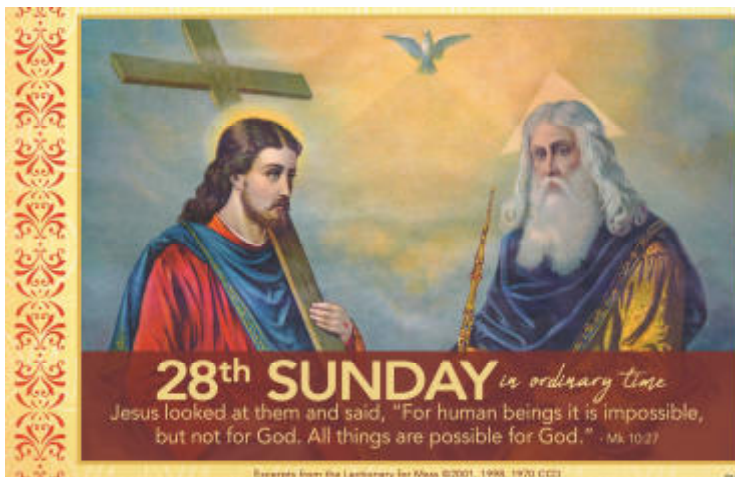
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MASS SCHEDULE

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.

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PARISH MINISTRIES AND ORGANIZATIONS

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256-2085

Parish Picnic

Debbie Fass
730-7303

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237-0211

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735-4024

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797-4607

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730-9384

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713-4914

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Denise Botto
996-6760

Wedding Coordinator

Ellen McCarthy
735-2028

Welcome

Carol Rocha
996-7612

Weekly Schedule

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 9TH

1:30 PM PHILLIPS/LYNESS WEDDING
3:30 PM — 4:00 PM RECONCILIATION
3:45 PM CHILDREN'S CHOIR PRACTICE
4:30 PM FAMILY MASS

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 10TH

8:00 AM MASS
8:00 AM — 9:00 AM 2ND GRADE REL ED — CHAPEL
9:30 AM MASS
11:00 AM MASS
6:30 PM — 8:15 PM 8TH GRADE REL ED — UNDERCROFT

MONDAY, OCTOBER 11TH — OFFICE CLOSED

8:00 AM MASS

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 12TH

8:00 AM MASS
8:30 AM PRIEST GATHERING UNTIL THE EVENING OF OCTOBER 14TH
1:00 PM PRAYER SHAWL MEETING
7:00 PM KNIGHTS BUSINESS MTG

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 13TH — PRIEST GATHERING

6:30 PM — 8:00 PM 6TH & 7TH RELIGIOUS ED — UNDERCROFT
7:00 PM COMMUNION SERVICE ONLY

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 14TH — PRIEST GATHERING

8:00 AM NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 15TH

8:00 AM MASS

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 16TH

11:00 AM WALLACE WEDDING
3:30 PM — 4:00 PM RECONCILIATION
4:30 PM MASS

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 17TH

8:00 AM MASS
9:30 AM MASS
11:00 AM MASS



**Office Closed Monday,
October 11th for
Columbus Day**

Readings for the week of October 10, 2021

Sunday: Wis 7:7-11/Ps 90:12-13, 14-15, 16-17 [14]/Heb 4:12-13/Mk 10:17-30 or 10:17-27

Monday: Rom 1:1-7/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [2a]/Lk 11:29-32

Tuesday: Rom 1:16-25/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 [2a]/Lk 11:37-41

Wednesday: Rom 2:1-11/Ps 62:2-3, 6-7, 9 [13]/Lk 11:42-46

Thursday: Rom 3:21-30/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [7]/Lk 11:47-54

Friday: Rom 4:1-8/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11 [cf. 7]/Lk 12:1-7

Saturday: Rom 4:13, 16-18/Ps 105:6-7, 8-9, 42-43 [8]/Lk 12:8-12

Next Sunday: Is 53:10-11/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22 [22]/Heb 4:14-16/Mk 10:35-45 or 10:42-45

Observances for the week of October 10, 2021

Sunday: 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: St. John XXIII, Pope; Columbus Day

Thursday: St. Callistus I, Pope and Martyr

Friday: St. Teresa of Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church

Saturday: St. Hedwig, Religious; St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, Virgin; BVM

Next Sunday: 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time
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**Mass of Remembrance
Saturday, November 6th—10:00 AM**

A Mass of Remembrance will be held on Saturday, November 6th at 10:00 AM in the Church. Any parishioner who experienced the loss of a loved one between All Souls Day 2020 to October 1, 2021, are welcomed to be a part of this special Mass.



