# **St. Catherine of Siena Church**

A ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH of PRAYER and FRIENDSHIP

#### **Church and Parish Office**

2 White Bridge Road Pittstown, NJ 08867

# **Mailing Address**

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#### **Office Hours**

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#### PASTOR

**Rev. Chester Zalubski** Email: baca11963@yahoo.com

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Most Reverend Paul G. Bootkoski, DD Bishop Emeritus

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# Parish Catechetical Leader

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# **Music Ministry**

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#### Parish Secretary

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

# **Coordinator of Youth Ministry**

**Jim Murray** (973) 370-2532 Email: StCatherine@boldym.com

# l give you a new commandment: Love one another as I have loved you.

John 13

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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

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Right to Life Rep Robert Keeling 812-1071

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) Deacon Mike Meyer Deaconmikemeyer@hotmail.com

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Sanctuary Guild Kathy Mathews 735-9511

SCRIP Program Jennifer Perna 208-0472

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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

Weel	kly Schedule
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
MONDAY, MAY 16TH	
8:00 AM	MASS
TUESDAY, MAY 17TH	
8:00 AM	MASS
1:00 PM	PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY
3:30 PM	STEWARDSHIP MEETING
7:00 PM	PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, MAY 18TH	
6:30 PM — 7:00 PM	RECONCILIATION
6:30 PM — 8:00 PM	3RD & 4TH RELIGIOUS ED
7:00 PM	MASS
THURSDAY, MAY 19TH	
8:00 AM	MASS
7:00 PM	BAPTISMAL PREP CLASS
FRIDAY, MAY 20TH	
8:00 AM	MASS
7:00 PM — 8:30 PM	BOLD MIDDLE
SATURDAY, MAY 21ST	
3:30 PM — 4:00 PM	RECONCILIATION
4:00 PM	PRAYING THE PARISH ROSARY
4:30 PM	MASS
5:30 PM	DINNER AND SOCIALIZING
6:30 PM	COMEDY NIGHT
SUNDAY, MAY 22ND	
	MASS/PRAYING THE ROSARY
8:00 AM	
8:00 AM 9:30 AM	MASS



The Hsu Family

to St. Catherine of Siena Parish.

#### MAY 15, 2022 — 5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

# Readings for the week of May 15, 2022

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Sundays:	Acts 14:21-27/Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13/Rv 21:1-5a/Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35	
Monday:	Acts 14:5-18/Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16/Jn 14:21-26	
Tuesday:	Acts 14:19-28/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21/ Jn 14:27-31a	
Wednesday:	Acts 15:1-6/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/Jn 15:1-8	
Thursday:	Acts 15:7-21/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10/Jn 15:9-11	
Friday:	Acts 15:22-31/Ps 57:8-9, 10 and 12/Jn 15:12-17	
Saturday:	Acts 16:1-10/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5/Jn 15:18-21	
Next Sunday:	Acts 15:1-2, 22-29/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 [4]/Rv 21:10-14, 22-23/Jn 14:23-29	
Observances for the week of May 15, 2022		
Sunday:	5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter; St. Isidore	
Wednesday:	St. John I, Pope and Martyr	
Friday:	St. Bernardine of Siena, Priest	
Saturday:	St. Christopher Magallanes, Priest, and	

Companions, Martyrs; Armed Forces Day Next Sunday: 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter; St. Rita of Cascia, Religious

# SENIOR SAFETY AWARENESS PROGRAM

TUESDAY, MAY 24, 2-3:30 PM IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH HALL 316 OLD ALLERTON ROAD, ANNANDALE (ADA) EASY ELEVATOR ACCESS

OFFERING INFORMATION ABOUT: "BLUE ANGEL" PROGRAM WITH THE CTPD

UE ANGEL" PROGRAM WITH THE CT IN-HOME CARE ASSISTANCE FINANCIAL ESSENTIALS SCAM AVOIDANCE INJURY AND FALL PREVENTION PROTECTION AGAINST FIRE AND RELATED DANGERS SIMPLE SAFETY DEVICES MEDICATION DO'S & DON'TS

FEATURED PRESENTERS:

FREDERICK W. BROWN, HUNTERDON COUNTY SHERIFF HOME HEALTH SERVICES FROM HUNTERDON HEALTHCARE THE CLINTON TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT

