# **St. Catherine of Siena Church**

A ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH of PRAYER and FRIENDSHIP

## **Church and Parish Office**

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# **Mailing Address**

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# PASTOR

Rev. Chester Zalubski Email: baca11963@yahoo.com

# Weekend Assistant

Most Reverend Paul G. Bootkoski, DD **Bishop Emeritus** 

# **Permanent Deacons**

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# Parish Catechetical Leader

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# **Music Ministry**

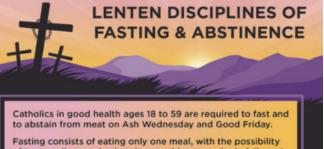
Pat Prakopcyk (908) 782-7043 Email: stcatmusic@gmail.com

## Parish Secretary

Jennifer Perna (908) 735-4024 Email: scoscoffice@gmail.com

# **Coordinator of Youth Ministry**

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of two smaller snacks that do not add up to a single full meal.

Catholics age 14 and older are to abstain from meat on all Fridays in Lent.

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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.

#### PARISH MINISTRIES AND ORGANIZATIONS

Altar Servers Kelly Wojtal 892-4574

Audio/Visual Ken Mandoli 735-2879

**Auditors** Maggie Marion 735-4024

Building Maintenance Ray Ferraro 623-0345

Catholic Media Denise Botto 996-6760

**Decorating Committee** Donna Cahill 730-9384

**Events Hospitality** Margaret Rocca 996-3226

**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion** John-Joseph Bober 713-9707

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**Family Promise** Mary Jo Haggerty 892-3513

**Food Pantry** Patty Battipaglia 735-6020

Knights of Columbus Michael J. lannozzi 328-6605

**Monthly Eucharistic** Adoration Mary Kauza 735-4582 Jane Ricketts 782-6216

Parish Landscape Kevin Cahill 730-9384

**Parish Pastoral Council** Denise Botto 996-6760

**Parish Picnic** Debbie Fass 730-7303

Prayer Shawl Donna Mustillo

237-0211

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Sanctuary Guild Kathy Mathews 735-9511

SCRIP Program Jennifer Perna 208-0472

Social Concerns Doreen Opeikun 507-6752

Dawn Salerno 477-0105

Stewardship Lori Young 713-1997

<u>Ushers</u> Rich Kopf 797-4607

Veterans Military Apostolate Parish Office 735-4024

Website Ed Schilke 713-4914

Wedding Coordinator Ellen McCarthy 735-2028

Welcome Carol Rocha 996-7612

# Weekly Schedule

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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY	SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 26TH		
11:00 AM	SYDNEY CLAIRE LUCIANO BAPTISM		
3:30 PM — 4:00 PM	RECONCILIATION		
4:30 PM	MASS		
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 27TH			
8:00 AM	MASS		
9:30 AM	FAMILY MASS		
11:00 AM	MASS		
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 28TH			
8:00 AM	MASS		
TUESDAY, MARCH 1ST			
8:00 AM	MASS		
1:00 PM	PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY		
3:30 PM	STEWARDSHIP MEETING		
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2ND — ASH WEDNESDAY			
8:00 AM	MASS		
12:00 PM	MASS		
4:30 PM	SERVICE		
6:30 PM — 8:00 PM	3RD & 4TH GRADE RELIGIOUS ED		
6:30 PM — 7:00 PM			
7:00 PM	MASS		
THURSDAY, MARCH 3RD			
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# FEBRUARY 27, 2022 — 8TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Readings for the week of February 27, 2022	
Sunday:	Sir 27:4-7/Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16 [cf. 2a]/1 Cor 15:54-58/Lk 6:39-45
Monday:	1 Pt 1:3-9/Ps 111:1-2, 5-6, 9 and 10c/ Mk 10:17-27
Tuesday:	1 Pt 1:10-16/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/ Mk 10:28-31
Wednesday:	JI 2:12-18/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14 and 17/2 Cor 5:20—6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
Thursday:	Dt 30:15-20/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 9:22-25
Friday:	ls 58:1-9a/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19/ Mt 9:14-15
Saturday:	ls 58:9b-14/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/ Lk 5:27-32
Next Sunday:	Dt 26:4-10/Ps 91:1-2, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15 [cf. 15b]/Rom 10:8-13/Lk 4:1-13
<b>Observances for the week of February 27, 2022</b>	
Sunday:	8 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time
Wednesday:	Ash Wednesday
Thursday:	St. Katharine Drexel, Virgin
Friday:	St. Casimir
Next Sunday:	1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent

# 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 **6:30 PM** (during Lent due to Stations of the Cross).

# Our next Eucharistic Adoration is Friday, March 4th.

To ensure that the Blessed Sacrament is never unattended at any time during Adoration, please use the new sign-up link.

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www.signupgenius.comgo/10C0544ADAA2BA1F9 4-first



# ASH WEDNESDAY March 2nd

8:00 AM	Mass
Noon	Mass
4:30 PM	Service
7:00 PM	Mass



St. Catherine's Stations of the Cross

Lenten Friday Evening at 7 PM

Please join us each week as these ministries leads us through the Way of the Cross

March 4th Knights of Columbus

<u>March 11th</u> Rosary Society

March 18th Usher's & ? Ministry

March 25th Family Promise & ? Ministry

<u>April 1st</u> Eight Grade

April 8th Youth Ministry



# 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



# **8TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**



# Parish Center Building Survey Results are in!

Thank you for the overwhelming response!

