



Saturday November 17
 5:30 pm Charles Miller and Loretta Geis
Sunday November 18 *33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time*
 7:30 am Valerio T. Caro and Our Parishioners
 9:30 am Gregory Joseph and Holly Adams
 11:30 am Thomas Johnson and Julianne Law
Monday November 19
 6:45 am Michael Wallin
Tuesday November 20
 6:45 am Souls in Purgatory
Wednesday November 21 *Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary*
 6:45 am Porfiria Bautista and Edward Keller
Thursday Thanksgiving, November 22
St. Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr
 9:00 am Robert Winslow, Jennie Olenowski, Blanca Taylor and Roy Cardona
Friday November 23
 6:45 am Marie Dambach
Saturday November 24 *St Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs*
 8:00 am The Sick in our Parish
 5:30 pm Carmine Terrazino and William O'Dowd
Sunday November 25 *Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe*
 7:30 am Anita Shaw and Our Parishioners
 9:30 am Antoinette Michael
 11:30 am Margaret Gurba and Doris Simone

NOVEMBER 24/25 CELEBRANT SCHEDULE

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

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, Rob Leavy, Trina Carlson, Carol Campbell, Winifred Pierce, Phil Cibiniak, Frank Zabriskie, Charles Kenworthy, Yvonne Querrard, Albert Oravetz, and Rachel Agzigan.

STEWARDSHIP

November 12, 2017 Collection and PP\$	9,140
MASS ATTENDANCE: 664	
November 11, 2018 collection	
Envelopes/Cash	\$ 10,188
ParishPay	1,177
Total	\$ 11,365
MASS ATTENDANCE: 626	
Weekly operating expense	\$15,156

**Scripture Readings
 November 25, 2018
 Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe**

First Reading: Daniel 7:13-14

Daniel describes the one who will appear on the clouds of heaven and receive glory. People of every language will serve this one, and his leadership and community will be his forever.

Second Reading: Revelation 1:5-8

Jesus is so powerful, he is the ruler of kings. He loved us enough to free us from sin, and so he will be glorified forever. He will appear again and be seen by all the people of the earth. God calls himself the first and last, "the One who is and who was and who is to come," reminding all people that God will remain with us always.

Gospel: John 18:33b-37

Pilate asks Jesus if he is a king. Jesus explains that his kingdom is not of this world. Pilate asks again if Jesus is a king, to which he replies, "I came into the world to testify to the truth. Anyone committed to the truth hears my voice."

CHRISTMAS IS COMING: SAVE THE DATES!

Saturday/Sunday, November 24/25

Giving Tree gift tags available

Wednesday, November 28

Bethlehem Sands Casino and Outlets bus trip

Sunday, December 2, following 11:30 Mass

Family ADVENTure

Thursday, December 6

Youth Night Cookie Baking and Decorating

Friday, December 7

Youth Night Caroling and Pizza and a Movie Night

Saturday, December 8, 9:00-11:00 am

Breakfast with Santa

Saturday, December 15, 8:00 pm

Will & Anthony Joys & Blessings of the Season Concert

Tuesday, December 17, 7:30 pm

Children's Christmas Pageant

Thursday, December 20, 7:00 pm

Women's Benediction and Ornament Exchange

SPIRITUAL, SERVICE, & SOCIAL OPPORTUNITIES

Spiritual

Scripture Study - Mondays at 1:00 *The Gospel of John*

RCIA – Monday evenings at 7:30 pm

Youth Night – December 6 and 7

Service

Soup Kitchen – 2nd Monday of the month.

Fr. English Food Pantry - Food collection every third weekend

Social

Casino & Outlets bus trip – Wednesday, Nov 28

Moms & Tots – Tuesdays from 9:30-11 in the gym.

CYO Basketball – November– February

After Mass Socials – Following 7:30 Mass every second Sunday.



