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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 6TH

BISHOP EMMANUEL ROZARIO — MISSIONARY

3:30 PM — 4:00 PM RECONCILIATION

4:30 PM MASS

SUNDAY, JULY 7TH

BISHOP EMMANUEL ROZARIO — MISSIONARY

8:00 AM MASS

9:30 AM MASS

11:00 AM MASS

MONDAY, JULY 8TH

8:00 AM MASS

6:30 PM — 8:00 PM SPIRITUALITY COMMITTEE MEETING

TUESDAY, JULY 9TH

8:00 AM MASS

7:00 PM KNIGHTS' BUSINESS MEETING

WEDNESDAY, JULY 10TH

6:30 PM — 7:00 PM RECONCILIATION

7:00 PM MASS

THURSDAY, JULY 11TH

8:00 AM MASS

FRIDAY, JULY 12TH

8:00 AM MASS

5:30 PM CANNATA/PETERS WEDDING REHEARSAL

SATURDAY, JULY 13TH

1:30 PM CANNATA/PETERS WEDDING MASS

3:30 PM — 4:00 PM RECONCILIATION

4:30 PM MASS

SUNDAY, JULY 14TH

8:00 AM MASS

9:30 AM MASS

11:00 AM MASS/MARRIAGE CELEBRATION



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



Celebrate Life!
**A Morning for Grandparents
& Seniors (55+)**

Thursday, July 25, 2024
9:30 AM — 12:30 PM
St. John Neumann Pastoral Center

Breakfast, fellowship, presentation & Mass. There is **no charge, but registration is required.**

Call Angela at 732-562-1543.

Readings for the week of July 7, 2024

Sunday: Ez 2:2-5/Ps 123:1-2, 2, 3-4 (2cd)/2 Cor 12: 7-10/Mk 6:1-6a
 Monday: Hos 2:16, 17c-18, 21-22/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 9:18-26
 Tuesday: Hos 8:4-7, 11-13/Ps 115:3-4, 5-6, 7ab-8, 9-10/Mt 9:32-38
 Wednesday: Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12/Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mt 10:1-7
 Thursday: Hos 11:1-4, 8e-9/Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16/Mt 10:7-15
 Friday: Hos 14:2-10/Ps 51:3-4, 8-9, 12-13, 14 and 17/Mt 10:16-23
 Saturday: Is 6:1-8/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/Mt 10:24-33
 Next Sunday: Am 7:12-15/Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 (8)/ Eph 1:3-14 or 1:3-10/Mk 6:7-13

Observances for the week of July 7, 2024

Sunday: 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Tuesday: St. Augustine Zhao Rong, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs
 Thursday: St. Benedict, Abbot
 Saturday: St. Henry
 Next Sunday: 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

(CJLP)

Are you celebrating your Wedding Anniversary in July?

JOIN US ON JULY 14TH AT THE 11:00 AM MASS TO RECEIVE A WEDDING ANNIVERSARY BLESSING.

All married couples are invited to join us in this celebration of their marriage vocation by sharing your names and wedding date in our "Anniversary Book" located in the Narthex of our Church; or send your names, and wedding date to the parish office in an envelope marked "Anniversary Blessings".



PLEASE NOTE:
 WE WILL BE OFFERING A MARRIAGE CELEBRATION MASS, 11 AM, ON THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH THROUGHOUT 2024. SIGN UP IN THE "ANNIVERSARY BOOK" LOCATED IN THE NARTHEX.

Campaign Report To Date:

Active Parishioners: 503
 Pledges Received: 221
 Campaign Goal: \$900,000
 Amount Pledged: \$847,539
 Amount Collected: \$798,000

Please contact Wayne Isbitski for questions at wisbit@yahoo.com or (908) 642-5031
 Please send all donations to the office or drop in the collection basket.



For the Missionary Cooperative Plan We Will Welcome Bishop Emmanuel Rozario on July 6th & 7th

Barishal Catholic Diocese, Bangladesh

The Barishal Catholic Diocese was created on the 13th of December 2015. The Diocese of Barishal is comprised of 9 parishes, 38 sub-centers, and 98 village/wards scattered over a vast area of 20,708 Sq. Kilometers. The Catholic population of the Diocese is 19,567. It has 21 priests, and 57 Religious Sisters and Brothers.

The aim of Mission Appeal this year is to support our Catechists for **evangelization** works, our schools for **education**, and to support the seminarians in **formation**.

Catechists are very important instruments of evangelization. We have 99 catechists & prayer leaders who play a very vital role in evangelization and teaching basic catechism. For their formation, training, and salary the diocese needs to pay quite a huge amount of money even though their salaries are very low. We need to increase their salaries also so that they may be more committed to evangelization works.

The diocese runs 10 Schools (primary and secondary) and 1 College. More than six thousand students of all religions are beneficiaries of our schools, but in village schools the poor students cannot pay sufficient fees, hence most of the schools cannot pay salaries of the teachers with the money received from the students. Therefore, every year the diocese has to give subsidies for the schools, which is a heavy burden for the poor diocese.

