

St. Catherine of Siena

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



June 14, 2026 VOL. 29 | 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time



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Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil: 4:30 PM

Sunday: 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM
and 11:00 AM

Weekday Masses

Monday-Friday 8:00 AM

Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:30 PM - 4:00 PM
or by appointment

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

First Friday: 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Office Hours

Monday-Friday: 9:30 AM - 2:30 PM
(Later by appointment)

"A Roman Catholic Parish of Prayer and Friendship"

Welcome!

St. Catherine of Siena Church | Pittstown, NJ

PARISH REGISTRATION & ELIGIBILITY

It is necessary for every family or individual to be a registered and active member of our parish for **3 months** in order to request Baptism for your child and for us to testify to your ability to be a sponsor for Baptism or Confirmation. Registration is required to qualify for Religious Education and the reception of the Sacraments. Please contact the office or our website for a registration form. Completed registration forms **MUST** be handed to the Pastor during a weekend Mass. Emailed or mailed registrations forms will not be accepted.

SACRAMENTS

Sacrament of Baptism

For registered and active parishioners (weekly attendance at Mass) by arrangement with the office. Preparation classes are held at 7:00 PM on the third Wednesday of each month. Please call to register.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday at 3:30 PM - 4:00 PM or by appointment.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Couples are required to make arrangements **one year** prior to the date of marriage. **One party must be a registered and active member of this parish.**

Sacrament 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.

Stewardship

In-Pew Collections

The collections for June 7th were \$5,010.00 for the regular collection and \$913.00 for Religious Education.

Online Donations

Online giving for June 7th was \$4,475.00.



Pastor's Letter

Disciples of Christ

As disciples of Christ, we are challenged to set a good example for others and to truly and publicly live our faith. We are therefore invited to prayerfully consider making time for the Lord by making the Mass the heart of our day, not just a small part of our day, each Sunday and each Holy Day of Obligation. This is especially true as we make time for rest and recreation as summer approaches.

The third commandment of God is to remember to keep holy the day of the Lord, and keeping holy the day of the Lord is something that Christians of all faith traditions should strive to do. In addition, the Catholic Church has issued certain precepts (or duties) for Catholics. The first precept is to keep holy the day of the Lord by participating in Mass on Sundays and on Holy Days of Obligation. I think it is fair to say that at times some of us struggle to comply with this precept.

As we enjoy our summertime, many of us now focus more on leisure activities. We make time to eat at good restaurants. We make time to go to the movies. We make time to go shopping at the mall. We make time to go to the beach or to the lake. We make time for short vacations. We make time to visit relatives and friends. Yet some of us have trouble making time to spend with the Lord through our attendance at Mass. We are reminded of the need to spend time with Our Lord and we are encouraged to participate in the Mass in a spirit of reverence and respect.

The following prayer from Catholic Digest reminds us of the need to keep Our Lord present in our lives especially during the upcoming summer months:

*Long Warm Days...
The Pace of life slows
A time for picnics and
rest in the shade.
Lord help me to rest awhile
In the cooling shade of your presence.
Slow down my restless heart
And fill me with gentle compassion
For all your people
AMEN.*

God Bless,
Fr. Chester Zalubski, Pastor

Masses & Intentions

June 14, 2026 | 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Intentions

Saturday, June 13

4:30 PM † John Porvaznik
r/o Margaret Rocca

Sunday, June 14

8:00 AM † Teixeira's Bakery
r/o Elena Koretzky

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

11:00 AM † For All Couples Married in the Month of June

Monday, June 15

8:00 AM † The Knoll & The Martin Funeral Home
Family
r/o St. Catherine's Parish

Tuesday, June 16

8:00 AM † Cathie Astone & Diane Thomas
r/o The Russell Family

Wednesday, June 17

8:00 AM † Fr. Kris Kaczynski
r/o The Perna Family

Thursday, June 18

8:00 AM † Antonio & Rosa Rofrano
r/o The Clancey Family

Friday, June 19

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

Saturday, June 20

4:30 PM † Father's Day Novena

Sunday, June 21

8:00 AM † Father's Day Novena

9:30 AM † Father's Day Novena

11:00 AM † Father's Day Novena

Weekly Readings & Observances

Sunday, June 14

Ex 19:2-6a/Ps 100:1-2, 3, 5/Rom 5:6-11/Mt 9:36-10:8
11th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Flag Day

Monday, June 15

1 Kgs 21:1-16/Ps 5:2-3ab, 4b-6a, 6b-7/Mt 5:38-42

Tuesday, June 16

11 Kgs 21:17-29/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 11 and 16/Mt 5:43-48

Wednesday, June 17

2 Kgs 2:1, 6-14/Ps 31:20, 21, 24/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday, June 18

Sir 48:1-14/ Ps 97:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7/Mt 6:7-15

