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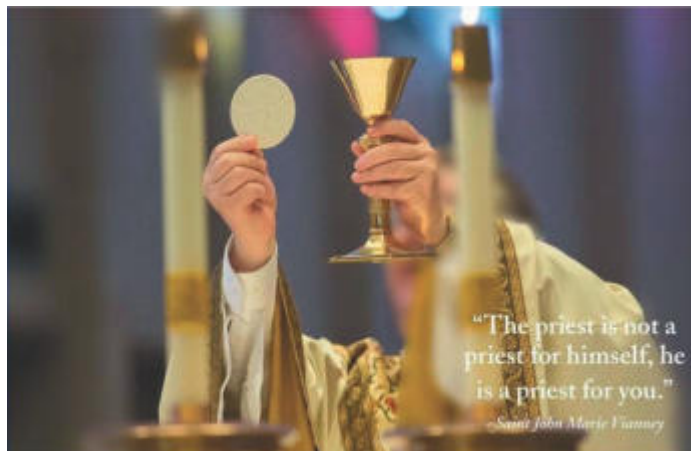
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MASS SCHEDULE

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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735-4024

Website

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713-4914

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Ellen McCarthy
735-2028

Welcome

Carol Rocha
996-7612

Weekly Schedule

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 30TH — K OF C RECRUITMENT

3:30 PM — 4:00 PM RECONCILIATION

4:30 PM MASS

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 31ST — K OF C RECRUITMENT

8:00 AM MASS

9:30 AM MASS

11:00 AM FAMILY MASS — TRUNK OR TREAT AFTER FAMILY MASS

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 1ST

8:00 AM MASS

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2ND

8:00 AM MASS

1:00 PM PRAYER SHAWL MEETING

3:30 PM STEWARDSHIP MEETING

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 3RD

6:30 PM — 8:00 PM 3RD & 4TH RELIGIOUS ED

6:30 PM RECONCILIATION

7:00 PM MASS

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 4TH

8:00 AM MASS

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 5TH

8:00 AM MASS

3:00 PM — 7:00 PM FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 6TH — CUB SCOUT WREATH SALE

10:00 AM MASS OF REMEMBRANCE

3:30 PM — 4:00 PM RECONCILIATION

4:30 PM MASS

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 7TH — CUB SCOUT WREATH SALE

8:00 AM — 9:00 AM 2ND GRADE RELIGIOUS ED

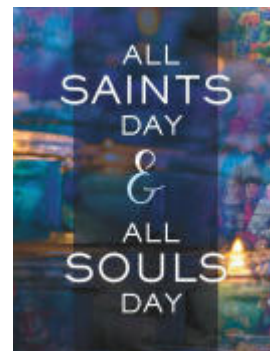
8:00 AM MASS

9:30 AM MASS

11:00 AM MASS

12:00 PM PARISH ROSARY & ROSARY MEETING

6:30 PM — 8:15 PM 8TH GRADE RELIGIOUS ED



Readings for the week of October 31, 2021

- Sunday: Dt 6:2-6/Ps 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51 [2]/Heb 7:23-28/Mk 12:28b-34
- Monday: Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [cf. 6]/1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a
- Tuesday: Wis 3:1-9/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [1 or 4ab]/Rom 5:5-11 or Rom 6:3-9/Jn 6:37-40a
- Wednesday: Rom 13:8-10/Ps 112:1b-2, 4-5, 9 [5a]/Lk 14:25-33
- Thursday: Rom 14:7-12/Ps 27:1bcde, 4, 13-14 [13]/Lk 15:1-10
- Friday: Rom 15:14-21/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [cf. 2b]/Lk 16:1-8
- Saturday: Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 10-11 [1b]/Lk 16:9-15
- Next Sunday: 1 Kgs 17:10-16/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 [1b]/Heb 9:24-28/Mk 12:38-44 or 12:41-44

Observances for the week of October 31, 2021

- Sunday: 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time; Priesthood Sunday; All Hallows' Eve
- Monday: All Saints
- Tuesday: Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed; All Souls' Day; Election Day
- Wednesday: St. Martin de Porres, Religious
- Thursday: St. Charles Borromeo, Bishop
- Saturday: BVM
- Next Sunday: 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time; National Vocation Awareness Week; Daylight Saving Time Ends

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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, is welcome 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.



Cub Scout Wreath, Grave Blanket, and Roping Sale

Cub Scout Pack 119 will be selling wreaths for the Christmas season.

Orders will be taken outside the church after all Masses the weekends of November 6/7 & 13/14.

Wreath with Bow is \$20 each (Red, Burgundy, or Plaid)
Small Grave Blanket is \$30 each
White Pine Roping is \$30 each

Orders must be received by Nov 15th

For more info on ordering or pick up, go to <https://gopack119.org>

Please make checks payable to Cub Scout Pack 119

Wreath pick up will be the weekend of November 27/28th



The St. Catherine's Knights of Columbus Council 15217, is collecting Eye Glasses and Cell Phones during the month of November. All collected eye glasses and cellphones will be redistributed to the needy. We are collecting them in the Knights of Columbus Blue Bin in the undercroft.

Our drive will end at the of November.



Baptism

We are happy to welcome our recently baptized at St. Catherine of Siena:

Summer Grace Shaley,
baptized on October 23, 2021



Clothing Drop-Off Bins

Clothing bins are located in the church parking lot. Your clothing donations will be shipped throughout the US, Eastern Europe, Asia, Africa, and South America.

