



**Saturday April 28**  
 5:30 pm Anita Shaw and Philip Clark  
**Sunday April 29** *Fifth Sunday of Easter*  
 7:30 am Margriet Carrico, our Parishioners, and  
 Int. of John Walentowicz  
 9:30 am Pershottam Mathur, John Gibbons and  
 Edward Cassinis  
 11:30 am Diane Gironda, Kevin Cunniff,  
 James Hart, Jr; and Philip Clark  
**Monday April 30**  
 6:45 am Katherine Menard  
**Tuesday May 1**  
 6:45 am Vras and Lisa Joseph  
**Wednesday May 2**  
 6:45 am Joseph Patrick McLaughlin  
**Thursday May 3** *Saints Philip and James, Apostles*  
 6:45 am George J. Haerer  
**Friday May 4**  
 6:45 am Int. of John Walentowicz and Les DiVite  
**Saturday May 5**  
 8:00 am NO MASS  
 5:30 pm Robert Halm, Philip Clark and Don Giblock  
**Sunday May 6** *Sixth Sunday of Easter*  
 7:30 am Michael Kelleher, our Parishioners, and  
 Int. of John Walentowicz  
 9:30 am Milton Winter and Belle Norris  
 11:30 am Diane Gironda, James Connors and  
 Josephine Cretella

**THERE WILL BE NO 8:00 AM MASS SAT, MAY 5**

**MAY 5/6 CELEBRANT SCHEDULE**

5:30 pm Fr. Edward Seton Fittin, OSB  
 7:30 am Fr. Jared Brogan  
 9:30 am Fr. Jared Brogan  
 11:30 am Fr. Jim Termyna

**PRAY FOR THE SICK**

Please remember in your prayers those who are ill, especially Arline and Francis Forte, Sr. Bernadette Weller, Karen Lang, Mary Ann Armstrong, Michele Buck, Christa Fairclough, Pat Flannery, Pat and John Pongracz, Gus Mitchell, Jennie Iwasiuk, Ann Gerhardt, Sr. Joan Phillips, Gerald Esposito, Gavin King, Pat Oliver, Rob Leavy, Natalie Rowell and Ann McCarthy

**STEWARDSHIP**

April 23, 2017 Collection & PP	\$ 8,366	
	MASS ATTENDANCE	736
April 22, 2018 collection		
Envelopes/Cash	\$ 9,080	
ParishPay	1,759	
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 10,839</b>	
	MASS ATTENDANCE	620
Weekly operating expense	\$ 12,885	

**Scripture Readings**

**May 6, 2018**

**Sixth Sunday of Easter**

**First Reading: Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48**

Peter preaches to the Gentiles for the first time in the house of Cornelius. Peter realized that God would accept any person who acted uprightly, regardless of his or her heritage. Then the Holy Spirit descended on the Gentiles and Peter allowed them to be baptized in the name of Jesus.

**Second Reading: I John 4:7-10**

John advises all believers to love one another, for love is a gift from God. The person without love does not know God, whose love for us is so great he sent his only son so that we might have life through him.

**Gospel: John 15:9-17**

Jesus asks his disciples to live on in his love and to "Love one another as I have loved you." He explains that he chose them to follow him, and promises if they keep his commandments they will have anything that they ask for in his name.

**THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH**

**Monday, April 30**

Scripture Study 1:00 – 2:30 pm

**Tuesday, May 1**

Moms and Tots 9:30 – 11:00 am

**Thursday, May 3**

Choir Practice 7:00 - 9:00 pm

**Saturday, May 5**

First Holy Communion 9:30 am

First Holy Communion 12:30 pm

**Mother's Day Mass cards**

**are available in the vestibule. Please return your intention and offering by Friday, May 11.**

**FLOCKNOTE: An Efficient Way To Communicate**

As part of opening up the lines of communication in the parish, you are invited to subscribe to a service called *FLOCKNOTE*...like sending "notes" to the "flock." It is totally free for you to use and it is going to make it easy for you to stay plugged in to the activities of the parish via text message. It is something that people of all ages can use as long as you have a cell phone with texting abilities. Please know that your information is completely safe and secure.

*FLOCKNOTE* is very simple. Text the letters **SienaML** to the 5-digit phone number **84576**. Make sure your autocorrect on your phone does not mistakenly change the text. Once you send that in, *FLOCKNOTE* will send you back a confirmation message and a verification code with a link to enter the code. That's it! You can also subscribe online by visiting **flocknote.com/SienaML**. Follow the instructions to register.

Thank you for participating.



