St. Catherine of Siena Church

A ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH of PRAYER and FRIENDSHIP

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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

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

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Decorating Committee Donna Cahill (908) 730-9384

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Parish Landscape Kevin Cahill (908) 730-9384

Parish Pastoral Council Denise Botto (908) 996-6760

Parish Picnic Debbie Fass (908) 730-7303

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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, APRIL 22ND

11:00 AM	WILLIAM PAUL CONNOLLY BAPTISM
3:30 PM — 4:00 PM	RECONCILIATION
4:30 PM	MASS

SUNDAY, APRIL 23RD 8:00 AM MASS 9:30 AM MASS

> 11:00 AM MASS

MONDAY, APRIL 24TH 8:00 AM MASS

TUESDAY, APRIL 25TH

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8:00 AM	MASS

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

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26TH

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

THURSDAY, APRIL 27TH

8:00 AM	MASS
7:00 PM	BOLD

D MIDDLE

FRIDAY, APRIL 28TH

8:00 AM MASS

SATURDAY, APRIL 29TH

3:30 PM - 4:00 PM RECONCILIATION 4:30 PM MASS

SUNDAY, APRIL 30TH

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	FAMILY MASS



We are saddened to announce the deaths of:

Anthony Nigro, father of Ann Marie DeRites, who passed away on April 12, 2023

Elizabeth Mary Kluge, sister of Peggy York, who passed away on April 15, 2023

APRIL 23, 2023 — 3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER

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Read	ings for the week of April 23, 2023
Sunday:	Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11 (11a)/1 Pt 1:17-21/Lk 24:13-35
Monday:	Acts 6:8-15/Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30/Jn 6:22-29
Tuesday:	1 Pt 5:5b-14/Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17/Mk 16:15-20
Wednesday:	Acts 8:1b-8/Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a/Jn 6:35-40
Thursday:	Acts 8:26-40/Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20/Jn 6:44-51
Friday:	Acts 9:1-20/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Jn 6:52-59
Saturday:	Acts 9:31-42/Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/Jn 6:60-69
Next Sunday:	Acts 2:14a, 36-41/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 1)/1 Pt 2:20b-25/Jn 10:1-10
Observ	ances for the week of April 23, 2023
Sunday:	3 rd Sunday of Easter
Monday:	St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Priest and Martyr
Tuesday:	St. Mark, Evangelist
Wednesday:	Administrative Professionals' Day
Friday:	St. Peter Chanel, Priest and Martyr; St. Louis Grignion de Montfort, Priest; Arbor Day
Saturday:	St. Catherine of Siena. Virgin and Doctor of

Saint Catherine of Siena

the Church

4th Sunday of Easter

Most Holy Spirit, source of unity in the Blessed Trinity, through the prayers of Saint Catherine, may the Church always be a sign of unity in faith and morals under the leadership of the Holy Father, the divinely chosen authority who speaks in the name of Jesus Christ. Who with the Father and the Son lives and reigns



Next Sunday:

forever. Amen.

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!



We would like to welcome The Moran Family to St. Catherine of Siena Parish.

SUSHI MAKING

NIGHT! LEARN HOW TO MAKE DELICIOUS SUSHI!

Who: All in 6th-12th Grade are Welcome When: Thursday, April 27th from 7:00-8:30pm Where: St. Catherine of Siena Fellowship Hall





For questions or to RSVP Contact Jim Murray @ StCatherine@boldym.com or 973-370-2532

3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER

St. Catherine's Council 15217 Knights of Columbus



Chuck Specht Memorial Scholarship Program 2023 "Good Samaritan"

Scholarship Application



An applicant must meet the following criteria:

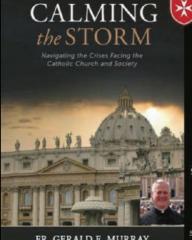
- High school senior entering their freshman year of a college, university, or trade school in the United States
- 8th grade student graduating in the spring of 2023
- Must be an active member of St Catherine's Parish in Pittstown, NJ
- Attend the St Catherine's Knights of Columbus awards ceremony on June 28th to accept the award for pictures with family
- Submit a minimum of 500-typed word essay by Sunday, June 4th, 2023, to Robert L. Keeling, Jr. (Worthy Grand Knight) on one of the following topics:
 - 1. What "Right to Life" means to me?
 - 2. Why is "Religious Freedom" important?
 - 3. Write about any of the 4 Pillars of the Knights of Columbus: "Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism."

Our KOC Council #15217 will be awarding 4 scholarships:

- **Two High School Seniors** (1 boy and 1 girl) graduating from the class of 2023 will each be awarded \$1,000
- **Two 8th grade students** (1 boy and 1 girl) in the class of 2023 will each be awarded \$250

Submit to: Attn: Worthy Grand Knight Council 15217 Robert L. Keeling, Jr. 8 Burlinghoff Lane Lebanon, NJ 08833-4383

Or Email **15217.kofc@gmail.com** a PDF copy.



