# St. Catherine of Siena Church

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# **Church and Parish Office**

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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

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Ken Mandoli (908) 735-2879

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Lori Young (908) 713-1997

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Ed Schilke (908) 713-4914

Wedding Coordinator

Ellen McCarthy (908) 735-2028

Welcome

Carol Rocha (908) 996-7612

# **Weekly Schedule**

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24TH

9:00 AM — 2:00 PM BOLD TEAM BUILDING DAY

10:00 AM PETER KIERAN MEMORIAL MASS

3:30 PM — 4:00 PM RECONCILIATION

4:30 PM MASS

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25TH** 

8:00 AM — 9:00 AM 2ND GRADE FAITH FORMATION

8:00 AM MASS

8:30 AM — 10:15 AM 3RD GRADE FAITH FORMATION

9:30 AM FAMILY MASS

11:00 AM MASS

12:00 PM ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 26TH** 

8:00 AM MASS

7:00 PM FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27TH** 

8:00 AM MASS

1:00 PM PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY
7:00 PM KNIGHTS SOCIAL & DEVOTION

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28TH

6:00 PM — 7:30 PM 4TH & 6TH GRADE FAITH

**FORMATION** 

6:30 PM — 7:00 PM RECONCILIATION

7:00 PM MASS

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 29TH

8:00 AM MASS

6:00 PM — 8:00 PM BOLD YOUTH MINISTRY BBQ

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30TH

8:00 AM MASS

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1ST** 

10:00 AM BLESSING OF ANIMALS 11:00 AM — 5:30 PM 8TH GRADE RETREAT

3:30 PM — 4:00 PM RECONCILIATION

4:30 PM MASS

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2ND** 

8:00 AM MASS 9:30 AM MASS 11:00 AM MASS

12:00 PM ROSARY SOCIETY MEETING



ROSARY SOCIETY NEWS
NEW DATE & TIME

**Next Meeting: Sunday, October 2nd at 12 Noon** – Welcome to new and returning members! We will pray the Rosary and then follow with our monthly meeting.

### Readings for the week of September 25, 2022

Sunday: Am 6:1a, 4-7/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 [1b]/1 Tm

6:11-16/Lk 16:19-31

Jb 1:6-22/Ps 17:1bcd, 2-3, 6-7/Lk 9:46-50 Monday: Tuesday:

Jb 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23/Ps 88:2-3, 4-5, 6,

7-8/Lk 9:51-56

Jb 9:1-12, 14-16/Ps 88:10bc-11, 12-13, Wednesday:

14-15/Lk 9:57-62

Dan 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a/Ps 138: Thursday:

1-2ab, 2cde-3, 4-5/Jn 1:47-51

Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5/Ps 139:1-3, 7-8, Friday:

9-10, 13-14ab/Lk 10:13-16

Saturday: Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17/Ps 119:66, 71, 75, 91,

125, 130/Lk 10:17-24

Next Sunday: Hb 1:2-3; 2:2-4/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/2 Tm

1:6-8, 13-14/Lk 17:5-10

# Observances for the week of September 25, 2022

26<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time; National Sunday:

Migration Week

Monday: Sts. Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs

Tuesday: St. Vincent de Paul, Priest

Wednesday: St. Wenceslaus, Martyr; St. Lawrence Ruiz

and Companions, Martyrs

Sts. Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Thursday:

Archangels

St. Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church Friday:

St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus, Virgin and Saturday:

Doctor of the Church

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Respect Life Sunday:

The Holy Guardian Angels

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# Marriage Encounter

Now that summer is over, why not treat yourselves to a Marriage Encounter Weekend?

A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend gives you the time and tools to revitalize romance, deepen communication, and nourish the spirituality in your marriage.

The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend will be October 28th - 30th

Please apply ASAP as space is limited. For an application and information call Tom & Ruth DeFalco at (732) 904-9636.

Visit us at: www.wwme.org for more information.





Deacon Mike will be holding Altar Server Training on Sunday, September 25<sup>th</sup> noon to 1 PM for all interested parishioners who have received their First Holy Communion. Existing Altar servers are encouraged to join as a refresher.



St. Catherine of Siena Parish

# POLISH NIGHT

October 22, 2022 following the 4:30 Mass in the Fellowship Hall

Traditional Polish Foods and Live Music! professional accordian player Be ready to Polka!!!

Tickets available after Masses Sept. 24-25, Oct. 1-2, 7-8, 14-15

Only 70 tickets available ... get yours early! \$50 per person (includes food, wine and beer)

All proceeds benefit the parish center building fund



We are saddened to announce the death of:

Jay Conrad, nephew of Maureen O'Malley, who passed away on September 12, 2022

# **EMAIL SCAMS** PLEASE DO NOT REPLY!

Father Chester would **NEVER** email you asking for money or gift cards. He would call you or speak to you directly.