201 families responded to our Parish Center building survey representing a majority of our active Parishioners; here is a short summary of the results:

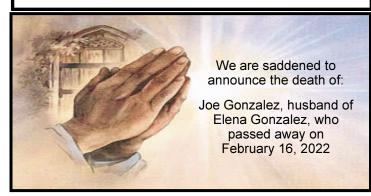
- 90% of those responding agreed that the Parish Center would accommodate the needs of our Parish as described.
- 55% would donate their time, 45% offered their Talent, and 50% would provide Treasure to help fund the project.
- Overall 85% were in favor of moving forward with building a Parish Center on our campus at this time.

All text comments captured are being reviewed as well for further consideration.

Given these results, Father Chester would like to move forward with the next step; submitting a full proposal to the Bishop and Diocesan College of Consulters for approval. With Diocesan approval we can start the process for finalizing building plans and seeking Township approvals.

In the coming weeks and months we will be keeping our Parishioners updated on our status via our Website and Bulletin, well as opportunities to get involved.

# Thank you for your commitment to St. Catherine's Church.





During Lent, the Knights of Columbus will be conducting their annual 40 Cans of Lent program.

The goal is for each family to put aside one can of non-perishable food everyday of Lent and bring in 7 cans to Mass each weekend starting March 5.

The Knights will collect and transport your donations to local food pantries within our diocese.

diocese. The collection bins will be placed in the kitchen area of

the Church.

Food contributions from our parishioners have totaled 17,963 pounds. That's over 9 tons of food for the needy!

We thank you for your past participation and we hope you will continue to help our less fortunate neighbors. *Thank you!* 



One Can of Food Can Make a Difference

# **ROSARY SOCIETY NEWS**

PARISHIONERS are invited to please join the Rosary Society **downstairs in the meeting area** to pray the PARISH ROSARY.



Pray the Parish Rosary at **NOON**, following the 11 AM Mass, on **Sunday, March 6, 2022.** We will gather downstairs.



Stay after the Rosary for our monthly meeting. We will meet downstairs.



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

**Leonardo Sam Parisi** baptized on February 12, 2022

# Mass Intentions

# Saturday: February 26, 2022

4:30 PM Father Chester Zalubski r/o Margaret Rocca

# Sunday: February 27, 2022

- 8:00 AM Melchior & Louella Carrier r/o Ruth DeGutis & Family
  9:30 AM The Parishioners of St. Catherine's
  11:00 AM Catherine Raymonds
  - r/o St. Catherine's Parish

# Monday: February 28, 2022

8:00 AM Doreen Opeikun Birthday Blessings

# Tuesday: March 1, 2022

8:00 AM Donna Mustillo Birthday Blessings

# Wednesday: March 2, 2022

8:00 AM Mildred Mustillo r/o Mustillo Family

- 12:00 PM Stanley Kozal r/o The Kozal Children
- 4:30 PM Service
- 7:00 PM Deacon Mike & Jessica Meyer r/o St. Catherine's Parish

# Thursday: March 3, 2022

8:00 AM Cindy Chapman Willis r/o The Kopf Family

# Friday: March 4, 2022

8:00 AM Patricia LaTournous r/o Thursday Rosary Group

# Saturday: March 5, 2022

4:30 PM David Perna r/o The Family

# Sunday: March 6, 2022

- 8:00 AM Adam Lukaszewski r/o Ed & Karen Trzepla
- 9:30 AM Anne DeVito r/o Andrea, Bob, Stephanie & Jonathan Presuto
- 11:00 AM The Parishioners of St. Catherine's



The collection for February 20th was \$5,055.00 (115 envelopes) for the general Collection.

On-Line Giving for February 20th was \$4,190.50 (116 donors).

# From the Pastor's Desk Ash Wednesday

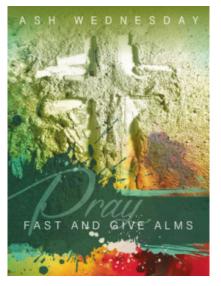
March 2nd is Ash Wednesday, the day that marks the beginning of Lent, a period of fasting and reflection leading up to Easter. The day gets its name from the practice of placing ashes on one's head as a celebration and reminder of human mortality and as a sign of repentance. Through the placing of ashes on our heads, we are reminded of the frailty of life, God's call to follow, and the good news that comes at Easter that good conquers evil, that life triumphs death.

Historically, Lent was a time of fasting and preparation for those who were preparing to be baptized. Today, many Christians choose to use the 40 days as a time of reflection, prayer, or fasting as a way of preparing their hearts and lives for the celebration of Easter.

This Ash Wednesday we'd love to share a prayer with you and provide you the opportunity to have ashes placed on your head to mark the beginning of a journey through Lent. We will have an 8:00 AM Mass and placing of ashes; 12:00 noon Mass and placing of ashes; 4:30 PM Prayer Service and placing of ashes; and 7:00 PM Mass and placing of ashes.

Have a Blessed Lent.

Fr. Chester





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