From the Desk of Fr. Jared

Thanksgiving Day

As always, I invite all of our parishioners to come together to celebrate Eucharist on Thanksgiving morning at 9am. It is a wonderful opportunity for our parish family, made up of so many different families, to come together as a parish family. "Thank you" is a simple yet very important prayer to say. The term "eucharist" means thanksgiving. Before we gather with family and friends later in the day around a table filled with so many blessings and love, we gather around THE table, the altar to give thanks to God from whom all blessings flow.

At that liturgy we will read the petitions of thanksgiving which have been provided by parishioners. Each year, listening to those petitions makes me aware of how uniquely blessed we all are. It also makes me aware of how faith plays such an important part in our lives. In the face of struggles, it is sometimes easy to overlook our blessings. Each year, however, I hear of how thankful individuals are even in the face of sickness and difficult circumstances. Bread will be blessed and distributed to each family. This is a symbolic gesture that connects our parish family to our individual families. As a parish family, we invoke God's blessing upon the bread and then we break that bread with our family and friends.

I am continually thankful for your kindness, faithfulness, and joy. I am blessed to be a part of this community. May we all be truly thankful for all that God has given us!

Celebrating the Joys & Blessings of the Seasons Concert

Our fourth annual Christmas concert will take place on **Saturday, December 15th at 8 pm.** This year we welcome internationally renowned tenors *Will & Anthony*. Twin brother tenors and songwriters Will & Anthony Nunziata have headlined in major performing arts centers, theaters and symphony concert halls across the country and around the world. The renowned singers, songwriters, Netflix-bound comedians and Carnegie Hall headliners are the Brooklyn-born, classically trained singing and comedy brother duo hailed by The Huffington Post as "a nearly impossible pairing of talent, stage presence and charisma." They recently headlined Carnegie Hall for two sold-out concerts with the New York Pops Symphony Orchestra.

The brothers have brought their distinct take on classic and contemporary songs as well as their movie-bound original tunes to performing arts centers and theaters, as well as intimate jazz clubs and symphony concerts with orchestras such as the New York Pops, Detroit Symphony, Cleveland Pops, Colorado Symphony, Lancaster Symphony, Annapolis Symphony, Plymouth

Symphony, Cape Cod Symphony, Toledo Symphony, and Edmonton Symphony Orchestra. The brothers studied music, acting and directing at Boston College, and trained in improv comedy at the famed Upright Citizens Brigade in New York City.

You can connect with Will & Anthony on social media @willandanthony and visit www.WillandAnthony.com. Videos of their performances can be found on their website and on YouTube. Tickets will be on sale after Sunday Masses and by contacting Whitney at 973-586-2777; queendubose@aol.com. Tickets cost \$60 and include the concert and post-concert reception.

Peace,
Fr. Jared

BUILDING OUR VISION

We now have available a full summary of learning from our Parish Survey and Visioning Sessions. If you are registered with Flocknote, you should have received an email containing the report. You can also view it on our parish website. A warm thank you to everyone who shared their feedback and ideas on these important topics:

- Liturgical Celebrations and Mass
- Adult Faith Formation
- Church Facilities
- Community Outreach
- Parish Social Activities
- Youth Education

We look forward to providing regular updates on the actions being taken based on the learning from the survey.

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TEENS: We want to hear from you! A special Teen Vision session will be held Wednesday, Dec 5 from 6:30-7:30 in the gym. Come share your thoughts!

LITURGICAL Q & A

Each week we will post a question and answer about the liturgy. If you would like to submit a question, please do so to lisahward@aol.com

What are the two cloths placed on the altar?

The two cloths are the altar cloth and the corporal. The altar cloth covers the entire top of the altar. The corporal is a square piece of linen used as an undercover for the sacred vessels used during the consecration to collect any particles or drops of the consecrated Host or wine that might fall. Corporal comes from the Latin word *corpus* meaning "body." The purificator is another linen that is used with the chalices. It is used to wipe the chalice and to dry the sacred vessels after Communion. All cloths are washed in a special way due to their sacred use.



