

St. Catherine of Siena Church

A ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH of PRAYER and FRIENDSHIP

Church and Parish Office

2 White Bridge Road
Pittstown, NJ 08867

Mailing Address

P.O. Box 245
Pittstown, NJ 08867

Office Hours

Monday – Friday: 9:30 AM – 2:30 PM
(Later by appointment)
Phone: (908) 735-4024
Fax: (908) 735-0355
Website: www.scoschurch.org
Email: scoscoffice@gmail.com

PASTOR

Rev. Chester Zalubski

Email: baca11963@yahoo.com

Weekend Assistant

Most Reverend Paul G. Bootkoski, DD
Bishop Emeritus

Permanent Deacons

Deacon Michael A. Meyer, D.Min.

Email: deaconmikemeyer@hotmail.com

Deacon Dennis K. Webster

Email: denniswebster2@gmail.com

Parish Catechetical Leader

Sandra Kopka

(908) 735-5086

Email: stcscre@gmail.com

Music Ministry

Pat Prakopcyk

(908) 782-7043

Email: stcatmusic@gmail.com

Parish Secretary

Jennifer Perna

(908) 735-4024

Email: scoscoffice@gmail.com

Coordinator of Youth Ministry

Jim Murray

(973) 370-2532

Email: StCatherine@boldym.com



February 26, 2023

Vol. 14

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.

ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA, PITTSTOWN, NJ

PARISH MINISTRIES AND ORGANIZATIONS

Altar Servers

Kelly Wojtal
(908) 892-4574

Audio/Visual

Ken Mandoli
(908) 735-2879

Auditors

Maggie Marion
(908) 735-4024

Building Maintenance

Ray Ferraro
(908) 623-0345

Catholic Media

Denise Botto
(908) 996-6760

Coffee Fellowship

Teri Saccal
(908) 229-9355

Decorating Committee

Donna Cahill
(908) 730-9384

Events Hospitality

Margaret Rocca
(908) 996-3226

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

John-Joseph Bober
(908) 713-9707

Family Mass

Celticstamper@gmail.com

Family Promise

Mary Jo Haggerty
(908) 892-3513

Food Pantry

Patty Battipaglia
(908) 735-6020

Knights of Columbus

Robert Keeling
(908) 812-1071

Monthly Eucharistic Adoration

Mary Kauza (908) 735-4582
Jane Ricketts (908) 782-6216

Parish Landscape

Kevin Cahill
(908) 730-9384

Parish Pastoral Council

Denise Botto
(908) 996-6760

Parish Picnic

Debbie Fass
(908) 730-7303

Prayer Shawl

Donna Mustillo
(908) 237-0211

Graphic Materials

Helen Nardone
(908) 391-0857

Readers

Robert Preston
(908) 510-2712

Right to Life Rep

Robert Keeling
(908) 812-1071

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)

Deacon Mike Meyer
Deaconmikemeyer@hotmail.com

Rosary Society

Jane Ricketts
(908) 782-6216

Sanctuary Guild

Kathy Mathews
(908) 735-9511

SCRIP Program

Robin Potempa
(908) 310-4273

Social Concerns

Doreen Opeikun
(908) 507-6752
Dawn Salerno
(908) 477-0105

Stewardship

Lori Young
(908) 713-1997

Ushers

Rich Kopf
(908) 797-4607

Veterans Military Apostolate

Parish Office
(908) 735-4024

Website

Ed Schilke
(908) 713-4914

Wedding Coordinator

Ellen McCarthy
(908) 735-2028

Welcome

Carol Rocha
(908) 996-7612

Weekly Schedule

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25TH

11:00 AM MILLIE ANGELINA TERRANOVA BAPTISM
3:30 PM — 4:00 PM RECONCILIATION
4:30 PM MASS

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26TH

8:00 AM MASS
9:30 AM MASS
11:00 AM MASS/RCIA RITE OF SENDING

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 27TH

8:00 AM MASS

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28TH

8:00 AM MASS
12:30 PM PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY
7:00 PM KNIGHTS SOCIAL & DEVOTION MEETING

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1ST

6:00 PM — 7:30 PM 4TH & 6TH GRADE FORMATION CLASSES
6:30 PM — 7:00 PM RECONCILIATION
7:00 PM MASS

THURSDAY, MARCH 2ND

8:00 AM MASS
7:00 PM BOLD DISCIPLESHIP NIGHT

FRIDAY, MARCH 3RD

8:00 AM MASS
3:00 PM — 6:00 PM 1ST FRIDAY ADORATION
6:00 PM COMPLEMENTARY SOUP & FELLOWSHIP
7:00 PM STATIONS OF THE CROSS

SATURDAY, MARCH 4TH

9:00 AM — 1:00 PM KNIGHTS CPR/AED CLASS
3:30 PM — 4:00 PM RECONCILIATION
4:30 PM MASS

SUNDAY, MARCH 5TH

8:00 AM — 9:00 AM 2ND GRADE FAITH FORMATION
8:00 AM MASS
8:30 AM — 10:30 AM 3RD GRADE FAITH FORMATION
9:30 AM MASS
11:00 AM MASS
12:00 PM ROSARY SOCIETY MEETING

If donating to the Parish Center using your February envelope packet, please write your name on the envelope. It's missing your envelope number.

