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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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477-0105

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996-6760

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735-2028

Welcome

Carol Rocha
996-7612

Weekly Schedule

SATURDAY, MARCH 12TH

2:00 PM — 5:30 PM 2ND GRADE RETREAT

3:30 PM — 4:00 PM RECONCILIATION

4:30 PM FAMILY MASS

SUNDAY, MARCH 13TH

8:00 AM MASS

9:30 AM MASS

11:00 AM MASS

MONDAY, MARCH 14TH

8:00 AM MASS

TUESDAY, MARCH 15TH

8:00 AM MASS

1:00 PM PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

3:30 PM STEWARDSHIP MEETING

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16TH

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

6:30 PM — 7:00 PM RECONCILIATION

7:00 PM MASS

THURSDAY, MARCH 17TH — ST. PATRICK'S DAY

8:00 AM MASS

7:00 PM BAPTISMAL PREP CLASS

7:00 PM — 8:30 PM IRON LENT SMALL GROUP

FRIDAY, MARCH 18TH

8:00 AM MASS

7:00 PM STATIONS OF THE CROSS
(USHERS & EUCHARISTIC
MINISTERS)

SATURDAY, MARCH 19TH

3:30 PM — 4:00 PM RECONCILIATION

4:30 PM MASS

SUNDAY, MARCH 20TH


8:00 AM MASS

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

9:30 AM MASS

11:00 AM MASS

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



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Thursday, March 17th
7 — 8:30 PM

BOLD Youth Ministry will be continuing their Iron Lent Discipleship series.

We invite all high schoolers to join us for a meal and fellowship while learning more about our faith. Please contact Jim Murray with any questions at (973) 370-2532 or Email: StCatherine@boldym.com

MARCH 13, 2022 — 2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

Readings for the week of March 13, 2022

- Sunday: Gn 15:5-12, 17-18/Ps 27:1, 7-8, 8-9, 13-14/Phil 3:17—4:1 or 3:20—4:1/ Lk 9:28b-36
- Monday: Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13/ Lk 6:36-38
- Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mt 23:1-12
- Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20/Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16/Mt 20:17-28
- Thursday: Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 16:19-31
- Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
- Saturday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29/Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a
- Next Sunday: Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8, 11 [8a]/1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12/Lk 13:1-9

Observances for the week of March 13, 2022

- Sunday: 2nd Sunday of Lent; Daylight Saving Time begins
- Thursday: St. Patrick, Bishop; St. Patrick's Day
- Friday: St. Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
- Saturday: St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- Next Sunday: 3rd Sunday of Lent

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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 18th

Ushers & Eucharistic Ministers

March 25th

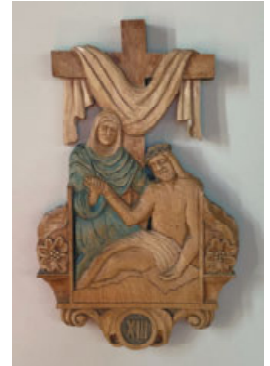
Family Promise & Lectors

April 1st

Eighth Grade

April 8th

Youth Ministry & Stewardship





ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT
(FOR CHILDREN 12 AND YOUNGER)
 Sponsored by St. Catherine's Rosary Society and Stewardship Committee
 SATURDAY, April 2nd
 FROM 1:00 TO 2:00 PM
 AT THE CHURCH GROUNDS
 RAIN DATE: Sunday, April 3rd, 1-2 PM
 THE EGG HUNT WILL BE HELD OUTSIDE, ON THE CHURCH GROUNDS. PARENTS ARE ASKED TO STAY WITH THEIR CHILDREN FOR THE EVENT.
 BRING A BASKET OR BAG TO HOLD THE EGGS YOUR CHILD FINDS. SNACKS, DRINKS, AND PRIZES WILL BE PROVIDED.
 TO RSVP, PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE AT 735-4024 OR RETURN THE FORM TO THE PARISH OFFICE BY MARCH 27th.
 CCD service hours will be given to 6th, 7th, and 8th students who volunteer to help with set-up or during the egg hunt.
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 FAMILY NAME _____
 NUMBER OF CHILDREN ATTENDING _____
 GIRLS _____ BOYS _____

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 Presents

The Eucharistic Miracles of the World Exhibition
 On Saturday March 26th and Sunday March 27th
 2022

Eucharistic Congress Featuring:

Exhibit Hours: Saturday 9am – 7pm and Sunday 8am – 2pm (located in the Parish Center)
 This Exhibit is accompanied by a First Class Relic of Blessed Carlo Acutis

- 9:00 am - 3:00pm Eucharistic Adoration on Saturday closing with Benediction (in the Church)
- 1:00pm - 2:30pm Presentation with Father Brighenti and Father Trigilio (from EWTN) in the Spiritual Formation Center (located in the downstairs of the Church)
- 2:30pm - 3:00pm Guided Meditation - Encounter Christ (accompanied by soft meditative music) Led by Brother Samuel of the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal (in the Church)
- 3:00pm - 3:30pm Benediction led by Father Luke Mary Fletcher, CFR of the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal, Chaplain of the National Blue Army Shrine (in the Church)
- 3:45pm - 4:45pm Confession
- 5:00pm - 6:00pm Holy Mass (Vigil)
- 5:00pm - 6:00pm Spanish Presentation (in the Foyer of the Parish Center)
- 8:00pm - 9:00pm Spanish Holy Hour (in the Church)

"The more Eucharist we receive, the more we will become like Jesus, so that an earth we will have a foretaste of Heaven."
 - Blessed Carlo Acutis

Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; he who comes to Me will never hunger, and he who believes in Me will never thirst." (John 6:35)



SAVE THE DATE...Saturday, May 14th

The Women's Cornerstone Experience is Back!

