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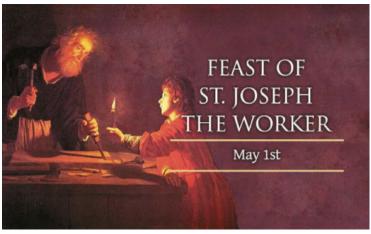
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MASS SCHEDULE

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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237-0211

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735-4024

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Welcome

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Weekly Schedule

SATURDAY, APRIL 30TH

3:30 PM — 4:00 PM RECONCILIATION

PRAYING THE PARISH ROSARY 4:00 PM

4:30 PM MAY CROWNING/MASS

SUNDAY, MAY 1ST

8:00 AM MASS/PRAYING THE ROSARY

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

MASS 9:30 AM 11:00 AM **MASS**

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

MONDAY, MAY 2ND

8:00 AM **MASS**

TUESDAY, MAY 3RD

8:00 AM **MASS**

1:00 PM PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY 3:30 PM STEWARDSHIP MEETING

4:00 PM FIRST COMMUNION REHEARSAL

6:00 PM ROSARY SOCIETY MEETING

WEDNESDAY MAY 4TH

6:30 PM — 7:00 PM RECONCILIATION

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

7:00 PM **MASS**

THURSDAY, MAY 5TH

8:00 AM **MASS**

7:00 PM — 8:30 PM PST/DISCIPLESHIP NIGHT

FRIDAY, MAY 6TH

8:00 AM MASS

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

SATURDAY, MAY 7TH

10:00 AM FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

3:30 PM — 4:00 PM RECONCILIATION

PRAYING THE PARISH ROSARY 4:00 PM

4:30 PM **MASS**

SUNDAY, MAY 8TH

MASS/PRAYING THE ROSARY 8:00 AM

9:30 AM **MASS MASS** 11:00 AM



We are saddened to announce the death of:

James Robert Dawson, brother of Dan Dawson, who passed away on April 20, 2022

MAY 1, 2022 — 3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Readings for the week of May 1, 2022

Sunday: Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12,

13 [2a]/Rv 5:11-14/Jn 21:1-19 or 21:1-14

Monday: Acts 6:8-15/Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30/Jn

6:22-29

Tuesday: 1 Cor 15:1-8/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Jn 14:6-14

Wednesday: Acts 8:1b-8/Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a/Jn

6:35-40

Thursday: Acts 8:26-40/Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20/Jn

6:44-51

Friday: Acts 9:1-20/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Jn 6:52-59

Saturday: Acts 9:31-42/Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/Jn

6:60-69

Next Sunday: Acts 13:14, 43-52/Ps 100:1-2, 3, 5 [3c]/

Rv 7:9, 14b-17/Jn 10:27-30

Observances for the week of May 01, 2022

Sunday: 3rd Sunday of Easter; St. Joseph the Worker

Monday: St. Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor of the

Church

Tuesday: Sts. Philip and James, Apostles

Thursday: National Day of Prayer; Cinco de Mayo

Next Sunday: 4th Sunday of Easter; World Day of Prayer

for Vocations; Mother's Day

Women's Cornerstone Experience 2022 Does your faith need to be re-energized?

We have the perfect opportunity! Join together with other women searching for a deeper relationship with God and each other.

Cornerstone is a one-day experience for women 25 years and older from local parishes. This year's event will be held on **Saturday, May 14th** at Immaculate Conception Church Parish Hall in Annandale, beginning at 8 AM and ending with a closing prayer after the 4:30 PM Mass. Come see what this day has to offer!



Questions: Call or text Helen Nardone at 908.391.0857.

To register:

https://iccannandale.org/womens-cornerstone

Bible Study with Deacon Mike May 6th Following Adoration

Please come prepared having read the following readings (which will be the readings for Mass on May 7th & 8th)

Acts of The Apostles 13:14, 43-52 (51C)

Revelation 7:9, 14b-17

John 10:27-30



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 7:00 PM.

Our next Eucharistic Adoration is Friday, May 6th.

