

# St. Catherine of Siena Church

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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, JULY 8TH

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

### SUNDAY, JULY 9TH

8:00 AM MASS  
9:30 AM MASS  
11:00 AM MASS  
12:00 NOON JAMESON MICHAEL KIMBALL BAPTISM

### MONDAY, JULY 10TH

8:00 AM MASS

### TUESDAY, JULY 11TH

8:00 AM MASS  
12:30 PM PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY  
7:00 PM KNIGHTS' BUSINESS MEETING

### WEDNESDAY, JULY 12TH

6:30 PM — 7:00 PM RECONCILIATION  
7:00 PM MASS

### THURSDAY, JULY 13TH

8:00 AM MASS  
6:30 PM PICNIC & STEWARDSHIP MEETING

### FRIDAY, JULY 14TH

8:00 AM MASS

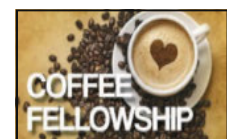
### SATURDAY, JULY 15TH

12:00 NOON ELOISE CLAIRE MANFREDONIA BAPTISM  
3:30 PM — 4:00 PM RECONCILIATION  
4:30 PM MASS

### SUNDAY, JULY 16TH

8:00 AM MASS  
9:30 AM MASS  
11:00 AM MASS  
12:00 NOON OLIVIA ROSE LUNGER BAPTISM

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



**Readings for the week of July 9, 2023**

Sunday: Zec 9:9-10/Ps 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13-14 (see 1)/Rom 8:9, 11-13/Mt 11:25-30

Monday: Gn 28:10-22a/Ps 91:1-2, 3-4, 14-15ab/Mt 9:18-26

Tuesday: Gn 32:23-33/ Ps 17:1b, 2-3, 6-7ab, and 15/ Mt 9:32-38

Wednesday: Gn 41:55-57; 42:5-7a, 17-24a/Ps 33:2-3, 10-11, 18-19/Mt 10:1-7

Thursday: Gn 44:18-21, 23b-29; 45:1-5/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21/Mt 10:7-15

Friday: Gn 46:1-7, 28-30/Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40/Mt 10:16-23

Saturday: Gn 49:29-32; 50:15-26a/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7/Mt 10:24-33

Next Sunday: Is 55:10-11/Ps 65:1, 11, 12-13, 14 (Luke 8:8)/Rom 8:18-23/Mt 13:1-23 or 13:1-9

**Observances for the week of July 9, 2023**

Sunday: 14<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Tuesday: St. Benedict, Abbot

Thursday: St. Henry


Friday: St. Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin

Saturday: St. Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Next Sunday: 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

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**Faith Formation 2023 – 2024**

 Religious education will resume this September. The parent handbook and registration forms are on our parish website, <http://scoschurch.org>

**Please submit registration forms by Friday, July 14th.**

Any questions, please contact: **Sandra Kopka PCL at (908) 735-5086 or stcscre@gmail.com**



**Silver & Gold Wedding Anniversary Celebration**

You are cordially invited to celebrate your 25<sup>th</sup> or 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary with the Church of Metuchen and renew your marriage vows with Bishop James F. Checchio at a special Evening Prayer Service at the Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi in Metuchen on **Sunday, October 22, 2023 at 3:00 PM.**

Registration is required. Please register online at: <https://www.diometuchen.org/silver-and-gold-anniversary-celebration>.

If you are unable to access, please contact the Family Life Office at 732-562-1543 or [amarshall@diometuchen.org](mailto:amarshall@diometuchen.org).

Registration will close on October 6, 2023. Although no fee is required, in the past many Jubilarian couples have given a donation of gratitude to the Church in memory of this special occasion. Donations of Gratitude may be made online at <https://www.diometuchen.org/silver-and-gold-anniversary-celebration> or calling 732-562-1543.