## From the Desk of Fr. Jared

Recently, Pope Francis published an Apostolic Exhortation, *Gaudete ex exultate: Apostolic Exhortation on the call to holiness in today's world*. This is the third such document that the Holy Father has published in his Pontificate. An apostolic exhortation is a magisterial document written by the Pope that highlights key points about a particular issue. Typically, the Pope writes an Apostolic Exhortation after consulting with Bishops who participate in relevant synods. But that's not always the case. For example, after the Synod on the Family in 2016, Pope Francis published *Amoris laetitia: Apostolic Exhortation on love in the family*. That was the document that raised a lot of questions regarding marriage, divorce, and the reception of Holy Communion. It raised questions, but did not exactly answer them. That is the purpose of these documents. These documents are not infallible Church teaching. Rather, they highlight areas that require the Church's attention. An apostolic exhortation should establish a clear direction for Catholics to critically address issues that are being discussed within the Church and in modern society. It should not create more confusion.

Although I have only read part of the Pope's new exhortation, I recommend it to you to read. It can be found online at [w2.vatican.va](http://w2.vatican.va). The call to holiness is such an important vocation for everyone. This was one of the most, if not THE most, important message of the Second Vatican Council. Holiness is a universal call. It is not only for a few select people or groups of people. To be holy does not require being a bishop, a priest or a religious. Pope Francis echoes, *"We are frequently tempted to think that holiness is only for those who can withdraw from ordinary affairs to spend much time in prayer. That is not the case. We are all called to be holy by living our lives with love and by bearing witness in everything we do, wherever we find ourselves. Are you called to the consecrated life? Be holy by living out your commitment with joy. Are you married? Be holy by loving and caring for your husband or wife, as Christ does for the Church. Do you work for a living? Be holy by laboring with integrity and skill in the service of your brothers and sisters. Are you a parent or grandparent? Be holy by patiently teaching the little ones how to follow Jesus. Are you in a position of authority? Be holy by working for the common good and renouncing personal gain"* (14). I hope you have a chance to at least skim through this document. It is addressed to each of us. We can "rejoice and be glad" for the Lord has chosen each of us to be holy.

Peace,  
Fr. Jared

## HAITI PASTA DINNER AND SPONSORSHIPS

The Haiti Ministry would like to thank everyone who supported the Pasta Dinner by your presence, donations, and prayers. The dinner and the silent auction raised \$5,630. In addition, student sponsorships were collected. If you would like to participate this year, the cost to sponsor a child for a year is \$300. Checks should be made payable to *St. Catherine of Siena* and put in an envelope marked "*Haiti Sponsorship*" and dropped in any weekend collection basket. Thank you all for your continued support.

*We welcome our recently baptized new member in the church to our parish community:*

**Sofia Elisa Westington**

*daughter of*

*Christopher and Maria*

## ST. CATHERINE'S TRIP TO YANKEE STADIUM

Tickets are still available to see the New York Yankees take on the Houston Astros, the reigning World Series Champions, on Tuesday, May 29. Game is at 7:05 pm. Tickets are \$85 and includes bus and **field level seats**. For tickets and more information, please contact Whitney at 973-586-2777 or [queendubose@aol.com](mailto:queendubose@aol.com).



## NEWS FROM THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE

### Upcoming Dates:

**May 5** – First Holy Communion

### First Holy Communion Practice:

**9:30 First Communion** – Practice Thursday, May 3 and Friday, May 4 from 4:00pm – 5:00pm.

**12:30 First Communion** – Practice Tuesday, May 1 and Wednesday, May 2 from 4:00pm – 5:00pm

## Shipwrecked Vacation Bible School Camp

Shipwrecked VBS camp where kids learn that Jesus rescues!

**June 25– June 29 9:00am-12:00pm**

Registration can be found on our website or picked-up in the Religious Education office.

To volunteer contact Lisa at (973) 334-5257 or [DRE@stcatherine-ml.org](mailto:DRE@stcatherine-ml.org)



Come meet Hope the Jaguar at VBS. Jaguars are pretty big stuff!. They are the largest cats in Americas and the third largest in the world (just behind tigers and lions). That's grrreat!!

**DONATIONS NEEDED TO HELP US  
AT SHIPWRECKED VBS:**

Brown bags -any size, carpet tubes, green card stock and green construction paper, grass skirts, old luggage, old chest, old towels, sea glass, beach balls, gold coins and costume jewelry.

**YOUTH MINISTRY**

**NJ Catholic Youth Rally  
SIX FLAGS GREAT ADVENTURE**

Sunday, May 20. 7:30am - 9pm

\$50 (includes lunch, parking, and return Holiday Pass)

Open to Grades 8-12

***Permission slip and check due May 4.***

Questions or if you can help chaperone,  
email Gail at [youthministry@stcatherine-ml.org](mailto:youthministry@stcatherine-ml.org)

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**Peer Leaders Retreat**

Saturday, May 19

All current 10th and 11th graders are invited to join us!