Readings for the week of February 26, 2023

Sunday: Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 17 (see 3a)/Rom 5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19/Mt 4:1-11

Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/Mt 25:31-46

Tuesday: Is 55:10-11/Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19/Mt 6:7-15

Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19/Lk 11:29-32

Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8/Mt 7:7-12

Friday: Ez 18:21-28/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 507a, 7bc-8/Mt 5:20-26

Saturday: Dt 26:16-19/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8/Mt 5:43-48

Next Sunday: Gn 12:1-4a/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22 (22)/2 Tm 1:8b-10/Mt 17:1-9

Observances for the week of February 26, 2023

Sunday: 1st Sunday of Lent

Monday: St. Gregory of Narek, Abbot and Doctor of the Church

Friday: St. Katharine Drexel, Virgin

Saturday: St. Casimir

Next Sunday: 2nd Sunday of Lent

(C)LPi

First Friday Eucharistic Adoration



First Friday Eucharistic Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is held on the first Friday of each month beginning at **3 PM** and ending with Benediction at **6:00 PM**.

Our next Eucharistic Adoration is Friday, March 3rd

To ensure that the Blessed Sacrament is never unattended at any time during Adoration, please use the new sign-up link.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0544ADAA2BA1F94-first>



ROSARY SOCIETY NEWS

Next Meeting: Sunday, March 5th, at noon

We will pray the Rosary and then follow with our monthly meeting.

ALL ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND

Father Chester is going to be our guest speaker at the March 5th meeting.

40 CANS FOR LENT

During Lent, the Knights of Columbus will be conducting their annual 40 Cans for Lent program.

The goal is for each family to put aside one can of non-perishable food every day of Lent and bring in 7 cans to Mass each weekend starting February 25th.

The Knights will collect and transport your donations to local food pantries within our diocese.

The collection bins will be placed in the Fellowship Hall.

Food contributions from our parishioners have totaled over 17,963 pounds. That's over 9 tons of food for the needy!

We thank you for your past participation and we hope you will continue to help our less fortunate neighbors. *Thank you!*



One Can of Food Can Make a Difference



FOR OUR LENTEN PARISH MISSION

[what] SURGE OF THE HEART PARISH MISSION
With nationally known Catholic speaker and best selling author Jon Leonetti!

[when]
SUNDAY, MARCH 12 AND
MONDAY, MARCH 13
6:30 - 8:00 PM

[where]
ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA
CHURCH
2 White Bridge Road
Pittstown, NJ 08867

"ONE OF THE MOST INSPIRING PARISH MISSIONS AVAILABLE IN AMERICA TODAY."

- MATTHEW KELLY,
Founder of Dynamic Catholic





St. Catherine's Soup & Stations



6 PM: Join us for complementary soup and fellowship

7 PM: Pray the Stations of the Cross

All are welcome; please join us.

February 24th hosted by The Knights of Columbus

March 3rd hosted by the Religious Ed Grades 3-5

March 10th hosted by Decorating, Ushers, and Parish Pastoral Council

March 17th hosted by Social Concerns, and Lectors

March 24th hosted by the BOLD Youth Middle School

March 31st hosted by the Rosary Society, Eucharistic Adoration, and Wedding Committee



Knights of Columbus Annual Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner

The St. Catherine's Knights of Columbus Annual Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner will take place on **Sunday, March 19th beginning at 4:00 PM in Fellowship Hall.**

Tickets go on sale following Mass the weekends of **February 25th /26th through March 11th /12th.**

Lenten Obligations

1. The days of fast and abstinence are Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.
2. All other Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence (**see note below with regards to March 17th**).
3. The obligation of fast applies only to Catholics between the ages of 18 and 59. *Fasting in the Catholic tradition means to limit oneself to one full meal and two smaller meals which together are not equal to a full meal, so as to experience hunger.*
4. The obligation of abstinence applies to all Catholics who have reached the age of 14. *Abstinence in the Catholic tradition means to abstain from meat.*

Note: This year, the Memorial of St. Patrick falls on a Friday. For members of the faithful celebrating this Memorial and who desire it, Bishop Checchio has commuted the penitential obligation on March 17 to the obligation to abstain from meat on another day that same week.