**ST. CATHERINE'S GOT TALENT**

Join us at

**St. Catherine's Parish Picnic**

**Sunday, September 17**

*Picnic Foods - Appetizer Table - Desserts  
Ice Cream Truck ♦ Crafts ♦ Silent Auction*

**Entertainment by Dr. D**

**including a talent show open to all:**

Singing (single or groups)

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START REHEARSING AND PLAN TO PARTICIPATE

**Watch the bulletin for more information!**

**Gluten-Free Hosts**

Gluten-free host are available for communion. You **MUST** see the Priest, Deacon, or sacristan in the Sacristy **BEFORE** Mass begins. Any questions contact Jennifer Perna in the office at (908) 735-4024.

**Quo Vadis 2023 Days**

**Tuesday, July 11th at 2 PM through  
Friday, July 14th at 1:30 PM**

**Young men ages 14-17**

You're invited to spend a few days living, praying, and interacting with priests, seminarians, and faith-filled teens your own age. Food and lodging will be provided for the duration of the experience.

**Where:** Camp Shiloh, 753 Burnt Meadow Rd, Hewitt, NJ  
**Cost:** FREE

For more information, please email [quovadis@diometuchen.org](mailto:quovadis@diometuchen.org)

**Religious Education News**

Preparation for First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion is a two-year program. I am Announcing registration for students entering the first grade for the 2023 – 2024 school year. Registration forms are located on our parish website. **A copy of your child's baptismal certificate must accompany the registration form.** Please leave your child's registration form and a copy of his/her baptismal certificate in the box located on my desk in the parish office. **Deadline is JULY 14, 2023.**



**SAVE THE DATE  
FOR OUR ANNUAL  
ST. CATHERINE'S PICNIC  
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17<sup>TH</sup>  
12 — 4 PM**

The year went by so quickly, and it is time to once again, start planning our parish picnic.

We cannot have a successful event without our wonderful volunteers. Our next meeting is on **Thursday, July 13th at 6:30 PM in Fellowship Hall**. All adults & teens are welcomed.

Mark your calendars for future picnic meetings:

July 27th                      August 10th  
August 24th                 September 7<sup>th</sup>

All meetings are on Thursday, from 6:30 — 7:30 PM in Fellowship Hall. Bring your ideas and suggestions! Please plan to attend, even if you cannot make it to all the meetings.

Call or text Debbie Fass to **RSVP at (973) 222-8100**.

Dr. D will be entertaining us again and Carol Rocha is planning our silent auction!

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**Details:**  
**Who:** All incoming 6th - 9th graders (Current 5th - 8th)  
**What:** uServe Camp 2023  
**When:** July 31-August 4, 9am - 3pm  
**Where:** St. Catherine of Siena and local service sites  
**Cost:** \$165 per camper, \$100 for each additional sibling  
**Why:** Grow in faith, service and fellowship, and earn service hours!

**Registration now open: [boldym.com/scs/uServe](http://boldym.com/scs/uServe)**  
Want to join, but not in Middle School anymore?  
Come join us as a volunteer leader!  
For more information, please contact  
Jim Murray  
973-370-2532 | [StCatherine@boldym.com](mailto:StCatherine@boldym.com)

Our parish office is seeking volunteer help to answer the phones and help with light office work. The hours would be 9:30 AM to 2:30 PM, when needed. If you are interested or would like more information, please call (908) 735-4024 or email Jennifer at [scoscoffice@gmail.com](mailto:scoscoffice@gmail.com).

**This year, in conjunction with our Parish Picnic, we will be holding a Silent Auction.** I am asking all of our parishioners for help in order to make this a successful fundraiser for our parish. All monies collected will be put towards our New Parish Center.