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

https://www.signupgenius.com/ go/10C0544ADAA2BA1F94-first



ROSARY SOCIETY NEWS

Next Meeting: Tuesday, May 3, 2022

The next Rosary Society meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 3rd at 6 PM in the church or Mary Garden (depending on weather). We will pray the Rosary and then follow with our monthly meeting.

During the month of May, the Rosary Society will be praying the Parish Rosary at the following times:

- Every Saturday at 4 PM (BEFORE the 4:30 PM Mass)
- Every Sunday AFTER the 8 AM Mass
- AFTER the morning daily Masses

Prayer to Saint Joseph the Worker

O Glorious St. Joseph, model of all those who are devoted to labor, obtain for me the grace to work conscientiously, putting the call of duty above my natural inclinations, to work with gratitude and joy, in a spirit of penance for the remission of my sins, considering it an honor to employ and de-

velop by means of labor the gifts received from God, to work with order, peace, moderation, and patience, without ever shrinking from weariness and difficulties, to work above all with purity of intention and detachment from self, having death always before my eyes and the account that I must render of time lost, of talents wasted, of good omitted, of vain complacency in success, so fatal to the work of God. All for Jesus, all through Mary, all after thine example, O Patriarch St. Joseph. Such shall be my motto in life and in death.



Live at the Improv? The Laugh Factory? OK, closer to the "Friars Club"...

St. Catherine's presents its first ever Comedy Night!

Join us for lotsa laughs and some needed fellowship on Saturday May 21st, after the 4:30 Mass in the community room.

We're kicking off our new Parish Center fundraising efforts with this event AND we have a parishioner who has offered to MATCH dollar for dollar ALL DONATIONS from this event up to \$10,000 as in 10-K, 10-grand - big bucks!

The Stewardship Committee worked hard to keep the ticket prices as low as possible but if you can contribute MORE, your generosity is not only greatly appreciated, but MATCHED! A true 2-fer!

Don't worry the comedians are clean but funny so no afterperformance confessions will be necessary!

Tickets for our Comedy Night are available at WWW.JJCOMEDY.COM

and will be sold after all Masses.

Admission is **\$20.00 per person**. Act NOW as only 150 tickets will be sold! Sorry, **all must be over 18 years old** (it's not THAT clean...)

Bring your own food and drink. Beer and wine is OK (and often adds to the laughs!)

How to donate to the Comedy Cash Match!

- Please make checks payable to St. Catherine of Siena Church and note "Comedy Cash Match" on the envelope marked with your name.
- A drop-off box will be in the kitchen area or bring your donation to the parish office beginning the weekend of April 23rd/24th and ending May 22nd.
- Attendance at show is not required to donate to Comedy Cash Match!
- If you would also like to become a matching donor, please contact the Parish Office!



St. Catherine's Council 15217 Knights of Columbus

Chuck Specht Memorial Scholarship Program

2022 "Good Samaritan" Scholarship Application



An applicant must:

- Be entering freshman year of an undergraduate program leading to a bachelor's degree at a college or university in the United States, or be graduating from 8th grade during the spring 2022.
- Be a member of St Catherine's Parish in Pittstown, NJ.
- Attend the St Catherine's Knights of Columbus awards ceremony on June 28th to accept the award.
- Submit an essay with a minimum of 500 words by June 12th to Mike Iannozzi (Grand Knight) on one of the following topics:
 - 1. What Charity means to me?
 - 2. Why is Religious Freedom important?
 - 3. Write about any of the 4 Pillars of the Knights of Columbus: Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism.

Our KOC Council #15217 will be awarding 4 scholarships:

Two High School Seniors (1 boy and 1 girl) graduating from the class of 2022 will each be awarded \$1,000

Two 8th grade students (1 boy and 1 girl) in the class of 2022 will each be awarded \$250

Submit to: Attn: Worthy Grand Knight Mike Iannozzi

204 Oak Grove Rd Pittstown, NJ 08825

Or Email: 15217.kofc@gmail.com

Relics of Saint Bernadette

From April to August 2022, the relics of Saint Bernadette will tour the United States for the first time, bringing the grace of Lourdes to parishes across the country. The Sanctuary of Our Lady of Lourdes is organizing the pilgrimage of the relics in partnership with the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, North American Volunteers, Hospitalité of Miami and the Order of Malta.

