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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

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892-4574

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Denise Botto
996-6760

Wedding Coordinator

Ellen McCarthy
735-2028

Welcome

Carol Rocha
996-7612

Weekly Schedule

SATURDAY, MAY 7TH

10:00 AM FIRST HOLY COMMUNION
3:30 PM — 4:00 PM RECONCILIATION
4:00 PM PRAYING THE PARISH ROSARY
4:30 PM MASS

SUNDAY, MAY 8TH

8:00 AM MASS/PRAYING THE ROSARY
9:30 AM MASS
11:00 AM MASS

MONDAY, MAY 9TH

8:00 AM MASS
6:30 PM CONFIRMATION REHEARSAL

TUESDAY, MAY 10TH

8:00 AM MASS
1:00 PM PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY
7:00 PM KNIGHT'S BUSINESS MEETING

WEDNESDAY, MAY 11TH

6:30 PM — 7:00 PM RECONCILIATION
7:00 PM CONFIRMATION MASS

THURSDAY, MAY 12TH

8:00 AM MASS

FRIDAY, MAY 13TH

8:00 AM MASS
7:00 PM — 8:30 PM BOLD MIDDLE

SATURDAY, MAY 14TH

3:30 PM — 4:00 PM RECONCILIATION
4:00 PM PRAYING THE PARISH ROSARY
4:30 PM MASS

SUNDAY, MAY 15TH

8:00 AM MASS/PRAYING THE ROSARY
8:00 AM — 9:00 AM 2ND GRADE RELIGIOUS ED
8:45 AM — 8:00 PM NJ CATHOLIC YOUTH RALLY @ GREAT ADVENTURE
9:30 AM MASS
11:00 AM MASS
6:30 PM — 8:15 PM 8TH GRADE RELIGIOUS ED



Readings for the week of May 8, 2022

Sunday: Acts 13:14, 43-52/Ps 100:1-2, 3, 5 [3c]/Rv 7:9, 14b-17/Jn 10:27-30
 Monday: Acts 11:1-18/Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4/Jn 10:1-10
 Tuesday: Acts 11:19-26/Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7/Jn 10:22-30
 Wednesday: Acts 12:24—13:5a/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6 and 8/Jn 12:44-50
 Thursday: Acts 13:13-25/Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25 and 27/Jn 13:16-20
 Friday: Acts 13:26-33/Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab/Jn 14:1-6
 Saturday: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26/Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8/Jn 15:9-17
 Next Sunday: Acts 14:21-27/Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13/Rv 21:1-5a/Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35

Observances for the week of May 8, 2022

Sunday: 4th Sunday of Easter; World Day of Prayer for Vocations; Mother's Day
 Tuesday: St. Damien de Veuster, Priest
 Thursday: Sts. Nereus and Achilleus, Martyrs; St. Pancras, Martyr
 Friday: Our Lady of Fatima
 Saturday: St. Matthias, Apostle
 Next Sunday: 5th Sunday of Easter; St. Isidore

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We would like to congratulate the following children who received First Holy Communion May 7, 2022

Leah Abd	Liam McKeown
Tyler Bilyj	Dylan Neary
Dean Dangel	Isabella Oliveira
Zoey Kocur	Zac Patkochis
Gabriella Lane	Eastonn Perez
John Lindstrom	Kyle Rasavage
Jackson Madlinger	Alaina Romano

ROSARY SOCIETY NEWS



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

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 Anandale, 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>

Relics of Saint Bernadette

The only 2 churches to host the relics are:

May 17, 2022
 Our Lady of Lourdes
 Milltown, NJ

May 19, 2022
 Cathedral of St. Francis
 of Assisi
 Metuchen, NJ

More Information at www.diometuchen.org/saintbernadette

Mass For Engaged Couples

This is for engaged couples who have attended the virtual combined Pre-Canas and God's Plan sessions.

When: **May 15, 2022 at 4:30 PM**

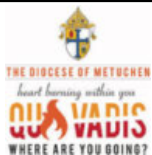
Where: **St. Bartholomew Church, 470 Ryders Lane, East Brunswick**

Confessions will be held prior to the Mass and a light reception will follow. Certificates will be given out after Mass.

Registration is required at

<https://diometuchen.org/engaged-couples-mass>

For questions or more information please email amarshall@diometuchen.org.



