



**Saturday September 8**  
 5:30 pm Jennie and Cheryl Olenowski  
**Sunday September 9** *23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
 7:30 am Our Parishioners  
 9:30 am Debbie Martin and Phillip Pasquale  
 11:30 am Diane Girona and Robert Parker  
**Monday September 10**  
 8:00 am Frank Croker  
**Tuesday September 11**  
 6:45 am Walter Barrett  
**Wednesday September 12**  
 6:45 am James Quinn  
**Thursday September 13** *St John Chrysotom, Bishop and Doctor of the Church*  
 6:45 am Special Intention  
**Friday September 14** *Exaltation of the Holy Cross*  
 6:45 am Percy, Amy and Marshall Arul  
**Saturday September 15** *Our Lady of Sorrows*  
 8:00 am Sr. Mary Urban Harrer, SSM  
 5:30 pm Mary Pat Colicchio and Walter Barrett  
**Sunday September 16** *24<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
 7:30 am Our Parishioners  
 9:30 am Sergio and Noemi Wong and Sophronia and J. Victor Lynch  
 11:30 am Philip Clark, Alice Marcello and the Santino Family

**SEPTEMBER 15/16 CELEBRANT SCHEDULE**

5:30 pm	Fr. Michal Rybinski
7:30 am	Fr. Jared Brogan
9:30 am	Fr. Jared Brogan
11:30 am	Fr. Michal Rybinski

**Food Collection for the Father English Food Pantry is next weekend**

**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, Christa Fairclough, Pat Flannery, Pat Pongracz, Gus Mitchell, Jennie Iwasiuk, Ann Gerhardt, Gavin King, Rob Leavy, Natalie Rowell, Trina Carlson, Carol Campbell, Winifred Pierce and Phil Cibiniak.

**STEWARDSHIP**

September 3, 2017 Collection & PP	\$ 10,653
MASS ATTENDANCE 683	
September 2, 2018 collection	
Envelopes/Cash	\$ 8,253
ParishPay	1,712
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 9,965</b>
MASS ATTENDANCE 557	
Weekly operating expense	\$ 15,156

**Scripture Readings  
 September 16, 2018**

**Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**First Reading: Isaiah 50:5-9a**

Isaiah describes the willingness of the Suffering Servant to submit to the persecution of his enemies. This willingness stems from true faith in God, and the knowledge that the Lord will always be his help.

**Second Reading: James 2:14-18**

James states that if someone is hungry and you wish them well but do not help them, you have done them no good. He compares this to stating your faith, without backing it up with your actions. He reminds us that we must show our faith through our good works.

**Gospel: Mark 8:27-35**

Jesus taught his disciples that as the Messiah, he had to suffer much, be put to death, and rise three days later. Peter began to disagree and Jesus reprimanded him for judging by human standards rather than by God's. He told them that whoever would be willing to lose their life for the sake of Jesus and the gospel, will in fact preserve their life forever.

**UPCOMING EVENTS:**

**Parish Picnic:**

Sunday, September 16 beginning with 11:30 Mass

**Women's Breakfast:**

Saturday, October 13 beginning with 8:00 am Mass

**Fall 2018 Spiritual, Service, & Social Opportunities**  
*See bulletin for details*

**Spiritual**

**Scripture Study** - Mondays beginning September 17 at 1:00 pm in the Parish Library

**Prayer Group** - Tuesdays beginning September 18 at 1:30 pm

**RCIA** – Monday evenings beginning September 24

**Adult Faith Enrichment** - Beginning Tuesday, October 2 at 7:30 pm & Thursday, October 4 at 10:30 am

**Service**

**Soup Kitchen** – 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month. To volunteer, see front cover of bulletin for contact information.

**Fr. English Food Pantry** - Food collection every third weekend

**Social**

**Parish Picnic** - September 16 starting with 11:30 am Mass through 4:30 pm

**Moms & Tots** – Tuesdays from 9:30-11 in the gym beginning September 18

**Broadway Show** - September 23. **Sold out!**

**Women's Communion Breakfast** - Saturday, October 13 at Rockaway River CC beginning with 8:00am Mass.

**CYO Basketball** – Teams being formed now. Play begins in November. See bulletin cover for contact info.



## **From the Desk of Fr. Jared**

Over the summer, the parents of our students, that number almost 500, received a letter from me. I attempted to introduce the program and explain the purpose of Religious Education. As Religious Education is only one part of the larger parish, not to be compartmentalized, I share with all of you our vision of Religious Education. Although many of you may not be connected to Religious Education, the vision is for our entire community. In the coming weeks I will explain in depth more of this vision.

