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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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Weekly Schedule

SATURDAY, JULY 16TH

12:00 PM LOGAN MILES PRESTON BAPTISM

3:30 PM — 4:00 PM RECONCILIATION

4:30 PM MASS

SUNDAY, JULY 17TH

8:00 AM MASS

9:30 AM MASS

11:00 AM MASS

MONDAY, JULY 18TH

8:00 AM MASS

TUESDAY, JULY 19TH

8:00 AM MASS

3:30 PM STEWARDSHIP MEETING

WEDNESDAY, JULY 20TH

6:30 PM — 7:00 PM RECONCILIATION

7:00 PM MASS

THURSDAY, JULY 21ST

8:00 AM MASS

7:00 PM BAPTISMAL PREP CLASS

FRIDAY, JULY 22ND

8:00 AM MASS

SATURDAY, JULY 23RD

10:00 AM REMI LOUISE LAWRENCE BAPTISM

3:30 PM — 4:00 PM RECONCILIATION

4:30 PM MASS

SUNDAY, JULY 24TH

8:00 AM MASS

9:30 AM MASS

11:00 AM MASS

*Join Us In Celebrating Deacon Mike
The weekend of July 30th/31st*



The 'doctor' is in the house! Join us to celebrate Deacon Mike earning a Doctor of Ministry in Preaching. As always, 'coffee and cake' fellowship following all Masses!

Readings for the week of July 17, 2022

- Sunday: Gn 18:1-10a/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 5 [1a]/Col 1:24-28/Lk 10:38-42
- Monday: Mi 6:1-4, 6-8/Ps 50:5-6, 8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mt 12:38-42
- Tuesday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 85:2-4, 5-6, 7-8//Mt 12:46-50
- Wednesday: Jer 1:1, 4-10/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5-6ab, 15 and 17/Mt 13:1-9
- Thursday: Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13/Ps 36:6-7ab, 8-9, 10-11/Mt 13:10-17
- Friday: Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 20:1-2, 11-18
- Saturday: Jer 7:1-11/Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6a and 8a, 11/ Mt 13:24-30
- Next Sunday: Gn 18:20-32/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6-7, 7-8 [3a]/ Col 2:12-14/Lk 11:1-13

Observances for the week of July 17, 2022

- Sunday: 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time
- Monday: St. Camillus de Lellis, Priest
- Wednesday: St. Apollinaris, Bishop and Martyr
- Thursday: St. Lawrence of Brindisi, Priest and Doctor of the Church
- Friday: St. Mary Magdalene
- Saturday: St. Bridget, Religious
- Next Sunday: 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time; St. Sharbel Makhlūf, Priest

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Silver & Gold Wedding Anniversary Celebration

You are cordially invited to celebrate your 25th or 50th Wedding Anniversary with the Church of Metuchen and renew your marriage vows with Bishop James F. Checchio at a special Evening Prayer Service at the Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi in Metuchen on

Sunday, October 30, 2022 at 3:30 PM.



Registration is required. Please register online at:

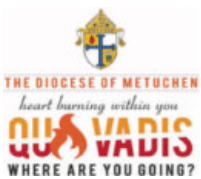
<https://www.diometuchen.org/silver-and-gold-anniversary-celebration>

If you are unable to access, please contact the Family Life Office at 732-562-1543 or amarshall@diometuchen.org.

Registration will close on October 7, 2022. Although no fee is required, in the past many Jubilarian couples have given a donation of gratitude to the Church in memory of this special occasion.

Donations of Gratitude may be made online at <https://www.diometuchen.org/donation-silver-and-gold> or by calling (732) 562-1543.

**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

1st Holy Communion and Confirmation Certificates

Are ready to be picked up in the office during office hours

Monday — Friday 9:30 AM — 2:30 PM

Spiritual Links to Prayers and Daily Devotions

The Catholic Crusade

www.thecatholiccrusade.com

Daily Rosary Meditations

www.schooloffaith.com

Daily Gospel Reflection

www.faith.nd.edu

Pray More Novenas

www.praymorenovenas.com

United States Conference of Catholic Bishops

www.bible.usccb.org

“Explaining the Faith” — Father Chris Alar, MIC from National Shrine of the Divine Mercy, Stockbridge, MA

www.thedivinemercy.org/articles/explaining-faith



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Jeffrey Lance
to St. Catherine of Siena Parish.*

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What: uServe Camp 2022
When: August 1 - 5, 9am - 3pm
Where: St. Catherine of Siena and local service sites
Cost: \$165 per camper, \$100 for each additional sibling
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Registration now open: boldym.com/scs/uServe

Want to join, but not in Middle School anymore?
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For more information, please contact
Jim Murray
973-370-2532 | StCatherine@boldym.com

Diocesan Pilgrimage With Our Lady of Victories and St. Edward's

Our Diocese of Metuchen is currently celebrating a 40th Anniversary and to cap off the year, a special Mass will be held at The Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington DC .

To give everyone the opportunity to join, a bus has been chartered and everyone is welcome to attend. The bus will be picking up in the parking lots of both St. Edward in Milford and Our Lady of Victories in Baptistown and there is **NO CHARGE** for the ride.

