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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 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

12:00 PM HUDSON MICHAEL SCHAFER BAPTISM

MONDAY, JULY 25TH

8:00 AM MASS

TUESDAY, JULY 26TH

8:00 AM MASS

7:00 PM KNIGHTS SOCIAL & DEVOTION MEETING

WEDNESDAY, JULY 27TH

6:30 PM — 7:00 PM RECONCILIATION

7:00 PM MASS

THURSDAY, JULY 28TH

8:00 AM MASS

6:30 PM PICNIC MEETING

FRIDAY, JULY 29TH

8:00 AM MASS

SATURDAY, JULY 30TH

3:30 PM — 4:00 PM RECONCILIATION

4:30 PM MASS

5:30 PM DEACON MIKE CELEBRATION

SUNDAY, JULY 31ST

DEACON MIKE CELEBRATION

8:00 AM MASS

9:30 AM MASS

11:00 AM MASS

**Join Us In Celebrating With 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 24, 2022

- Sunday: Gn 18:20-32/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6-7, 7-8 [3a]/ Col 2:12-14/Lk 11:1-13
- Monday: 2 Cor 4:7-15/Ps 126:1bc-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6/ Mt 20:20-28
- Tuesday: Jer 14:17-22/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13/Mt 13: 36-43
- Wednesday: Jer 15:10, 16-21/Ps 59:2-3, 4, 10-11, 17-18/ Mt 13:44-46
- Thursday: Jer 18:1-6/Ps 146:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6ab/Mt 13: 47-53
- Friday: Jer 26:1-9/Ps 69:5, 8-10, 14/Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42
- Saturday: Jer 26:11-16, 24/Ps 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34/ Mt 14:1-12
- Next Sunday: Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14, 17 [1]/Col 3:1-5, 9-11/Lk 12:13-21

Observances for the week of July 24, 2022

- Sunday: 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time; St. Sharbel Makhlūf, Priest
- Monday: St. James, Apostle
- Tuesday: Sts. Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- Friday: St. Martha
- Saturday: St. Peter Chrysologus, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
- Next Sunday: 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time; St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest

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Pope Francis has established the 2nd World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly: Sunday, July 24, 2022

I give thanks to you, Lord, for the blessing of a long life for, to those who take refuge in You, grant always to bear fruit.

Forgive, O Lord, resignation, and disillusionment, but forsake me not when my strength declines.

Teach me to look with hope to the future you give me, to the mission you entrust to me and to sing your praises without end.

Make me a tender craftsman of Your revolution, to guard with love my grandchildren and all the little ones who seek shelter in You.

Protect, O Lord, Pope Francis and grant Thy Church To deliver the world from loneliness. Direct our steps in the way of peace.

Amen.



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.

NEW DATE

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.



We are happy to welcome our recently baptized at St. Catherine of Siena:

Logan Miles Preston
baptized on July 16, 2022

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 28th
August 11th & 25th
September 1st



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

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Who: All incoming 6th - 9th graders (Current 5th - 8th)
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
Why: Grow in faith, service and fellowship, and earn service hours!

Registration now open: boldym.com/scs/uServe
 Want to join, but not in Middle School anymore?
 Come join us as a volunteer leader!
 For more information, please contact
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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.

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



Stress In Your Marriage?

**Do you feel lost, alone, or bored in your marriage?
 Are you frustrated, hurt, or angry with your spouse?
 Have you thought about separation or divorce?
 Does talking about it only make it worse?**

RETROUVAILLE is a Lifeline to Help Couples Heal and Renew their Marriages and is sponsored by the Office of Family Life, Diocese of Metuchen, NJ.

RETROUVAILLE consists of a weekend experience for married couples (no group discussions) with six follow-up sessions. The upcoming weekend is **August 19-21, 2022**. All inquiries are confidential.

For further information, please contact Rich Colasuonno (732) 236-0671 or Annette Colasuonno (732) 672-0748 or email 3024@helpourmarriage.org

Mass Intentions

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

Monday: July 25, 2022

8:00 AM Frank DeLuca
r/o Donna & Ed Baker

Tuesday: July 26, 2022

8:00 AM Frank DeLuca
r/o Bernie & Larry Remyly

Wednesday: July 27, 2022

7:00 PM Thomas Webster
r/o Margaret Rocca

Thursday: July 28, 2022

8:00 AM Daniel Flynn
r/o Jane Ricketts

Friday: July 29, 2022

8:00 AM Stanley Kozal
r/o Elaine Frederick

Saturday: July 30, 2022

4:30 PM Lughton Chapman
r/o The Kopf Family

Sunday: July 31, 2022

8:00 AM Marian Majewski
r/o Joseph April

9:30 AM Pat Reagan
r/o The Haggerty Family

11:00 AM The Parishioners of St. Catherine's

From the Pastor's Desk
Sts. Joachim and Anne,
Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary
July 26

On Tuesday, July 26th, we celebrate the Feast of Sts. Joachim and Anne. Joachim and Anne were the parents of Jesus' mother, Mary. We don't know many details about their lives because they are never mentioned in the New Testament. Everything we know about them comes down through tradition — the stories people told about them.

We believe that they were respected members of the Jewish community and that they wanted to become parents so much that Joachim went into the desert to fast and pray that God would hear their prayer. It is said that an angel told them that they would soon have a daughter who would become famous throughout the world.

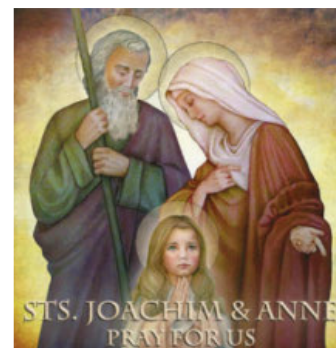
Months later, Mary, our Blessed Mother, was born. Tradition tells us that when Mary was three years old, Anne and Joachim took her to the temple in Jerusalem to consecrate her for special service to the Lord. We call this celebration the "Presentation of the Virgin Mary." It means that Mary was to play an important part in God's loving plan for the world.

We honor Mary's parents, Joachim and Anne, as saints. We celebrate their joint feast day on July 26th. Their love for one another and for Mary is an example to us of how God calls us to live. They also remind us to honor our own grandparents and to thank them for the blessings they have passed down to us in love.

The beautiful shrine of Ste. Anne de Beaupre in Quebec, Canada, is devoted to St. Anne, and in the Middle Ages numerous churches, chapels, and confraternities were dedicated to her. There is a church of St. Anne in Jerusalem, and it is believed to be built on the site of the home of Sts. Joachim and Anne when they lived in Jerusalem.

Anne is the patron of grandmothers, among many other things, and Joachim of grandfathers and grandparents.

Fr. Chester



The collection for July 17th was \$3,794.00 (112 envelopes) for the General Collection.



On-Line Giving for the July 17th collection was \$4,105.50 (114 donors).

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