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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
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, JUNE 7TH

1:00 PM SCHILKE/ATKISSON WEDDING MASS
3:30 PM — 4:00 PM RECONCILIATION
4:30 PM MASS

SUNDAY, JUNE 8TH

PENTECOST SUNDAY

8:00 AM MASS
9:30 AM MASS
11:00 AM MASS/MARRIAGE BLESSING

MONDAY, JUNE 9TH

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

TUESDAY, JUNE 10TH

8:00 AM MASS
7:00 PM KNIGHTS' BUSINESS MEETING

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 11TH

7:00 PM MASS

THURSDAY, JUNE 12TH

8:00 AM MASS
10:00 AM — 11:30 AM SUNDAY SCRIPTURE DISCUSSION

FRIDAY, JUNE 13TH

8:00 AM MASS
6:00 PM — 7:30 PM KIDS CLUB

SATURDAY, JUNE 14TH

12:00 PM PHINEAS FRANCESCO BAREHAM BAPTISM
3:30 PM — 4:00 PM RECONCILIATION
4:30 PM MASS

SUNDAY, JUNE 15TH

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

8:00 AM MASS
9:30 AM MASS
11:00 AM MASS/MARRIAGE BLESSING
12:00 PM DAISY ADALYN WALKO BAPTISM



Our parish office is seeking additional volunteer help to answer the phones and help with light office work. The hours would be 9:30 AM to 2:30 PM, when needed. If you are interested or would

like more information, please call (908) 735-4024 or email Jennifer at jperna@scoschurch.org



We would like to welcome:
The Blodgett Family
to St. Catherine of Siena Parish.

Readings for the week of June 8, 2025

- Sunday: *Vigil:* Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5/Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30 (see 30)/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39 *Extended Vigil:* Gn 11:1-9/Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b/Ez 37:1-14/Jl 3:1-5/Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30 (see 30)/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39 *Day:* Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34 (see 30)/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Rom 8:8-17/Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 14:15-16, 23b-26
- Monday: Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14/Ps 87:1-2, 3 and 5, 6-7/Jn 19:25-34
- Tuesday: 2 Cor 1:18-22/Ps 119:129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 135/Mt 5:13-16
- Wednesday: Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3 (580)/Ps 99:5, 6, 7, 8, 9/Mt 5:17-19
- Thursday: 2 Cor 3:15—4:1, 3-6/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14/Mt 5:20-26
- Friday: 2 Cor 4:7-15/Ps 116:10-11, 15-16, 17-18/Mt 5:27-32
- Saturday: 2 Cor 5:14-21/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12/Mt 5:33-37
- Next Sunday: Prv 8:22-31/Ps 8:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 (2a)/Rom 5:1-5/Jn 16:12-15

Observances for the week of June 8, 2025

- Sunday: Pentecost Sunday
- Monday: Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church
- Wednesday: St. Barnabas, Apostle
- Friday: St. Anthony of Padua, Priest and Doctor of the Church
- Saturday: Flag Day
- Next Sunday: The Most Holy Trinity; Father's Day

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**Annual Corpus Christi Procession
Sunday, June 22nd immediately following the
11 AM Mass**

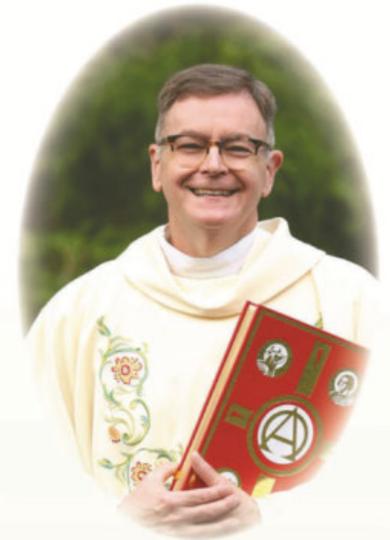
On **Sunday, June 22nd** the parish will celebrate the **Real Presence of Jesus** in our annual Corpus Christi Procession **immediately following the 11 AM Mass**. As a community we will accompany the Blessed Sacrament in a short walk around the church grounds visiting four beautifully decorated altars, while raising our voices in song and prayer as a beautiful public profession of our faith.



**DEACON
MIKE**

**BLESSED
15TH
ANNIVERSARY
of your
DIACONATE
ORDINATION**

June 10, 2010



St. Catherine of Siena Parish offers our heartfelt congratulations and gratitude for sharing your vocation with us.

Your tireless efforts and loving spirit have been a true blessing and inspiration.

May God continue to guide and bless you and your family in your ministry.