The trip will be on Saturday, September 24th with departure times between 5:00 AM and 5:30 AM. Snacks will be provided for the ride and the bus is equipped with convenience facilities. To celebrate our anniversary, there will be a procession of each parish into the Basilica (we will be looking for 2 volunteers from St. Edward and 2 volunteers from OLV to carry our church banners). The day will include incredible music, opportunity for confession, Mass and plenty of free time to tour and visit the Basilica. We depart around 4:30 PM, make a quick stop for dinner and return back to Baptistown and Milford around 10 - 11 PM.

If you would like a ride on the bus, please email Bernadette Hunsicker brndtthunsicker2@gmail.com or call (908) 510-4050 with your name, email address, cell phone number and how many seats you would like to reserve. The bus holds 55 so please reserve as soon as you can.



This year, in conjunction with our Parish Picnic, we will be holding a Silent Auction. I am asking all of our parishioners for help in order to make this a successful fundraiser for our parish. All monies collected will be put towards our New Parish Center.

If you would like to donate a themed basket full of wonderful goodies, Thank You. I could give you suggestions if you need assistance. Should you have any new items laying around and would like to donate those to us, our team of helpers could put a basket together.

This year we will not be soliciting stores as we have in the past. If you personally know someone outside of our parish community that would like to donate, please accept the donation with our most humble appreciation.

Also, if you have any baskets new or used that we could use I will have a container downstairs in the church starting the first weekend of July.

For any questions or concerns, please call Carol Rocha at 908-616-2397 or via email at crocha@hcrhs.org.

Thank you in advance for your help and cooperation to support St. Catherine of Siena.

September 18th, The Parish Picnic

Up, Up, and Away

Celebrating 30 Years at St. Catherine's

Gather with friends and family for a day of fun and friendship. This year's picnic includes a tethered Hot Air Balloon and Doctor D Entertainment.

To get involved, join our planning meetings:
July 14th & 28th
August 11th & 25th
September 1st



Call or text Debbie Fass at (973) 222-8100 to be a part of the picnic team.

After every weekend Mass, please join us for coffee, conversation, and SCRIP ordering in the kitchen area!



Mass Intentions

Saturday: July 16, 2022

4:30 PM Olympia Pazdrey
r/o Dennis Tomsky

Sunday: July 17, 2022

8:00 AM The Parishioners of St. Catherine's
9:30 AM The Protection of Babies in the Womb
and Their Families
11:00 AM Ernest H. Lunden III
r/o Nancy Unorski

Monday: July 18, 2022

8:00 AM Don Murray
r/o Dave & Lori Wunder

Tuesday: July 19, 2022

8:00 AM Carey Kopf Birthday Blessings

Wednesday: July 20, 2022

7:00 PM John Opeikun
r/o Sue & Joe Quick

Thursday: July 21, 2022

8:00 AM Lori Young Birthday Blessings

Friday: July 22, 2022

8:00 AM Frank DeLuca
r/o Jean & Nancy

Saturday: July 23, 2022

4:30 PM Leela Piotrowski
r/o The Piotrowski Family

Sunday: July 24, 2022

8:00 AM The Parishioners of St. Catherine's
9:30 AM Albert Zrebiec
r/o The Baker Family
11:00 AM Marie & Richard DeFuccio
r/o Joan & Jim Flotteron

From the Pastor's Desk

The Knights of Columbus

For many years the fraternal organization, the Knights of Columbus, has done so much to promote and defend the teachings of the Catholic Church. The Knights stress the importance of the family, and articulate and defend the rights of the unborn, the sanctity of the marriage bond, and other issues important to us as Catholics. Some time ago, in a message to the Knights of Columbus Supreme Convention, Pope Francis thanked the Knights for their efforts to defend the role of religion and praised the order for its commitment to educate people in the faith and in a strong sense of civic responsibility.

The Knights also do much to demonstrate their support and appreciation for the priests of the Catholic Church. The Knights of Columbus continues to assist in the fostering of vocations not only to the priesthood but also to the diacnate and religious life. Many Knights currently serve as deacons in the Church. A good number of Knights of Columbus Councils provide monthly support for seminarians in their time of training and formation.

The Knights of Columbus Council at our parish of Saint Catherine of Siena continues to support seminarians preparing for priesthood in our diocese of Metuchen. It provides not only financial support, but also spiritual support through the prayers of its members.

As an aid to vocation discernment, the Supreme Council of the Knights of Columbus has provided their "Prayer for Vocations":

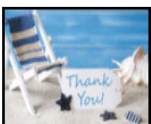
Heavenly Father, bless your Church with an abundance of holy and zealous Priests, Deacons, Brothers and Sisters.

Give those you have called to the married state and those you have chosen to live as single persons in the world the special graces that their lives require.

Form us all in the likeness of your Son so that in Him, with Him and through Him we may love You more deeply and serve You more faithfully, always and everywhere. With Mary we ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

As we reflect on this prayer, we are invited to pray that more men and women will strive to embrace a holiness of life as they discern their proper vocation and do their part to more effectively build the Kingdom of God on earth.

Fr. Chester



The collections for July 3rd were \$3,226.00 (85 envelopes) for the General Collection and \$552.00 (38 envelopes) for Religious Education. The collection for July 10th was \$5,027.00 (110 envelopes) for the General Collection.



On-Line Giving for the July 3rd collection was \$3,508.00 (118 donors). The On-Line Giving for July 10th collection was \$2,713.00 (103 donors).

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