



**PRAYER FOR THE NATION
JULY 4, 2019**

**O God our Creator,
through the power and working of your Holy Spirit,
you call us to live out our Faith in the midst of
the world, bringing the light and the saving truth of
the Gospel to every corner of society.**

**We ask you to bless us in our vigilance for the gift of
religious liberty. Give us the strength of mind and
heart to readily defend our freedoms when they are
threatened; give us courage in making our voices
heard on behalf of the rights of your Church and the
freedom of conscience of all people of faith.**

**Grant, we pray, O heavenly Father, a clear and united
voice to all your sons and daughters gathered in
your Church, so that, with every trial withstood and
every danger overcome – for the sake of our
children, our grandchildren, and all who come after
us – this great land will always be**

**“One Nation, under God, Indivisible,
with Liberty and Justice for All.”**

**We ask this through Christ our Lord.
AMEN.**

Saturday June 29
5:30 pm Antonio and Vitória Ferreira and
Dennis Borecki

Sunday June 30 *13th Sunday in Ordinary Time*
7:30 am David De Pasquale and Our Parishioners
9:30 am John and Sally Hurley and Jean Paulson
11:30 am Mary “Dolly” Shouldis and Josefa Simbajon

Monday July 1
6:45 am Gene Caulfield

Tuesday July 2
6:45 am Jeffrey Sweeney

Wednesday July 3 *St. Thomas, Apostle*
6:45 am Sandy Hart James

Thursday July 4 *Note time change*
8:00 am Service Men and Women

Friday July 5
6:45 am Angela Commarato

Saturday July 6
8:00 am Valerie Hounslea and Valerie Commarato
5:30 pm Robert Halm and Int. of John Hegarty
on his birthday

Sunday July 7 *14th Sunday in Ordinary Time*
7:30 am 1st Lt. Peter Haas, USMC and
Our Parishioners
9:30 am Carlos Ribeiro and Zachary Clegg
11:30 am John Heintz and Marion Jean Paulson

July 6/7 CELEBRANT SCHEDULE

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

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, Ann Gerhardt, Pat Flannery, Pat Pongracz, Gus Mitchell, Rob Leavy, Carol Campbell, Winifred Pierce, Phil Cibiniak, Rachel Agzigian, Terry Chavelez, Tracy Tovo, Gary Marcello, Gerald Hoy, Barbara Dietrick, Kelly Ramirez, Peggy Hoff, Christian Ramirez, Thomas John, Lorraine Alicia, Mark Gerard, Dorothy McCoy, Robert Plucinsky, Sr., Stephen Mitchell, Kathy Covert, Alexander Scherman, Lisa Calabrese, and Joyce Huebsch.

STEWARDSHIP

June 24, 2018 collection & PP	\$ 9,080
MASS ATTENDANCE	647
June 23, 2019	
Envelopes/Cash	\$ 6,925
ParishPay	1,612
Weekly total	\$ 8,537
MASS ATTENDANCE	588
Weekly operating expense	\$15,156

NEXT WEEK:

- * No noon Mass or Adoration until September
- * July 4 Mass will be celebrated at 8:00 am
- * 2nd collection for Diocesan Assessment next weekend

Scripture Study Group

New study: *The Revelation of Saint John* will begin July 1st on Mondays, 1:00-2:30 pm through July 29th, followed by August break.

Scripture Readings

July 7, 2019

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Isaiah 66:10-14c

Isaiah instructs the people of Jerusalem to rejoice, because God would restore her prosperity. The people will better understand God's power through their homeland's restoration.

Second Reading: Galatians 6:14-18

Paul describes the sign of the cross of Jesus as all that is significant. Following the old laws is unimportant. Instead, being baptized in Christ and adhering to his ideals is what matters most.

Gospel: Luke 10:1-12, 17-20

Jesus sent forth seventy-two disciples to preach his good news, telling them "the harvest is rich, but the workers few." He also gave them detailed instructions on how to act towards the people. Jesus then reminded them not to be happy because of their power over evil, but to rejoice in the salvation they would achieve.