Dear Parents,

Welcome to St. Catherine of Siena Religious Education. We are partners with you in forming your children in the Catholic faith. We invite you to be part of our community by being present weekly to encounter the living God in the Eucharist together. At the Baptism of your child you promised to be the *primary teachers* in the ways of faith. We at St. Catherine's are here to assist you in this great responsibility. Thank you for the trust and confidence you place in us.

What is the purpose of Religious Education? Is it simply to pass along information; albeit the truths of our faith through Scripture and the Tradition of the Church? Is it simply to "get" the Sacraments? Religious Education, in conjunction with the larger Parish Family, exists to form disciples. "Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations" (Matthew 28:19). Together, we provide experiences that create a personal encounter with Jesus Christ. You and the parish are two lungs that breathe life into your child's formation. If any part is lacking, there will be a void in your child's experience. We exist as a Parish Family to form *families* as disciples to expand the Kingdom of God on earth. Our faith is not individual or private. Rather, it is communal. *Together*, we encounter God.

This year we are introducing some new initiatives in order to form disciples. It involves *belonging*, *believing*, and then *behaving*. We invite you to join the parish community each Sunday for the celebration of the Eucharist. On two special occasions you will be invited to Grade Family Masses. I ask you to be models of the faith for your children. The children know how important, or not, the faith is by your actions. You are part of our community because you desire your family to be disciples. You are surrounded by other families who desire the same. The Eucharist is the *source and summit* of our faith. Weekly participation in the Eucharist is *essential*. Religious Education without the Eucharist is empty. We need to be present and participate in the community (*belong*), then learn about our faith (*believe*), then be nourished by the Eucharist, then we can live it out (*behave*). Worshipping together as a community is a *hallmark* of Catholicism. Belong to our family. We need you!

I look forward to another year of Religious Education. It is a year of journeying together, growing in the knowledge and love of God, being strengthened by the Sacraments, particularly the Eucharist, and becoming the people God has created us to be; missionary disciples.

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**Vivere Christus ... For to me, to live in Christ....  
(Philippians 1:21)**

Saint Paul's message conveys an attitude of sacrifice and humble service to be lived by all in proclaiming the Gospel. Essential to this work of the Church are the many dedicated men and women of the Church who continually live as faithful stewards of God's grace and generosity. Each year Bishop Serratelli recognizes the contributions of the many individuals of the diocese who are faithful to the mission of Christ, to His Universal Church and to the local Church of Paterson. Each parish nominates an individual who embodies this mission to acknowledge and express gratitude to those who unselfishly give of themselves for the building up of God's Kingdom.

This year our parish has nominated Wayne Merckling. Wayne has been a good steward of God's gifts and ministers in various ways in the parish. Throughout his life, he has served as an educator and administrator. At St. Catherine's, Wayne is a member of the Lazarus Ministry, creates the Altar Server schedule, volunteers as a Knight of Columbus at the parish picnic, Breakfast with Santa, Lunch with the Leprechaun, offers his assistance for buildings and maintenance, and has served as a catechist. His faithful service to us at St. Catherine's is very much appreciated. Wayne will receive this recognition at a ceremony which will place at St. John the Baptist Cathedral on Sunday, September 9. Please join me in congratulating Wayne for this well-deserved honor. We thank him for his model of stewardship which is essential to the life of a Christian. Congratulations Wayne and may God continue to bless you!

Peace,  
Fr. Jared



### **Altar Servers Needed!**

Any boy or girl grade 4 and up and who has received First Communion is invited to become an Altar Server. Please email Fr. Michal: [fmichal@stcatherine-ml.org](mailto:fmichal@stcatherine-ml.org)

## PARISH PICNIC – SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

Our annual parish picnic will take place on Sunday, September 16<sup>th</sup> beginning with 11:30 Mass until 4:30. It will be a great afternoon of fun along with traditional picnic fare: hamburgers, hot dogs, salads, water, soda, beer, wine, and desserts. Entertainment for all ages will include games, face painting and a bouncy house. Face painters and volunteers needed. A link to RSVP has been sent to you via *Flocknote*. **Admission is \$10/per person (age 8 and older). Children under 8 are free.**

Admission will be collected the day of the picnic. Any questions or to volunteer, please contact Picnic Coordinator Whitney DuBose at [973-586-2777](tel:973-586-2777) or [queendubose@aol.com](mailto:queendubose@aol.com).

## ADULT FAITH ENRICHMENT

This fall, our Adult Faith Enrichment Series will commence on **Tuesday evening, October 2 at 7:30 and Thursday morning, October 4 at 10:30**. We will be reading *Divine Renovation* by Fr. James Mallon. The author helps cultivate parish communities of discipleship filled with a vibrant and dynamic faith. All adults are invited to participate in this six week session. Books are available on Amazon.

