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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, 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

MONDAY, AUGUST 15TH ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

8:00 AM MASS

TUESDAY, AUGUST 16TH

8:00 AM MASS

3:30 PM STEWARDSHIP MEETING

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 17TH

6:30 PM — 7:00 PM RECONCILIATION

7:00 PM MASS

THURSDAY, AUGUST 18TH

8:00 AM MASS

7:00 PM BAPTISMAL PREP CLASS

FRIDAY, AUGUST 19TH

8:00 AM MASS

SATURDAY, AUGUST 20TH

3:30 PM — 4:00 PM RECONCILIATION

4:30 PM MASS

SUNDAY, AUGUST 21ST

8:00 AM MASS

9:30 AM MASS

11:00 AM MASS

12:00 PM KOFC COUNCIL OFFICERS INSTALLATION



We are saddened to announce the death of:

Peter Kieran, father of Jim Kieran, who passed away on July 30, 2022

Readings for the week of August 14, 2022

Sunday: Jer 38:4-6, 8-10/Ps 40:2, 3, 4, 18 [14b]/Heb 12:1-4/Lk 12:49-53
Monday: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Ps 45:10, 11, 12, 16/1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56
Tuesday: Ez 28:1-10/Dt 32:26-27ab, 27cd-28, 30, 35cd-36ab/Mt 19:23-30
Wednesday: Ez 34:1-11/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Mt 20:1-16
Thursday: Ez 36:23-28/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19/Mt 22:1-14
Friday: Ez 37:1-14/Ps 107:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 22:34-40
Saturday: Ez 43:1-7ab/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14/Mt 23:1-12
Next Sunday: Is 66:18-21/Ps 117:1, 2/Heb 12:5-7, 11-13/Lk 13:22-30

Observances for the week of August 14, 2022

Sunday: 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time; St. Maximilian Kolbe, Priest and Martyr
Monday: The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Tuesday: St. Stephen of Hungary
Friday: St. John Eudes, Priest
Saturday: St. Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church
Next Sunday: 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time; St. Pius X, Pope

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**Presenting for the First Time
Family Movie Night
Friday, September 23, 2022**

Bring your lawn chairs, bean bag chairs, blankets and pillows and get comfortable outdoors in the church parking lot for our first ever movie night.

Bring the family of all ages beginning at 6:30 PM so you can purchase candy, chips popcorn and soft drinks before the show. We will show the featured film on a big outdoor screen with a sound system. Proceeds from the refreshment sales will go towards our new parish center building project. Admission is free, but any donations would be appreciated.

Our feature film will be one of the following:

Encanto	Wonder
Sing	Bad Guys (cartoon)
Goonies	The Sandlot

Get ready for a night of fun with friends and family. If you have any questions or concerns, don't hesitate to call, or text Debbie Fass at (973) 222-8100.

Parish Book Club Meeting, Friday, September 2nd

The Saint Catherine's Book Club will meet on **Friday September 2 at 7:00 PM**, immediately following First Friday Adoration, to discuss C.S. Lewis's *The Great Divorce*, a wonderful fictional novel about heaven.



Please join us downstairs in the common room.

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

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 sign up 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



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.



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

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 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

Monday: August 15, 2022

8:00 AM Larry Remaly 90th Birthday Blessings

Tuesday: August 16, 2022

8:00 AM Special Intension
r/o Marlene & Jim Langreder

Wednesday: August 17, 2022

7:00 PM Andrew Krajczar
r/o The Massimo Family

Thursday: August 18, 2022

8:00 AM Anne Becker
r/o Elaine Frederick

Friday: August 19, 2022

8:00 AM Barbara Roscus Birthday Blessings
r/o Donna Baker

Saturday: August 20, 2022

4:30 PM John Kauza
r/o Diane Corrigan

Sunday: August 21, 2022

8:00 AM Jose Matos
r/o The Koretzky & Matos
Families
9:30 AM Ed & Ellen Schilke
r/o St. Catherine's Parish
11:00 AM The Bodi Family
r/o Elaine Frederick


From the Pastor's Desk
The Assumption of the
Blessed Virgin Mary

On Monday, August 15th, the church has always held to the belief that Mary was assumed, body and soul, into a heavenly state, even though the belief was not declared as dogmatic until 1950. The early church had a robust tradition of revering relics from the saints of the day, and their complete lack of relics from the Mother of Jesus was seen as evidence of this Marian belief. The celebration of the event as a feast dates back to the fourth century in the East and the seventh century in the West.


Since Mary was untouched by the stain of sin, she was unable to experience the "wages of sin," which is death. But her Assumption also says something about humanity as well. Sin only has power over us if we allow it. Mary was freed from this power in her Immaculate Conception, and when she responded "yes" to God. We were freed from that power when Jesus died and rose, conquering death. Now, we must respond "yes" to claim the victory that was already won for us. On this feast, we should not only celebrate the great works God has done for us through Our Lady, but also celebrate the truth that we have the opportunity to one day spend eternity with her and her Son, Jesus.

Fr. Chester





The collection for August 7th was \$4,075.00 (115 envelopes) for the General Collection and \$681.00 (41 envelopes) for Religious Ed.



On-Line Giving for the August 7th collection was \$3,383.00 (114 donors).

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