*From the Desk of Fr.
Jared*

Vacation Bible School

As the summer is in full swing, I want to personally thank all those who participated in this year's Vacation Bible School. St. Catherine's is a twelve month a year operation. Discipleship and faith never take a full break (although it may slow down a little bit). I am grateful to Lisa Gervasio, Linda Caruccio and all the adult and youth volunteers. Thank you to our families who sent their children, over fifty children, to participate in this experience. It was an enriching week for all.

Independence Day

This Independence Day, we are mindful of and grateful for the freedoms we have been blessed with on this 243rd birthday of our nation. We are also mindful of the challenges that we face in understanding and using our freedoms appropriately, particularly in laws of our nation regarding life and death. Freedom is recognizing our God given dignity as human beings created in the image and likeness of God from conception to natural death. Freedom is using all we have for the common good, enabling every human being to flourish and become the best possible person that God created him or her to be. We also remember in grateful prayer all the men and women who have provided this freedom and continue to do so by serving in the Armed Forces.

Catholic Heart Work Camp Youth Trip

This year ten teenagers of our parish will once again participate in *Catholic Heart Work Camp*. The week of July 14-20, they will be traveling to Boston. This is our third year participating in this "faith in action" trip. This summer, over 13,000 participants will serve throughout the country in different cities. *CHWC* provides teenagers and adult leaders service opportunities to restore homes, feed the hungry, lift the spirits of children, and bring joy to the lonely. Each "camp" is equipped with a staff, director, manager, musician, nurse, and priests to celebrate the Sacraments. Participants have an opportunity to share their faith with peers, increase their faith through catechesis and prayer, and put their faith into action by working each day in different locations and capacities. I am grateful to all of you for your support of our young people on this experience. Please continue to pray for them as their faith is strengthened and put into practice.

Peace,
Fr. Jared

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

Teresa Juliet Donahue
daughter of Peter and Erin
and
Nathaniel Gennaro Napolitano
son of Daniel and Amanda

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 is the Eucharistic Prayer? (continued)

The Eucharistic Prayers make clear that these prayers are offered, not to Christ, but to the Father. It is worship offered to the Father by Christ as it was at the moment of his passion, death and resurrection, but now it is offered through the priest acting in the person of Christ, and it is offered as well by all of the baptized, who are part of Christ's Body, the Church. *This* is the action of Christ's Body, the Church at Mass.

The priest offers the Eucharistic Prayer in the first person plural, for example, "Therefore, O Lord, **we** humbly implore you..." This "we" signifies that all the baptized present at the Eucharistic celebration make the sacrificial offering in union with Christ, and pray the Eucharistic Prayer in union with him. And what is most important, we do not offer Christ alone; we are called to *offer ourselves*, our lives, our individual efforts to grow more like Christ and our efforts as a community of believers to spread God's Word and to serve God's people, to the Father in union with Christ through the hands of the priest. Most wonderful of all, although our offering is in itself imperfect, joined with the offering of Christ it becomes *perfect* praise and thanksgiving to the Father.

DAME MARIE, HAITI SPONSORSHIP

Last year our sponsorship program for St. Catherine School in Dame Marie, Haiti was a huge success. Your support is the reason behind the wonderful progress and growth of the school. If you would like to participate this year, your \$300 sponsorship will help support a designated class. 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. **Please return by August 1.** Thank you all for your continued support.



Roar Vacation Bible School Camp

Thank you to the many wonderful people who made Roar a total success; the Station Leaders, Safari Leaders, Safari helpers, onsite helpers, song leaders, those who donated supplies and those who prayed for VBS.

We celebrate the 52 children who participated in the seeing, touching, singing, playing and being on a wild adventure. The most important thing we can teach our kids is that God loves them.

May you have a blessed rest of the summer and remember to look for everyday clues that God is present, passionate, and powerful; God sightings!!!

Life is wild... God is good!!!!
Lisa Gervasio



NEWS FROM THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE

Religious Education registration is open for 2019/20. Registration forms were emailed home via Flocknote. You can also print out the forms from our website.

