

# 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.

## ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA, PITTSTOWN, NJ

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Carol Rocha  
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#### Youth Choir

Lisa Sforza — Nancy Coletti  
youthmusic@scoschurch.org

### Weekly Schedule

#### SATURDAY, AUGUST 17TH

3:30 PM — 4:00 PM RECONCILIATION  
4:30 PM MASS/BISHOP CHECCHIO

#### SUNDAY, AUGUST 18TH

8:00 AM MASS  
9:30 AM MASS  
11:00 AM MASS  
12:00 PM ADELINE, PATRICK & KARINA  
TURNER BAPTISMS

#### MONDAY, AUGUST 19TH

8:00 AM MASS

#### TUESDAY, AUGUST 20TH

8:00 AM MASS  
3:30 PM STEWARDSHIP MEETING  
5:45 PM — 6:30 PM YOUTH CHOIR PRACTICE

#### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 21ST

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

#### THURSDAY, AUGUST 22ND

8:00 AM MASS

#### FRIDAY, AUGUST 23RD

8:00 AM MASS

#### SATURDAY, AUGUST 24TH

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

#### SUNDAY, AUGUST 25TH

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

**Be careful of email and text scams alleging to come from Fr. Chester! Fr. Chester would NEVER email or text you asking for money, gift cards, or to just reply to his text. He would call you or speak to you directly.**

**If you are unsure, call the office!**

**PLEASE DO NOT REPLY...IT'S A SCAM**

I need a favor from you, please text me back as soon as you get this message. There is something I need you to do for me, I am going into a meeting now with limited phone calls, so please just reply my text

Rev. Chester Zalubski

**If you, or you know someone, or a company you could recommend who is proficient in small office networking, Microsoft 365 office application, emailing and general computer administration, please contact the office at (908) 735-4024.**

**Readings for the week of August 18, 2024**

Sunday: Prv 9:1-6/Ps 34:2-3, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15 (9a)/Eph 5:15-20/Jn 6:51-58  
 Monday: Ez 24:15-23/Dt 32:18-19, 20, 21/Mt 19:16-22  
 Tuesday: Ez 28:1-10/Dt 32:26-27ab, 27cd-28, 30, 35cd-36ab/Mt 19:23-30  
 Wednesday: Ez 34:1-11/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Mt 20:1-16  
 Thursday: Ez 36:23-28/Ps 40:5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10/Mt 22:1-14  
 Friday: Ez 37:1-14/Ps 107:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 22:34-40  
 Saturday: Rv 21:9b-14/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18/Jn 1:45-51  
 Next Sunday: Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b/Ps 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19, 20-21, 22-23 (9a)/Eph 5:21-32 or 5:2a, 25-32/Jn 6:60-69

**Observances for the week of August 18, 2024**

Sunday: 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
 Monday: St. John Eudes, Priest  
 Tuesday: St. Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church  
 Wednesday: St. Pius X, Pope  
 Thursday: The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
 Friday: St. Rose of Lima, Virgin  
 Saturday: St. Bartholomew, Apostle  
 Next Sunday: 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Dear Parents of 3rd thru 6th Grade Students,

The St. Catherine's Club will be meeting on the 2nd Friday of each month from 6-7:30, beginning with Friday, September 13th. There will be a Taco Bar at our first gathering and a light supper/snacks will be served each month. We will bring Jesus into our lives by building new friendships and extending kindness to our parish and community. I would like the 5th & 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 the weekend of August 17th/18th. I am looking forward to helping our youth build their faith and relationship with God. Please call, text or email me if you are interested. Thank you.

Debbie Fass  
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**To volunteer, or for more information  
 contact Robin Potempa**

**(908) 310 - 4273**

**We want Your Recipe!**

**Only a few more weeks to submit**

**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](http://scoschurch.org). We want everyone included in our "Family Favorites" cookbook.



**Knights of Columbus  
 Pope John Paul II Assembly #3293  
 High Bridge, NJ**

Future Sponsor,

We will be hosting a Charity Golf event on October 14th at the High Bridge Hill Golf Course. There will be a Deceased Sponsor Recognition for Chuck Specht.

The Knights of Columbus "4th Degree" is a patriotic men's organization dedicated to helping those in need. This golf event is our largest fundraiser to support our Veterans at the Veteran's Haven North in Glen Gardner.

We would appreciate your support with a sponsorship or donation. Please see the golf trifold in the display racks at the exits of the church.

If you have any questions, please contact, William Smith at (908) 797-7359 or at [smithbuilders@hotmail.com](mailto:smithbuilders@hotmail.com)

**\$125.00 "Early Bird Special" for player registration received before September 1st!**

**Knights of Columbus  
March for Life Rally,  
Trenton, NJ, on September 26th**



Anyone interested in joining the bus trip to the March for Life Rally in Trenton is welcome! We will depart Immaculate Conception Church, Annandale at 7:30 AM.

The cost per person is \$30.00. Checks only and payable to Pope John Paul II Assembly #3293.