Friday, June 19

2 Kgs 11:1-4, 9-18, 20/Ps 132:11, 12, 13-14, 17-18/Mt 6:19-23
St. Romuald, Abbot; World Refugee Day; Juneteenth

Saturday, June 20

2 Chr 24:17-25/Ps 89:4-5, 29-30, 31-32, 33-34/Mt 6:24-34

Sunday, June 21

Jer 20:10-13/Ps 69:8-10, 14 and 17, 33-35/Rom 5:12-15/Mt 10:26-33
12th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Father's Day

Our June Couples Anniversary Blessing

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

Wayne & Susan Bachenberg

John & Jennie Metenosky

Kevin & Donna Cahill

Joseph & Jean Marie O'Grodnick

Phil & Emma Carey

Antonio & Carol Rocha

Jeff & Jacquelyn Franz

Blaise & Dana Romano

Gary & Paula Hazard

Bruce & Jaime Sanderson

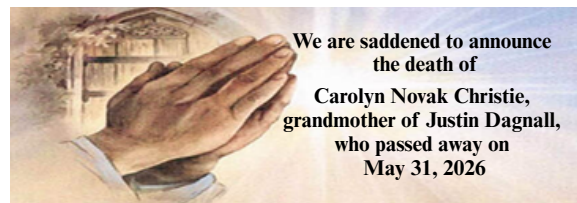
Mark and Nanette Kubian

Michael & Kelly Wojtal

James & Yasmin Manno

James & Lori Young

David & MaryJoe Matinho



We are happy to welcome our recently Baptized at St. Catherine of Siena:

Alex Santiago Lopez
June 6, 2026

Pray For Our Parishioners

- Jeff Coletti
- Mercia Spinks
- Susan Zimmer



The Mass Book for 2027 is Now Open!

No emails or phone calls

will be accepted to reserve Masses.

Office hours are Monday - Friday
9:30 AM - 2:30 PM



We would like to welcome:

The Gerba Family

to St. Catherine of Siena Parish.

Ministries & Organizations

St. Catherine of Siena Church | Pittstown, NJ



Ministry List

We are an active parish with over 35 ministries for adults and children. Please join us! To find out more, contact the parish office at (908) 735-4024 or visit our website at www.scoschurch.org.

- Altar Servers
- Audio/Visual
- Auditors
- Bible Study
- Building Maintenance
- Catholic Media
- Coffee Fellowship
- Decorating Committee
- Events Hospitality
- Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
- Family Mass
- Family Promise
- Finance Council
- Food Pantry
- Graphic Materials
- Kids Club
- Knights of Columbus
- Lectors
- Little Sprouts
- Monthly Eucharistic Adoration
- Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)
- Parish Groundskeeping
- Parish Pastoral Council
- Parish Picnic
- Prayer Shawl
- Right to Life Representative
- Rosary Society
- Sacristan
- SCRIP Program
- Spirituality Committee
- Social Concerns
- Stewardship
- Ushers
- Veterans Military Apostolate
- Website
- Wedding Coordinator
- Welcome
- Youth Choir

The Diocese of Metuchen's Office of Vocations invites young men ages 16-17 to attend

QUO VADIS

WHERE ARE YOU GOING?

PRAYER FELLOWSHIP
DISCERNMENT ACTIVITIES

QUESTIONS? EMAIL QUOVADIS@DIOMETUCHEN.ORG

JULY 7 - 9, 2026

RSVP BY JUNE 1

This is an opportunity to have fun, grow in your faith, and learn how to think and pray about where God may be calling you in your life.

Quo Vadis is an action-packed few days, designed specifically for high school boys, with opportunities for prayer, sports, adoration, teambuilding, and inspirational talks by priests and seminarians.

It's an adventure retreat for high school boys, ages 16-17, who want to learn more about the priesthood and pray about if it's for them.

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753 BURNT MEADOW ROAD,
HEWITT, NJ 07421

Learn more and register at:
diometuchen.org/quivadis

SILVER and GOLD

ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

OCTOBER 18, 2026 - 3:00 PM

Couples celebrating their 5th, 25th, 50th or 50+ wedding anniversaries are invited to attend this special prayer service. Registration is required. Free-will offerings are appreciated. For questions, please email magnese@diometuchen.org or call 732-562-1543.

Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi
32 Elm Ave. Metuchen, NJ 08840

2026 Children's Choir Summer Camp

August 10-14 & August 16

The Cathedral of Saint Francis of Assisi is pleased to announce its 4th ANNUAL SUMMER CHOIR CAMP for all high school students, and rising 3rd-8th grade students. Students from any parish within or outside of the Diocese are welcome to attend! Every day, students will participate in choir rehearsals, music theory classes with the Camp's outstanding music faculty, work on composer projects, and sing for the Cathedral's daily 12:10 Mass. There will also be fun outdoor activities (weather permitting), games, and snacks! Plus, each chorister will have an opportunity to play the Cathedral's pipe organ! Additionally, the choristers will reconvene on Sunday, August 16, to sing for the 12 Noon Mass at the Cathedral, and will have a BBQ after Mass. Tuition for the week is \$250., and need-based scholarships are available. No choristers are turned away! For registration information, please contact Chris Deibert at Music@StFrancisCathedral.org

Celebrate Life

A Morning for Grandparents & Seniors (55+)

*Aging Well:
A Life in Full*

with guest speaker, Joanie C. Lynn, APN of Saint Peter's University Hospital

All grandparents and seniors are welcome for a morning of joy and renewal, including breakfast, fellowship, an uplifting presentation, and Holy Mass.

