



## St. Catherine of Siena Church

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#### **Church and Parish Office**

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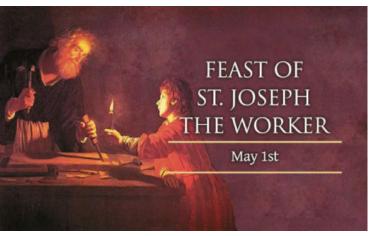
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#### **Coordinator of Youth Ministry**

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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

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Ken Mandoli (908) 735-2879

**Auditors** 

Maggie Marion (908) 735-4024

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Denise Botto (908) 996-6760

<u>Coffee Fellowship</u>

Teri Saccal (908) 229-9355

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**Events Hospitality** 

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Family Mass

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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

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Robert Keeling (908) 812-1071

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Jane Ricketts (908) 782-6216

Sanctuary Guild

Kathy Mathews (908) 735-9511

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Website

Ed Schilke (908) 713-4914

**Wedding Coordinator** 

Ellen McCarthy (908) 735-2028

Welcome

Carol Rocha (908) 996-7612

#### Weekly Schedule

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

MONDAY, MAY 1ST

8:00 AM MASS

**TUESDAY, MAY 2ND** 

8:00 AM MASS

12:30 PM PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

WEDNESDAY, MAY 3RD

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

CLASSES

6:30 PM — 7:00 PM RECONCILIATION

7:00 PM MASS

THURSDAY, MAY 4TH

8:00 AM MASS

7:00 PM BOLD DISCIPLE NIGHT

FRIDAY, MAY 5TH

8:00 AM MASS

3:00 PM— 7:00 PM 1ST FRIDAY ADORATION

SATURDAY, MAY 6TH

3:30 PM — 4:00 PM RECONCILIATION

4:30 PM MAY CROWNING/MASS

SUNDAY, MAY 7TH

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

12:00 PM ROSARY SOCIETY MEETING

12:00 PM JULIA KATHRYN FRANZ BAPTISM



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



We are happy to welcome our recently baptized at St. Catherine of Siena:

William Paul Connolly baptized on April 22, 2023

#### Readings for the week of April 30, 2023

Sunday: Acts 2:14a, 36-41/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6

(1)/1 Pt 2:20b-25/Jn 10:1-10

Monday: Acts 11:1-18/Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4/Jn 10:11-18

Tuesday: Acts 11:19-26/Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7/Jn

10:22-30

Wednesday: 1 Cor 15:1-8/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Jn 14:6-14

Thursday: Acts 13:13-25/Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25 and 27/

Jn 13:16-20

Friday: Acts 13:26-33/Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab/Jn

14:1-6

Saturday: Acts 13:44-52/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Jn

14:7-14

Next Sunday: Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19 (22)/1 Pt

2:4-9/Jn 14:1-12

#### Observances for the week of April 30, 2023

Sunday: 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

Monday: St. Joseph the Worker

Tuesday: St. Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor of the

Church

Wednesday: Sts. Philip and James, Apostles

Thursday: National Day of Prayer

Friday: Cinco de Mayo
Next Sunday: 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

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# St. Catherine's SIZZLING SUMMER RAFFLE IS HERE!

Take a chance to win some extra sizzling cash to add to summer fun for your family members, friends, co-workers, and acquaintances?

Ticket books are available at the Parish Office.

TICKETS MUST BE RETURNED BY SUNDAY, JUNE 11.

Drawing: Father's Day, June 18, 2023, at 12 noon.

Winners need not be present for the drawing.



THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

ALL PROCEEDS FROM
THIS RAFFLE GO TO THE
PARISH CENTER BUILDING FUND.

#### 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 **7 PM**.

Our next Eucharistic Adoration is **Friday, May 5th** 

It is absolutely essential to ensure that the Blessed Sacrament is never unattended at any time during Adoration,

please sign up in advance by using the sign-up link below.

Or call Mary Kauza at (908) 735-4582 or Jane Ricketts at (908) 782-6216 to sign up directly.

