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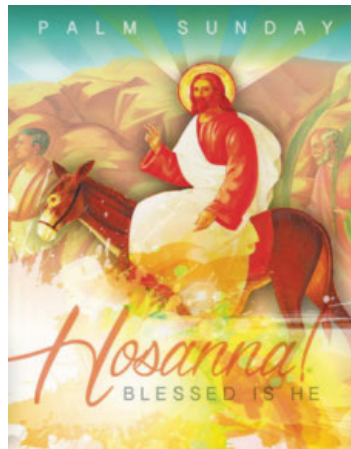
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MASS SCHEDULE

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, APRIL 1ST

1:00 PM — 2 PM EASTER EGG HUNT
1:00 PM — 4:00 PM RCIA FELLOWSHIP HALL/CHURCH
3:30 PM — 4:00 PM RECONCILIATION
4:30 PM MASS

SUNDAY, APRIL 2ND

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
1:00 PM — 2 PM (RAIN DATE) EASTER EGG HUNT

MONDAY, APRIL 3RD

8:00 AM MASS
6:00 PM — 7:30 PM BOLD SEDER MEAL

TUESDAY, APRIL 4TH

8:00 AM MASS
12:30 PM PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY
3:30 PM STEWARDSHIP MEETING
CANCELLED

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 5TH

6:00 PM — 7:30 PM 7TH & 8TH GRADE FORMATION
CLASSES
6:30 PM — 7:00 PM RECONCILIATION
7:00 PM MASS

THURSDAY, APRIL 6TH — HOLY THURSDAY

OFFICE CLOSED
7:00 PM MASS

FRIDAY, APRIL 7TH — GOOD FRIDAY

OFFICE CLOSED
12:00 PM STATIONS OF THE CROSS
3:00 PM PASSION OF THE LORD

SATURDAY, APRIL 8TH — HOLY SATURDAY

11:00 AM BLESSING OF THE FOOD BASKETS
7:30 PM RCIA — THE GREAT EASTER VIGIL
MASS

SUNDAY, APRIL 9TH — EASTER SUNDAY

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

NO ADORATION THIS FRIDAY, APRIL 7TH!

**JOIN US FOR
STATIONS AT NOON
PASSION OF OUR LORD AT 3:00 PM**

Readings for the week of April 2, 2023

Sunday: Mt 21:1-11/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 (2a)/Phil 2:6-11/Mt 26: 14-27:66 or 27:11-54

Monday: Is 42:1-7/Ps 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14/Jn 12:1-11

Tuesday: Is 49:1-6/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5ab-6ab, 15 and 17/Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

Wednesday: Is 50:4-9a/Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31 and 33-34/ Mt 26:14-25

Thursday: *Chrism Mass:* Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9/Ps 89: 21-22, 25 and 27/Rv 1:5-8/Lk 4:16-21
Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14/Ps 116:12-13, 16-16bc, 17-18 (see 1 Cor 10:16)/1 Cor 11:23-26/Jn 13:1-15

Friday: Is 52:13-53:12/Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25 (Luke 23:46)/Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9/Jn 18:1-19:42

Saturday: *Easter Vigil:* Gn 1:1-2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a/ Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35 (30) or Ps 33:4-5, 6-7, 12-13, 20-22 (5b)/ Gn 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 (1)/Ex 14:15-15:1/ Ex 15:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18 (1b)/Is 54:5-14/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13 (2a)/Is 55:1-11/Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 (3)/Bar 3:9-15, 32-4:4/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 (Jn 6:68c)/Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28/Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3, 4 (42:2)/Rom 6: 3-11/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23/Mt 28:1-10

Next Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 (24)/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/ Jn 20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10

Observances for the week of April 2, 2023

Sunday: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord, Holy Week begins

Wednesday:

Thursday: Holy Thursday

Friday: Good Friday

Saturday: Holy Saturday

Next Sunday: Easter Sunday

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HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Holy Thursday (April 6th)
Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:00 PM

Good Friday (April 7th)
Stations of the Cross at Noon
Passion of Our Lord at 3:00 PM

Holy Saturday (April 8th)
Blessing of Easter Food Baskets at 11:00 AM
Easter Vigil Mass at 7:30 PM

Easter Sunday (April 9th)
8:00 AM Mass
9:30 AM Mass
11:00 AM Mass

The office is closed Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter Monday. Have a Blessed Easter!



ROSARY SOCIETY NEWS

Next Meeting: Sunday, April 2nd, at noon

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

ALL ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND

SIZZLING SUMMER RAFFLE
is coming to
St. Catherine of Siena Parish

Wouldn't some extra sizzling cash add to the fun and enjoyment of summer for family members, friends, co-workers, and acquaintances?



- Raffle ticket books will be available after Masses during the weekends of April 29/30 and May 6/7, and at the Parish Office.
 - Drawing will take place on Father's Day, June 18, 2023, at 12 noon.
 - Winners need not be present for the drawing.
 - All proceeds from this raffle go to the Parish Center building fund.
- More information about the raffle will be shared with you soon.



Thank you in advance for your support in making our Sizzling Summer Raffle a success!



HOLY WEEK OFFICE SCHEDULE

Thursday, April 6th CLOSED
Friday, April 7th CLOSED
Monday, April 10th CLOSED

PALM SUNDAY

Women's Cornerstone

Cornerstone is a one-day experience for women 25 years or older from St. Catherine of Siena and local parishes.



This year's event will be held on Saturday, **April 22nd**, at **Immaculate Conception Church in Annandale**, starting at **8 AM** and ending with a **celebration following an 8 PM Mass**.