In the upcoming 2019/20 school year, the 1st, 2nd and 3rd grades will be using the new format that we introduced with the 1st grade this year, "Class Attached to Mass". It will be offered on Sundays at the 9:30 and 11:30 Masses. This format allows families to make a connection from classroom catechesis to Mass. This year's first grade families said that they loved being at Mass with other families and becoming a part of the St. Catherine community. I will hold a gathering on September 4 at 7:00 pm to review the format of the "class attached to Mass" for the 1st and 3rd grade parents.

A quote from Pope Francis from his book,
Dear Pope Francis: The Pope Answers Letters From Children Around The World.

Question by Ryan, United States of America:
"How can God hear us?"

Pope Francis: "So you know, Ryan, that God listens to us?"

Yes, he listens to us, but not with ears. God can hear us even if words don't come out of our mouths. God listens to the heart. Jesus also said this: When we pray, we don't have to say many things; we don't have to have long discussions with God. They aren't needed. What we need to do, however, is to really open our hearts to him. We must open our hearts just as they are. Then God can listen to what we have in our hearts. And Jesus, because he is God, is near to every person and listens to everyone. He is God, and he can do this."

We look forward to a new year of getting to know our friend Jesus better and His great family.

Thanks and God bless,
Lisa Gervasio, DRE

THE WORK OF ANGELS



St. Catherine's is searching for people like you to sow the seed of God and transform the children at St. Catherine.

Is God calling you to be a catechist for religious education classes?

Isaiah 43:1 "Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine."

Our Religious Education program exists because of dedicated volunteers. Please consider joining God's Angel Corps here at St. Catherine's!

At this time, we need Angels/Catechists for the following classes:

Sunday: Class-Attached-to-Mass

9:30 am and 11:30 am

1st grade – 3 teachers

3rd grade – 4 teachers

Monday: 7:30 pm – 9:00 pm

7th grade – 2 teachers

8th grade – 3 teachers

Tuesday: 7:00 pm – 8:15 pm

6th grade – 1 teacher

Wednesday: 7:30 pm – 9:00 pm

9th grade – 1 teacher

"Maybe being a catechist is something you feel God is calling you to, but you have some reservations. Joe Paprocki, Dmin, a former Director of Religious Education, addressed common concerns on his website, "Catechist's Journey" (www.catechistsjourney.org).

"I'm hesitant to become a catechist because I don't know if I can handle a group of kids. I don't know if kids will like me."

Everyone is nervous going into a classroom on their first day of teaching (Some of us were nervous for our first several weeks of teaching). The good news is that the children already know what acceptable behavior is and what it is not. The bad news is that they will sometimes act up. Children thrive when there are clear expectations for their behavior and clear consequences for when they step out of line. If you are friendly, fair, and firm with your students, classroom discipline comes easier. And people of all ages like others who are friendly, fair, and firm.

Please pray about this and then give me a call. I would be happy to answer any questions.

Thanks and God bless,

Lisa Gervasio

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CYO 2019/20 Basketball Season registration is NOW OPEN

for all boys and girls entering grades 3-8

Registration fee is \$160.00. Forms are available on the parish website www.stcatherine-ml.org All players new to the program must provide a copy of their birth and baptismal certificates. Registration will not be accepted without these two items. **Mail registration to Mark Langlois, 8 Magnolia Ln, Boonton Twp, NJ 07005-8808** or contact him @ 973-590-4984 or aspe26@optonline.net for additional information.

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 makes it easy for you 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**. 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.