Thursday, July 23, 2026
9:30 am - 12:30 pm

St. John Neumann Pastoral Center,
146 Metlars Lane, Piscataway, NJ

The event is free, but registration is required. Scan the QR code to register →

Email magnese@diometuchen.org or call (732) 562-1543 with any questions.

Respect Life Poster Contest 2026

Students in Grades 1-8 across the Diocese were asked to draw a picture showing how they can love like Jesus and live as a gift to others. 16 Catholic Schools participated, as well as 9 Religious Education programs - totaling 150 submissions. View the winning artwork in the May Catholic Spirit issue, or by visiting: <https://diometuchen.org/poster-and-video-contest>

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DATE: June 27th, 2026
TIME: 6:30 pm
LOCATION: St. Clements Church
172 Freneau Avenue
Matawan, NJ
QUESTIONS? Text 732-216-7442
RSVP: Text 732-216-7442

All are welcome!
Come learn, ask questions, and discover a holistic approach that supports your health and your values.
We look forward to seeing you!

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Events Calendar

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Mass Schedule

Saturday, June 13

3:30 PM - 4:00 PM Reconciliation
4:30 PM Mass

Sunday, June 14

8:00 AM Mass
9:30 AM Mass
11:00 AM Mass/Marriage Blessing

Monday, June 15

8:00 AM Mass

Tuesday, June 16

8:00 AM Mass
12:30 PM - 2:00 PM Prayer Shawl (FH)
3:30 PM Stewardship Meeting (FH)
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Evening Bible Study (FH)

Wednesday, June 17

8:00 AM Mass
7:00 PM Baptismal Prep Class

Thursday, June 18

8:00 AM Mass
10 AM - 11:30 PM Sunday Scripture Discussion

Friday, June 19

8:00 AM Mass

Saturday, June 20

3:30 PM - 4:00 PM Reconciliation
4:30 PM Mass

Sunday, June 21

8:00 AM Mass
9:30 AM Mass
11:00 AM Mass

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Preparation for First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion

- A two-year program starting in 1st Grade.
- Registration is open for students entering 1st grade September 2026.
- Must be a registered parishioner of St. Catherine's.
- A copy of your child's baptismal certificate must accompany the registration form.
- Registration forms are located on our parish website or in the office.

Please mail/bring your child's completed registration form, a check for \$150.00, and a copy of the baptismal certificate to the parish office.

Deadline is June 30, 2026
(a late fee of \$50.00 will be incurred)

Any questions, please contact: Sandra Kopka PCL at (908) 735-4024 or stcscre@gmail.com

Picnic Meeting Wednesday, July 8th at 6-7 PM In the Parish Center

- All adults, teens, and IDEAS are welcome
- Come with theme suggestions
- New Parishioners, please join us
- Future Wednesday night monthly meetings will be in the Parish Center from 6 — 7 PM are as follows: 8/12, 9/9 and 9/16
- Questions? Call, text, or email me,
- Debbie Fass (973) 222-8100 or at kidsclub@scoschurch.org



Little Sprouts Ministry Family Social

Families with children under age five are invited to join our monthly Little Sprouts Socials for coffee, bagels, playtime, and connection. Little ones can enjoy a relaxed space to play, while parents connect with other young families in the parish. Whether you're new or have joined us before, we'd love to see you there!

Date: Every 3rd Sunday
Time: After the 9:30 AM Mass
Location: Fellowship Hall

Save the Date: Feminine Genius Brunch Saturday, October 10, 2026 9:30 AM-12:30 PM St. John Neumann Pastoral Center

Mark your calendars for the 2026 Feminine Genius Brunch! Join women from across the diocese for a morning of fellowship, reflection, and encouragement—an opportunity to gather as women and to reflect on and celebrate our unique qualities as women. Inspired by St. John Paul II's vision of the "feminine genius," this gathering invites women of all ages to more deeply discover the gifts God has entrusted to them and the unique ways they are called to enrich the world.

Last year's brunch offered a beautiful reminder of the dignity, gifts, and vocation of women in the life of the Church. To revisit highlights from last year, here is a link to some info:

<https://catholicspirit.com/news/women-reminded-they-are-feminine-genius>

You can also watch Jay Donofrio's interview with last year's speaker here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kGq6KmlWt8o>

More details and registration information coming soon!

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 receive a quarterly 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!



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