Come and see what the day has to offer! Questions? Call or text Rachel Riebling at 646-515-9674. To register: <http://iccannandale.org/womens-cornerstone>

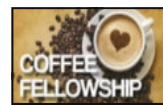
40 CANS FOR LENT

During Lent, the Knights of Columbus will be conducting their annual 40 Cans for Lent program. The goal is for each family to donate one can of non-perishable food by the end of Lent, ending February 22nd. Local churches are encouraged to place in their parish. Food contributions in our parishes have totaled over 17,960 cans. 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

Please join us after every weekend Mass for coffee, conversation, and SCRIP ordering in Fellowship Hall!



Seder Meal

6th-12th Graders Join Us!!

APRIL 3rd

6-7:30 PM

ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA FELLOWSHIP HALL

For more info or to RSVP, contact Jim @ StCatherine@boldym.com; (973-370-2532)



LIFE-GIVING WOUNDS RETREAT

A Healing Retreat for Adult Children of Divorce, Separation, or Family Brokenness



Saturday, June 3
9:00AM - 5:00PM



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\$75 - Adult
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The retreat includes meditations by the national Life-Giving Wounds retreat team, small group discussion, Holy Mass with Fr. Timothy Christy, Eucharistic Adoration, lunch, and more.

Register Now At: diometuchen.org/adult-children-of-divorce

Questions: cdaverso@diometuchen.org



On Tuesday, April 4, 2023, Bishop James F. Checchio will celebrate the Chrism Mass with the priests of the Diocese. At the Mass, all priests make a Renewal of Commitment to Priestly Service, recommitting themselves to their Bishop and to their ministry to God and His People; the Bishop and all Priests then ask the people for a pledge of their prayerful support.



The Bishop will also bless and consecrate the Holy Oils, which each parish receives for the rites of anointing. The Oil of Catechumens is used to anoint infants and adults before their Baptism; the Oil of the Sick is used on the forehead and hands of the infirm in the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick; and Sacred Chrism is used to anoint the head of the newly baptized, the foreheads of *confirmandi*, the hands of a priest at his ordination, the head of a bishop at his ordination, and the altar and walls of new churches.

All are encouraged to join in-person (or watch via livestream), the ancient, grace-filled Chrism Mass at the Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi in Metuchen at 4:00 PM.

To watch the Chrism Mass livestream, visit <https://diometuchen.org/cathedral-livestream>

Mass Intentions

Saturday: April 1, 2023

4:30 PM Stephen Brinkofski
r/o Bernie & Larry Remaly

Sunday: April 2, 2023

8:00 AM The Parishioners of St. Catherine's
9:30 AM Joan Flotteron
r/o The Remaly Family
11:00 AM Protection of Babies in the Womb and
their Families

Monday: April 3, 2023

8:00 AM John Porvaznik
r/o Fr. Chester Zalubski

Tuesday: April 4, 2023

8:00 AM Albert Reider
r/o Margaret Rocca

Wednesday: April 5, 2023

7:00 PM Special Intention

Thursday: April 6, 2023

7:00 PM The Parishioners of St. Catherine's

Friday: April 7, 2023

Noon Stations of the Cross
3:00 PM Passion of the Lord

Saturday: April 8, 2023

7:30 PM The Parishioners of St. Catherine's

Sunday: April 9, 2023

8:00 AM The Parishioners of St. Catherine's
9:30 AM The Parishioners of St. Catherine's
11:00 AM The Parishioners of St. Catherine's

From the Pastor's Desk Palm Sunday

Today, with Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion, we embark on the **HOLIEST** of weeks, the first and most important in our liturgical year. Each day provides a renewed opportunity to celebrate the Passion, Death, and Resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion: This year we walk with the Lord during His final days, proclaiming the Passion according to Luke. Each of the Passion narratives has a different feel to it, as the evangelist emphasizes some subtle themes. Walk with Jesus in His triumphal entry into Jerusalem as the adoring crowd's wave palm branches and shout "Hosanna."

Holy Thursday: This is the commemoration of the Last Supper, as the Lord instituted the Eucharist and the Priesthood. We hear from John's Gospel of the *mandatum*, the Lord's command to "wash the feet" of the other, to "do this in memory of me." Come along and celebrate with us; the Mass of the Lord's Supper will begin at 7:00 PM and will feature the Eucharistic procession and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Also, sacred oils will be presented for use in our parish throughout the year.

Good Friday: John's Passion narrative dominates this celebration, as we venerate the Cross and receive Holy Communion. This is the only day of the year when Mass is not celebrated. The altar is stripped down to emphasize that the Lord has died and entered the tomb. Please join us at 3:00 PM. Also, there will be Stations of the Cross at Noon.

The Great Vigil of Easter: Holy Saturday brings the marvelous celebration of the Lord's Resurrection. The blessing of the Paschal Candle, the singing of the Exsultet, the proclamation of salvation history in Sacred Scripture, and the celebration of the Most Holy Eucharist mark this great day. Please join us at 7:30 PM.

EASTER SUNDAY: We will celebrate the Lord's Resurrection with Mass at 8 AM, 9:30 AM, and 11 AM.

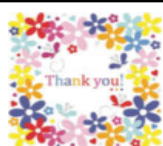
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11:00 AM Mass



The collections for March 26th was \$3,295.00 (121 envelopes) for the regular collection.



On-Line Giving for March 26th was \$3,318.00 (106 donors).

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