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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, AUGUST 3RD

3:30 PM — 4:00 PM RECONCILIATION

4:30 PM MASS

SUNDAY, AUGUST 4TH

8:00 AM MASS

9:30 AM MASS

11:00 AM MASS

MONDAY, AUGUST 5TH

8:00 AM MASS

TUESDAY, AUGUST 6TH

8:00 AM MASS

3:30 PM STEWARDSHIP MEETING

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 7TH

6:30 PM — 7:00 PM RECONCILIATION

7:00 PM MASS

THURSDAY, AUGUST 8TH

8:00 AM MASS

FRIDAY, AUGUST 9TH

8:00 AM MASS

SATURDAY, 10TH

3:30 PM — 4:00 PM RECONCILIATION

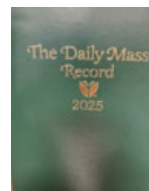
4:30 PM MASS

SUNDAY, AUGUST 11TH

8:00 AM MASS

9:30 AM MASS

11:00 AM MASS/MARRIAGE BLESSING



*The Mass Book for 2025
is now open.*

**No emails or phone calls will be
accepted to reserve Masses.**



CALLING ALL THE YOUTHS IN OUR PARISH!

Join a community of teens who grow in their faith together, connect with each other, give back to the parish, and form lasting friendships in a fun, engaging and informal atmosphere.

We have lots of events thru the year including: hot topics with Deacon Mike, pizza and sushi making, retreats, diocesan youth day and mission trips. Plus, an end-of-year pool party. Don't miss out!

Call Dawn Salerno (908) 477-0105

Check the display case at the exits of the church for forms and sign-up sheets.

Readings for the week of August 4, 2024

Sunday: Ex 16:2-4, 12-15/Ps 78:3-4, 23-24, 25, 54 (24b)/Eph 4:17, 20-24/Jn 6:24-35
 Monday: Jer 28:1-17/Ps 119:29, 43, 79, 80, 95, 102/ Mt 14:13-21
 Tuesday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9/2 Pt 1: 16-19/Mk 9:2-10
 Wednesday: Jer 31:1-7/Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13/Mt 15: 21-28
 Thursday: Jer 31:31-34/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19/Mt 16:13-23
 Friday: Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7/Dt 32:35cd-36ab, 39abcd, 41/Mt 16:24-28
 Saturday: 2 Cor 9:6-10/Ps 112:1-2, 5-6, 7-8, 9/Jn 12:24-26
 Next Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:4-8/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 (9a)/ Eph 4:30—5:2/Jn 6:41-51

Observances for the week of August 4, 2024

Sunday: 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Monday: The Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major
 Tuesday: The Transfiguration of the Lord
 Wednesday: St. Sixtus II, Pope, and Companions, Martyrs; St. Cajetan, Priest
 Thursday: St. Dominic, Priest
 Friday: St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Virgin and Martyr
 Saturday: St. Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr
 Next Sunday: 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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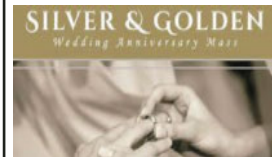
Dear Parents of 3rd thru 6th Grade Students:

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
 info@stonebarnclassiccars.com

Silver & Gold & 5-Year Wedding Anniversary Celebration



You are cordially invited to celebrate your 25th or 50th or 5th 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 20, 2024 at 3:00 PM.

This year the Silver and Gold Anniversary Prayer Service will include couples celebrating 5-years of marriage.

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. Registration will close on October 11, 2024.

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.

Come one, come all to our Parish Wide Event.

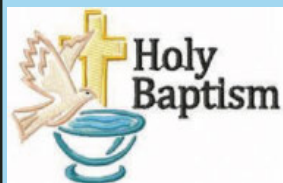
Grow A Row has invited us to help feed fresh picked produce (picked by St. Catherine of Siena Parishioners) to the less fortunate. What a great way to do mission work as a parish!

We need 50 people. Kids under 16 must have a chaperone. We encourage families, couples, singles as this will surely be a great memorable event where we are really making a difference!

Join us Thursday, August 8th 5:30-7:30 PM.

Email dsalerno@scoschurch.org or use the Grow-A-Row link

<https://bit.ly/4cOz3J5>



We are happy to welcome our recently Baptized at St. Catherine of Siena:
Dominic Joseph DeRites
 Baptized on July 27, 2024

*Are you celebrating your
Wedding Anniversary in August?*

**JOIN US ON AUGUST 11TH
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".



Love is patient, love is kind.

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.