# FREE ADMISSION

SPONSORED BY: THE ROTARY CLUB OF NORTH HUNTERDON CRIMESTOPPERS OF HUNTERDON COUNTY

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, CALL: (201) 787-6625



# We would like to congratulate the following children who received Confirmation May 11, 2022

Luken Joseph Alberdi Elizabeth Cecelia Barton Mia Cecilia Beneducci Ryan Christopher Brereton John Sebastian Callahan Daniel Michael Canavan IV Harold Francis Cavagnaro Easton Joseph Cherney David Anthony Christie Michael Francis Czarnecki Charles Benedict Evers Lilly Bernadette Fleming Bryce George Higgins Denis Absadah Hollywood Kyle Peter Koretzky lan Peter Oest

Avalina Sofia Pascarello Akayla Catherine Perez Ashley Macrina Perez Teresa Elizabeth Pettorsson Michael Peter Piotrowski Cole John Raymond Aidan Anthony Reisner Tyler Philip Scherer Jenna Genevieve Sedlacek Maria Clare Sousa Emily Catherine Sutton Emanuella Josephine Tagheu Matthew Andrew Tarnoski Julia Anne Wiecoreck Amber Elizabeth Wronski

#### 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



#### **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

# 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!



# **Important Notice**

# from the Dioceses regarding the

# Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord

This year, the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord will be observed on **Sunday, May 29**. This liturgical observance is an integral dimension of the completion of Our Lord's paschal mystery and, after much discussion, the Catholic Bishops of New Jersey collectively discerned that the transferring the observance to the following Sunday would allow for greater participation among the faithful.

# Parish Book Club Meeting, Friday, June 3rd



Please join us downstairs in the kitchen area immediately following Adoration for pizza and...

# "Getting to Know Deacon Mike"

Please RSVP by texting (908) 477-0105

# 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 8<sup>th</sup> 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 8<sup>th</sup> 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

# Mass Intentions

# 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

# Monday: May 16, 2022

8:00 AM Veronica April r/o Joseph April

# Tuesday: May 17, 2022

8:00 AM Ruth Gray r/o Patrick & Patricia Dziubek

# Wednesday: May 18, 2022

7:00 PM Anthony & Victoria Natalizio r/o Anthony & Jennifer Natalizio

# Thursday: May 19, 2022

8:00 AM Robert F. Ostermann r/o The Bruno Family

# Friday: May 20, 2022

8:00 AM Patricia La Tournous r/o Patrick & Patricia Dziubek

# Saturday: May 21, 2022

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

# Sunday: May 22, 2022

8:00 AM Michael Saccal r/o The Perna Family
9:30 AM Carl Quick r/o Jennifer & David Perna
11:00 AM John W. & Catherine Raymonds r/o St. Catherine's Parish



The collections for May 1st were \$3,643.00 (113 envelopes) for the General Collection and \$1,320.00 (78 envelopes) for Religious Education. The collections for May 8th will be posted in the May 22nd bulletin.



On-Line Giving for May 1st was \$4,019.00 (135 donors). The May 8th collection will be posted in the May 22nd bulletin.

# From the Pastor's Desk Confirmation

On Wednesday, May 11th, thirty-one young people of our Parish Family celebrated the Sacrament of Confirmation. It was an uplifting celebration not only for the Confirmandi and their families but also for us who received this sacrament many years ago.

A special thank you to Bishop Emeritus Bootkoski for presiding at the celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Also a special thanks to Mrs. Sandra Kopka for facilitating the Confirmation program. I am very grateful for her work and selfless efforts to prepare these young people for the Sacrament of Confirmation over a series of weeks.

Thank you also to our eighth grade catechists – Deacon Mike, Mrs. Raho, Mrs. Sforza, and Mrs. Young, as well as our wonderful musicians, Lisa Sforza and Nancy Coletti.

I am grateful for the help and service of our Altar servers; Rosary Society; Hospitality Ministry; and the 7th grade class for facilitating and making our celebration a special event.

Above all thank you young men and women who responded to God's call in the Sacrament of Confirmation. May the Holy Spirit transform you, give you courage, a deeper spirit of service to those who need you and, most of all, give you a deeper love for God. Your families and friends need you; your Parish also needs you; and the Church and the World need you to bring the true love and message of Jesus Christ.

Fr. Chester





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