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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 Wednesday 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, OCTOBER 19TH

10:00 AM THEODORE ASHBY TURNER BAPTISM

3:30 PM — 4:00 PM RECONCILIATION

4:30 PM MASS

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20TH

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

8:00 AM MASS

8:30 AM — 10:15 AM 2ND & 4TH GRADE FAITH FORMATION

9:30 AM MASS

11:00 AM MASS

12:00 PM CONNOR JACKSON HALVORSEN BAPTISM

5:15 PM — 6:00 PM YOUTH CHOIR REHEARSAL

MONDAY, OCTOBER 21ST

8:00 AM MASS

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22ND

8:00 AM MASS

12:30 PM — 2:00 PM PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

7:00 PM KNIGHTS' OF COLUMBUS SOCIAL & DEVOTION MEETING

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23RD

6:30 PM — 7:00 PM RECONCILIATION

7:00 PM MASS

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24TH

8:00 AM MASS

10:00 AM — 11:30 AM BIBLE STUDY

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25TH

8:00 AM MASS

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26TH

3:00 PM — 4:00 PM ADULT CHOIR REHEARSAL

3:30 PM — 4:00 PM RECONCILIATION

4:30 PM MASS

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27TH

8:00 AM MASS

8:30 AM — 10:15 AM 3RD & 5TH GRADE FAITH FORMATION

9:30 AM MASS

11:00 AM FAMILY MASS/YOUTH CHOIR

12:00 PM TRUNK & TREAT



October is the Month of the Rosary

Please try to pray the Rosary daily. There are "Pray the Rosary Daily" pamphlets in the display cases.

Readings for the week of October 20, 2024

- Sunday: Is 53:10-11/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22, (22)/ Heb 4:14-16/Mk 10:35-45 or 10:42-45
- Monday: Eph 2:1-10/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4ab, 4c-5/Lk 12:13-21
- Tuesday: Eph 2:12-22/Ps 85:9ab-10, 11-12, 13-14/Lk 12:35-38
- Wednesday: Eph 3:2-12/Ps 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6/Lk 12:39-48
- Thursday: Eph 3:14-21/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 11-12, 18-19/Lk 12:49-53
- Friday: Eph 4:1-6/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Lk 12:54-59
- Saturday: Eph 4:7-16/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/Lk 13:1-9
- Next Sunday: Jer 31:7-9/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 (3)/Heb 5:1-6/Mk 10:46-52

Observances for the week of October 20, 2024

- Sunday: 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time; World Mission Sunday
- Tuesday: St. John Paul II, Pope
- Wednesday: St. John of Capistrano, Priest
- Thursday: St. Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop
- Next Sunday: 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

(C.L.P.)



Coordinates parish participation which ministers to the needs of low-income and homeless families in the county and advocates for affordable housing, transportation and living wage employment. To volunteer, call Mary Jo Haggerty (908) 892-3513



Bishop James F. Checchio

October is Respect Life month! In light of the coming elections, Bp. Michael Burbidge, the Chair of the U.S. Bishop's Committee on Pro-Life Activities, has sent out a prayer which Bishop Checchio is asking all of us to pray between now and Election Day:

The Prayer for Life to Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament

Jesus, you came that we might have life—and have it in abundance. Together with the Father and the Holy Spirit, you form us in our mothers' wombs and call us to love you for all eternity. As your most precious gift of human life is attacked, draw us ever closer to your Real Presence in the Eucharist. Dispel the darkness of the culture of death, for you are the light that shines in the darkness, and the darkness cannot overcome it. By the power of your Eucharistic Presence, help us to defend the life of every human person at every stage. Transform our hearts to protect and cherish all whose lives are most vulnerable. For you are God, forever and ever. Amen.



We May Have Missed You Last Weekend!

The St. Catherine's Knights of Columbus Council #15217 held a membership drive last weekend.

