



Saturday September 15
 5:30 pm Mary Pat Colicchio and Walter Barrett

Sunday September 16 *24th 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

Monday September 17
 6:45 am Joseph Schiotis

Tuesday September 18
 6:45 am Brendan Feeley

Wednesday September 19
 6:45 am Porfiria Bautista and Michael Wallin

Thursday September 20 *Sts Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Priest and Paul Chong Ha-sang, & Companions, Martyrs*
 6:45 am Dr. Rodolfo Narag and Sr. Mary Urban Harrer, SSM

Friday September 21 *St Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist*
 6:45 am Jim O'Brien

Saturday September 22
 8:00 am Zachary Blume
 5:30 pm Blanca Taylor and Roy Cardona and Intention of Phyllis Bennett 80th birthday

Sunday September 23 *25th Sunday in Ordinary Time*
 7:30 am Anita and Bob Shaw and Our Parishioners
 9:30 am Walter Barrett and Michael Katzenberger
 11:30 am Philip Clark, Michael Simpson, Dr. Rodolfo Narag and Sr. Mary Urban Harrer, SSM

SEPTEMBER 22/23 CELEBRANT SCHEDULE

5:30 pm	Fr. Jared Brogan
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, 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 10, 2017 Collection & PP	\$ 9,595
MASS ATTENDANCE	692
September 9, 2018 collection	
Envelopes/Cash	\$ 8,853
ParishPay	<u>1,387</u>
Total	\$ 10,240
MASS ATTENDANCE	616
Diocesan Assessment collection	\$ 1,846
Weekly operating expense	\$ 15,156

Scripture Readings
September 23, 2018
Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Wisdom 2:12, 17-20

Wicked people discuss their anger at the just one because they do not like being reproached for their evil ways. They want to see if he is the Son of God, so they decide to torture him and see if God will come to defend him. They decide to condemn him to a shameful death and see if the claims are true that God will take care of him.

Second Reading: James 3:16—4:3

James discusses the importance of avoiding jealousy and strife. People should strive for peace and justice instead of concentrating on material pleasures which can tempt people to sin to obtain whatever they desire.

Gospel: Mark 9:30-37

Jesus again attempts to prepare his disciples for his death and resurrection, although they do not yet fully understand. They had been arguing over who was the most important one, but Jesus tells them whoever wants to rank first must be willing to remain a servant to all. He also tells them that anyone who welcomes a child in his name welcomes both him and God.

PARISH PICNIC IS SUNDAY
following the 11:30 Mass.
\$10 per person age 8 and older payable at door.

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 Book Study - Tuesdays beginning September 18 at 1:30 pm at the home of Lee Maute
RCIA - Monday evenings beginning September 24 at 7:30 pm in the Parish Library

Adult Faith Enrichment - Beginning Tuesday, October 2 at 7:30 pm & Thursday, October 4 at 10:30 am in the Parish Center

Service

Soup Kitchen - 2nd 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

The Beginning of a New Ministry Year

With the start of a new academic year, our ministerial year begins anew. We kick this year off with the celebration of the Eucharist and our annual picnic. Today we bless our Catechists and students. Classes begin for our children and opportunities for adults begin again as well, including weekly scripture study, prayer group, and our Adult Faith Enrichment Series. More information regarding these opportunities can be found on page 3 of the bulletin. It is my hope that this year you will consider participating in one or more of these opportunities. In addition, you are encouraged to consider the ministries of Reader, Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, Altar Server, Lazarus Minister, Music Minister, and Minister of Welcome (usher). I look forward to encountering our living God together!

Divine Renovation

Father James Mallon is the Episcopal Vicar for Parish Renewal and Leadership Support for the Archdiocese of Halifax-Yarmouth, Nova Scotia. He is the former Pastor of St. Benedict Parish in Halifax and is still very much part of that community. He is the author of the best-selling book *Divine Renovation: Bringing your parish from maintenance to mission*. The book is a dynamic guide for parishes seeking to foster vibrant and dynamic communities centered on missionary discipleship. Throughout the coming weeks I will share with you his insights very briefly in this space. For those interested in a more in-depth exploration of his ideas, you will have an opportunity to read his book *Divine Renovation: Bringing your parish from maintenance to mission* as part of one of our Adult Faith Enrichment series this fall.

In his introduction to the book, Fr. Mallon highlights the purpose of a Parish, including the uses of the physical space. He shares a story of the first parish he was assigned to as Pastor. He was young and enthusiastic. He had a special evangelization program planned called *Alpha* that would run for ten weeks on Monday evenings. When he publicized that program and indicated that he, the Pastor, was going to “sequester the parish hall” for ten weeks, there was a great uproar. The uproar was that on Monday evenings, a card group had been using the parish hall. One of the criticisms to the Pastor was, “We don’t need to know about Jesus. What we need is cards!” As important as socials are, and we like to socialize here at St. Catherine’s, there should be a more fundamental desire that drives everything else, including the socials. Fr. Mallon identifies us as “an essentially missionary Church.” His book proposes that the Church is experiencing an

identity crisis. He invites us to remember our identity and purpose in order to experience a renewal of parish life.

It is important for us to have a focus when it comes to our relationship with God. I hope that taking a look at our identity as a Church and more intimately as a Parish Family, we will grow in our relationship with Christ as missionary disciples.

Peace,
Fr. Jared

BUILDING OUR VISION

In order to continue to grow as a community and serve the needs of all of our families, we want to be sure our programs and facilities support our values, vision and mission. The first step was to ask for everyone’s input via the parish survey. We have had 262 responses to date!

It is clear from the survey responses that as a parish family, we love St. Catherine’s and want to see it continue to flourish. Going forward, the bulletin will have regular updates on the findings from the parish survey and the actions they inspired.

