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Sunday, July 23, 2023



Eucharist - Weekend Masses

Saturday 5 PM

Sunday 8 AM, 10 AM and 12 NOON

Daily Mass

Monday-Friday 8 AM Saturday 9 AM

Daily Masses are celebrated in the Ministry Center Chapel.

Holiday / Holy Day Schedule

9AM Mass on Holidays. Please consult the bulletin for Holy Days.

Confession / Reconciliation

Saturdays from 4-4:30 PM in the Church or by appointment.

Rectory Hours Monday-Thursday 9 AM - 4 PM Friday 9 AM - 1 PM

Baptism

The sacrament of Baptism will be celebrated in the Church at 1:30 PM on the following Sundays in 2023: Aug. 20, Sept. 17, Oct. 15, Nov. 19 and Dec. 17.

Please call the rectory office (hours above) to schedule a Baptism. Baptism is not celebrated during Lent.

Marriage

Arrangements must be made with a priest at the rectory ONE YEAR prior to date of Marriage.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults - RCIA

A program for non-Catholics who wish to join the Catholic Church and experience parish community. Also for any Catholic adult who has not received all their Sacraments of Initiation and would like to receive these Sacraments.

Eucharistic Adoration

Every First Friday - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is in the Ministry Center Chapel following 8 AM Mass until Benediction at 9:30 AM (except July & August).

Anointing of Sick

Please contact the rectory to arrange for an individual Anointing.

Visitation to Homebound

Contact the rectory to arrange a visit to home, hospital or nursing home.

<u>Academy of Our Lady</u> Parish School, 201-445-0622 Pre K - 8th grade, including before school and after school care.

Religious Education 201-444-5690

For children in grades K-8 who attend a public school.

Parish Registration

We invite new parishioners and those not registered to please print our registration form: www.stcatharinechurch.org/join-the-parish
Please return completed form to the rectory office. Kindly inform the rectory if you move or change phone number.

Mission Statement

We, the parish community of St. Catharine, are dedicated to spreading the Good News by word and example.

Nourished by the Eucharist, we seek to advance God's Kingdom by enriching spiritual life, increasing parishioner involvement, deepening commitment to social justice, fostering communication, and building community.

July 23, 2023

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

The righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father

- Matthew 13:43

Today's Readings

Reading I: Wisdom 12: 13, 16-19

God is just and lenient because He is the patient Master of His might. In the manner of His treatment of the people's enemies, He teaches His children to temper justice with mercy.

Reading II: Romans 8: 20-27

The Holy Spirit assists us in our weakness, and adds His intercession to overcome it.

The Gospel: Matthew 13: 24-43, or 13: 24-30

The owner's slaves are scandalized that there were so quickly many weeds among the crops, and they did not know their origin. But the owner himself advocates patience and tolerance of the weeds until both they and the crop come to their final sorting.

Readings for the Week

Monday: Ex 14:5-18; Ex 15:1bc-2, 3-4, 5-6; Mt 12:38-42 Tuesday: 2 Cor 4:7-15; Ps 126:1bc-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6; Mt 20:20-28

Wednesday: Ex 16:1-5, 9-15; Ps 78:18-19, 23-28; Mt 13:1-9 Thursday: Ex 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20b; Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56; Mt 13:10-17

Friday: Ex 20:1-17; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11; Mt 13:18-23 Saturday: Ex 24:3-8; Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15; Jn 11:19-27 or

Lk 10:38-42

Sunday: 1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12; Ps 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-130;

Rom 8:28-30; Mt 13:44-52 or Mt 13:44-46



During the summer months we encourage you to keep in touch with the parish! Did you know you can read the weekly bulletin on our website? Check it out! Visit: www.stcatharinechurch.org.

<u>Vacation Alert</u>: Many parishioners will travel the next few weeks, however activity here at St. Catharine continues! We ask that if you will be away for a week or more this summer, please consider one of the following options:

- Enroll in Faith Direct www.faithdirect.net. Parish code NJ708.
- Save your envelopes & bring them to mass when you return.
- Mail your envelopes to the rectory for any weeks you are away.
 Enjoy summer & <u>THANK YOU</u> for your continued support!

Please try our new Venmo Giving Code to support the ministries of St. Catharine

We depend upon your generosity to continue our mission - thank you!



Most Reverend Michael A. Saporito

Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Newark will Celebrate Mass at St. Catharine Church Next Sunday, July 30th at 12 NOON.



Religious Education Registration for our Fall Program is Now Open!

Please use the QR code to review the different programs we offer and select the one that best meets your child's and family's individual needs.

Registration is open until Aug. 16th Late fee of \$50 after this date.

Please reach out with any questions: stcatharinereligioused@gmail.com 201-444-5690

If You Are New to Our Parish - Welcome!

Please register as a parishioner by contacting the rectory office. Parish registration is required for participation in our Religious Ed programs.

Volunteering, Serving & Supporting Our Family Faith Community

It's important to know that ALL of our programs require commitment from our Religious Education families in order to be successful. We ask that you prayerfully consider volunteering your time and talents to any one of our programs as a catechist or a chaperone, or by offering any special talents or gifts for the benefit of our family faith community. Anyone working with parish children needs to have Protecting God's Children certification. We can assist you in obtaining this short but essential training.