**NEWS FROM
THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE**

UPCOMING DATES:

November 20 – 6th grade class will have the Salesian Sisters *Bread for the Journey* retreat in the gym, 7:00 -8:15 pm

November 21 and 22 – No Religious Education classes. Have a Happy Thanksgiving!

November 25– No 1st grade Religious Education classes

December 1

First Reconciliation, 11:00 am

December 2

Advent Family Day and Family Faith session # 2 following 11:30 am Mass

December 6, 7:30 pm

Youth Night – Cookie Baking

December 7, 6:15 & 7:45 pm

Youth Night – Caroling at Boonton Care followed by pizza and a movie at St. Catherine's

December 9, 9:30 am Mass

8th grade family Mass and social

December 17 – Christmas Pageant Practice 4:00-5:00

December 18 – Christmas Pageant – 7:30 pm

December 20 – January 1 – No Religious Education. Christmas break

January 2, 2019 – Religious Education classes resume

First Reconciliation Preparation:

Once again we invite all of our parishioners to pray for our students who will celebrate their First Reconciliation on December 1. After each Mass this weekend, prayer cards will be available with the name of a child. Please pray for them and their families at this special time.



We are forgiven

This week the 2nd graders preparing for Reconciliation reflected on the story of the prodigal son and the forgiving father. Each time we pray the Our Father we are reminded of God's forgiving love and our call, as children of God, to share that forgiving love with others. How do we as a parish welcome people unconditionally with a heart filled with joy?



**St. Catherine's Annual
Christmas Pageant**

What better way for our children to learn the story of our Savior's birth than to be part of it?

This year's pageant will take place on **Tuesday, December 18 at 7:30 pm**. All 1st through 4th graders are invited to participate. Please contact the Religious Education Office to sign up. Children must attend the practice on Monday, December 17 from 4:00-5:00.



**December 2
Family ADVENTure
following the
11:30 Mass**

Join us for Family, Faith,
Food and Activities.



The Religious Education classes will be making **Christmas Goodie Bags** for the **Fr. English Community Center**. If you would like to donate items to fill the bags, suggested items

are below. Please drop off in the Religious Education office **before December 5**.

Suggested Christmas Themed Items:

- *Small stuffed animals (Dollar Tree usually has holiday)
- *Candy (individually wrapped - no loose items)
- *Small bags of snacks (chips, pretzels, cookies)
- *Small crafts items
- *Fruit snacks
- *Small toys



YOUTH NIGHTS

All 9th through 12th graders are invited to bake cookies, sing Christmas carols, and enjoy pizza and a movie!

(Join us for 1 or both nights)

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 6 at 7:30 PM

Come bake cookies with your friends.
MEET IN THE GYM AT ST. CATHERINE'S

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 7, 6:15 PM

Join us for Christmas caroling with the residents of Boonton Care Center.

MEET AT BOONTON CARE CENTER
(199 Powerville Rd, Boonton)

After caroling, join us **BACK AT ST. CATHERINE'S**
from 7:45 – 9:30 pm

in the parish center for Pizza and a Movie Night
(Get in the Christmas spirit with *Home Alone*)

EMAIL Gail at youthministry@stcatherine-ml.org
if interested. **Both nights earn service hours.**

CHILDREN'S CHOIR

All children up to and including 8th grade are invited to join St. Catherine's children's choir. See Music Coordinator David de la Mora after any weekend Mass or email musicministry@stcatherine-ml.org.

THANKSGIVING DAY

All parishioners, families and friends are invited to a special Mass of Thanksgiving at 9:00 am on Thanksgiving Day. You are invited to write petitions of thanksgiving which will be read at the Mass. **Please email your petitions** to parishoffice@stcatherine-ml.org **by noon Monday, November 19 to be included.** At the conclusion of Mass, loaves of bread will be blessed and distributed. This bread is a wonderful reminder of the Thanksgiving table of the altar around which we, as a parish family, have gathered to above all give thanks to God in the most perfect way – the Eucharistic Banquet.

