



Saturday August 19
 5:30 pm James Bennett and Joaquin Oriondo

Sunday August 20 *20th Sunday in Ordinary Time*
 7:30 am Dot Zabriskie and Our Parishioners
 9:30 am Michael Katzenberger, Patricia Franklin and Richard Campbell

11:30 am Rose and Alfred Tuzzi, and Diane Gironda

Monday August 21 *St Pius X, Pope*
 6:45 am Frank and Barbara Sheer

Tuesday August 22 *Queenhip of the Blessed Virgin Mary*
 6:45 am Blanca Taylor and Roy Cardona

Wednesday August 23
 6:45 am Sick in our Parish

Thursday August 24 *St Bartholomew, Apostle*
 6:45 am Charles Razzano and Porfiria Bautista

Friday August 25
 6:45 am Cecilia Weller

Saturday August 26
 8:00 am Souls in Purgatory
 5:30 pm Theresa "Tess" Carey and Jason Simcoe

Sunday August 27 *21st Sunday in Ordinary Time*
 7:30 am Mary Ann Valente and Our Parishioners
 9:30 am Elsie Selvaratnam and Louise Risely
 11:30 am Diane Gironda and Intention of Cindy Nausid

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Please remember in your prayers those who are ill, especially Arline Forte, Francis Forte, Sr. Bernadette Weller, Karen Lang, Edward Nolan, Mary Ann Armstrong, Michele Buck, Christa Fairclough, Pam Kiener, Wayne Collett, Pat Flannery, Pat Pongracz, Gus Mitchell, Jennie Iwasiuk, Edward Joyce, Sr., Brian Thomas and Nick Textores.

There will be a second collection next weekend for the Missionary Cooperation Plan

STEWARDSHIP

August 14, 2016 Collection & PP	\$ 7,556
MASS ATTENDANCE 573	
August 13, 2017 Sunday Collection	
Envelopes/Cash	\$ 8,191
ParishPay	<u>1,045</u>
Total	\$ 9,236
MASS ATTENDANCE 685	
Weekly Operating Expense	\$12,885

**Scripture Readings
 August 27, 2017
 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time**

First Reading: Isaiah 22:19-23

This passage refers to the use of authority and indicates the Key as the symbol of authority. The words "open" and "shut" refer to the power that will eventually be given to Peter.

Second Reading: Romans 11:33-36

Paul writes ecstatic and praise-filled words about God's plan for his people. In him, he writes, "all things are."

Gospel: Matthew 16:13-20

When Jesus asks his disciples, "Who do you say that I am?" Peter exclaims, "You are the Messiah!" Christ then declares that Peter is the "Rock" upon which he will build his Church, promising him the power "to bind" and "to loose."

AUGUST 26/27 CELEBRANT SCHEDULE

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

We will be blessing our students' school backpacks and supplies next weekend. Children are invited to bring their backpacks to Mass for this special blessing.

As you are aware from press reports this past week, Rev. Marcin Nurek was arrested in Boonton on charges of sexual misconduct with a minor. Please pray for this minor and her family. Father Nurek was to begin his assignment as Parochial Vicar at Saint Catherine of Siena Parish beginning August 1, 2017. If any person may have been abused by any priest, they should immediately contact their local County Prosecutor's Office and also Monsignor James T. Mahoney, Vicar General and Moderator of the Curia, Diocese of Paterson. He may be reached at 973-777-8818, Ext. 205.

PARISH PICTURE DIRECTORY: LAST CHANCE!!

As part of our 60th Anniversary, St. Catherine's will create a new Parish Picture Directory. **Final photo shoots are September 14, 15, 16 & 17th!** Please schedule an appointment by going to our website www.stcatherine-nj.org and clicking on the link. Each participating family will get a copy of the directory along with a free 8 x 10. Other pictures will be available for purchase. Please help make this truly a "Parish Directory". **Any questions, please call Whitney 973-586-2777.**

From the Desk of Fr. Jared

60th Anniversary Celebration: Remember, Rejoice, & Recommit

The focus of our 60th Anniversary celebration will be: **Remember, Rejoice, & Recommit**. We *remember* the deceased parishioners of St. Catherine's, some of whom are your family members and friends, and give thanks for their example of deep faith and trust in God. They provided us with such strong foundations to build upon throughout the rich history of this parish. We *remember* them with love and affection and gratitude. We *remember* all the joys and successes of the past on which we continue to build. We *remember* with grateful affection all the priests and religious who have served here so faithfully.

In this exciting year, we *rejoice* as we recall the many blessings God has showered upon St. Catherine's throughout the years. We *rejoice* in knowing God's providence throughout the humble beginnings of the parish and how he provided the early parishioners with the grace and perseverance to overcome the initial obstacles. We *rejoice* in how God blessed the generous and sacrificial offerings of so many people that led to the building of the church (and its renovation), gymnasium, parish center, and the ongoing upkeep of the parish campus.

Finally, we *recommit* our promises as individuals, families and a parish to be people nourished by the sacraments and called to minister in spiritual, service, and social ways. We *recommit* ourselves to be good stewards of the blessings God has bestowed upon us; our time, talent, and treasure. As we continue to grow in numbers and vitality we *recommit* ourselves to serve a world that needs us, encounter a God who loves us, and engage in a community that welcomes us.

Everybody is invited to fully and actively participate in these events planned for our Jubilee Year. It is a great opportunity to celebrate and continue to grow. May God continue to bless us in this special time!