For additional information, please contact Bill Smith at (908) 797-7359 or email at [smithbuilders@hotmail.com](mailto:smithbuilders@hotmail.com)

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**WEDNESDAY - SEPTEMBER 4<sup>TH</sup> - 6 pm**

**CLASS BEGINS - GRADES 6 & 8 - in the church**  
7 pm **OPENING KICK-OFF MASS** - 6th, 7th & 8th grade required to attend  
All families welcome & encouraged to attend this Mass  
Receive a blessing for the start of the new season  
Let's **R.O.C.K. - Roll Out Christ's Kingdom Together!**  
Rita's Truck after Mass! RSVP: [stcscre@gmail.com](mailto:stcscre@gmail.com)

**SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 8<sup>TH</sup> - 8:30 am**

**CLASS BEGINS - GRADES 2 & 4 - downstairs**  
ALL ATTEND Family Mass at 9:30 am - Youth Choir sings!

**SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 15<sup>TH</sup> - 8:30 am**

**CLASS BEGINS - GRADES 3 & 5 - downstairs**  
ALL ATTEND including 9:30 am Mass

*Ready the Way of the Lord as we embark on our 2024 - 2025 season!*  
For information email Sandra Kopka at: [stcscre@gmail.com](mailto:stcscre@gmail.com)



*We would like to welcome:  
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The Day Family  
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Prayer Shawls may be made for those undergoing medical procedures; as a comfort after a loss, or in times of stress; during bereavement; prayer or meditation; during an illness and recovery.

Baby blankets and Baptismal bibs are made for babies christened in our parish.

Shawls and blankets are blessed by Father Chester.

We meet every Tuesday from 12:30-2 pm

Contact: Donna Mustillo (908) 237-0211



We meet Thursday mornings from 10:00 am to 11:30 am in Fellowship Hall to have an open reflection and discussion on Bible passages for the upcoming Sunday readings.

For more information contact

Teri Sacca - [tasacca@outlook.com](mailto:tasacca@outlook.com)  
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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.*

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|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Anthony & Roseanne Albanese | Paul & Alison Manley        |
| Miguel & Sandra Baptista    | Peter & Juliann Mattos      |
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| Stanley & Teresa Brzozowski | Joseph & Mary Ellen McNulty |
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| Gerald & Nancy Lyness       | John & Pearl Traub          |

**YOUTH  
Ministry**

**Join us . . .**

**Wednesday, September 4<sup>TH</sup> at 7<sup>PM</sup>**

**R.O.C.K - Rolling Out Christ's Kingdom  
Youth & Family Kick off Mass!**

Youth and families are invited to receive a special blessing for the start of the 2024-25 school year and religious education season.

**Come celebrate our youth and families and R.O.C.K. onward!**



**The Rita's Ice Cream  
Truck will be there  
for all to enjoy a  
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**For info call, text or email Dawn Salerno at  
908-478-0105 • [dsalerno@scoschurch.org](mailto:dsalerno@scoschurch.org)**

# Mass Intentions

**Saturday: August 17, 2024**

4:30 PM Bernie & Larry Remaly  
r/o St. Catherine's Parish

**Sunday: August 18, 2024**

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

9:30 AM Laverne Battipaglia  
r/o Pearl & John Traub

11:00 AM Heidi Kuster  
r/o The Lawrence Family

**Monday: August 19, 2024**

8:00 AM Ann Preston  
r/o Diane Corrigan

**Tuesday: August 20, 2024**

8:00 AM J. Henry Zanzalari  
r/o Lori & Jim Young

**Wednesday: August 21, 2024**

7:00 PM Jennifer Natalizio  
r/o Anthony

**Thursday: August 22, 2024**

8:00 AM Gary Kristoff  
r/o Marie Kristoff

**Friday: August 23, 2024**

8:00 AM Andrew Baker Birthday Blessings  
r/o The Baker Family

**Saturday: August 24, 2024**

4:30 PM Robert Rocca  
r/o The Family

**Sunday: August 25, 2024**

8:00 AM Angel Quinones  
r/o Wanda, Arlene and Michelle

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

11:00 AM Frederick Juliano  
r/o Fr. Chester

## From the Pastor's Desk

### *The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary August 22nd*

Pope Pius XII established this feast in 1954. But Mary's queenship has roots in Scripture. At the Annunciation, Gabriel announced that Mary's Son would receive the throne of David and rule forever. At the Visitation, Elizabeth calls Mary "mother of my Lord." As in all the mysteries of Mary's life, she is closely associated with Jesus: Her queenship is a share in Jesus' kingship. We can also recall that in the Old Testament the mother of the king has great influence in court.

In the fourth century Saint Ephrem called Mary "Lady" and "Queen." Later Church fathers and doctors continued to use the title. Hymns of the 11th to 13th centuries addressed Mary as queen: "Hail, Holy Queen," "Hail, Queen of Heaven," and "Queen of Heaven." The Dominican rosary and the Franciscan crown as well as numerous invocations in Mary's litany celebrate her queenship.

The feast is a logical follow-up to the Assumption, and is now celebrated on the octave day of that feast. In his 1954 encyclical *To the Queen of Heaven*, Pius XII points out that Mary deserves the title because she is Mother of God, because she is closely associated as the New Eve with Jesus' redemptive work, because of her preeminent perfection, and because of her intercessory power.

As Saint Paul suggests in Romans 8:28-30, God has predestined human beings from all eternity to share the image of his Son. All the more was Mary predestined to be the mother of Jesus. As Jesus was to be king of all creation, Mary, in dependence on Jesus, was to be queen. All other titles to queenship derive from this eternal intention of God. As Jesus exercised his kingship on earth by serving his Father and his fellow human beings, so did Mary exercise her queenship. As the glorified Jesus remains with us as our king till the end of time (Matthew 28:20), so does Mary, who was assumed into heaven and crowned queen of heaven and earth.

*Fr. Chester*



The collection for August 11th was \$3,419.00 (109 envelopes) for the regular collection.



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