GIVING TREE

Once again, we are asking our parishioners to help make a child's Christmas a little brighter by donating toys for families in St. Agnes Parish in Paterson and St. Anthony Parish in Passaic. We ask that you spend no more than \$40 on a gift. This year, we are also helping the Holiday Angels Program at Straight & Narrow (drug and alcohol rehab program run by the diocese.) Items are needed for adults in their residential treatment and out-patient programs.

Angel tags will be on our giving tree **next weekend.** Please return your gifts **NO LATER THAN DECEMBER 6.** If you take a tag and cannot fulfill the request, it is important that you return the tag. Please place items on the stage in the gym. Gifts for St. Anthony's and St. Agnes **should be wrapped** with the tag taped to it. Gifts for Straight & Narrow **should NOT** be wrapped, but please attach the tag.

ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED: CHILDREN and ADULTS

Any boy or girl grade 3 and up and who has received First Communion is invited to become an Altar Server.

NEW! We are also looking for **adults** who are willing to serve. Training will be provided.

Contact Fr. Michal at frmichal@stcatherine-ml.org

FRANCISCAN MYSTERY PLAYERS NEED YOU!

The Franciscan Mystery Players are recruiting student performers (grades 9-12) to participate in their Lenten presentation "*The Way of the Cross*" which will be performed at approximately 10 churches throughout Northern New Jersey. The group is also seeking additional adult advisors. Rehearsals begin in February at St. Catherine of Siena. Time commitment is most Friday and Sunday evenings from February through Good Friday. It is an excellent way to grow closer to God while having fun with a great group of teens! No experience is necessary. Please contact Anne Marie Pikor at [973-876-3440](tel:973-876-3440) for more information and any questions regarding earning Confirmation hours. (www.mysteryplay.org)

ST. CATHERINE'S BUS TRIP TO BETHLEHEM'S SANDS CASINO & OUTLETS

All are invited to this fun day in the casino and/or getting a jump start on Christmas shopping. On **Wednesday, Nov 28**, the bus will depart from St. Catherine's at 10am and return at 5:45pm. Tickets are \$25 per person and include: \$20 slot play, \$5 food and beverage credit, and a coupon booklet for the Outlets. Participants must be 21 years or older (NO CHILDREN) with a valid government issued photo ID to receive the package.

For tickets and more information **contact Whitney at queendubose@aol.com or 973-586-2777.** There are limited seats and will be first come first served.

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

Ho, ho, ho! "Breakfast with Santa" will be held at St. Catherine's on **Saturday, December 8 from 9:00 to 11:00 am.** If you would like to attend, please sign-up on the sheets in the Religious Education office or church vestibule.



ADVENT / CHRISTMAS MEMORIAL OPPORTUNITIES

Each year we are filled with a spirit of joy during the Advent/Christmas season. Part of that joy is experienced through the visual beauty of the environment both inside and outside of the church. In the past, parishioners have memorialized the beautiful poinsettia plants that adorn our church throughout the Christmas season. In recent years, we added the opportunity to memorialize the four candles that are part of the Advent wreath. Both traditions will continue and this year we are offering additional memorial opportunities, including the Advent wreath, the Christmas wreaths, and the lights that enhance the outside of the church and rectory. Those interested in memorializing any of the **wreaths, candles or lights**, please submit the form below with the offering to the parish office **by November 30.** There are limited opportunities for wreaths and candles.

Your Name: _____

In memory of: _____

I would like to memorialize:

- Advent Wreath: \$150
- Advent Wreath Candle: \$100 ea.
- Small Wreaths: \$50 ea. (Church, Rectory, Garages)
- Large Wreaths: \$75 ea. (Parish Center and Sanctuary Wall)
- Christmas Lights: \$10 ea. (Outside Church and Rectory)