# 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

#### Weekend Assistant

Most Reverend Paul G. Bootkoski, DD Bishop Emeritus

## Permanent Deacons

Deacon Mike Meyer Email: deaconmikemeyer@hotmail.com

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## Parish Catechetical Leader

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#### Parish Secretary

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

## **Coordinator of Youth Ministry**

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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

<u>Altar Servers</u> Kelly Wojtal 892-4574

Audio/Visual Ken Mandoli 735-2879

<u>Auditors</u> 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

Family Mass Celticstamper@gmail.com

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

<u>Prayer Shawl</u> Donna Mustillo 237-0211

Graphic Materials Helen Nardone 391-0857

Readers Robert Preston 510-2712

Robert Keeling 812-1071

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

Rosary Society Jane Ricketts 782-6216

Sanctuary Guild Kathy Mathews 735-9511

SCRIP Program Jennifer Perna 208-0472 Robin Potempa 310-4273

Social Concerns Doreen Opeikun 507-6752 Dawn Salerno 477-0105

<u>Stewardship</u> Lori Young 713-1997

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

Veterans Military Apostolate Parish Office 735-4024

<u>Website</u> Ed Schilke 713-4914

Wedding Coordinator Ellen McCarthy 735-2028

<u>Welcome</u> Carol Rocha 996-7612

Weekly Schedule SATURDAY, JUNE 4TH 3:30 PM - 4:00 PM RECONCILIATION 4:30 PM MASS SUNDAY, JUNE 5TH — PENTECOST SUNDAY 8:00 AM MASS 9:30 AM MASS 11:00 AM MASS MONDAY, JUNE 6TH 8:00 AM MASS 7:00 PM FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING **TUESDAY, JUNE 7TH** 8:00 AM MASS 1:00 PM PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY 3:30 PM STEWARDSHIP MEETING 6:00 PM ROSARY MEETING WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8TH 6:30 PM - 7:00 PM RECONCILIATION 7:00 PM MASS THURSDAY, JUNE 9TH 8:00 AM MASS 6:00 PM CIAMPAGLIO/WAGNER WEDDING REHEARSAL 6:30 PM **PICNIC MEETING — KITCHEN** FRIDAY, JUNE 10TH 8:00 AM MASS CIAMPAGLIO/WAGNER WEDDING 4:00 PM 7:00 PM PRENTICE/GOMEZ WEDDING REHEARSAL SATURDAY, JUNE 11TH 1.00 PM PRENTICE/GOMEZ WEDDING 3:30 PM - 4:00 PM RECONCILIATION 4:30 PM MASS SUNDAY, JUNE 12TH - THE MOST HOLY TRINITY 8:00 AM MASS 9:30 AM MASS 11:00 AM MASS

## **ROSARY SOCIETY NEWS**



On Tuesday, June 7th at 6 PM, come and join St. Catherine's Rosary Society for prayer, fun and fellowship! Bring your own picnic and, weather permitting, we will meet outside in the Mary Garden to pray the Rosary. Afterwards,

we can move inside for an informal meal and end-of-year get-together before we break for the summer. All are invited to come and celebrate our great year with us.

Readings for the week of June 5, 2022	
Sunday:	<i>Vigil:</i> Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or JI 3:1-5/Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39 <i>Extended Vigil:</i> Gn 11:1-9/Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b/Ez 37:1-14/JI 3:1-5/ Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39 <i>Day:</i> Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Rom 8:8-17/Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 14:15-16, 23b-26
Monday:	Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14/Ps 87:1-2, 3 and 6, 6-7/Jn 19:25-34
Tuesday:	1 Kgs 17:7-16/Ps 4:2-3, 4-5, 7b-8/ Mt 5:13-16
Wednesday:	1 Kgs 18:20-39/Ps 16:1b-2ab, 4, 5ab and 8, 11/Mt 5:17-19
Thursday:	1 Kgs 18:41-46/Ps 65:10, 11, 12-13/ Mt 5:20-26
Friday:	1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-16/Ps 27:7-8a, 8b-9abc, 13-14/Mt 5:27-32
Saturday:	Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd- 4, 5-6/Mt 5:33-37
Next Sunday:	Prv 8:22-31/Ps 8:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [2a]/Rom 5:1- 5/Jn 16:12-15
<b>Observances for the week of June 5, 2022</b>	
Sunday:	Pentecost Sunday; St. Boniface, Bishop and Martyr
Monday:	Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church; St. Norbert, Bishop
Thursday:	St. Ephrem, Deacon and Doctor of the Church
Saturday:	St. Barnabas, Apostle
Next Sunday:	The Most Holy Trinity

Bishop Checchio and the entire diocese would like to invite you to attend the **Eucharistic Holy Hour for Vocations and the Sanctification of Priests on Friday, June 10, 2022 at 5:00 PM** at the Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi, Metuchen. Included in the intentions of this Holy Hour are Deacon Ronal Romario Vega Pastrana who will be ordained a priest on the following day and the sanctification of all priests of our diocese.

Also, we would like to invite you to the **Priesthood Ordination, which will take place on Saturday, June 11, 2022 at 10:30 AM** at the Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi, Metuchen. On this day, Bishop Checchio will ordain Deacon Ronal Romario Vega Pastrana as a priest for service in our diocese. I hope that you will make every effort to be with us; you are welcome to attend in person or by live stream.