PLEASE DO NOT REPLY...IT'S A SCAM







#### **HUNTERDON COUNTY LIFE CHAIN**

On Sunday afternoon, October 2, 2022, from 2:00 to 3:30 PM, Hunterdon County area Christians will line the sidewalks of Route 31/ Route 202/ Route 12 Circle to Main Street, starting from Plaza 1 to form a "LIFE CHAIN", Rain or Shine

This stand of solidarity by Hunterdon County area Christians will be made to communicate that abortion is gravely wrong and local churches oppose the killing of pre-born boys and girls, as well as the exploitation of their mothers by the abortion industry. Appropriate signs stating *Abortion Kills Children* will be passed out to all that attend.

Life Chain is a peaceful, prayerful, non-political, non-confrontational demonstration. Right to Life believers all over the country gather to stand along the street holding signs expressing our opposition to abortion. The National Life Chain was founded in 1987 and more than 8,000 North American Chains have been built.

Elderly and disabled pro-lifers should, if possible, arrange for chairs and umbrellas. Small children, under close supervision, are welcomed. Everyone who believes in the protection of pre-born children and their mothers are welcomed and encouraged to participate.

Life Chain signs may be picked up on the day of the Life Chain at the Plaza 1 parking area at 1:30 PM. You must sign in for Insurance coverage provided by Metuchen Diocese.

For more information call: **Robert Keeling (908) 236-9648**, or email: **rlkeeling@embargmail.com** 

#### St. Catherine's Men! SAVE THE DATE

Immaculate Conception Church's Men's Cornerstone Weekend Friday Evening Oct. 21<sup>st</sup> & Saturday, Oct. 22nd

This year marks the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Year of Cornerstone. *Praising God...... Through Tough Times*.

For more info:

https://www.iccannandale.org/mens-cornerstone
Or scan this QR Code to Register.



# Mass Intentions

Saturday: September 24, 2022

4:30 PM Margaret Rocca r/o The Family

Sunday: September 25, 2022

8:00 AM Anna May & Harry Coster

r/o The Munro Family

9:30 AM Michael G. Saccal

r/o St. Catherine's Rosary

Society

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

Monday: September 26, 2022

8:00 AM Carol Rocha Birthday Blessings

Tuesday: September 27, 2022

8:00 AM Sandra Kopka Birthday Blessings

Wednesday: September 28, 2022

7:00 PM Barbara Starr

r/o The Quick Family

Thursday: September 29, 2022

8:00 AM Nancy Unorski Birthday Blessings

Friday: September 30, 2022

8:00 AM Antonio & Rosa Rofrano

r/o Ortensia Clancey

Saturday: October 1, 2022

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

Sunday: October 2, 2022

8:00 AM Veronica April

r/o Joseph April

9:30 AM Michael Pierces

r/o The Pierce Family

11:00 AM John Kauza

r/o Mike & Mary Mitariten



The collection for September 18th was \$3,752.00 (96 envelopes) for the General Collection.



On-Line Giving for the September 18th collection was \$4,215.00 (115 donors).

# From the Pastor's Desk Pícnic THANK YOU

On Sunday, September 18th, we held our Annual Parish Picnic. It succeeded again in its primary goal of socializing with our faith community and was made possible by Debbie and Rich Fass, with the help of Lori Young and the Stewardship Committee.

Thank you to the Colalillo family and the Clinton ShopRite for their generous donation of hot dogs, hamburgers, rolls, and waters, and to Ken Mandoli and Tony Rocha for arranging the pickup.

Thank you to Carol Rocha for organizing our Silent Auction with the help of Sandra Kopka and everyone who donated to the auction.

Thank you to George Mahaffey for being our ground supervisor, game setup, and the many other tasks he willingly did for the smooth running of the picnic.

Thank you to Byron and Dena Brisby for sponsoring Dr D and thank you to Dr D for being our Master of Ceremonies.

Thank you to Nan Kubian for the helping with the creation and printing of our picnic tickets.

Thank you to Katharine Lawrence, Meredith Joseph, Marybeth Madlinger, and Ali Patkochis for helping licensing, e-mail blasts, Signup Genius, the appetizer table, and general assistance.

Thank you to Bill Smith, Bob Keeling, and the Knights of Columbus for helping with the setup of the tents, tables, and chairs.

Thank you to Rob Preston for the photography/videography.

Thank you to Lori and Dave Wunder, Dave Barthel, Eddie Wojtal for volunteering to be our game supervisors.

Thank you to our food servers, cold drinks, grillers, 50/50 salespeople and ticket sellers after all the Masses.

Thank you to our numerous middle schoolers for your participation and bringing joy to the younger ones.

Thank you to Kona Ice for supplying the flavored shaved ice, and JD's & Bourbon Street for the ice and birch beer keg.

Thank you to the Franklin Township Fire Department and Public Works for providing us with tables, trashcans, and liners.

Thank you to the picnic committee who attended all the meetings and volunteered without hesitation to help with anything that was needed to make this picnic a huge success.

And last, but not least, thank you to all the others volunteers not mentioned above—from crafts/face painting to adult/ children's games and activities. All are truly appreciated. We are grateful to you in making the picnic another success in our parish life.

Fr. Chester

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