**Celebrate Life**  
A Day for Grandparents and Seniors (55+)  
**WEDNESDAY, JULY 26, 2023**  
**MEMORIAL OF SAINTS JOACHIM AND ANNE**  
at the St. John Neumann Pastoral Center, Piscataway

**GUEST SPEAKER:**  
ERIN YOUNKINS  
"His Mercy is from Age to Age"

**SCHEDULE OF DAY**  
8:30 AM: Welcome and Breakfast  
10:30 AM: Presentation by Erin Younkins  
11:30 AM: Adoration followed by Mass

**EVENT IS FREE**  
Registration is Required

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Phone call for more information at 732 360 1545  
This event is sponsored by the Diocese of Newark,  
Office of Human Life and Dignity and the Office of Family Life  
YOU MAY ALSO REGISTER ONLINE AT [WWW.BIOMETUCHEN.ORG/HUMANLIFEANDDIGNITY](http://WWW.BIOMETUCHEN.ORG/HUMANLIFEANDDIGNITY)

**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.

If you would like to donate a themed basket full of wonderful goodies, Thank You. I could give you suggestions if you need assistance. Should you have any new items laying around and would like to donate those to us, our team of helpers could put a basket together.

This year, again, we will not be soliciting stores as we have in the past. If you personally know someone outside of our parish community that would like to donate, please accept the donation with our most humble appreciation.

Also, if you have any baskets, new or used that we could use, I will have a container downstairs in the church starting the first weekend of July.

For any questions or concerns, please call Carol Rocha at 908-616-2397 or via email at [crocha@hcrhs.org](mailto:crocha@hcrhs.org).

Thank you in advance for your help and cooperation to support St. Catherine of Siena.

# Mass Intentions

## Saturday: July 8, 2023

4:30 PM John Porvaznik  
r/o The Preston Family

## Sunday: July 9, 2023

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

9:30 AM Margaret Manley  
r/o Gina & Bruce Bussell

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

## Monday: July 10, 2023

8:00 AM Anthony Nigro  
r/o Jim & Lori Young

## Tuesday: July 11, 2023

8:00 AM Antonio & Rosa Rofrano  
r/o Ortensia Clancey

## Wednesday: July 12, 2023

7:00 PM John Porvaznik  
r/o The Pasculli Family

## Thursday: July 13, 2023

8:00 AM Brian Taplin  
r/o Ron Portz & Margaret Rocca

## Friday: July 14, 2023

8:00 AM Michael Mauro  
r/o Margaret Rocca

## Saturday: July 15, 2023

4:30 PM John Porvaznik  
r/o The Langreder Family

## Sunday: July 16, 2023

8:00 AM Grace Kozal  
r/o Elaine Frederick

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

11:00 AM Lawrence & Patricia Harding  
r/o St. Catherine's Parish

## From the Pastor's Desk

### Dress Code

In a few weeks many of us will have an opportunity to take a break from school or work and make time for leisure activities. As we continue to make time for leisure activities and travel, we are strongly encouraged to keep our focus on God. We are reminded that the time for Mass and prayer should be included in our plans.

When attending Mass, especially during the summer months, we are asked to exercise prudence and judgment in how we act and in what we wear. Each year our Church leaders strive to remind the faithful of the need to dress modestly at Mass since we are in the presence of God. Our Catechism states that "...modesty guides how we look at others and behave toward them in conformity with the dignity of persons and their solidarity." It also states that modesty "...inspires one's choice in clothing." Certain summer apparel which may be appropriate for an informal meal or a picnic may not be appropriate for Mass.

In an article, "Dressing for Church," written by Abbot Tryphon from Washington, stated, "The church is our home, a place where we should feel comfortable and at ease. It is also God's house and is a temple set aside for worship. Our way of dressing for the church should reflect our desire to offer our very best to Christ."

He also stated, "Both men and women should avoid wearing clothing that can be distracting to other worshipers. Jesus should be the focus of our worship, not our personal outfits. The Mass is not the place to show off the latest fashion, nor the result of the fitness center."

As we reflect on these words of wisdom, we are invited to dress appropriately for Mass and keep our focus on the Lord as we enjoy this time of leisure.

*Fr. Chester*



The collections for July 2nd will be posted in the July 16th bulletin.



On-Line Giving for July 2nd will be posted in the July 16th bulletin.

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