We invite you to support the Hope House of St. Magdalen and the Catholic Charities' Food Pantry in Phillipsburg by donating non-perishable food items. A donation bin is located in Fellowship Hall for your convenience. This food drive will continue for as long as the need remains. Thank you for your generosity and compassion.



We want to extend a heartfelt thank you to everyone who participated in our first-ever Jersey Mike's fundraiser for Our Lady of Fatima. It was a huge success! We truly appreciate everyone who

took the time to make a purchase. Thanks to your support, we were able to raise \$635.15. Stay tuned for more exciting events in the future – we hope to see you there. With extreme gratitude, Elena Koretzky



June 26th — 8 AM Departure from SCOSC — NOAH Sight & Sound Show Lancaster PA; 11 AM Show

July — Aug Tubing down the Delaware/Roller Skating/ Gravity Vault/Sisters of Jesus our Hope Volunteering/Grow A Row Day Trip/Trenton Area Soup Kitchen volunteering/ Country Arch Visits/Lock In @ Parish Center-Summer Event
Be sure to get the REMIND App if you do not already have it, this is the best way to stay informed on Youth Groups Events!!!

**St Catherine's Council 15217
Knights of Columbus**



**Chuck Specht
Memorial
Scholarship Program**



2025 "Good Samaritan" Scholarship Application

An applicant must meet the following criteria:

- High school senior entering their freshman year of a college, university, or trade school in the United States.
- 8th grade student graduating in the spring of 2025
- Must be an active member of St. Catherine's Parish in Pittstown, NJ
- Attend the St. Catherine's Knights of Columbus awards ceremony on June 24 to accept the award for pictures with family
- Submit a minimum of 500-typed word essay by Sunday, June 8, 2025, to Ken Mandoli, (Worthy Grand Knight) on one of the following topics:

1. What "Right to Life" means to me?
2. Why is "Religious Freedom" important?
3. Write about any of the 4 Pillars of the Knights of Columbus: "Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism."

Our Council #15217 will be awarding 4 scholarships:

- **Two High School Seniors** (1 boy and 1 girl) graduating from the class of 2025 will each be awarded \$500
- **Two 8th Grade Students** (1 boy and 1 girl) in the class of 2025 will each be awarded \$100

Submit all essays to:

Ken Mandoli, Worthy Grand Knight
310 Sidney Rd, Pittstown, NJ 08867
Or email a pdf copy to: 15217.kofc@gmail.com



Emanuella Tagheu is a parishioner and lector at St. Catherine's. She is also a Girl Scout striving to attain her Gold Award, which is the **highest honor a Girl Scout can achieve**. Gold Awards are earned by making a sustainable change in a community.

Her project is focused on a village hospital located in a mountainous area in Western Cameroon, Africa. The name of the hospital is "Le Centre Medicale Dispensaire D'Arrondissement de Batie." The hospital is severely underfunded. Medical staff struggle to deliver quality care to the villagers with bare minimum resources. The medical center often faces challenges, such as frequent power outages and a lack of adequate medical equipment. When there was a power outage in the hospital, the staff continued to perform medical procedures, such as cesarean sections, using kerosene lamps. These challenges make healthcare delivery to the villagers difficult.

Emanuella is kindly requesting the congregation at St. Catherine's to partner with her by financially contributing to the Batie Hospital Fund. Your donations will help her successfully achieve this sustainability initiative, which is to support and help develop the Batie hospital that over 6,000 people rely upon for medical care. There will be a presentation after all Masses on June 21st & June 22nd, along with a 2nd collection. Thank you for prayerfully considering this request to help our sisters and brothers in Africa.

