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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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Lisa Sforza — Nancy Coletti
youthmusic@scoschurch.org

Weekly Schedule

SATURDAY, APRIL 13TH

BISHOP'S APPEAL IN-PEW COLLECTION

10:30 AM LILY IRIS LOPEZ BAPTISM
11:15 AM LAPCZYNSKI CONVALIDATION
3:30 PM — 4:00 PM RECONCILIATION
4:30 PM MASS

SUNDAY, APRIL 14TH

BISHOP'S APPEAL IN-PEW COLLECTION

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

MONDAY, APRIL 15TH

8:00 AM MASS

TUESDAY, APRIL 16TH

8:00 AM MASS
12:30 PM — 2:00 PM PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY
3:30 PM STEWARDSHIP MEETING

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17TH

6:00 PM — 7:30 PM 5TH & 6TH GRADE FAITH FORMATION CLASSES
6:30 PM — 7:00 PM RECONCILIATION
7:00 PM MASS

THURSDAY, APRIL 18TH

8:00 AM MASS
10:00 AM — 11:30 AM BIBLE STUDY FELLOWSHIP HALL
6:00 PM 2ND GRADE RECONCILIATION PRACTICES
7:00 PM BAPTISMAL PREP CLASS

FRIDAY, APRIL 19TH

8:00 AM MASS

SATURDAY, APRIL 20TH

10:00 AM 2ND GRADE 1ST RECONCILIATION & RETREAT
3:30 PM — 4:00 PM RECONCILIATION
4:30 PM MASS

SUNDAY, APRIL 21ST

8:00 AM 2ND GRADE FAITH FORMATION
8:00 AM MASS
8:30 AM — 10:15 AM 3RD & 4TH GRADE FAITH FORMATION
9:30 AM MASS
11:00 AM MASS
12:00 PM BROOKE DIANNE LAPCZYNSKI BAPTISM

APRIL 14, 2024 — 3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER


Readings for the week of April 14, 2024

Sunday: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9 (7a)/1 Jn 2:1-5a/Lk 24:35-48
 Monday: Acts 6:8-15/Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30/Jn 6:22-29
 Tuesday: Acts 7:51—8:1a/Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 7b and 8a,17 and 21ab/Jn 6:30-35
 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 4:8-12/Ps 118: 1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29 (22)/Jn 3:1-2/Jn 10:11-18

Observances for the week of April 14, 2024

Sunday: 3rd Sunday of Easter
 Monday: Tax Day
 Next Sunday: 4th Sunday of Easter; World Day of Prayer for Vocations

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We are saddened to announce the deaths of:

Lawrence Walter, brother of Pete Walter, who passed away on March 19, 2024

Adele Horbacz, aunt of Pete Walter, who passed away on March 23, 2024

Our April Couples Anniversary Blessing

As these couples received a special blessing, please continue to pray for those united in the Sacrament of Marriage.

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| John & Mary Andzulis | D. Shane & Dina Lea |
| Michael & Dawn Briggs | Joseph & Nancy Maggio |
| Bruce and Gina Bussell | Richard & Kim Martinez |
| William & Susan Courtney | Scott & Cathy Munro |
| Raymond & Lorraine Ferraro | Hugh & Maria Prentice |
| John & Michele Fusco | Andrew & Denise Stanislawczyk |
| Anthony & Lois Giello | Frank & Joan Tampone |
| James & Dawn Golden | Edward & Helen Trzepla |
| Kevin & Mary Jo Haggerty | Dennis & Kathleen Webster |
| David and Nicole Kelleher | Humberto & Linda Yngelmo |
| Stephen & Lilly Lazorchak | Andrew & Doreen Zipay |

In-Pew Weekend April 13th/14th

2024 Bishop's Annual Appeal
STAY WITH US, LORD: Renew our Hearts and Send Us on Mission

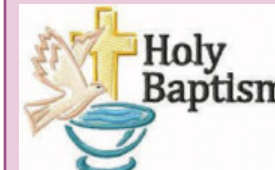
If you have yet to make your pledge to this year's Bishop's Annual Appeal, you will have the opportunity to do so next weekend, **April 13th/14th**, which has been designated as **Bishop's Annual Appeal In-Pew Weekend**.