OUR HEAVILY ANTICIPATED LENTEN PARISH MISSION, "SURGE OF THE HEART" IS JUST TWO WEEKS AWAY!

We encourage everyone in the parish to join us for **2 nights, 2 different topics** for a life changing experience with nationally known Catholic speaker, best-selling author and radio host, Jon Leonetti **Sunday March 12th & Monday March 13th from 6:30 — 8:00 PM** at St. Catherine's.

Jon will give us both practical and effective ways to live, know and grow in our Catholic faith. Sharing powerful stories of the martyrs and saints, Jon will inspire and challenge us in our call to holiness. Jon has been featured on the nation's top Catholic websites, blogs and radio shows and we are blessed to host him here.

A free will donation will be taken with 100% of the proceeds going to our Parish Center Building Fund!



St. Catherine's Prayer Shawl Ministry

Meets every Tuesday, 12:30 — 2:00 PM, downstairs in Fellowship Hall. All who would like to help are welcome, and yes, we do help beginners learn to knit and crochet!

Please drop in or contact Donna Mustillo at (908) 237-0211 for more information.

Mass Intentions

Saturday: February 25, 2023

4:30 PM Vincent Oliva
r/o Ellen & Paul McCarthy

Sunday: February 26, 2023

8:00 AM Theresa Lenk
r/o The Mauro Family

9:30 AM Larry & Bernie Remaly
r/o The Quick Family

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

Monday: February 27, 2023

8:00 AM Daniel Murray
r/o St. Catherine's Parish

Tuesday: February 28, 2023

8:00 AM Doreen Opeikun Birthday Blessings

Wednesday: March 1, 2023

7:00 PM Le Anne Schoberl & Family
r/o The Quick Family

Thursday: March 2, 2023

8:00 AM Mary Mitariten Birthday Blessings

Friday: March 3, 2023

8:00 AM Getruda Zalubski
r/o Fr. Chester Zalubski

Saturday: March 4, 2023

4:30 PM David Perna Birthday Blessings
r/o The Family

Sunday: March 5, 2023

8:00 AM Protection of Babies in the Womb and
Their Families

9:30 AM The Parishioners of St. Catherine's

11:00 AM Catherine Raymonds
r/o St. Catherine's Parish

From the Pastor's Desk

First Sunday of Lent

On Ash Wednesday we started the Season of Lent with the imposition of ashes on our heads. It is meant to remind us of our identity and relationship with God. First, it means we belong to God. We are his children. Second, as his children, we have the responsibility to make Jesus' presence felt and experienced in this world. Third, given the identity and relationship that we have with God, as His children, we are constantly called to holiness of life.

Thus, these 40 days of Lent are an opportunity given to us for turning back to God, for conversion. Through the help of the traditional Lenten disciplines of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving, hopefully, we will come to acknowledge the ways we have turned away from God in our lives and we will focus on turning our hearts and minds back toward Him.

This Lent, may I suggest the following:

Prayer is the foundation of our spiritual life. Without prayer, no spiritual growth is possible. Prayer is simply talking to God and then quieting ourselves to listen for His response. Lent calls us in a practical way to carve out moments for prayer, to join the community in worship and to enter into the silence where God speaks to our hearts. I invite families to worship and pray together especially by attending Sunday Eucharist.

Fasting is the act of giving up something in order to develop spiritual discipline. One main meal on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, Meatless Fridays, no sweets or chocolates: such are traditional fasting practices. But, fasting goes beyond just food and drink. Consider, instead, taking the time to pray words from the Scripture.

Almsgiving is the culmination of the Lenten disciplines, for through it we open ourselves up to God's grace. Just as fasting is about "giving up," almsgiving is about "giving to." Whereas fasting is about saying no to ourselves, almsgiving is about saying yes to others. Through almsgiving, we conquer the temptation to seek real happiness in our possessions. Almsgiving most directly applies to giving financial and other material support to those in need, but it can also apply to spiritual needs. For instance, what if for each of the next six weeks, you chose a family member, coworker, or even a stranger and went out of your way to show some act of kindness. It can be as simple as helping with chores, or being mindful to saying thank you!

These 40 days of Lent will be filled with struggles and temptation, yet through prayer, fasting and almsgiving, we anticipate the rich fruit of God's blessing blossoming in our lives. May this Lent truly be a springtime of grace!