We're thrilled to announce that we will be offering a shortened one-day spiritual experience on Saturday, May 14th from 8 AM to 6 PM at Immaculate Conception in Annandale.

Please **SAVE THE DATE** and look for more details coming soon or call Christine at 908-500-5073.



2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

Lenten Parish Reconciliation

Sunday, April 3rd
6:00 PM—7:00 PM

*“When you approach the confessional, know this:
 that I Myself am waiting there for you.
 I am only hidden by the priest, but I myself act in your soul.
 Here, the misery of the soul meets the God of mercy.”
 (Our Lord speaking to St. Faustina)*



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THERE WILL BE 3 PRIZES:
 25%, 15% and 10% of the total net proceeds

THE WINNING TICKETS
WILL BE DRAWN
MARCH 20, 2022
FOLLOWING THE 11 AM MASS

All proceeds support
 charitable works in the
 St. Catherine's Community



TICKETS WILL BE SOLD OUTSIDE AFTER ALL MASSES
OR SEE ANY KNIGHT FOR TICKETS.



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We are calling all high school teenagers, college students, young adults and youth leaders to join us for a week of service, friendship, spiritual growth and memories that will last a lifetime! BOLD is sending teens from multiple parishes to Bridgeport, CT for a week of service and fun with Catholic Heart Workcamp. This is a week you won't want to miss!

To learn more, register or see our promo video with past highlights, visit boldym.com/CHWC

COST: \$375 Registration Fee (\$100 non-refundable deposit)
PRE-REQ: Participants must fundraise a min of \$275

Spots will fill up on a first come, first served basis and will fill up quick, get yours today!

Questions? Contact Jean Stroud at
jstroud@fiatventures.com or
 Jim Murray: StCatherine@boldym.com



40 CANS FOR LENT

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.

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



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

James Scott Roman
 baptized on March 6, 2022



13 New Altar Servers!

Congratulations and thank you for responding to serve the Lord and our parish in this special ministry.

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| Austin Abd | Charlotte Letko |
| Brady Abd | Tyler Luciano |
| Tyler Botto | Fernando Luna |
| Sadie Erling | Rodrigo Luna |
| Connor Hubbard | Mason Patkochis |
| Julien Hubbard | Maya Sliver |
| Dan Kieran | |

Thank you, Deacon Mike, for training these young servers.

Thank you, Mike and Kelly Wojtal, for taking on the responsibilities of altar server scheduling.



We are saddened to announce the death of:

Czeslawa Blaut, Mother of Alicia Sosidko, who passed away on February 25, 2022

Mass Intentions

Saturday: March 12, 2022

4:30 PM Anthony & Jennifer Natalizio
r/o St. Catherine's Parish

Sunday: March 13, 2022

8:00 AM The Protection of Babies in the Womb
& Their Families

9:30 AM Robert & Ann Preston
r/o St. Catherine's Parish

11:00 AM John Kauza
r/o Donna & Ed Baker

Monday: March 14, 2022

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

Tuesday: March 15, 2022

8:00 AM The Muir Family
r/o St. Catherine's Parish

Wednesday: March 16, 2022

7:00 PM Carl Quick
r/o Marlene & Jim Langreder

Thursday: March 17, 2022

8:00 AM Joseph & Mary Fleming
r/o St. Catherine's Parish

Friday: March 18, 2022

8:00 AM Francis & Patricia LaTournous
r/o Teresa Nonnenmacher

Saturday: March 19, 2022

4:30 PM John Kauza
r/o Bernie & Larry Remaly

Sunday: March 20, 2022

8:00 AM Melchior & Louella Carrier
r/o Ruth DeGutis & Family

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

11:00 AM The Colalillo Family
r/o St. Catherine's Parish

From the Pastor's Desk *Second Sunday of Lent*



Today we celebrate the second Sunday of Lent. Lent is the time, approximating forty days, of reflection and penance leading up to Easter. Pope Francis stated, "Lent comes providentially to reawaken us, to shake us from our lethargy." He said that Lent is meant to wake up Christians and to help them see that God can give them strength to change their lives and their surroundings.

One of our leading Catholic scholars has described Lent as the desert time in the Church year. He reminds us that the desert time can be for us an opportunity to reflect on who we are and why we are here. It takes many of us a while to absorb the reality of the Christian vision: that we are children of God called to announce in word and deed the favour of the Lord. But the desert can also have its dangers. It can be a place of desolation, a place of loneliness. And we certainly can be tempted when we are vulnerable and isolated. Each of us struggle against temptation and sin, and for many of us it is a daily struggle. We are challenged to admit that we are all sinners and we need help in resisting our temptations. We are encouraged to take Lent seriously and acknowledge our own shortcomings, and guard against them.

During this special time in the Church year, we can therefore turn to God and seek renewal in heart, mind, and body through the disciplines of Lent: prayer, almsgiving, and fasting, if we are physically able. We can respond to the challenge to live a Christian life and truly turn away from sin and towards the living God, and we can avail ourselves of the sacrament of Reconciliation.

Pope Francis reminds us that "...in the face of so many wounds that hurt us and could lead to hardness of heart, we are called to dive into a sea of prayer, which is the sea of the boundless love of God, in order to experience his tenderness." We are invited to reflect on these profound words of Pope Francis, and strive to unite our hearts to the Lord and experience his love and mercy in a very special way as we continue our Lenten journey.

Fr. Chester

	The collections for March 2nd were \$1,4475.00 (68 envelopes) for Ash Wednesday and \$2,175.00 for the Ukraine Special Collection. The collections for March 6th were \$4,281.00 (127 envelopes) for the general collection and \$1,294.00 (58 envelopes) for Religious Education.
	On-Line Giving for March 6th was \$4,033.00 (133 donors).

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