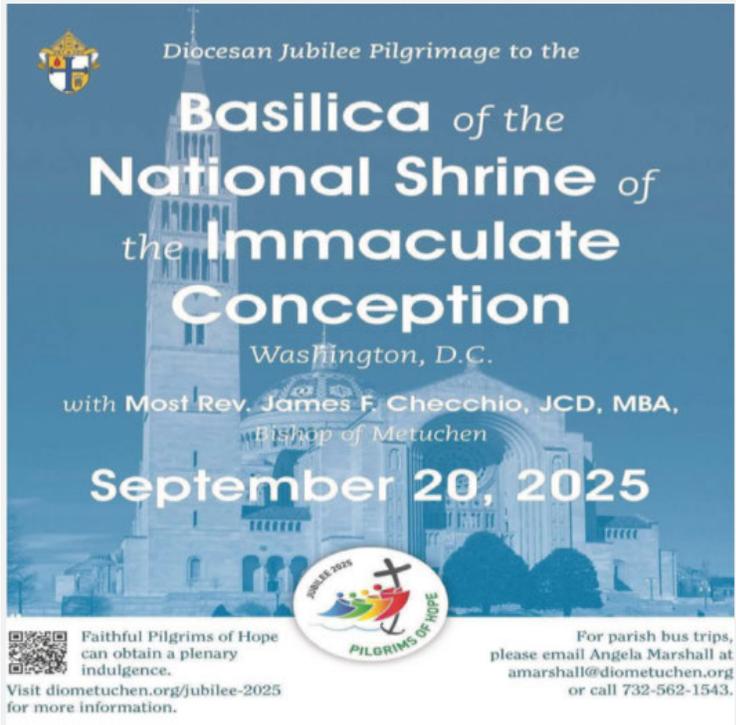


We are saddened to announce the death of:
Joyce Creteau, aunt of David Perna, who passed away on May 27, 2025

Our June 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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| Wayne & Susan Bachenberg | John & Jennie Metenosky |
| Kevin & Johanna Bailey | George & Linda Muller |
| Kevin & Donna Cahill | Joseph & Jean O'Grodnick |
| Phil & Emma Carey | Antonio & Carol Rocha |
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| Tom & Chris Gregor | Bruce & Jaime Sanderson |
| Joseph & Donna Krouse | Michael & Amanda Shymanski |
| Mark & Nanette Kubian | Michael & Kelly Wojtal |
| James & Yasmin Manno | James & Lori Young |
| David & MaryJoe Matinho | |



Diocesan Jubilee Pilgrimage to the
Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception
Washington, D.C.
with Most Rev. James F. Checchio, JCD, MBA,
Bishop of Metuchen
September 20, 2025

Faithful Pilgrims of Hope can obtain a plenary indulgence.
Visit diometuchen.org/jubilee-2025 for more information.

For parish bus trips, please email Angela Marshall at amarshall@diometuchen.org or call 732-562-1543.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, June 7, 2025

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

Sunday, June 8, 2025

8:00 AM Peter & Merrill Hennion
r/o Mike & Stephanie Pierce

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

11:00 AM Thank You to all the Stewardship
Committee Members
r/o St. Catherine's Parish

Monday, June 9, 2025

8:00 AM Veronica April
r/o Joseph April

Tuesday, June 10, 2025

8:00 AM The Bodi Family
r/o Elaine Frederick

Wednesday, June 11, 2025

7:00 PM Concetta Wisniewski
r/o Anthony & Jennifer Natalizio

Thursday, June 12, 2025

8:00 AM Margot Hernandez
r/o Yasmin & James Mano

Friday, June 13, 2025

8:00 AM Adelle & Carl Quick
r/o The Quick Family

Saturday, June 14, 2025

4:30 PM Father's Day Novena

Sunday, June 15, 2025

8:00 AM Father's Day Novena

9:30 AM Father's Day Novena

11:00 AM Father's Day Novena

From the Pastor's Desk

Pentecost Sunday

This Sunday we celebrate the great feast of Pentecost. On this day, we see the fulfillment of the promise of Jesus to send the Holy Spirit upon his Apostles. And as we know, the Holy Spirit will transform the lives of these Apostles. These frightened men who abandoned Jesus at his Passion will be transformed into bold witnesses who clearly show that they not only understand the teaching of Jesus but also are willing to put his teaching into practice. They will endure persecution, suffering, ridicule, and other forms of trial as they preach his Good News. They will heed the call of Jesus to go forth and make disciples of all nations.

Our late Holy Father, Pope Francis had invited us to follow the example of the Apostles and truly embrace the Holy Spirit in our lives. He said, "There is no greater freedom than that of allowing oneself to be guided by the Holy Spirit, renouncing the attempt to plan and control everything to the last detail, and instead, letting him enlighten, guide, and direct us, leading us wherever he wills. The Holy Spirit knows well what is needed in every time and place. This is what it means to be mysteriously fruitful."

As we reflect on these words of Pope Francis, and as we celebrate this great feast, we are challenged to allow the Holy Spirit to come into our minds, and into our lives, and into our hearts as we strive to cope spiritually in these difficult and uncertain times.

Fr. Chester



The collections for May 25th were \$2,727.00 for the regular collection and \$3,418.00 for the Missionary from India. The collection for June 1st were \$3,505.00 (136 envelopes) for the regular collection and \$1,087.00 (42 envelopes) for Religious Education.



On-Line Giving for May 25th was \$3,324.00 and \$3,750.00 for June 1st.

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