## Has Your Email Changed?

If your email has changed in the past year or so, please send your updated email information to <u>scoscoffice@gmail.com</u>



## JOIN THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS .... AND KEEP UP THE FIGHT FOR LIFE

New Jersey is the Abortion Capital of the United States, and we need to TAKE UP THE CROSS OF JESUS CHRIST, and STOP THIS Destruction of HUMAN Life.

Metuchen Diocese Chapter Knights of Columbus have been raising funds since 2010 to purchase Ultra Sound Machines for pro-life centers and have purchased 15 machines since then.

Our council will be collecting donations towards these machines after masses Collection dates: June 4-5 & 11-12. After all masses.

Please be generous and donate what you can to save these innocent lives.

Please make checks out to St. Catherine of Siena Church



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

## PENTECOST SUNDAY

## Our First St. Catherine's Comedy Night was a **Rousing Success on May 21st!**





About 95 people crammed themselves into the church hall to hear three comedians generate some raucous laughter with some basically clean, often irreverent, jokes and stories.

Best of all, this FUN fundraising event garnered over \$34,000 for the new parish center! Special thanks to the 35 families who made additional donations and those families who matched those donations!

A BIG Thank You to Dawn Salerno for masterminding and organizing this event which should be back by popular demand!

Be on the lookout for future fun events to help offset the cost of the new parish center!



## 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

## Virtual Book Study for Women

All women are invited to join in a study of Brandon Vogt's Return: How to Draw Your Child Back to the Church, a book for anyone with family or friends separated from the Church.

The group will meet each Sunday at 2:30 PM on Zoom. Though the group began May 15, all women are welcome to join at any time.

For details or to join, please contact Cristina D'Averso-Collins, Director of Family Life, at cdaverso@diometuchen.org



family for a day of fun and friendship. This year there will also be a silent auction event. You may go home with an unexpected treasure. There will be plenty of games and prizes for the kids and I am working on having another spectacular show for your entertainment. We cannot have a successful event without our wonderful volunteers. Our teens were amazing last year and I'm counting on you again!! So, adults and teens, please attend our first picnic meeting on Thursday, June 9th at 6:30 PM in the church kitchen area. Future picnic meetings are as follows: June 30. July 14 & 28. August 11 and 25. September 1 and then to be announced. All meetings are at 6:30 PM and are usually an hour or so. Please bring your ideas and suggestions. Call or text Debbie Fass at (973) 222-8100.

Thank you.



Name

Phone

Quantity of Cards@ \$30.00\_

## Save the Date – Diocesan Pilgrimage

On Sept. 24, 2022, the Diocese of Metuchen will conclude its year-long 40th Anniversary celebration with a diocesan pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C.

> For more information about the pilgrimage www.diometucheb.org/40

# Mass Intentions

## Saturday: June 4, 2022

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

## Sunday: June 5, 2022

- 8:00 AM Jose Matos r/o The Koretzky and Matos Families
- 9:30 AM The Protection of Babies in the Womb and Their Families
- 11:00 AM Mary Janet and Thomas Lyness r/o The Lyness Family

## Monday: June 6, 2022

8:00 AM David Button r/o Linda and Fred Button

#### Tuesday: June 7, 2022

8:00 AM Frank DeLuca r/o Jennifer and David Perna

#### Wednesday: June 8, 2022

7:00 PM Deacon Dennis Webster r/o St. Catherine's Rosary Society

## Thursday: June 9, 2022

8:00 AM Dan Dawson Birthday Blessings

## Friday: June 10, 2022

8:00 AM The Bodi Family r/o Elaine Frederick

## Saturday: June 11, 2022

4:30 PM George Dawson r/o The Dawson Family

## Sunday: June 12, 2022

- 8:00 AM The Parishioners of St. Catherine's
- 9:30 AM The Grandparents of the Sullivan & Quick Family r/o The Quick Family
- 11:00 AM Mary Plese r/o The Perna Family



The collections for May 22nd were \$3,919.00 (110 envelopes) for the General Collection and \$909.00 (44 envelopes) for the Development of People. The May 29th collection will be posted in the June 12th bulletin.

## From the Pastor's Desk Pentecost Sunday

This Sunday we celebrate the great feast of Pentecost. On this day, we see the fulfillment of the promise of Jesus to send the Holy Spirit upon his Apostles. And as we know, the Holy Spirit will transform the lives of these Apostles. These frightened men who abandoned Jesus at his Passion will be transformed into bold witnesses who clearly show that they not only understand the teaching of Jesus but also are willing to put his teaching into practice. They will endure persecution, suffering, ridicule, and other forms of trial as they preach his Good News. They will heed the call of Jesus to go forth and make disciples of all nations.

Our Holy Father, Pope Francis has invited us to follow the example of the Apostles and truly embrace the Holy Spirit in our lives. He said, "There is no greater freedom than that of allowing oneself to be guided by the Holy Spirit, renouncing the attempt to plan and control everything to the last detail, and instead, letting him enlighten, guide, and direct us, leading us wherever he wills. The Holy Spirit knows well what is needed in every time and place. This is what it means to be mysteriously fruitful."

As we reflect on these words of Pope Francis, and as we celebrate this great feast, we are challenged to allow the Holy Spirit to come into our minds, and into our lives, and into our hearts as we strive to cope spiritually in these diff cult and uncertain times.

Fr. Chester





On-Line Giving for May 22nd was \$3,298.00 (106 donors).