## MOMS & TOTS

The Moms & Tots playgroup will resume meeting every **Tuesday from 9:30 - 11:00 beginning September 18** in the parish center gym. All are welcome to join us for free play, a snack and craft each week. All we ask is that you bring a small monetary (\$1) or canned good donation for the Fr. English Food Pantry. Please contact Lauren Ficara 201-213-2723 or [keller729@gmail.com](mailto:keller729@gmail.com) with any questions. We look forward to seeing all of our friends!

## GIVE SCRIPTURE STUDY A TRY!

All are invited to explore *The Gospel of John* **beginning on Monday, September 17<sup>th</sup>** in the parish library. We will meet at 1:00 and break by 2:30 to encourage and accommodate parents with school pickups. The Ignatius Commentary, Notes and Study Questions will guide weekly preparation and discussion. Whether new to scripture study or experienced, enrich your faith journey in the company of a dozen or so of your peers. Please contact Debra Dewing ([debra@dewing5.net](mailto:debra@dewing5.net)) or Barbara Bailey ([barbara.t.bailey@gmail.com](mailto:barbara.t.bailey@gmail.com)) with any questions and to register.

## ST. CATHERINE'S PRAYER GROUP BOOK STUDY

St. Catherine's prayer group will be meeting for 8-9 weeks **beginning Tuesday, Sept. 18** to read and discuss the book *"The Ignatian Workout, Daily Spiritual Exercises for a Healthy Faith"* by Tim Muldoon. You are asked to obtain your book in advance (available at Amazon), and to read the introduction before our first meeting. A notebook for journaling will also be useful. Meetings will take place Tuesdays from 1:30 – 2:30 pm at the Maute home, 102 Hanover Rd., Mountain Lakes. For further information and registration please call Lee Maute (973-299-7016) or Joyce Mathur (973-625-0826).



## NEWS FROM THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE

### UPCOMING DATES:

#### **September 16, 11:30 am Mass**

Blessing of Catechists and Backpacks

#### **September 22, 5:30 pm**

Blessing of athletes at Mass

#### **September 26, 6:30 pm**

Home Study parent meeting in gym

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES BEGIN:

**Tuesday, Sept 11** 3<sup>rd</sup> grade – 4:00-5:15

6<sup>th</sup> grade – 7:00-8:15

**Wednesday, Sept 12** 4<sup>th</sup> grade – 4:00-5:15

10<sup>th</sup> grade – 7:30-9:00

**Thursday, Sept 13** 5<sup>th</sup> grade – 4:00-5:15

**Monday, Sept 17**

2<sup>nd</sup> grade – 4:00 - 5:15

7<sup>th</sup> grade – 7:30 – 9:00

**Sunday, Sept 30**

1<sup>st</sup> grade – 9:30 – 11:00

Thanks and God bless,

Lisa Gervasio, Director, Religious Education

### **Prayer to Begin a School Year**

*Dear God, each new school year brings new beginnings, new opportunities for children to learn, grow and make friends. Be with them each day as they are faced with many challenges. Help them in accepting new classmates and in showing respect for their teachers. Help them to do their best both in and out of school. Guide them and their classmates as they journey together in the months ahead. Amen.*



To assist us as we begin the new school year, we will be blessing the children's backpacks and supplies **September 16 at the 11:30 am Mass**. Children are invited to bring their backpacks to Mass for this special blessing.

St. Catherine's CYO basketball program **needs coaches for this year** and also an athletic director for the following 2019/20 season. **In order for the program to continue, we need your help.** Any man or woman college age or older is invited to consider volunteering. Contact Mark Langlois for details 973-590-4984, [aspe26@optonline.net](mailto:aspe26@optonline.net)

### **WOMEN'S ANNUAL COMMUNION BREAKFAST**

St. Catherine's women's Communion breakfast will be held **Saturday, October 13** beginning with Mass at 8:00 am. A full breakfast follows immediately at the Rockaway River Country Club, 39 Pocono Rd, Denville. This year's guest speaker is Fr. Patrick Flanagan, CM, Professor at St. John's University. Tickets are \$20 and will be sold after Masses beginning September 15/16. You may also call Cretia Rotella at 973-989-9901. *No tickets will be sold at the door.* Open to all women and teens of our parish, including friends and family members.

### **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 free to use and makes it easy to stay plugged in to the activities of the parish via text message. *FLOCKNOTE* is very simple. Text the letters **SienaML** to the 5-digit phone number **84576**. Once you send that, *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](http://flocknote.com/SienaML).