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



#### **ROSARY SOCIETY NEWS**

Next Meeting: Sunday, May 5th, at noon

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

ALL ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND

## Thank you to the following volunteers who helped mulch our beautiful grounds:

Wayne Bachenberg Sebastian Donaruma Wayne Isbitski George Mehaffey

Mike Mitariten Dave Perna Mike Piotrowski Peter Walter

Fr. Chester









#### 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
- 8<sup>th</sup> 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 28<sup>th</sup> 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 8<sup>th</sup> 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.



## Crowning of the Blessed Virgin Mary

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



Do you want more peace in your family, blessings on your undertakings, and a more perfect faith life? Jesus is standing at the door and knocking. Open the door for Him! Join our nationwide campaign to invite the Sacred Heart of Jesus into your home, classroom, or business. Visit www.SacredHeartRevival.com for more

information on the graces of the Sacred Heart and sign up today.



## 2023 marks the 60th Anniversary of the World Day of Prayer for Vocations

Today the Church throughout the world prays for vocations. Will you make a special effort to ask the Lord for vocations to the priesthood and religious life?



- Pray for the priests who have ministered to you throughout your life, both living & dead
- Encourage your children, grandchildren, or other young people to consider a vocation as a priest or religious brother or sister.
- Pray a rosary for more young men and women in our diocese to respond to God's call.



We are saddened to announce the death of:

Michael Mauro, brother of Sal Mauro, who passed away on April 20, 2023

## Mass Intentions

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

Monday: May 1, 2023

8:00 AM The Gazzillo Family

r/o Blaese Romano

Tuesday: May 2, 2023

8:00 AM Dolores Schumann

r/o Marisa White

Wednesday: May 3, 2023

7:00 PM Adelle Quick

r/o The Quick Family

Thursday: May 4, 2023

8:00 AM Lorraine Cudo

r/o Bill & Diane Smith

Friday: May 5, 2023

8:00 AM Felix Rampino

r/o Mitariten Family

Saturday: May 6, 2023

4:30 PM Joseph Sax

r/o Daniel Dawson

**Sunday: May 7, 2023** 

8:00 AM Veronica April

r/o Joseph April

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

11:00 AM Deacon Mike Meyer

r/o The Rosary Society



The collections for April 23rd were \$3,632.00 (111 envelopes) for the regular collection and \$1109.00 (48 envelopes) for Catholic Relief Services.



On-Line Giving for April 23rd was \$3,368.00 (111 donors).

## From the Pastor's Desk St. Joseph the Worker May 1st

The Feast of St. Joseph the Worker was established in the Church by Pope Pius XII in 1955 to provide Catholics with a response and alternative to "May Day" celebrations for workers in communist Russia; to Christianize the concept of labor and give to all workmen a model and a protector.

And yes, St Joseph, by daily labor in his shop, offered to God with patience and joy, provided for the necessities of Mary and Jesus, and thus became a model to all laborers.

When we search the Scriptures, we find St. Joseph present in the early life of Jesus: betrothed to Mary; present at the Nativity; in the home at Nazareth; and at the temple in Jerusalem. He spoke no words quoted in the Gospel. He is called righteous and just. He was identified as a carpenter, a worker. And yet, despite the fact that there is not an abundance of biblical references to him, Joseph's prominent role in Jesus' and Mary's life as their guardian and protector and provider, earned him the Church's attention throughout history. Two feasts are assigned to him in the Church's calendar: one, as "Husband of Mary" on March 19th; the other on May 1st as "the Worker."

Although Joseph is silent in the Scriptures, his place as the one who provided for his family speaks volumes through the ages. It is fitting for us, as Catholics, seeking to be close to Christ in this time of need, to "go to Joseph" for his protection.

On the feast of St. Joseph the Worker, I invite all of you to "go to Joseph," to pray for his intercession on behalf of all workers – may God keep them safe and healthy. Let's also ask St. Joseph to intercede with God to find good, productive work for all those who are searching.

Fr. Chester

#### PRAYER TO ST. JOSEPH



O glorious St. Joseph, saint of the workbench, cheerfully toiling side by side with Jesus, obtain for us the grace to work conscientiously with peace and patience, without ever shrinking from weariness and frustration. Teach us also to value lives of hidden splendor. Saint Joseph, we implore your powerful intercession in obtaining for us from your Divine son

all spiritual blessings, particularly the grace of a **happy death**.



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