Fr. Chester



	<p>The collection for February 19th was \$3,773.00 (136 envelopes) for the regular collection.</p>
	<p>On-Line Giving for February 19th was \$3,866.00 (113 donors).</p>

LAWN DOCTOR



www.lawndoctor.com

908-782-5296

Christopher T Kotalic - Owner

Scarponi-Bright Funeral Home, Inc.

26 Main St., Lebanon, NJ 08833

908-236-2520

VINCENT SCARPONI

Owner - Manager

N.J. Lic. No. 3334

ShopRite



OF HUNTERDON COUNTY

ca ShopRite of Flemington 272 Route 202 & 31, Flemington Tel No. 908-782-2553
ca ShopRite of Clinton 50 Walmart Plaza, Clinton Tel No. 908-730-6800
ca ShopRite of Greenwich 1207 Route 22 West, Phillipsburg Tel No. 908-454-8086

THINK your neighborhood. Think your ShopRite.

Johnson-Walton FUNERAL HOME

Guy J. Walton Manager
NJ Lic. #4182
PA Lic.#13851

Caring Service for Hunterdon County Since 1938

24 Church Road • Milford, NJ
908-995-2393

MARTIN



1761 Rt. 31 • Clinton, New Jersey 08809

(908)735-7180

Christopher J. Knoll, Manager
NJ Lic. #4460



Traditional Values, Modern Concepts, Golden Rule Service

38 State Highway 31, Flemington • (908) 782-3311

www.wrightfamily.com

Daniel James 'D.J.' Wright, Owner/Executive Director

N.J. Lic. No. 4537



SUPPORT OUR PARISH

PATRICK'S AUTO & LT TRUCK REPAIRS

East Bound Entrance Exit 11 178, Pattenburg, NJ
Rte. 173, 4 Mile West of Clinton, NJ

Complete Car Care Service • NJ State Inspection & Emission Repair

Major or Minor Mechanical Repairs • Auto Body Work - Estimates

OEM Transmission & Engines (3yr 75/100K Warranty)

24 Hour Towing • Free Disposal of Junk Vehicles

Towing (6am to 7 pm) 908-246-2199 • Jim Patrick
Fax 908-713-1774 • Tel. 908-713-1378 • Tel. 908-713-1388

Immaculate Conception Cemetery & Mausoleum

Located on the Property of Immaculate Conception Parish

316 Old Allerton Road, Annandale, NJ
Please call 908-735-7319 for additional information or to set up an appointment

Holcombe-Fisher Funeral Home

Established 1894

CHARLES HOLCOMBE FISHER
Manager, NJ Lic. No. 2631

ROBERT FISHER BOGART
Director, NJ Lic. No. 4274

RYAN CHRISTOPHER WINFIELD
Director, NJ Lic. No. 4888

MARK PATRICK WHITTAKER
DIRECTOR, NJ Lic. No 4549

908.782.4343 • Fax 908.782.2431 • 147 Main Street • Flemington, NJ 08822
www.holcombefisher.com



Budget Rooter Plumbing Plus!

908-822-2004

PITTS TOWN



Independence Manor at Hunterdon

Assisted Living Residence

908-788-4893

188 State Highway 31, Flemington, NJ 08822



Eileen Recame REALTOR®

Office: 908-735-8140 • Cell: 908-310-2361
eileen-recame.weichert.com • homes@eileenrecame.com



Commitment and Integrity are my cornerstones

9 W. MAIN STREET, CLINTON, NJ

ADT-Monitored Home Security

Get 24-Hour Protection From a Name You Can Trust

- Burglary
- Flood Detection
- Fire Safety
- Carbon Monoxide



SafeStreets

833-287-3502

Place Your Ad Here and Support our Parish!

Instantly create and purchase an ad with

AD CREATOR STUDIO



4lpi.com/adcreator

LET'S GROW YOUR BUSINESS

Place Your Ad Here and Support Our Parish!

CONTACT ME Douglas Shaller

Dshaller@4LPi.com • (800) 477-4574 x6458



MAGNUS SALON

908-238-0613

370 Pittstown Road, Pittstown

Tue 10-5 • Wed-Thu 10-8 • Fri 10-5 • Sat 9-5 • Closed Sun & Mon



"Your Full Service Energy Supplier Since 1946"

BioHeating Oil • Propane • BioDiesel Fuel
Motor Oil • Gasolines • Kerosene
HVAC Service • Installations

www.stembrothers.com • heating@stembrothers.com

Phone 908-995-4825 or 908-996-4441

SUPPORT OUR ADVERTISERS!



Ad info. 1-800-477-4574 • Publication Support 1-800-888-4574 • www.4lpi.com

St. Catherine, Pittstown

04-0866