For the use of our Parish site, we will receive a monthly payment of \$100 for each bin. As we help others by donating clothing, we also help our Parish gain funds towards the maintenance of our church.

Thank you to all who use our bins!



**Saturday, November 13, 2021
9:00 AM – 3:30 PM**

Grow personally and spiritually through this one-day preached retreat that is part of a research study to evaluate whether preaching meaning in Jesus Christ, the Logos, can help address the dramatic increase in anxiety in our world.

Participation is open to Roman Catholic adults living in the Diocese of Metuchen who suffer from anxiety.

Space is limited, so please register soon at <https://deaconmikemeyer.com/Retreats/Nov132021>

For more information, please contact Deacon Mike Meyer at deaconmikemeyer@hotmail.com

Our Prayer Shawl Ministry is busy knitting & crocheting prayer shawls, baptismal baby blanket's and **NOW** baptismal bibs!



Thank you to (left to right) Elizabeth Johnson, Nancy Unorski, Judy Shannon, Donna Mustillo, Peggy Keith, & Ruth Ann Jamicky

If you knit, crochet, or would like to learn, please consider joining our Prayer Shawl Ministry.

Meetings are every Tuesday, at 1:00 PM, in the undercroft.

If you have any questions, please call Donna Mustillo at (908) 237-0211 or email at donnamustillo@comcast.com



Please help us...

Family Promise is in need of ShopRite Gift Cards to offset food costs for families currently in the program.

Please help by purchasing ShopRite Gift Cards either through our SCRIP program (after purchasing, leave in SCRIP box) or directly from ShopRite.

Contact MaryJo Haggerty at (908) 892-3513 or celticstamper@gmail.com

First Friday Eucharistic Adoration



First Friday Eucharistic Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is held on the first Friday of each month beginning at 3 PM and ending with Benediction at 7 PM. **Our next Eucharistic Adoration is Friday, November 5th.**

St. Catherine of Siena Knights of Columbus coordinate a sign-up sheet to ensure that the Blessed Sacrament is never unattended at any time during Adoration. All are welcome at any time, however, if you wish to sign up go to www.scoschurch.org, and click on the link for Monthly Adoration Sign-up.



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

If you can help out please contact Teri Saccal at (908) 299-9355 or email at tasaccal@outlook.com

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 11:00 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...



SUNDAY, November 7, 2021 following the 11:00 AM Mass.



We are saddened to announce the death of

Mary Plese, mother-in-law of Deacon Mike Meyer, who passed away on October 16, 2021

Morton Solitare, stepfather of Robin Potempa, who passed away on October 16, 2021

Mass Intentions

Saturday: October 30, 2021

4:30 PM The Parishioners of St. Catherine's

Sunday: October 31, 2021

8:00 AM The Bodi Family
r/o Elaine Frederick

9:30 AM Galina Plaksin
r/o The Piotrowski Family

11:00 AM Cloyd Dressler
r/o Bob & Dori Schofield

Monday: November 1, 2021

8:00 AM Dawn Salerno's Birthday Blessings

Tuesday: November 2, 2021

8:00 AM All Souls Novena

Wednesday: November 3, 2021

7:00 PM All Souls Novena

Thursday: November 4, 2021

8:00 AM All Souls Novena

Friday: November 5, 2021

8:00 AM All Souls Novena

Saturday: November 6, 2021

10:00 AM All Souls Novena

4:30 PM All Souls Novena

Sunday: November 7, 2021

8:00 AM All Souls Novena

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

11:00 AM Eleanor Trenson
r/o Jack, Janet, & Bonnie
Brennan

From the Pastor's Desk

World Priest Day

Today as we celebrate World Priest Day, we honor the men who have dedicated their lives to Jesus Christ and the Catholic Church through the Sacrament of Holy Orders. Let me then, today, take a few moments and reflect on the priesthood.

Sacramentally there are three key things that only priests can do: hear confessions and give absolution; anoint the sick; and most importantly, consecrate the Eucharist.

When you consider those three sacraments, they offer a powerful testament to the meaning of the priesthood. Because those sacraments – confession, anointing, and the Eucharist – are ones that bring us most profoundly into the presence of God.

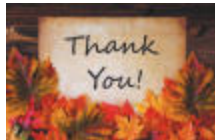
They touch our lives with grace. At moments when we are broken, we are made whole. At times when we are separated from God, we are reconciled with Him. At the high point of the mass, the greatest sacrifice is offered again and again and again, and Christ is made present, and he becomes, once again, a part of us.

At these moments in our lives, we encounter the perfect God through the imperfect hands of a man. The created brings to us our Creator. And it happens only through the hands of the priest.

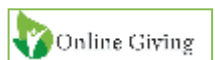
The priest is the only one who is there at all the critical moments of life...from the very beginning, to the very end, and so many of the mileposts in between. He isn't there just to bless rosaries or pose for pictures. He is there to make God present, and make that presence real. He is there to walk with us on the journey.

To all those priests who have walked with us on the journey...to those who have prayed with us, celebrated with us, wept with us, forgiven us, uplifted us, hoped with us...to those who have told us again and again, "God loves you," we can only whisper those words back, along with two more: "Thank you."

Fr. Chester



The collection for October 24th was \$2,921.00 (92 envelopes) for the general collection and \$2,061.00 (59 envelopes) for World Mission Sunday.



On-Line Giving for October 24th was \$3,507.00 (111 donors).



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