Diocese of Metuchen | Office of Religious and Generational Life

Fiat Day

A Day of Discernment for Girls
SATURDAY, AUGUST 10, 2024
10:00 AM - 4:00 PM
High School Girls Ages 14-17

LOCATION: St. Bartholomew Roman Catholic Church, 470 Ryders Lane, East Brunswick, NJ 08816
CONTACT: Sr. Anna Higgins, SCC, anghig@diocesmetuchen.org
INFORMATION AND REGISTRATION: www.diocesmetuchen.org/fiatday
Scan QR Code for Information and Registration

ST. CATHERINE OF SIENAS

Music Ministry

SING A JOYFUL SONG UNTO THE LORD

Join the adult and youth choirs leading the congregation in hymns at selected Masses and services.

Contact:
Adult Choir - Pat Prakopczyk: stratmusic@gmail.com
Youth Choir - Nancy Coletti and Lisa Sforza
youthmusic@scoschurch.org

The office is in need of a Computer Support Specialist. Must be proficient in small office networking, Microsoft 365 Office application, emailing, and general computer administration. Please call the office for more information (908) 735-4024.

NEW JERSEY MARCH FOR LIFE

WHEN THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 26, 2024

WHERE TRENTON, NJ

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12:00 P.M. MARCH

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

Anthony & Roseanne Albanese	Paul & Alison Manley
Miguel & Sandra Baptista	Peter & Juliann Mattos
Jack & Janet Brennan	Salvatore & Janice Mauro
Stanley & Teresa Brzozowski	Joseph & Mary Ellen McNulty
Daniel & Stacy Canavan	Mark & Irene Mortensen
Rene & Jasmin Colon	Matthew & Lynn Mulhall
Peter & Stephanie Cunha	Charles & Phyllis Pason
Miguel & Marta Fernandez	Cezary & Alicia Sosidko
Charles & Sharon Gardner	Peter & Kristen Thomas
Michael & Pamela Iannozzi	Dennis & Marlene Tomsky
Gerald & Nancy Lyness	John & Pearl Traub

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

JOIN US IN FELLOWSHIP HALL AFTER ALL MASSES ON August 3rd and 4th

Sample some of the awesome desserts that will be printed in our upcoming "Family Favorites" cookbook. We will be taking book orders as well as accepting copies of your favorite recipes!!

Mass Intentions

Saturday: August 3, 2024

4:30 PM Anthony & Jennifer Natalizio
r/o St. Catherine's Parish

Sunday: August 4, 2024

8:00 AM Laverne Battipaglia
r/o Maeve Battipaglia

9:30 AM Lawrence & Patricia Harding
r/o St. Catherine's Parish

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

Monday: August 5, 2024

8:00 AM Rick Webster
r/o Angela & Theodore Ricca
& Family

Tuesday: August 6, 2024

8:00 AM Rick Webster
r/o Chris & Marisa DeRites

Wednesday: August 7, 2024

7:00 PM Anthony Natalizio, Sr.
r/o Anthony & Jennifer Natalizio

Thursday: August 8, 2024

8:00 AM Mary Schofield
r/o Bob & Dori Schofield

Friday: August 9, 2024

8:00 AM Ann Preston
r/o Dan Dawson

Saturday: August 10, 2024

4:30 PM The Parishioners of St. Catherine's

Sunday: August 11, 2024

8:00 AM Maureen O'Keefe
r/o Mike & Mary Mitariten

9:30 AM Michael & Erica Piotrowski
r/o St. Catherine's Parish

11:00 AM Christopher & Joanne Bajak
r/o St. Catherine's Parish

From the Pastor's Desk

The Transfiguration of the Lord

August 6th

Tuesday, we celebrated the feast of The Transfiguration of the Lord. All three Synoptic Gospels tell the story of the Transfiguration (Matthew 17:1-8; Mark 9:2-9; Luke 9:28-36). With remarkable agreement, all three place the event shortly after Peter's confession of faith that Jesus is the Messiah and Jesus' first prediction of his passion and death. Peter's eagerness to erect tents or booths on the spot suggests it occurred in the fall during the week-long Jewish Feast of Booths.

According to Scripture scholars, in spite of the texts' agreement, it is difficult to reconstruct the disciples' experiences, because the Gospels draw heavily on Old Testament descriptions of the Sinai encounter with God, and prophetic visions of the Son of Man. Certainly Peter, James, and John had a glimpse of Jesus' divinity that was strong enough to strike fear into their hearts. Such an experience defies description, so they drew on familiar religious language to describe it. And certainly Jesus warned them that his glory and his suffering were to be inextricably connected — a theme John highlights throughout his Gospel.

Tradition names Mount Tabor as the site of the revelation. A church first raised there in the fourth century was dedicated on August 6. A feast in honor of the Transfiguration was celebrated in the Eastern Church from about that time. Western observance began in some localities about the eighth century.

On July 22, 1456, Crusaders defeated the Turks at Belgrade. News of the victory reached Rome on August 6, and Pope Callistus III placed the feast on the Roman calendar the following year.

Fr. Chester



The collection for July 28th was \$3,577.00 (111 envelopes) for the regular collection.



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