Please phone the Parish Office at 735-4024 with the name of the loved one you would like remembered.

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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2021
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**Due to the Diocesan Annual
Gathering of Priests, we will offer
ONLY a Communion Service this
Wednesday, October 16th**

**Unfortunately, no Mass or Communion
Service for Thursday, October 14th.**

SAVE THE DATE FOR...

**St. Catherine's First
Trunk or Treat**

Sunday, October 31st following
11:00 AM Mass

Seeking volunteers to run this new activity. Help from our High School Parishioners would be greatly appreciated.



To sign-up to be a part of this new activity, please call or email Lori Young at (908) 713-1997 or young20@centurylink.net More information to follow.

ROSARY SOCIETY NEWS

**2021-2022 Schedule for the Monthly
Meeting and Praying the Parish Rosary**

New and returning members will meet at:

Noon on the first Sunday of November, December, January, February, and March, in the church, following the 11 AM Mass

6 PM on the first Tuesday of October, April, May, and June, outside at the Mary Statue or in the Chapel.

**PARISHIONERS please join us to PRAY THE PARISH
ROSARY...**



**at NOON, following the 11 AM Mass, on
the 1st SUNDAY of November, December,
January, February, and March.**



The Knights of Columbus is an international Order of Catholic men who are called to lead with faith, protect our families, serve others and defend Christian values in a busy changing world.

Our local council #15217 will be accepting new members at all Masses the weekend of October 30th. If you become a member of our council, you will find that Knights of Columbus membership brings Catholic men together in a powerful way.

If you would like to join today simply go to KofC.org/joinus and enter our council #15217 for local information.



PICNIC/CARNIVAL THANK YOU

Thank you to ALL who helped make our picnic/carnival such a success. It was a beautiful day, and it was so wonderful to see everyone enjoying being together. Seeing the children enjoying the games and especially the little one's "fishing" in the kiddie pool, was extra special for me. I would especially like to thank our grillers and food servers who spent most of their day making sure we were all fed and happy. We even had a few laughs, for sure, during the show. Thanks to "Kevin," Father Chester, and our singing, dancing, baby for being such good sports!!

Our Religious Education and Youth volunteers did a fantastic job. Compliments from the parents were non-stop throughout the day. The students proved their love for God by caring for our children and being eager to help wherever needed.

In appreciation, I would like to invite our volunteers, adults, and youth, to a reception in the church kitchen on Thursday, October 28th at 6:30 PM for light refreshments. We will start with a very brief meeting to discuss ways to improve our event for next year. Please bring your thoughts and/or notes along.

God Bless You
Debbie Fass



**Our Lady of Fatima
"3K Rosary for Life"
Wed. Oct. 13th at 7:00 PM**

Please join the virtual "3K Rosary for Life Conference Call" on **Wednesday, October 13th at 7:00 PM** which is being organized by LIFENET in partnership with Array of Hope. Join Bishop Arthur J. Serratelli and priests from throughout NJ to pray for the Protection of Babies in the Womb and in reparation for the sin of abortion. Note: October 13th is the 104th anniversary of the 'Miracle of the Sun' at Fatima. Our Lady wants us to pray the rosary! For more info: 973-497-4500.

To view on-line, register at: watch.arrayofhope.net/pages/3krosaryforlife [watch.arrayofhope.net]

To join via conference call, register at: lifeneteducation.org/3krosaryforlife [lifeneteducation.org]

Conference Call Number: 425-436-6277; Code: 759297#



Looking for volunteers for coffee fellowship to help prepare, setup, and tidy up the kitchen coffee area after all Masses.

Please contact Teri Saccal at (908) 299-9355 or email at tasaccal@outlook.com

Join Us For A Night Of Laughter Benefiting
THE FOOD PANTRY
at **ST. EDWARD THE CONFESSOR**
@ The Parish Center · 57 Water St. · Millford, NJ
Saturday, October 23, 2021
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WELCOME BACK - ADMISSION IS NO COST!
A "Free Will" donation to the Food Pantry is appreciated but not necessary.
Groceries for the pantry are also greatly appreciated.
Must be 18 years or older to enter. Reservations are strongly recommended. Tables of 8 may be reserved. Reserved tables must be filled by 7 pm or they will be available for general seating. If you do not make a reservation, we cannot guarantee entrance to the show. Capacity is limited to 160 people.
You may bring your own dinner to share with your table from 6 pm to 7 pm. No dinner will be served.
You may bring your favorite beverage. Water and sodas will be provided.
Please call or text Kris to reserve a table 908-797-4023

New Jersey Right to Life Raffle Ticket Sales at St. Catherine's

Following Masses the weekends of October 10th and 17th, RJ Right to Life Raffle Tickets will be sold outside or downstairs. The proceeds will benefit New Jersey Right to Life, the state's oldest and largest pro-life organization, dedicated to protecting all human life from conception to natural death.

