

St. Catherine of Siena Church

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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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Carol Rocha
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Weekly Schedule

SATURDAY, AUGUST 6TH

3:30 PM — 4:00 PM RECONCILIATION

4:30 PM MASS

SUNDAY, AUGUST 7TH

8:00 AM MASS

9:30 AM MASS

11:00 AM MASS

MONDAY, AUGUST 8TH

8:00 AM MASS

TUESDAY, AUGUST 9TH

8:00 AM MASS

7:00 PM KNIGHTS BUSINESS MEETING

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 10TH

6:30 PM — 7:00 PM RECONCILIATION

7:00 PM MASS

THURSDAY, AUGUST 11TH

8:00 AM MASS

6:30 PM PICNIC MEETING

FRIDAY, AUGUST 12TH

8:00 AM MASS

SATURDAY, AUGUST 13TH

3:30 PM — 4:00 PM RECONCILIATION

4:30 PM MASS

SUNDAY, AUGUST 14TH

8:00 AM MASS

9:30 AM MASS

11:00 AM MASS

12:15 PM EMMA CATHERINE CALIC IOTTI BAPTISM



Our parish office is seeking volunteers to occasionally answer the phones and help with light office work. The hours are 9:30 AM to 2:30 PM, when needed.

If you are interested or would like more information, please call (908) 735-4024 or email scoscoffice@gmail.com.

Readings for the week of August 7, 2022

Sunday: Wis 18:6-9/Ps 33:1, 12, 18-19, 20-22 [12b]/
Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 or 11:1-2, 8-12/Lk
12:32-48 or 12:35-40

Monday: Ez 1:2-5, 24-28c/Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14/
Mt 17:22-27

Tuesday: Ez 2:8—3:4/Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111,
131/Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

Wednesday: 2 Cor 9:6-10/Ps 112:1-2, 5-6, 7-8, 9/Jn
12:24-26

Thursday: Ez 12:1-12/Ps 78:56-57, 58-59, 61-62/Mt
18:21—19:1

Friday: Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 or 16:59-63/Is 12:2-3,
4bcd, 5-6/Mt 19:3-12

Saturday: Ez 18:1-10, 13b, 30-32/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15,
18-19/Mt 19:13-15

Next Sunday: Jer 38:4-6, 8-10/Ps 40:2, 3, 4, 18 [14b]/Heb
12:1-4/Lk 12:49-53

Observances for the week of August 7, 2022

Sunday: 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time; St. Sixtus II,
Pope, and Companions, Martyrs; St.
Cajetan, Priest

Monday: St. Dominic, Priest

Tuesday: St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Virgin
and Martyr

Wednesday: St. Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr

Thursday: St. Clare, Virgin

Friday: St. Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious

Saturday: Sts. Pontian, Pope, and Hippolytus, Priest,
Martyrs

Next Sunday: 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time;
St. Maximilian Kolbe, Priest and Martyr

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Knights of Columbus

ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA COUNCIL # 15217
2 White Bridge Road
Pittstown, New Jersey 088867
Council Website; kofc15217.org

July 28, 2022

Parishioners of St. Catherine of Siena:

Our Knights of Columbus, St. Catherine of Siena Council #15217 has received the distinction of the Star Council, the international organization's top award for local councils in the USA.

The Star Council Award recognizes overall excellence in the areas of membership, promotion of fraternal insurance benefits, sponsorship of faith formation programs and service-oriented activities such as: Food for families 2074 lbs. (Can a day for lent); Arc Drive of Hunterdon collected \$1916 new council record; Replaced RT 78 American flags; Mother's Day carnations; Ultrasound can collection \$5400 in donations; Grass cutting for parish; Purchased over \$500 for coats for kids; and Awarded over \$2600 in local scholarships,

For information on joining the Knights of Columbus, contact our new Grand Knight:

Robert L. Keeling, Jr. (908) 812-1071, or email;
bobkeelingfdd@embarqmail.com, or our website;
kofc15217.org

Thank you all for your support,

Michael Iannozzi, Past Grand Knight

ST. CATHERINE'S PICNIC & GAME CARNIVAL 2022

This year's Picnic & Game Carnival is going to be spectacular!! The REMAX Hot Air Balloon will be on site in the afternoon for kids of all ages to walk inside the balloon, which will be inflated on its side. There will also be an opportunity to hop into the basket for photos. Weather permitting, tethered balloon rides will begin at 5 PM. The picnic begins at 12 noon on Sunday, September 18th, rain or shine.

A signup Genius has been set up for volunteering for help with the picnic. You should have received an email inviting you to sign up. If you need assistance or haven't received an email, please contact Meredith Joseph at (973) 727-3637. Food signups will be available as we get closer to our date.

Kids, be prepared to have a lot of fun again this year. There are several games with token awards which can be redeemed at the prize table. We have LOTS of prizes. You won't be disappointed. Once again, we will have a kiddie pool with nets and fishing poles for our children 5 and under (with parental supervision) with many prizes. The young ones were so excited last year. I think they were there all day!! And Dr. D will be our DJ this year, entertainment for all ages.

Feel free to call me, Debbie Fass at (973) 222-8100 if you have any questions or concerns or would like to help in any way. Thank you.



Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

RCIA is the formation program for non-Catholics who wish to become Catholic and for baptized Catholics who have not completed their Sacraments of Initiation (First Holy Communion and/or Confirmation).

Classes begin this fall and will run through Easter. If you are interested or know someone who may be interested, please contact Deacon Mike Meyer for more information at deaconmikemeyer@hotmail.com.



Faith Formation 2022 – 2023

Reminder, Faith Formation registration forms **were DUE JULY 11th**! Please submit your registration forms (found on the parish website) and return them with payment. **ASAP!**

For more information contact: **Sandra Kopka PCL at (908) 735-5086 or stcscre@gmail.com**

September 18th, The Parish Picnic

Up, Up, and Away

Celebrating 30 Years at St. Catherine's

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



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

Free Pocket Rosaries for Law Enforcement

Pocket rosaries made by The Blue Rosary Guild are available for law enforcement officers and their families who desire them. Rosaries have been sent to individuals and to departments.

To make a request Please contact cdaverso@diometuchen.org



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.

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.



Please join us as we celebrate the
25th Anniversary
of Ordination of Episcopacy of
BISHOP PAUL GREGORY BOOTKOSKI

Sunday, August 28, 2022
Mass Celebration at 11:00 AM
St. Catherine of Siena Church
2 White Bridge Road, Pittstown, NJ 08867

Luncheon to Follow
St. Catherine of Siena Fellowship Hall

SEATING IS LIMITED
Please complete the attached form and return by Sunday, August 21 to be entered in a lottery. Winners will be randomly chosen and notified.



Please place all RSVPs and congratulatory cards in the box marked "Celebrating Bishop Paul" provided in the downstairs fellowship area or in the parish office. For more information contact Lori Young at 908-713-1997 or young20@centurylink.net

Bishop Paul Bootkoski 25th Celebration Luncheon RSVP

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Number of adults: _____

Mass Intentions

Saturday: August 6, 2022

4:30 PM Mary Zimko
r/o Jennifer & David Perna

Sunday: August 7, 2022

8:00 AM The Parishioners of St. Catherine's
9:30 AM Alan & Tatiana Piotrowski Anniversary Blessings
r/o The Piotrowski Family
11:00 AM Charles Specht
r/o Barbara & Laura Suozzo

Monday: August 8, 2022

8:00 AM Marie Kaczmarek
r/o The Opeikun Family

Tuesday: August 9, 2022

8:00 AM Thomas Webster
r/o Ruth Ann & Joe Jamicky

Wednesday: August 10, 2022

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

Thursday: August 11, 2022

8:00 AM Thomas Webster
r/o Marlene & Jim Langreder

Friday: August 12, 2022

8:00 AM Elise Morrongiello Fahy
r/o Mom & Dad

Saturday: August 13, 2022

4:30 PM John Kauza
r/o Marlene & Jim Langreder

Sunday: August 14, 2022

8:00 AM The Parishioners of St. Catherine's
9:30 AM Antonio & Rosa Rofrano
r/o Ortensia Clancey
11:00 AM The Protection of Babies in the Womb
and Their Families

From the Pastor's Desk *The Transfiguration of the Lord*

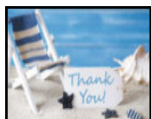
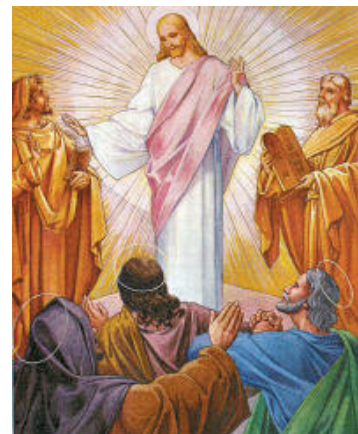
Saturday, August 6th, we celebrated the feast of The Transfiguration of the Lord. All three Synoptic Gospels tell the story of the Transfiguration (Matthew 17:1-8; Mark 9:2-9; Luke 9:28-36). With remarkable agreement, all three place the event shortly after Peter's confession of faith that Jesus is the Messiah and Jesus' first prediction of his passion and death. Peter's eagerness to erect tents or booths on the spot suggests it occurred during the week-long Jewish Feast of Booths in the fall.

According to Scripture scholars, in spite of the texts' agreement, it is difficult to reconstruct the disciples' experiences, because the Gospels draw heavily on Old Testament descriptions of the Sinai encounter with God, and prophetic visions of the Son of Man. Certainly Peter, James, and John had a glimpse of Jesus' divinity that was strong enough to strike fear into their hearts. Such an experience defies description, so they drew on familiar religious language to describe it. And certainly Jesus warned them that his glory and his suffering were to be inextricably connected — a theme John highlights throughout his Gospel.

Tradition names Mount Tabor as the site of the revelation. A church first raised there in the fourth century was dedicated on August 6. A feast in honor of the Transfiguration was celebrated in the Eastern Church from about that time. Western observance began in some localities about the eighth century.

On July 22, 1456, Crusaders defeated the Turks at Belgrade. News of the victory reached Rome on August 6, and Pope Callistus III placed the feast on the Roman calendar the following year.

Fr. Chester



The collection for July 31st was \$3,735 (104 envelopes) for the General Collection.



On-Line Giving for the July 31st collection was \$2898.00 (105 donors).

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