The Relics of Saint Bernadette will visit the Diocese of Metuchen, the only diocesan stop in New Jersey, from May 17-20, 2022. More details to be made available on our diocesan website in the coming weeks.

Support the Catholic Communications Campaign May 7th & 8th!

This campaign engages and builds Catholic communities in the US and developing countries using internet, tv, radio, and print media. Half the money collected remains in the Dioceses of Metuchen to fund local communications efforts. Your support helps spread the Gospel messages!

Mass Intentions

Saturday: April 30, 2022

4:30 PM William Longergan

r/o Mr. & Mrs. James Flotteron

Sunday: May 1, 2022

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

9:30 AM Adelle Quick

r/o The Quick Family

11:00 AM Andy Bailey

r/o The Haggerty Family

Monday: May 2, 2022

8:00 AM Angela Russo

r/o The Romano Family

Tuesday: May 3, 2022

8:00 AM Thomas Webster

r/o Glenn & Jane Ricketts

Wednesday: May 4, 2022

7:00 PM Thomas Webster

r/o Vincent & Patricia Battipaglia

Thursday: May 5, 2022

8:00 AM Anthony Milano

r/o Deacon Mike Meyer

Friday: May 6, 2022

8:00 AM Deacon Thomas Klaas

r/o Deacon Mike Meyer

Saturday: May 7, 2022

10:00 AM Parish Children Receiving Their First

Holy Communion

4:30 PM Mother's Day Novena

Sunday: May 8, 2022

8:00 AM Mother's Day Novena

9:30 AM Mother's Day Novena

11:00 AM Mother's Day Novena



The collection for April 15th was \$1,202.00 (35 envelopes) for Good Friday and the collection for April 17th was \$14,508.00 (209 envelopes) for Easter Sunday. The collection for April 24th will be posted in the May 8th bulletin.



On-Line Giving for April 15th & 17th was \$6,620.00 (138 donors). The April 24th collection will be posted in the May 8th bulletin.

From the Pastor's Desk Mother's Day

Next Sunday, May 8th, we celebrate Mother's Day and we honor our moms for all they do for us and for the sacrifices they make for us. They do many ordinary things and do them extraordinarily well. Primarily through their teaching and their example, they assist in an important way, in passing down our precious faith to their children.

When we think of mothers, we only have to think of Mary, the mother of Jesus. May is the month of Mary, and this month we honor her in a special way.

As we reflect on all that Mary did, I think it is fair to say that sometimes we forget that Mary was also a wife and mother. We know that it is never easy to lose a loved one, especially a spouse or a child. Sometime during Jesus' life, Mary lost her husband Joseph. We may have forgotten that after Mary experienced the death of her husband Joseph, she unselfishly persevered as a grieving widow in very difficult and uncertain times. After his death, she would also experience the death of her son Jesus. She had to cope with the challenges of day-to-day living. She missed her spouse and her Son but she continued to love; she continued to persevere and she continued to cling to her faith. In clinging to her faith, and in her willingness to love, she is a model for all moms, including widows striving to do the same.

The Church presents Mary as a model of love in its fullness. The love she had for Jesus and Joseph is not reserved for them alone. It is the same precious love that she has for us, the same precious love she shares with us, an unselfish love that we should not take for granted.

Prior to becoming Pope, our Holy Father Francis invited us to look to Mary for inspiration. He stated, "We ask her, the first disciple, to teach us to persevere, to accompany us in patience, to strengthen us in hope. We ask her to lead us to an encounter with her Risen Son." As we celebrate Mother's Day and as we honor the Blessed Virgin Mary, we are invited to take these profound words to heart.

Mary our Queen, intercede for us. Mary, our Mother, pray for us.

Fr. Chester

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