If you have not had a chance to take the survey, it’s not too late. We will have stations setup at the parish picnic or you can find a link to it on the parish website home page: stcatherine-ml.org.

The bus to see *The Band’s Visit* will depart St. Catherine’s lot Sept 23 promptly at 11:15 am. Reserved tickets will be distributed on the bus.

We welcome our recently baptized new members to the church and our parish community.

Mariana Priscilla Bariletto
daughter of Richard and Christina
and
Nicolas James Morgese
son of Joseph and Allison

THANK YOU to everyone who contributed to our annual Student Sponsorship program! With the generosity of 119 families, 134 students were sponsored this year at our sister parish school, St. Catherine of Siena in Dame Marie, Haiti. Your support of this wonderful ministry is truly appreciated! If anyone who sponsored a child did not receive a photo of the child, please let us know. As always, we gladly accept donations at any time.

Aimee Mourtzanakis 973-476-1262
Michele Gregorek 973-479-1183

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: frmichal@stcatherine-ml.org



**NEWS FROM
THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE**

UPCOMING DATES:

September 22, 5:30 pm

Blessing of athletes at Mass

September 26, 6:30 pm

Home Study parent meeting in gym

Sunday, Sept 30

Religious Ed begins for 1st grade with 9:30 Mass – 11:00

October 6, 5:30 Mass

7th grade family Mass followed by Living Rosary led by the class

October 7, 9:30 am Mass

6th grade family Mass

October 14, 11:30 am Mass

5th grade family Mass

October 15, 7:00 pm

First Reconciliation parent meeting

October 21, 11:30 am Mass

10th grade Rite of Acceptance for the Sacrament of Confirmation

Religious Ed needs teachers for the following classes:

Monday: 4:00 - 5:15p m. 2nd grade - 1 teacher

Monday: 7:30 – 9:00 pm. 8th grade – 2 teachers

Contact Lisa in the Religious Ed office if you can help.

**Catechetical Sunday September 16 –
Enlisting Witnesses for Jesus Christ**



Enlisting Witnesses for Jesus Christ

This year, the Church will celebrate Catechetical Sunday on **September 16** under the theme of “Enlisting Witnesses for Jesus Christ.” On this day, catechists are formally commissioned for ministry to the community. Catechetical Sunday is a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the role that each baptized person plays in passing on the faith and being a witness to the Gospel. Catechetical Sunday is an opportunity for all to rededicate themselves to this mission as a community of faith.

Enlisting Witnesses for Jesus Christ

St. Catherine’s would like to take this time on Catechetical Sunday to thank all those who have said “yes” to the call to devote themselves to the ministry of catechesis. It plays such a vital role in the Church’s pastoral activity. Enlightened by God’s Word and the teaching of the Church, and inspired by their own life of prayer and witness, catechists lead others to know the living Jesus Christ through word and deed. Through the ministry of catechesis, catechists provide process in initiation and formation for those in their care, introducing them to the truths of faith, which they themselves have learned, lived and celebrated. St. Catherine’s is forever grateful to you.

A Prayer for Catechists

Loving God, Creator of all things, you call us to be in relationship with you and others. Thank you for calling me to be a catechist, for the opportunity to share with others what you have given to me. May all those with whom I share the gift of faith discover how you are present in all things. May they come to know you, the one true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent. May the grace of the Holy Spirit guide my heart and lips, so that I may remain constant in loving and praising you. May I be a witness to the Gospel and a minister of your truth. May all my words and actions reflect your love. Amen.

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 with any questions. We look forward to seeing all of our friends!

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.

GIVE SCRIPTURE STUDY A TRY!

All are invited to explore *The Gospel of John* **beginning on Monday, September 17th** 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) or Barbara Bailey (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).

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.

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

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.

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.**

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.

COMMUNITY SOUP KITCHEN

Thank you to those who shopped for and served 183 meals on September 10 at the Community Soup Kitchen in Morristown: *Jim Bailey, Lisa Glavin, Michele Gregorek, Carol Kennedy, Dom Miliano, Marc Miller, Terri Olshanski, Joe and Olga Panetta, Sue Rogers, Anne Smith, Tom and Libby Vona, and Lisa Ward.* Thank you also to *Rose Ann Hastings* and team for the dessert treats. To volunteer, please contact Denise Ramirez at 973-299-1554.

ANNUAL 5K COMMUNITY SOUP KITCHEN HUNGER WALK

Join over 1,000 walkers for a 5K pledge walk to raise funds for the Community Soup Kitchen and Outreach Center.

When: Sunday, October 14, 1:00 pm. Rain or shine!

Where: Community Soup Kitchen and Outreach Center
36 South Street, Morristown

Visit www.cskmorristown.org to register or sponsor a walker. Invite family, friends and co-workers along, or ask them to sponsor your walk.

2018 BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

Here I Am, Lord!

The 2018 Bishop's Annual Appeal is officially kicking-off with the theme, *Here I Am, Lord!* Please support this important annual cause that helps so many people throughout our Diocese. The Bishop's Annual Appeal supports the work of our Catholic Charities; seminarian education; priests' extraordinary healthcare needs as well as Nazareth Village, our diocesan priests' retirement residence; and our urban elementary schools. These are all critically important ministries that touch many lives, and so you are invited to make a pledge today. Thank you in advance for your generous support!

Over the years, more and more parishioners have chosen to support the Bishop's Annual Appeal by making an online gift. Simply go to www.2018appeal.org and follow the instructions. You can either make a one-time gift or a pledge with monthly payments made automatically for your convenience. Whether it's a pledge, a one-time gift, or an online donation, your support is greatly needed. Every single gift counts! Please participate in the 2018 Appeal today!

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.