The prizes this year are:

- 1st Prize** — 2022 Volvo XC40 AWD SUV valued at \$41,300
- 2nd Prize** — \$1,000 ShopRite Gift Card
- 3rd Prize** — \$750 ShopRite Gift Card
- 4th Prize** — \$500 ShopRite Gift Card



Please show your support for LIFE by buying a raffle ticket. The donation cost is \$10.00 per ticket.

Mass Intentions

Saturday: October 9, 2021

4:30 PM Ruth Dressler
r/o Bob & Dori Schofield

Sunday: October 10, 2021

8:00 AM Jose Matos
r/o The Koretzky & Matos
Families

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

11:00 AM The Protection of Babies in the Womb
& their Families

Monday: October 11, 2021

8:00 AM Kathleen Grey
r/o Ruth Ann & Joe Jamicky

Tuesday: October 12, 2021

8:00 AM Thomas F. Tosco
r/o Marge & Roger Tosco &
Family

Wednesday: October 13, 2021

7:00 PM Communion Service

Thursday: October 14, 2021

8:00 AM No Mass/No Communion Service

Friday: October 15, 2021

8:00 AM Dr. Antonio Garzon
r/o The Garzon Family

Saturday: October 16, 2021

4:30 PM Frank May
r/o Bernie & Larry Remaly

Sunday: October 17, 2021

8:00 AM Veronica April
r/o Joseph April

9:30 AM Michael McLarney
r/o Nancy Unorski

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

From the Pastor's Desk Welcome New Deacon

Dear Parishioners,

Last week I received a phone call, followed by a letter, notifying me that Bishop James Checchio has assigned **Deacon Michael Meyer** to our parish as a **permanent deacon**. This is the reason for joy, and we graciously welcome him to our parish family. Deacon Michael was ordained on June 12, 2010. He has been married to his wife **Jessica** for 21 years. For the past 19 years the couple and their two children were parishioners of *Immaculate Conception* in Annandale.

The second oldest of four children, Deacon Michael grew up in Verona, NJ. Deacon Michael works as an Attorney and his wife as an Animal Control Officer in Lawrence, NJ.

Of course, all of you here at Saint Catherine's Parish have been accustomed to having the strong presence of a deacon among you. For many years this parish has benefited from the ordained service of **Deacon Dennis Webster** and **Deacon Tony Russo**, as well as **Deacon Stephen Kassebaum**. Although Deacon Dennis is now "retired" you never would know it. You still see him around offering his help, with a heart of true servant however he is needed.

The obvious question at this point is *what can a permanent deacon do* within our parish?

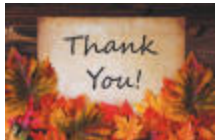
The Catechism of the Catholic Church gives us some insight:

Among other tasks, it is the task of deacons to assist the bishop and priests in the celebration of the divine mysteries, above all the Eucharist, in the distribution of Holy Communion, in assisting at and blessing marriages, in the proclamation of the Gospel and preaching, in presiding over funerals, and in dedicating themselves to the various ministries of charity. (CCC 1570)

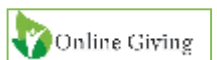
A deacon is ordained *to be of service* to the parish. He can preach during Mass. He can baptize. A deacon can help prepare couples for marriage and assist/witness at marriage ceremonies. He can be the celebrant of liturgical and para-liturgical services such as *Christian burials and wake services, benediction, and Stations of the Cross*. He can bring Holy Communion to the sick and dying. He can teach in religious education classes and with the **R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)**. A deacon can assist with these and various other parish functions, as well as serving in some diocesan capacity for the bishop.

We welcome Deacon Michael and his wife Jessica to our parish. I am sure that they will find a home here just as I have, and will grow in love of you, our parishioners—the people that we are *called to serve*.

Fr. Chester



The collections for October 3rd were \$3,385.00 (102 envelopes) for the general collection and \$658.00 (41 envelopes) for Religious Education



On-Line Giving for October 3rd was \$3,427.00 (120 donors).

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