The Knights of Columbus is an international Order of Catholic men who are called to lead with faith, protect our families, serve others, and defend values in a busy changing world. Whether you become an individual member or a member of our council, you will find that the Knights of Columbus membership brings Catholic men together in a powerful way.

If you would like to join, simply go to KofC.org/joinus and enter Council #15217



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



St. Catherine's 3rd Halloween Trunk-or-Treat with Saintry Sweets - A Heavenly Halloween Sunday, October 27 following the 11 AM Family Mass



Children are asked to dress up as their **FAVORITE SAINTS** or any other **CHURCH-APPROPRIATE** costumes to Mass!

Apple cider & donuts will be served immediately after Mass in the Fellowship Hall as we wait for the Trunk-or-Treat cars to set up (and give other parishioners who are unable to attend a chance to exit the parking lot.)

All vehicles are encouraged to decorate! Prizes will be awarded for vehicle & costume creativity!

Please make your vehicle, decorations and costumes church appropriate!

RSVP by Sunday, October 20th by dropping off this fom in the designated boxes at the church; or, call the parish office at (908) 735-4024. For more info call Dawn Salerno 908-477-0105; or dsalerno@scoschurch.org

Family Name: _____ Phone _____

Email _____ Number of Treators _____

_____ Yes, I will provide treats and a vehicle

_____ Count me in to volunteer for this event



Mass of Remembrance

A Mass of Remembrance will be held on Saturday, **November 2nd at 10:00 AM** in the Church.

All parishioner who experienced the loss of a loved one between All Souls Day 2023 to October 15, 2024, are welcomed to be a part of this special Mass.

Please phone the Parish Office at (908) 735-4024 with the name and date of death of the loved one you would like remembered.



JOIN ST. CATHERINE'S YOUTH MUSIC MINISTRY

We will be singing October 27th at the 11 am Sunday Family Mass for Saints-and-Treats!! Parade and party following Mass (contact Sandra at stcsre@gmail.com for Saints and Treats information)



SIGN UP TODAY! Call Nancy Coletti at (908) 391-5103; or Lisa Sforza at (908) 310-3495; or e-mail Youth Music at: youthmusic@scoschurch.org

Our October Couples Anniversary Blessing

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

Vincent & Patricia Battipaglia	Ed & Pam Kulik
Marc & Cara Bruzzi	Thomas & Amy Murray
Jed & Donna Chingery	Dominic & Donna Mustillo
Jeffrey & Nancy Coletti	Stephen & Kathleen O'Connor
Jose & Maria Julia Cunha	Brian & Catherine O'Rourke
Marc & Elizabeth Davis	Thomas & Karen Obiedzinski
Frederick & Constance Finch	Guy & Lisa Pagano
Anthony & Grace Fusco	John & Dawn Paulmeno
Gregory & Christine Horun	John & Jennifer Poole
Frank & Francine Jannuzzi	Keith & Peggy Rogers
Ken & Stacy Jones	Steven & Teresa Rossi
Eric & Meredith Joseph	Andre & Jessica Sarwan
Jameson & Maggie Kimball	Ed & Ellen Schilke
Ed & Jackie Kolibas	William & Patricia Twaddle



CAR RAFFLE

Tickets to be sold by the Knights of Columbus after all Masses at St. Catherine's Nov. 2-3, and 9-10



Tickets \$10 each
Be the Winner!

1st Prize | 2025 Volvo XC40 AWD SUV Valued at \$44,595.00
2nd Prize | Shoprite Gift Card | Valued at \$1,000.00
3rd Prize | Shoprite Gift Card | Valued at \$750.00
4th Prize | Shoprite Gift Card | Valued at \$500.00

Winning ticket to be drawn 10 pm, November 22, 2024 at Maggiano's Little Italy, Bridgewater, NJ Winner need not be present.

Proceeds benefit New Jersey Right to Life, the state's oldest and largest pro-life organization.



Clothing Drop-Off Bins

Clothing bins are located in the church parking lot. Your clothing donations will be shipped throughout the US, Eastern Europe, Asia, Africa, and South America.