**Quo Vadis Days — July 19-22, 2022
 Young men ages 14-17!**

You're invited to spend a few days living, praying, and interacting with priests, seminarians, and faith-filled teens your own age. The days will include dynamic talks, a visit from Bishop Checchio, sports and activities, prayer, small group discussion, and so much more. For more information, please email quovadis@diometuchen.org

**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 after-performance 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!

Join Us For A Night Of Laughter Benefitting
ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA
Funds will benefit a New Parish Center
@ 2 White Bridge Rd - Pittstown - NJ 08867
Saturday, May 21, 2022
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When: August 1st-5th, 9am - 3pm
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Why: Grow in faith, service and fellowship, and earn service hours!
Register at boldym.com/scs/uServe

BOLD Mission Trip with Catholic Heart Workcamp
June 26th - July 1st | Bridgeport, CT
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!
Who: All current High School teens
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!
Register at boldym.com/CHWC

Contact us at StCatherine@boldym.com with any questions!

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at SIX FLAGS GREAT ADVENTURE
MAY 15, 2022

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During this Lenten season, your generosity to the 40 Cans of Lent program has allowed us to help many of our less fortunate families. You have allowed us to supply over 2,074 pounds of food to the needy in our diocese.

Over the past 10 years of the 40 Cans of Lent program, we have given out over 20,037 pounds of much needed food. Thank you for your past participation and continued support.

WORKERS FOR THE HARVEST

God our Father,
You made each of us to use our gifts in the Body of Christ. We ask that You inspire young people whom you call to priesthood and consecrated life to courageously follow Your will. Send workers into Your great harvest so that the Gospel is preached, the poor are served with love, the suffering are comforted, and Your people are strengthened by the sacraments. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

Mass Intentions

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

Monday: May 9, 2022

- 8:00 AM Mother's Day Novena

Tuesday: May 10, 2022

- 8:00 AM Mother's Day Novena

Wednesday: May 11, 2022

- 7:00 PM Mother's Day Novena

Thursday: May 12, 2022

- 8:00 AM Susan Palmeri
r/o The Evers Family

Friday: May 13, 2022

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

Saturday: May 14, 2022

- 4:30 PM Joseph Sax
r/o The Dawson Family

Sunday: May 15, 2022

- 8:00 AM AnnaMay & Harry Coster
r/o The Munro Family
- 9:30 AM Richard & Janise Nelson
r/o St. Catherine's Parish
- 11:00 AM Antonio & Rosa Rofrano
r/o Ortensia Clancey

From the Pastor's Desk

First Eucharist

On Saturday, May 7th, fourteen of our children received their first Holy Communion. They received Jesus Christ our Savior for the first time. There is no doubt that meeting with Jesus in First Holy Communion is an unforgettable moment, a day to be remembered as one of life's most beautiful. It is a day of great family celebration.

This was a special day and a happy day for their parents too. They saw their children taking a new step in faith. It is through their parents, more than anyone else that these children have come to know about God. And it is on their parents that they will continue to depend for many years yet, to help them grow in their response to God's love in their lives. No matter how excellent the teacher, or what the parish does, unless the children sense their parents' faith they will not absorb faith. The faith of their parents will be their strength through life. Teachers and priests cannot alone plant faith in the heart of somebody's children if parents do not.

This was also a time of great rejoicing for relations, friends, and people of the parish. They have in various ways helped to lead these children to this special day. And they too have a responsibility for the future growth of their faith.

Today I particularly wish to thank Mrs. Sandra Kopka the director of our Religious Education Program and the teachers who trained these children so that they can receive Holy Communion: Mrs. Stacy Gallagher, catechist, and Mrs. Debbie Fass, assistant catechist. Thank you to the Rosarians for beautiful rosaries and their intercessory prayers. May God reward you for your talent and time.

But the special congratulation goes to all who made their First Communion. I hope you will always treasure this beautiful gift that Jesus gave you, and that through time you will realize that you are to become more and more like Jesus every day.

Fr. Chester



The collection for April 24th was \$3,527.00 (109 envelopes) for the general collection and \$1,223.00 (48 envelopes) for the Catholic Relief Collection. The collections for May 1st will be posted in the May 15th bulletin.



On-Line Giving for April 24th was \$4,448.00 (114 donors). The May 1st collection will be posted in the May 15th bulletin.

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