COMPASSIONATE FRIENDS

The Compassionate Friends, a self-help group for bereaved parents, siblings and grandparents, will be meeting on **Thursday, July 11** at St. Christopher Church, 1050 Littleton Rd. (Rt. 202), Parsippany at 7:30 pm in room 101. Program will be, "*Vacationing without your Child*". For more information, contact Lily Capriglione 973-568-4164, lilycap@optonline.net

TAKE ME OUT TO THE BALLGAME – JULY 13

The Parsippany Knights of Columbus is sponsoring a bus trip to see the New York Yankees vs. the Toronto Blue Jays on Saturday, July 13 – 1:05 PM game time. The bus will leave St. Peter's parking lot at 11:00 AM and will return after the game. \$85 per person includes ticket and transportation to the game. Contact Sal LeDonne at 973-332-6465 to purchase tickets. Seats are limited.

LIFELINE SCREENING AT ST. CATHERINE'S

Life Line Screening, a leading provider of community-based preventive health screenings, will host their affordable, non-invasive and painless health screenings at St. Catherine's on **Tuesday, July 2**. Five screenings will be offered that scan for blocked arteries: Carotid Artery Screening (plaque); Heart Rhythm Screening (Atrial Fibrillation); Abdominal Aortic Aneurysms; Peripheral Arterial Disease Screening; and Osteoporosis Risk Assessment. All five screening together take 60-90 minutes to complete.

For price information or to register **call 888-653-6441 or visit www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle**.

Assumption College for Sisters in Denville (open to the laity)

Register Now: Fall Session Aug 23 - Dec 17

PS101 General Psychology (online course)

Th206 Christology (online course)

Th208A Special Topics in Theology:
Contemporary Issues*

*Course can be taken in its entirety or by session.
See topic listings in church vestibule.

Classes may be taken for credit or audit.

Registration deadline is August 1.

Visit www.acs350.org, 973-957-0188

CAPE MAY POINT FAMILY RETREATS

The Marianist Family Retreat Center, Cape May Point is offering **Week-long Summer Family Retreats**. Retreat weeks start each Monday through the end of August. (*July 15-20 is a special single parent family week*). Join together with other families for the week. Mass and family liturgies are complemented by presentations, family sharing and peer group discussions, beach walks and other fun activities. There are 4-5 hours daily scheduled free time for ocean swimming and recreation. Beach is ½ block from retreat house. Cost: \$220 pp ages 8+; \$145 ages 2-7; under 2 free. Visit www.capemaymarianists.org or call 609-884-3829.

CATHOLIC TRAVEL

Shrines of Northern Italy & Rome

September 19-27, 2019

Take your faith on a journey to Northern Italy and Rome on this 9 day experience.

Destinations include:

Pavia•Sirmione•Padua•Pomposa•Ravenna•Rome

Contact Michelle or Eileen 860-399-1785,

eileen@catholiccruisesandtours.com

Holy Land Discovery November 15-22, 2019

Take your faith on a journey to the holy land on this 8 day experience. Destinations include:

Tel Aviv•Jaffa•Caesarea•Megiddo•Nazareth•

Bet She'an•Magdala•Sea of Galilee•Capernaum•

Mount of Beatitudes•Cana•Bethlehem•Jerusalem•

Masada•the Dead Sea. Contact Eileen 860-399-1785,

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Holy Land 10-day Pilgrimage

February 15-24, 2020

Accompany the Paterson Diocesan Choir with Spiritual Director Rev. Daniel O'Mullane on an "*In the Footsteps of Jesus*" tour of the holy land.

Sites include Nazareth • Cana • Sea of Galilee

• Jerusalem • Bethlehem • Ein Karem • Emmaus

For details, visit www.petersway.com or email or call

amy@petersway.com; 516-605-1551 x13

Franciscan Spirit Tours

Franciscan friars will be leading several upcoming pilgrimages to holy sites around the world this fall and beyond. Destinations include Portugal, Prague, Italy, France, Argentina, Greece and more. Visit www.franciscanspiritstours.com for full itineraries or call 646-736-7964 for information. Private, custom pilgrimages are also available.

Blue Army Shrine

St. Peter the Apostle, Parsippany is sponsoring a bus trip to the Blue Army Shrine in Washington, NJ on September 28. The bus will depart at 9:00am and return at 2:30pm. \$20 per person. Contact Liz at 973-335-4091 or Lynn at 973-432-4807.