For the use of our Parish site, we will receive a monthly payment of \$100 for each bin. As we help others by donating clothing, we also help our Parish gain funds towards the maintenance of our church.

Thank you to all who use our bins!

Are you celebrating your Wedding Anniversary in November?

Join us on November 10th, at the 11:00 AM Mass to receive a Wedding Anniversary Blessing.

All Sacramentally married couples are invited to join us in this celebration of their marriage vocation. Send your names and wedding date to Tee at tandersen@scoschurch.org



Youth Group Corner Upcoming Events

- Oct. 27th After 11:00 AM Mass — Saints & Treats
RSVP (908) 477-0105, SCOS Parking Lot
- Nov. 3rd 6:00 — 7:30 PM — TBD
- Nov. 17th 6:00 — 7:30 PM — Leadership Meeting
10th — 12th grade, Fellowship Hall
- Dec. 8th 11 AM Mass — St Nicholas Family Mass
- Dec. 8th 6:00 — 8:30 PM — Christmas Party
- Dec. 15th 6:00 — 8:00 PM — TBD
- Dec. TBD — Country Arch Concert

Mass Intentions

Saturday: October 19, 2024

4:30 PM Frank May
r/o Bernie & Larry Remaly

Sunday: October 20, 2024

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

9:30 AM Rick Webster
r/o Jennifer & David Perna

11:00 AM Maureen Kaupas
r/o Bakos Family

Monday: October 21, 2024

8:00 AM Kathy & Jim Mathews
r/o Bernie & Larry Remaly

Tuesday: October 22, 2024

8:00 AM A Special Intention
r/o Maryjane Staats

Wednesday: October 23, 2024

7:00 PM Ann Preston
r/o Rob Preston

Thursday: October 24, 2024

8:00 AM Gary Kristoff
r/o Marie Kristoff

Friday: October 25, 2024

8:00 AM Albina Krowicki
r/o The Baker Family

Saturday: October 26, 2024

4:30 PM Kathy Dawson
r/o Dan Dawson

Sunday: October 27, 2024

8:00 AM John A. Shockley, Sr.
r/o Jennifer & David Perna

9:30 AM Edward & Eva Wonsevicz
r/o Marie Kristoff

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

From the Pastor's Desk World Mission Sunday

Catholics throughout the world are invited to recommit themselves to the Church's missionary activity through prayer and sacrifice by observing World Mission Sunday on October 20th. Instituted for the whole Church by Pope Pius XI in 1926, it is traditionally celebrated on the next-to-last Sunday each October.

Today, let us join our brothers and sisters around the world who gather at the Lord's Table to celebrate, with great joy, our common vocation as missionaries. Our prayers and concrete gestures of solidarity will help build local churches across the globe. Through the work of these churches, and their witness to Christ, the poor receive practical help and experience God's love and mercy, His hope and peace.

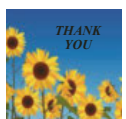
World Mission Sunday truly belongs to the world. It is celebrated in every country, in every diocese, and in every parish — in a remote chapel far out in the African bush, in a predominantly Muslim or Hindu area in Asia, and in a poor village in Latin America. We are citizens of the world, members of the one Body of Christ, and are at our best when we act lovingly and generously to our brothers and sisters in the Missions.

Every year the needs of the Catholic Church in the missions grow, with new dioceses, new seminaries, and new areas opening up to hear the message of Christ. Offerings from Catholics in the United States, on World Mission Sunday, are combined with offerings to the Propagation of the Faith worldwide.

Whatever you can contribute to the collection for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith will be a great blessing to local priests, religious, and lay catechists throughout Asia, Africa, the Pacific Islands, and parts of Europe and Latin America.

Thank you for your generous response to the Society for the Propagation of Faith. May God bless you greatly for all you do for the Mission Church.

Fr. Chester



The collection for October 13th was \$3,228.00 (101 envelopes) for the regular collection.



On-Line Giving for October 13th was \$2,514.00 (91 donors).

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