Lastly, we promote vocations for priestly and religious life. We have one Minor Seminary in the diocese. The diocese is blessed with the gift of vocations for priestly life. We have 11 Major Seminarians and 35 Minor Seminarians. This year we have 3 new deacons who will be Ordained Priests. Since the seminarians come from very poor families, they cannot pay fees for education and seminary formation. In addition we have a local Congregation of the Religious Sisters which the dioceses takes care of including the aspirants, postulants, and novices.

The Barishal Catholic Diocese truly appreciates the prayers and contributions received and strives to be good stewards of what is received so that it may have the greatest possible positive impact. The Barishal Diocese of priests, deacons, religious, catechist, and students serving the diocese will remember you in their prayers.

With best wishes

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+ Emmanuel Rozario
 Barishal Catholic Diocese
 Bangladesh



We want Your Recipe!

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

We celebrate so many events surrounded by family and friends. **WHY NOT SHARE YOUR FAVORITE RECIPES FROM THESE GATHERINGS WITH US? KIDS TOO!** With your help, their favorites can also be included and shared in this book. While you have all of those recipes pulled out to prepare for end-of-year celebrations, consider sharing them with us. Make a copy and drop them off in Fellowship Hall; OR, enter your recipes through the link on our church website: scoschurch.org. We want everyone included in our "Family Favorites" cookbook.



Dear Parents of 3rd thru 6th Grade Students,

I'd like to remind you, that in the Fall, I am starting the **St. Catherine's Club for the younger students** in order to prepare them for the Teen Youth Group with Dawn Salerno.

We will meet once a month in Fellowship Hall or perhaps the new Parish Center, for about 1-1/2 hours on a weekday after school. I would appreciate your feedback on your day and time preferences. We will bring Jesus into our lives by building new friendships and extending kindness to our parish and community. I would like the 5th and 6th graders to mentor our younger ones. Games, movies, and trips will be an exciting part of our club. There are forms in both church entrances in the bulletin racks. Look for additional forms and information in a bulletin insert within the next few weeks. I am looking forward to helping our youth build their faith and relationship with God. Thank you.

Debbie Fass
(973) 222-8100
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Marriage Encounter Weekend - July 19-21, 2024



A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend gives you the time and tools to revitalize romance, deepen communication, and nourish the spirituality in your marriage.

Please apply ASAP as space is limited. **Phone (732) 904-9636** for application and information (Tom & Ruth DeFalco).

Visit us at: www.wvme.org for more information.

Our July 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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| Robert & Lynn Coates | James & Jacqueline Novotny |
| Frank & Patricia Conenna | Jaime & Yvonne Penna |
| Ryan & Julia Connolly | Robert & Andrea Presuto |
| Steve & Elena Koretzky | Glenn & Jane Ricketts |
| Thomas & Katharine Lawrence | David & Cathleen Sousa |
| Paul & Ellen McCarthy | Alan & Maria Thompson |

Letting the Good Times Roll...
Thank you to the 70 participants who helped make our 1st annual Family Roller Skating Event a success! See you next year!



Mass Intentions

Saturday: July 6, 2024

4:30 PM Bishop Paul Birthday Blessings
r/o Debbie & Rich Fass

Sunday: July 7, 2024

8:00 AM Msgr. Thomas B. Fitzsimmons
r/o Glenn & Jane Ricketts

9:30 AM Gerard Zezza
r/o Mary & Mark Hogan

11:00 AM The Parishioners of St. Catherine's

Monday: July 8, 2024

8:00 AM Ann Preston
r/o Janise & Rick Nelson

Tuesday: July 9, 2024

8:00 AM Rick Webster
r/o Bruce & AnnaMarie DeRites

Wednesday: July 10, 2024

7:00 PM Joe Fass
r/o Rich & Debbie Fass

Thursday: July 11, 2024

8:00 AM Wally Schlegel
r/o Bob & Laurie Keeling

Friday: July 12, 2024

8:00 AM Ann Preston
r/o Pat & Patrick Dziubek

Saturday: July 13, 2024

4:30 PM Olympia Pazdrey
r/o Dennis Tomsy

Sunday: July 14, 2024

8:00 AM Glenn & Catherine Ricketts
r/o The Ricketts Family

9:30 AM Donna & Kevin Cahill
r/o St. Catherine's Parish

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

From the Pastor's Desk

A little boy is telling his grandma how “everything” is going wrong. School, family problems, severe health problems, etc. Meanwhile, Grandma is baking a cake. She asks her grandson if he would like a snack, which of course he does.

“Here, have some cooking oil.”

“Yuck,” says the boy.

“How about a couple raw eggs?”

“Gross, Grandma!”

“Would you like some flour then? Or maybe baking soda?”

“Grandma, those are all yucky.”

To which Grandma replies: “Yes, all those things seem bad all by themselves. But when they are put together in the right way, they make a wonderfully delicious cake! God works the same way. Many times, we wonder why he would let us go through such difficult times. But God knows that when He puts these things all in His order, they always work for good. We just have to trust Him and, eventually, they will all make something wonderful!” (Author Unknown)

Fr. Chester



The collections for June 30th & July 7th will be posted in the July 14th bulletin.



On-Line Giving for June 30th and July 7th will be posted in the July 14th bulletin.

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