September 17 – Parish Picnic following 11:30 am Mass

September 30 –

Anniversary Eucharist 5:00 pm with Bishop Serratelli

Anniversary Gala 6:30 pm at Rockaway River CC

October 14 – Installation of Fr. Jared as sixth pastor at 5:30 pm followed by reception

October 21 – Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Washington, DC

October 29 – Children's Halloween Parade/Social at 11:30 am

November 4 – *St. Catherine of Siena: Brought to Life* by Sr. Nancy Murray, OP at 8:00 pm

December 16 – Annual *Celebrating the Joys of the Season Christmas Concert* with the *Imperial Brass*

Anniversary Eucharist & Gala

On Saturday, September 30, Bishop Serratelli will be the main celebrant of a special liturgy at **5:00 pm**. This is an opportunity to give thanks (*Eucharist*) for sixty years of our parish. We look forward to celebrating with many priests who have served or were raised here at St. Catherine's. A *Gala* will follow at the *Rockaway River Country Club*. This will be a formal affair, black tie optional. Cocktails will begin at 6:30 pm followed by a Surf & Turf dinner, dessert, and music and dancing until 11:30 pm.

How do I make reservations for the Anniversary Gala? Note: Due to filled capacity, we now have a wait list. The committee will contact you if a spot becomes available. In the entrance of the church there is a basket with reply cards. Please provide the requested information: your name (or name of couple), the number of people, and the optional request for a vegetarian dinner. Each person or couple who plans to attend must fill out a reply card. Reply cards can be returned *with full payment (\$85/person)* in an envelope in the marked box in the entrance of the church.

Together let us **Remember, Rejoice, & Recommit!**

Peace,
Fr. Jared

PARISH PICNIC – SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

Our parish picnic will be held outside the parish center on Sunday, September 17th following the 11:30 Mass. 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. Sign-up sheets are in the back of the church. Tickets are \$5 each/ \$30 max per family and will be sold at the picnic. Any questions, please call Whitney at 973-586-2777.

MISSIONARY COOPERATION PLAN 2017

Next weekend, we welcome Fr. Andrew Muliika as part of the Annual Mission Appeal who will speak to us about the Diocese of Byumba in Rwanda. The diocese is one of nine in Rwanda, consisting of 19 parishes, with 716,011 Catholics. The diocese experienced a horrendous war from 1990 to 1994 which ended in genocide. The Church of Byumba still grapples with the post genocidal impacts: trauma, fear, mistrust, hatred, and broken families. One of the central spots of the diocese is located at Don Bosco de Rushaki High School, a boarding school for boys and girls. They are looking to expand the school with a training center for youth pastoral programs focused on peace, reconciliation, harmony, personal responsibility, and leadership. Thank you for your support.



**NEWS FROM
THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE**

UPCOMING DATES:

August 24, 7:00 pm

10th grade parent Confirmation meeting

August 26 and August 27

Confirmation retreat

September 6, 10:30 am or 7:30 pm

Catechists gathering for grades 1-6

September 6, 7:30 pm

Catechists gathering for grades 9-10

September 7, 7:30 pm

Catechists gathering for grades 7-8

September 14, 6:30 pm

1st grade parent gathering in the gym

September 17, 11:30 am Mass

Blessing of Catechists and Religious Education students

September 23, 5:30 pm

Blessing of athletes at Mass

September 27, 6:30 pm

Home Study parent meeting in gym

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES BEGIN:

Monday, Sept 11 2nd grade – 4:00 - 5:15

7th grade – 7:30 – 9:00

Tuesday, Sept 12 1st & 3rd grades – 4:00-5:15

6th grade – 7:00-8:15

Wednesday, Sept 13 1st & 4th grade – 4:00-5:15

10th grade – 7:30-9:00

Thursday, Sept 14 5th grade – 4:00-5:15

***** **WE NEED YOU!!** *****

We cannot put together classes without catechists for the following:

Monday: 7:30pm – 9:00pm

7th grade – 1 teacher

8th grade – 1 teacher

Tuesday: 4:00pm – 5:15pm

3rd grade – 1 teacher

Tuesday: 7:00pm – 8:15pm

6th grade – 2 teachers

Wednesday: 4:00pm – 5:15pm

4th grade – 1 teacher

Thursday: 4:00pm – 5:15pm

5th grade – 1 teacher

Maybe being a catechist is something you feel God is calling you to, but you have reservations.

***“I’m hesitant to become a catechist because...”
“...I don’t have any formal training to teach and I’ve never taught before.”***

Have you ever shown someone else how to make one of your favorite recipes or use a computer program? Have you ever given someone else directions to a destination? If you can answer yes to questions like those, then guess what: you taught someone! Sure, not formally, but you taught them all the same.

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Our texts come with a variety of activities you can use in each lesson and they give you a hand with how to plan lessons. I heard a priest once say, *“God doesn’t call the qualified; He qualifies the called.”* At our parish, we qualify those who are called to the ministry of catechesis by sending you to local workshops on how to teach religion and on the catechism. We often run these classes right here at our parish. You’re not out there on your own; I am here to help you in any way I can. Please pray about this and then give me a call, I am happy to answer any questions.

Thanks and God bless,

**Lisa Gervasio, Director of Religious Education
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THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (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 in this ministry:

- * Adults who have never been baptized (members of other religions or no religion at all)
- * Adults who have been baptized in another Christian tradition
- * 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 would be interested or would like to have more information. The RCIA will begin in the fall.

DIOCESAN MARIAN PILGRIMAGE

The Diocese of Paterson will be hosting the 2017 Pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC on **Saturday, October 21**. This is an opportunity to join parishioners from throughout the diocese in a day of prayer including Mass, Reconciliation, Rosary, Divine Mercy Chaplet, and Catechetical presentations. Sign-up sheets are in the back of the church.