Details to follow.

**WOMEN OF THE PARISH ANNUAL DINNER**

**Ladies...Ladies...Ladies....** Our annual "Women of the Parish" dinner is **Tuesday, May 15 beginning at 6:30** in the green room at St. Francis. It's BYOB and plenty of fun, so mark your calendars and make your reservations now!! Tickets are \$26. This year we will be collecting 2 piece pajamas, sizes 3T, 4T and 5, and picture books (English, Spanish, Arabic and Bengli) for 3-4 yr olds, to support *El Mundo del Nino/A Child's World*. Our special guest speaker will be Fr. Jared, who will share with us his recent trip to the Holy Land. Sign-up sheets are in the vestibule. Payment will be made at the door, but reservations are required. Questions? Contact Whitney at 973.586.2777 or [queendubose@aol.com](mailto:queendubose@aol.com). Seating is **limited**, so don't miss out!

**ALL ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA PARISHIONERS  
are invited to**

**THE SECOND ANNUAL ABBOT'S TABLE DINNER**

**Wed, May 16, 6-9 pm at the Hanover Marriott**

to benefit the monks of St. Mary's Abbey at Delbarton,  
the home of our weekend priest, Fr. Edward Seton Fittin.

***Please come out and support Fr. Edward.***

Tickets and tribute journal ad opportunities available  
at [saintmarysabbey.org/abbots-table](http://saintmarysabbey.org/abbots-table)

**COMPASSIONATE FRIENDS**

The Compassionate Friends, a self-help group for bereaved parents, siblings and grandparents, will be meeting on **Thursday, May 10** at St. Christopher Church, 1050 Littleton Rd. (Rt. 202), Parsippany at 7:30 pm in room 101. Program will be, "*How to Handle Upcoming Celebrations*" Please bring a photo of your child. For more information, please call Lily Caprigione at 973-568-4164.

**PARISH ENGLISH CHURCH MUSIC CONCERT**

The music ministry of St. Catherine of Siena Church and many special guest singers and instrumentalists will be presenting a concert of English church music on **Sunday, May 20<sup>th</sup> at 3pm** in the sanctuary of the church. The concert will include such great composers as Purcell, Stanford, and Vaughan Williams. The concert will conclude with the lively and festive Gloria (complete with brass ensemble) from modern English composer John Rutter. Save the date on the calendar—it will be quite the treat. All are welcome to this **free** event.

**WOMEN'S RETREAT: SAVE THE DATE!**

Our weather-cancelled WOMEN'S RETREAT has been rescheduled for **August 3-5** at St. Mary's Abbey at Delbarton. Retreat master will be Fr. James Platania, a priest of the Diocese of Paterson and Professor of Biblical Studies at Immaculate Conception Seminary at Seton Hall University.

**CYO BASKETBALL ATHLETIC DIRECTOR**

The parish is extremely grateful to Mark Langlois who has served as the CYO Athletic Director (AD) for the past five years and has been involved in the program for even more years. Mark has decided that it is time to step down from this position. Therefore, we are looking for a replacement. Mark has graciously offered to assist the new AD in the transition. Any man or woman, college age or older, is invited to consider this volunteer position. Responsibilities of the AD include coordinating with coaches, the Parish office, CYO staff, and organizing registration. Currently we have seven teams from the 4th to 8th grades. Interested individuals should contact Mark Langlois at [aspe26@optonline.net](mailto:aspe26@optonline.net).

**OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL BEREAVEMENT GROUP**

The death of a loved one begins a time of great loss, loneliness, pain, sadness, confusion, and searching. OLMC will begin a six week bereavement support group on **May 3**. This group, which will meet at 7:00 pm on Thursday evenings in the OLMC rectory, will provide a safe place to share feelings and receive compassionate support. If you are interested or have questions, please contact Cathy Pilone at 973-541-1096 or [cpilone57@earthlink.net](mailto:cpilone57@earthlink.net).

**Our Lady of Mount Carmel School will host a school**

**tour** Friday, May 4, 9-10:30 am. To learn more and register, visit [www.olmc.academy/light-world-tour](http://www.olmc.academy/light-world-tour) or call 973-334-2777.

St. Francis Residential Community will host a free program, ***Having 'The Conversation': How to Talk to your Parents about Accepting Help***, Thurs, May 3, 6:30 – 8:00 pm. Presenter will be Lucille Deutsch, CALA, CMC, certified geriatric care manger and member of the Caregivers Coalition of Morris County. Contact Debra Shay 973-627-5647 for details.