Rectory Office Hours Next Week:

July 24 - 28 Monday - Friday 9 AM - 1 PM

Eucharistic Bread and Sacramental Wine

Donated this weekend in loving memory of

Anthony Connolly on his 7th Anniversary in Heaven



by the Connolly Family



Camp Lots-of-Fun is Family Promise's day camp for children ages 5-12 in a shelter and support programs, as well as kids experiencing housing instability that are referred to them from other organizations in Bergen County. For the families, camp meets a critical need by filling the gap in daycare when most summer programs end and school has yet to begin. But for the children, it means so much more.

The camp will be taking place at St. Catharine's beginning Monday, Aug. 14 to Friday, Aug. 25 in the Holmes Building. The children in the program will be served breakfast and lunch each day, as well as lunches for the volunteer counselors.

St. Catharine Parish is signed up for 3, possibly 4 lunches. If we have enough funds an additional lunch, and/or breakfast will also be provided, or some other request that the camp needs covered.

To make this easy, a signup has been created so you can sign up to donate \$10 (or you can sign up for more). The signup can be accessed at https://bit.ly/FPcamp2023. Information on how to send in the committed donation will be provided once you have signed up.

Other questions? Need help signing up? Please contact Pam Biggs at pam@pambiggs.com or 201-819-4571.

Prayers for the Sick

We remember those who are ill, especially:

Ruben DeLucca, Katherine Dworetzky, Joanne Fortescue, Fred Gaudart, Steven Geier, Jr., Kathleen Harnig, Sydney Heinold, Brandon Higgins, Alda Mechetti, Mary Beth Mueller, Joseph Neri, Alexis Nunez, Mary Teresa Rew, Mary Ann Rogan, Nicole Salzano, Lorraine Sciacchitano, Mary Sweeney, Valerie Stephenson, Audrey Tracy and Sister Matthew James Gay

Lord, Hear Our Prayers

Mass Schedule and Intentions for the Week

Saturday, July 22

5 PM Justin Timothy Biggs reg. Pam Biggs Jeanne LaBlanc reg. Hirschberg Family

Sunday, July 23

MA 8 James Bull reg. Bull Family Mary Ann Dougherty

reg. Janice & Charlie Henzel

10 AM Dave Holzbaur reg. Sullivan Family Thomas Sheridan req. D'Amico Family

12 PM Joseph M. Saggese req. Academy of Our Lady Faculty & Staff

John Joseph Sullivan reg. Carolyn D'Angelo

Monday, July 24

John Porco req. Casey Family 8 AM

Tuesday, July 25

Anthony Connolly (7th Anniversary) 8 AM reg. Connolly Family

Wednesday, July 26

8 AM Kevin Kramer req. Stappenbeck Family

Thursday, July 27

8 AM Angela Barry reg. Cynthia & Ron Barry

Friday, July 28

8 AM John Patrick Casey req. Casey Family

Saturday, July 29

All Parishioners 9 AM

> Gerard Louis Federici reg. Kopyta Family

5 PM Debra Grammer req. Mary Ann Joyce Bob Rapenske reg. Blanche Rapenske

Sunday, July 30

8 AM John & Betty Edwards reg. Kearns Family Peter Gilmartin req. Pat Crifo and family

10 AM Joyce & Bill De Allaume req. Sullivan Family Giovanni Porco rea. Crifo Family

12 PM Sheila & Joe Maguire reg. Maguire Family

John Gav reg. M. Alvino

Prayers for the Recently Deceased



Josephine Romeo, Erma McCarthy, Roxanne McCullough, Raymond Hopkins Robert Pohlman, Jeanette McCafferty Margaret Gori and Elizabeth Downing

Our parish community extends our deepest sympathy to each family on their loss.



Dear Parishioners,

I hope all of you are enjoying your summer as the days move along quickly. Before the weather cools and autumn is here, I'd like to update you on the financial status of the Parish.

Last November we reported to you that we had a deficit for the June 30, 2022 fiscal year of (\$149,000) and that the primary cause was a significant decrease in offertory collections from the June 30, 2021 fiscal year. Unfortunately, revenues have not recovered in 2023. For the 2023 fiscal year, although the Christmas collection improved by \$29,000, the Sunday and Maintenance collections have not increased.

Based on March 2023 year-to-date revenue trends, we are projecting that the parish will have a deficit of approximately \$100,000. Through early June we had a cash balance of \$175,000 in our operating account. However, if we were to pay in full the current Archdiocesan assessment and the annual property insurance premium, our operating cash would be under \$25,000.

For the upcoming fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, we have a projected deficit of \$150,000. The primary cause of this is that revenues have decreased since the pandemic and only partially recovered in the current year. Our offertory collections for 2023 and projected in the budget for 2024 are running over \$110,000 less than in the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021. The Sunday offertory is behind by almost \$54,000, Christmas \$27,000 and the Repair and Maintenance fund (which is exempted from the Archdiocese assessment) is \$28,000 behind. Additionally, the Archdiocese is projecting a \$17,000 increase in our property insurance premiums.