Please prayerfully consider a gift to the Bishop's Annual Appeal to help our parish reach its goal. If we can exceed our goal, 50% of the amount collected over goal will be returned to us in the form of a parish rebate. Just as important as our financial goal is our goal of reaching **100% participation**. Every gift, no matter the size, is important and greatly appreciated.



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

Grant Michael Briggs
 Baptized on April 6, 2024



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

Makayla Raine & Kaylee Paige Byelick
 Baptized on April 6, 2024




HELP SUPPORT OUR PARISH BY SELLING GIFT CARDS AFTER ALL MASSES

To volunteer, or for more information contact Robin Potempa
 (908) 310 - 4273

SAVE THE DATE
Back By Popular Demand

June 23rd
 4:30 — 6:30 PM
 Family Roller Skating
 Frenchtown Roller Rink

Youth Group Corner
Upcoming Events

April 20th 10:00 AM — 5:00 PM Diocesan Youth Day, St. Thomas Aquinas HS Edison, NJ

April 21st No Meeting

May 5th 5:00 — 7:00 PM Hot Topics with Deacon Mike

May 19th Youth Rally, Six Flags, Jackson, NJ

June 7th 5:30 — 7:00 PM Leadership Meeting

June 16th No Meeting — Happy Father's Day

We are always happy to accept dinner donations for youth group meetings! (Pizza/Subs/Salads/Tacos)



WE RECEIVE A 5% DISCOUNT ON ALL SALES!

Shoprite cards are available for sale after all masses, in the office, or by calling Robin Potempa at (908) 310 - 4273.

Order forms for additional retailers are located in Fellowship Hall. Orders can also be placed online at raiseright.com - enrollment code is: 76C4BL57653L2

Questions, call Robin Potempa (908) 310 - 4273



SOCIAL CONCERNS MINISTRY

Social Concerns group visits and provide support such as food shopping, general errands to the sick, homebound, new moms and people in nursing homes. We also provide meals at a time of need.

If you have some time to offer, please contact:
Doreen Opeikun (908) 507 - 6752

CALLING ALL COOKS AND BAKERS

St. Catherine's is creating a new cookbook and we want your recipes!



FAMILY FAVORITES

a collection of your family's favorite home-made recipes from St. Catherine of Siena Church

This custom cookbook promises to be a treasured keepsake for us all.

Look for more information to come in the bulletin and on our website.

Proceeds will go towards our new Parish Center.

Join us at the National Blue Army Shrine in Asbury, NJ in celebration of the 107th Anniversary of the First Apparition of Our Lady of Fatima!

Pope John Paul II Assembly 3293 of Hunterdon County Knights of Columbus will be joined by all the Knights of NJ to lead the Procession on May 13th.

This event will be held every month on the 13th through Oct., and the 4th Degree Knights will lead processions of the Rosary.

10:30 AM Confessions

12 PM NOON Rosary Procession with the Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima

12:30 PM Speaker — David M. Carollo

1:15 PM Holy Mass — Celebrant: Most Rev. Joseph N. Perry

Holy Mass is followed by Exposition, Eucharistic Procession, Benediction, the Divine Mercy Chaplet, Blessing of Religious Articles, Fatima Farewell and Enrollment in the Brown Scapular.



St. Catherine's Comedy Variety Fundraiser

Saturday, May 4

6 - 8 PM (DOORS OPEN 5:30 PM) • FELLOWSHIP HALL

Tickets will go on sale beginning the weekend of April 13th. \$25 per person. Limited to 100 tickets. Choose your own seating, first-come, first-served basis. BYOB and BYOD (Dinner).

ALL PROCEEDS FROM THIS FUNDRAISER WILL GO TO THE NEW PARISH CENTER BUILDING FUND.



Derek Lee Showtime at the Apollo, Comic View, Tom Joyner Show
Comedy magician!



