



# 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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**Parish Pastoral Council** Denise Botto (908) 996-6760

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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, 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 JULIA KATHRYN FRANZ BAPTISM 12:00 PM

MONDAY, MAY 8TH

8:00 AM **MASS** 

**TUESDAY, MAY 9TH** 

8:00 AM MASS

12:30 PM PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY 3:30 PM STEWARDSHIP MEETING 5:00 PM FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

REHEARSAL

KNIGHTS BUSINESS MEETING 7:00 PM

WEDNESDAY, MAY 10TH

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

**CLASSES** 

6:30 PM — 7:00 PM RECONCILIATION

7:00 PM **MASS** 

THURSDAY, MAY 11TH

8:00 AM **MASS** 

FRIDAY, MAY 12TH

8:00 AM **MASS** 

SATURDAY, MAY 13TH

**MOTHER'S DAY WEEKEND** 

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 10:00 AM

3:30 PM — 4:00 PM RECONCILIATION

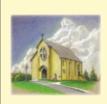
4:30 PM **MASS** 

SUNDAY, MAY 14TH

MOTHER'S DAY WEEKEND

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

12:00 PM ANNAGRACE DZIEDZIC BAPTISM



We would like to welcome The Domzalski Family Mr. James Kelly to St. Catherine of Siena Parish.

### MAY 7, 2023 — 5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

### Readings for the week of May 7, 2023

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

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

Monday: Acts 14:5-18/Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16/Jn

14:21-26

Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21/

Jn 14:27-31a

Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/Jn

15:1-8

Thursday: Acts 15:7-21/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10/Jn 15:

9-11

Friday: Acts 15:22-31/Ps 57:8-9, 10 and 12/Jn

15:12-17

Saturday: Acts 16:1-10/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5/Jn 15:18-21

Next Sunday: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17/Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16,

20 (1)/1 Pt 3:15-18/Jn 14:15-21

### Observances for the week of May 7, 2023

Sunday: 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

Wednesday: St. John of Avila, Priest and Doctor of the

Church, St. Damien de Veuster, Priest

Friday: Sts. Nereus and Achilleus, Martyrs; St.

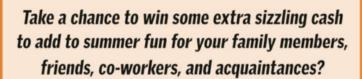
Pancras, Martyr

Saturday: Our Lady of Fatima

Next Sunday: 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter; Mother's Day

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



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.

### 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

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

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### Please join us after every weekend Mass for coffee,

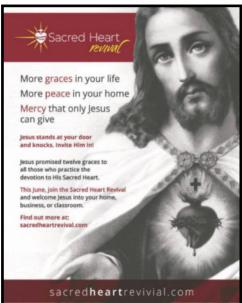


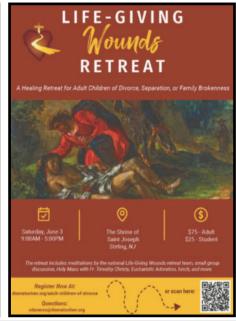
conversation, and SCRIP ordering in Fellowship Hall!



### **5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER**









# 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



Please join Bishop Checchio and the clergy of the Diocese for the upcoming **Diaconate Ordination** which will take place on **Saturday, May 13, 2023, at 10:30 AM** at the Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi, Metuchen. On this day, Bishop Checchio will ordain four men for service as deacons in our Diocese. Please know it would mean a great deal to us if you were able to attend.

Please also mark your calendars and plan to join us for the Eucharistic Holy Hour for Vocations and the Sanctification of Priests on Friday, June 23, 2023 at 5:00 PM at the Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi, Metuchen. Included in the intentions of this Holy Hour will be Deacon José Lim who will be ordained a priest on the following day, the sanctification of all our priests, and the plea to God Our Father to call many more laborers into his vineyard,

Also, we would like to invite you to one of the great events of our Diocesan Church year, the **Priesthood Ordination** which will take place on **Saturday**, June 24, 2023, at 10:30 AM at the Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi, Metuchen. On this day, Bishop Checchio will ordain Deacon José Lim as a priest for service in our Diocese. You are very warmly encouraged to be with us.



### ROSARY SOCIETY NEWS

Next Meeting: Sunday, May 7th, at noon

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

During the month of May, the Rosary Society will be praying the Parish Rosary at the following times:

- Every Saturday, at 3:45 sharp, before the 4:30 Mass
- Every Sunday, immediately after the 8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 Masses.
- Daily, immediately after the 8:00 AM or 7:00 PM Masses



# Mass Intentions

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

Monday: May 8, 2023

8:00 AM Deana Rossi

r/o Irene & Bob Mascola

Tuesday: May 9, 2023

8:00 AM Marjorie & Trish Gazzillo

r/o Jennifer & David Perna

Wednesday: May 10, 2023

7:00 PM The Grandparents of the Sullivan & Quick

Families

r/o The Quick Family

Thursday: May 11, 2023

8:00 AM Patricia Sinni

r/o Gina & Bruce Bussell

Friday: May 12, 2023

8:00 AM Antonio & Rosa Rofrano

r/o Ortensia Clancey

Saturday: May 13, 2023

4:30 PM Mother's Day Novena

Sunday: May 14, 2023

8:00 AM Mother's Day Novena 9:30 AM Mother's Day Novena 11:00 AM Mother's Day Novena



The collections for April 30th was \$5,297.00 (129 envelopes) for the regular collection.



On-Line Giving for April 30th was \$2,447.00 (114 donors).

## From the Pastor's Desk May is the Month of the Blessed Virgin Mary

May is the month of Mary, and this month we honor her in a special way. We call her Queen of Peace and Queen of the Rosary and bestow on her many other titles. Mary is worthy of these titles because she said "Yes" to God in so many ways in the midst of the joys and sorrows of everyday life.

Pope Francis invites us to look to Mary for inspiration. Addressing the role of Mary, he stated that Mary "...helps us grow as human beings and in the faith, to be strong and never to fall into the temptation of being human beings and Christians in a superficial way, but to live responsibly, to strive even higher." He also encouraged the people by reminding them that Mary "...is close to us, so that we may never lose courage before the adversities of life," and "...might feel her support in facing and overcoming the difficulties of our human and Christian journey."

The Church presents Mary as a model of love. The love she had for Jesus and Joseph is not reserved for them alone. It is the same love that she has for us, the same love she shares with us.

Mary is not only the Mother of Jesus but also the Mother of our Church. The Second Vatican Council teaches that "... By her motherly love, she cares for her Son's sisters and brothers who still journey the earth surrounded by dangers and difficulties until they are led into their blessed home."

As we especially honor the Blessed Virgin Mary this month, let's follow Mary's model of living and loving as we continue on our journey of faith.

Mary our Queen, intercede for us. Mary, our Mother, pray for us.

Fr. Chester





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