As dire as the situation sounds, we believe it can be remedied without desperate measures. If each family can contribute an additional \$30/month (equivalent to \$7/week), we can have sufficient additional revenue to wipe out this projected deficit. We ask all families to prayerfully consider increasing your donations during this summer and going forward. We realize that some will find the \$30 difficult to do while others may be able to contribute a bit more. We ask that you seek guidance through the Holy Spirit to help keep the parish continuing to serve the Lord and each other and moving forward with our mission.

Sincerely,

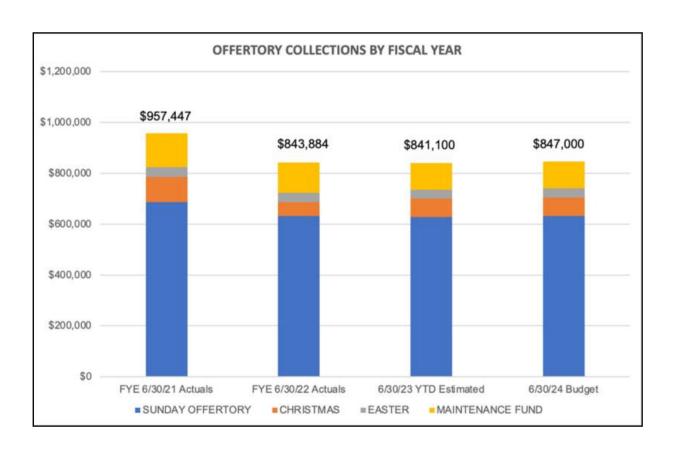
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President of the Finance Council

Offertory Revenue Analysis					
	FYE 6/30/21 Actual	FYE 6/30/22 Actual	6/30/23 YTD Estimated	FYE 6/30/24 Budget	6/30/24 Lower Than 6/30/21
SUNDAY OFFERTORY	\$686,818	\$633,365	\$628,079	\$633,000	(\$53,818)
CHRISTMAS	\$100,069	\$53,902	\$72,691	\$73,000	(\$27,069)
EASTER	\$37,088	\$35,794	\$35,943	\$36,000	(\$1,088)
MAINTENANCE FUND	\$133,472	\$120,823	\$104,387	\$105,000	(\$28,472)
Total	\$957,447	\$843,884	\$841,100	\$847,000	(\$110,447)





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Happy & Safe Summer to our AoOL family!

We'll see you in September!

School Office Summer Hours

Monday – Thursday 9 AM – 1 PM

Prayer for Our Troops O God of mercy, we ask You to protect in a special way those who are fighting for us and for the country we love. Bless them and take care of them. Give them strength.

Give them comfort. Touch them with Your gentle hand and let them know that You are near them. Hasten the day, dear Lord, when we may all enjoy the blessings of peace. Amen.

Support for Unemployed / Underemployed St. Cajetan Ministry Network

Attention Unemployed Parishioners The St. Cajetan Ministry Network (parishes of St. Catharine's and St. Anne's) invites all unemployed/underemployed men & women to join this ministry which provides support through prayer & helpful guidance in the job search process. If you know of someone who is out of work tell them about the St. Cajetan Ministry Network.

<u>For more information</u> contact John Lederer at 201-286-9354 or Joe Bonis at 201-390-7169 or Eamon Jennings at 917-841-2558. **Upcoming dates:**

Thur, Aug. 3: St. Catharine's Ministry Center (1st floor meeting rm) **Sat, Aug. 5:** St. Anne's Faith Center, Fair Lawn (rectory, lower level) Meeting times: Thursdays from 7-9pm; Saturdays from 10am - 12noon



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"The kingdom of heaven may be likened to a man who sowed good seed in his field...He who sows good seed is the Son of Man, the field is the world, the good seed the children of the kingdom."

- MATTHEW 13:24, 37-38

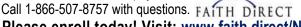
As children of God, we are all "good seeds". We are blessed by God with the potential to accomplish much good in the world. We fulfill God's plan when we spend time in prayer every day, use our skills to help others and share our financial gifts to help build God's kingdom on earth. Through our example of gratitude and generosity we sow "good seeds" on earth and ultimately help each other get to Heaven!

Thank you for your continued generosity to St. Catharine's! We depend upon your generosity to continue our mission.

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St. Catharine's Reach-Out Ministry

"Whatsoever you do for the least of my people, that you do for me..."

Our monthly collection for St. Mary's Emergency Food Pantry in Jersey City will take place <u>Sunday</u>, <u>Aug. 13th</u> Donations can be left in the Narthex <u>or</u> dropped off in the parking lot on Sunday 8/13 between 8AM and 12NOON.

<u>Items Needed</u>: Canned Meat, Fish, Chicken, Cereal, Canned Fruits & Vegetables, Pasta, Rice, Cooking oils, Peanut Butter, Soups, Stews, Chili, Canned or bags of beans, Nutrigrain, granola bars, Instant mashed potatoes, Non-perishable/powdered milk

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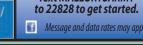
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