Mollie Sperduto
Tragicaria Atlantic City, Good Karma Comedy Festival 2024
Standup comic!



Justin Gonzalez
New York Comedy Festival, Carnegie Hall, Comedy Cellar (NYC)
Funny storyteller & singer!



And hosted by Pamela Roth as "Sister Mary Agnes" aka "The Funny Nun"
Nun impersonator!

For info call Debbie Fass
973-222-8100

April 21st is World Day of Pray for Vocations!

As Catholics, we firmly believe that God has a plan for our lives! He calls some to marriage, some to the priesthood, and others to religious life or to live as generous single people. Fully living our own vocations—and teaching young people how to discern God's call—is a serious duty, but also a joyful one. During this week, please encourage the young people in your life—children, grandchildren, students, and friends—to be open if God calls them to priesthood or religious life.

Thank you to everyone who helped with the mulching around the Church and rectory this past weekend. Many hand make light work and our Church looks beautiful.

Connor Boland
Kelsy Boland
Bruce Bussell
Bash Donaruma
Debbie Farbanish
Glenn Farbanish
Sidney Farbanish
Wayne Isbitski

Bob Keeling
George Mehaffey
Bob Moran
Dave Perna
Scott Saccal
Eric Sutter
Jim Teehan
Pete Walter

Mass Intentions

Saturday: April 13, 2024

4:30 PM Arnold Greenberg
r/o Margaret Rocca

Sunday: April 14, 2024

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

9:30 AM Sandra Clarke
r/o Ed & Karen Trzepla

11:00 AM Deacon Dennis Webster
r/o The Rosary Society

Monday: April 15, 2024

8:00 AM Joseph Banafato
r/o Rob Preston

Tuesday: April 16, 2024

8:00 AM Deacon Dennis Birthday Blessings

Wednesday: April 17, 2024

7:00 PM Raymond Hengst
r/o Emily Quick

Thursday: April 18, 2024

8:00 AM Tee Andersen Birthday Blessings

Friday: April 19, 2024

8:00 AM George Tomsy
r/o The Family

Saturday: April 20, 2024

4:30 PM Susan DeLauro
r/o Mom (Nancy Unorski)

Sunday: April 21, 2024

8:00 AM Arnold Greenberg
r/o Fr. Chester

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

11:00 AM Teresa Robbin
r/o Irene & Paul Morrongiello

From the Pastor's Desk

World Day of Prayer for Vocations

Sunday, April 21st

Next Sunday, April 21st, is **World Day of Prayer for Vocations**. On this day, the Church throughout the world, in a special way, encourages prayer for vocations. It also asks us to do the following:

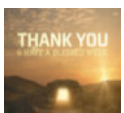
- Make a special effort to ask the Lord for more vocations to the priesthood and religious life.
- Pray for the priests who have ministered to you throughout your life, both living and deceased.
- Keep our parish priests in your prayers throughout the week.
- Encourage your children, grandchildren, or 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.

The Church reminds us that "God transforms whomever He chooses. You do not have to be perfect or sinless to be a priest, brother, or sister. If God calls, His grace is sufficient." "While we are all called to imitate Christ, some in the Church are called to more closely imitate Jesus the Good Shepherd. Priests and religious people give their whole lives to the Church. Those who are called to be shepherds must themselves learn to hear the voice of the Good Shepherd."

We are invited to join in this special day, and pray for holy, happy, and healthy priests, deacons, religious brothers, and sisters to shepherd and assist the Church of tomorrow.

Please pray that hearts will be touched and minds will be opened on this **World Day of Prayer for Vocations**.

Fr. Chester



The collections for April 7th were \$4,172.00 (127 envelopes) for the regular collection, and \$1,022.00 (57 envelopes) for Religious Education.



On-Line Giving for April 7th was \$4,348.00 (119 donors).

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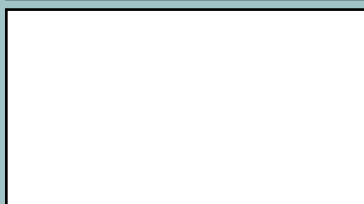
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