### **THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)**

The RCIA is a ministry for adults who are interested in learning more about the Catholic faith. There are several groups of people who are able to participate:

- \* Adults who have never been baptized (members of other religions or no religion at all)
- \* Adults who have been baptized in another Christian tradition and now desire entrance into the Catholic Church
- \* Adults who were baptized Catholic but have had no instruction in the faith or have not received the Sacraments of First Eucharist and/or Confirmation.
- \* Catholic adults who have a desire to learn more about the faith and a desire to accompany others on their journey towards initiation

RCIA is about growth in faith and growth in a relationship with God. Please contact Fr. Jared if you or someone you know is interested or would like more information. **The RCIA will begin Monday, September 24 at 7:30 pm.**

### **COMPASSIONATE FRIENDS**

The Compassionate Friends, a self-help group for bereaved parents, siblings and grandparents, will be meeting on **Thursday, September 13** at St. Christopher Church, 1050 Littleton Rd. (Rt. 202), Parsippany at 7:30 pm in room 101. Speaker will be Lisa Athan, MA, Grief Specialist and National Speaker. For more information, please call Lily Capriglione at 973-568-4164

### **40 DAYS FOR LIFE**

Join Morris County Right to Life at Planned Parenthood, 196 Speedwell Ave, Morristown. Hours are 7 am – 7 pm, 7 days a week. Campaign begins Sept 26 and ends Nov 4. Pick an hour or two. To participate call 973-627-1654 or email [44lifeus@gmail.com](mailto:44lifeus@gmail.com).

### **ARLON BENNETT & THE HEALING PROJECT**

in concert **Saturday, September 22, 8-10 pm** at the Smith Road Coffee House at St. Ann's Church, 781 Smith Rd, Parsippany. Donation \$20 at the door. Proceeds benefit the Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research.

Visit [www.arlonbennett.com](http://www.arlonbennett.com), [www.saint-ann.net](http://www.saint-ann.net), or call 973-884-1986.

### **SPECIAL PROGRAMS**

**St. Paul Inside the Walls, 205 Madison Ave, Madison**

### ***Love God but not religion? Can I be spiritual without being religious?* Saturday, Sept, 22, 10 - noon**

Dr. Timothy Gray, founder and president of the Augustine Institute, will use biblical examples to argue that Jesus established the Catholic Church. Tickets are \$10 pp and can be purchased at [www.insidethewalls.org/RS](http://www.insidethewalls.org/RS).

### ***Catholicism from Scratch. Three Saturdays, 10 - noon***

A course in basic Catholicism for those who need a brush-up, those who missed it the first time around, or those who never heard it before. **Sept 29: Raising Questions; Nov 3: Saints in the Making; Dec 8: The Handmaid's Tale: Mary**

Visit [www.insidethewalls.org/Catholicism-from-scratch](http://www.insidethewalls.org/Catholicism-from-scratch)

### **SILVER & GOLD WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS**



Couples, were you married in 1968 or 1993? The Diocese of Paterson invites you to celebrate your 25th or 50th wedding anniversary with Bishop Serratelli during a special Mass at the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist in Paterson **Sunday, November 4 at 3:30 pm. Please submit the registration form found in the vestibule to the parish office no later than October 15.** Couples married 60 or more years are also invited. You will receive additional information from the Office of Family Life once your registration has been processed.

### **CALLING ALL GOLFERS!**

The Sisters of Christian Charity from Mendham will host their **5<sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Outing** on **Thurs, September 27** at the beautiful Cedar Hill Golf & Country Club in Livingston. Join them for an outstanding day of golf, camaraderie and example of God's bounty.

All proceeds from the outing support the Sisters in their ministries, care for the infirm and elderly Sisters, and help to make visible the love of Christ in the world.

Golfers and sponsors can register online at [www.scceast.org/golf-outing](http://www.scceast.org/golf-outing) or contact Casey Dolan at [dev.director@scceast.org](mailto:dev.director@scceast.org) or 973-230-5355.

### **Relics of St. Padre Pio and St. Anthony of Padua are coming to the Diocese of Paterson!**

#### **St. Padre Pio of Pietrelcina**

**Thursday, September 20 8:30 am – 6:30 pm**

Mass at 7:00 pm will follow veneration

St. Peter the Apostle Church, 179 Baldwin Rd, Parsippany

#### **St. Anthony of Padua**

**Thursday, October 4 10 am – 1:30 pm and 6-8 pm**

Masses at 12:10 pm and 6:00 pm

St. Anthony of Padua Church, 65 Bartholdi Ave, Butler

**Sunday, October 14 from 3:00 pm – 7:00 pm**

Holy Mass at 3:00 pm, veneration from 3-7 pm

Sacred Heart of Jesus, 63 E. Main St, Rockaway