FR. GERALD E. MURRAY in conversation with DIANE MONTAGNA The New Jersey Area Order of Malta Invites All to

A talk given by Fr. Gerald E. Murray, JCD, ChM Pastor, Canon Lawyer, Author, And frequent EWTN Commentator

On his new book: Calming the Storm Navigating the Crises Facing The Catholic Church and Society

Saturday, April 29, 2023, 11:00 am

St. Thomas More Roman Catholic Church 4 Convent Road, Morristown, NJ 07960

Fr. Murray's book available for sale. Light refreshments and Free Will Offering after the talk Send RSVP and any questions you may have to Janet Parr at janpi 101@gmail.com by April 22, 2023



The month of May is dedicated to the Blessed Mother. St. Catherine's Rosary Society invites all members of the parish, to join with us in crowning Mary on

Saturday, May 6th at 4:30 PM

St. Catherine's Family Mass

Come celebrate "FAMILY MASS," where youngsters serve as contemporary musicians, altar servers, ushers, readers, and offertory helpers.

Join us on SUNDAY, APRIL 30TH at 11:00 AM for our next Family Mass.

Please contact us at stcathfamilymass@gmail.com to volunteer at any Family Mass.



Mass Intentions

Saturday: April 22, 2023

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

Sunday: April 23, 2023

8:00 AM	Janina Maslanka r/o Fr. Chester
9:30 AM	Joan Flotteron r/o Dan Dawson
11:00 AM	Albert Reider r/o The Preston Family

Monday: April 24, 2023

8:00 AM Paolo Maximilian Constantino r/o Karen Trzepla

Tuesday: April 25, 2023

8:00 AM Albert Reider r/o Anthony & Jennifer Natalizio

Wednesday: April 26, 2023

7:00 PM Donald Salati r/o Donna & Dominic Mustillo

Thursday: April 27, 2023

8:00 AM Ryan Lechter r/o Jim & Lori Young

Friday: April 28, 2023

8:00 AM Eugene J. McArdle r/o Dana Giovanucci

Saturday: April 29, 2023

4:30 PM Mary Nelson r/o Jim & Lori Young

Sunday: April 30, 2023

8:00 AM	Grace Kozal r/o Fr. Chester
9:30 AM	The Parishioners of St. Catherine's
11:00 AM	William Lonergan r/o Joan & Jean Flotteron



The collections for April 16th were \$3,474.00 (138 envelopes) for the regular collection and \$903.00 (53 envelopes) for Religious Ed.

On-Line Giving for April 16th was \$5,489.86 (114 donors).

From the Pastor's Desk Feast Day of St. Catherine of Siena Saturday, April 29, 2023

"For perfected souls every place is to them an oratory, every moment a time for prayer. Their conversation has ascended from earth to heaven—that is to say they have cut themselves off from every form of earthly affection and sensual self-love and have risen alone into the very height of Heaven." **St. Catherine of Siena**

On Saturday, April 29th, we celebrate the Feast Day of St. Catherine of Siena.

Born in 1347, Saint Catherine was the youngest of 25 children. Her father was a wool dyer in the small town of Siena, in Tuscany, Italy. At an early age, she became fully aware of her gifts.

By the age of six, Catherine began having mystical experiences, seeing angels as clearly as the people they protected. These experiences continued throughout her entire life. She devoted herself to prayer and fasting, and resisted all efforts by her family to marry. She had already made a lifelong commitment to God.

By the age of 16, Catherine became a Dominican tertiary. She experienced increasing numbers of visions including Christ, Mary, and the saints, interspersed with "devilish" visions and periods of spiritual apathy. Catherine worked with the sick, particularly caring for those who had leprosy and advanced cases of cancer.

Her visionary gifts attracted many followers, and a few skeptics who thought her visions were fake. The skeptics caused Catherine to be brought before the general chapter of Dominicans in Florence. The accusations were dismissed. After this, the Blessed Raymond Capua was appointed her confessor. He later became her disciple and biographer. Though Catherine received no formal education, she had one of the most theologically brilliant minds of her day. Besides being a visionary and caring for the sick, Catherine was a political fighter, answering a call as peacemaker. Catherine journeyed to Florence and Pisa several times in attempts to bring the pope home to Rome during those years when popes lived in exile in Avignon, France. She barraged the pope with letters pleading her case. In 1376, Pope Gregory XI returned to Rome, and Catherine was summoned to be his advisor. She recorded her mystical experiences in the Dialogue of Catherine of Siena.

On April 21, 1380, Catherine suffered a paralytic stroke. She died eight days later, at the age of 33.

Saint Catherine was canonized in 1461, made patron of Italy in 1939, and declared a Doctor of the Church in 1970.

Fr. Chester





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