

Saturday September 9

5:30 pm Paul Schmidt and Michael Katzenberger **Sunday** September 10 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Adam Rosowicz, Mary Ann Valente and

Our Parishioners

9:30 am Noemi and Sergio Wong and

George Davis

11:30 am Diane Gironda and the Santino Family

Monday
6:45 am
September 11
James Quinn
September 12
September 12
Joseph Gerhardt

Wednesday September 13 St John Chrysostom,

Bishop and Doctor of the Church

6:45 am Eileen McCaul

Thursday September 14 Exaltation of the Cross

6:45 am Ted Maute

Friday September 15 Our Lady of Sorrows

6:45 am Wayne Collett

Saturday September 16 Saints Cornelius, Pope, and

Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs

8:00 am Souls in Purgatory

5:30 pm Joan Pirolo and Nan Roberts

Sunday September 17 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time 7:30 am Mary Ann Valente and Our Parishioners

9:30 am J. Victor and Sophronia Lynch,

Michael Katzenberger and deceased

members of the Ryan Family

11:30 am James Mooney and Diane Gironda

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, Pat Flannery, Pat Pongracz, Gus Mitchell, Jennie Iwasiuk, Edward Joyce, Sr., and Ann Gerhardt.

Food collection for the Fr. English Food Pantry is next weekend

STEWARDSHIP

September 4, 2016 Collection & PP \$ 10,499

MASS ATTENDANCE 556

September 3, 2017 Sunday Collection

 Envelopes/Cash
 \$ 8,586

 ParishPay
 2,067

 Total
 \$10,653

MASS ATTENDANCE 683

Weekly Operating Expense \$12,885

Scripture Readings September 17, 2017 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Sirach 27:30—28:7

Sirach advises all to forgive the faults of their neighbor. Only by forgiving the sins of others, can a person expect to be forgiven his sins.

Second Reading: Romans 14:7-9

Paul stresses that no one is his own master; we are responsible to the Lord, and we belong to him in both life and death.

Gospel: Matthew 18:21-35

This narrative points out the difference between mercy and justice. When Peter asks how often he should forgive someone who wrongs him, Jesus answers, "...not seven times: I say seventy times seven times." Jesus then narrates the story of the king who was merciful to his official by forgiving him all his debts, but this same official showed no mercy to his own servant.

SEPTEMBER 16/17 CELEBRANT SCHEDULE	
5:30 pm	Fr. Edward Seton Fittin, OSB
7:30 am	Fr. Jared Brogan
9:30 am	Fr. Jim Termyna
11:30 am	Fr. Jared Brogan

Choir practice for children begins Thursday, September 14 at 7:00 pm. Adult practice begins at 7:30 pm.

Moms and Tots resumes Tuesday, September 12 from 9:30 – 11:00 am First meeting will be held at Gardner Field. In case of rain, group will meet in the gym.

OPEN YOUR EYES TO SCRIPTURE

Following New Testament studies of *The Gospel of Mark* and The Acts of the Apostles, the Monday Scripture Study group will begin anew on September 11th with the Proverbs, Old Testament Wisdom books of Ecclesiastes, and Song of Songs. The Ignatius Commentary, Notes and Study questions will guide our preparation and discussion. Consider joining this participatory group for insight and fellowship each Monday in the Parish Center from 1-2:30 pm, breaking in time for school pick-ups. Please contact Debra Dewing (debra@dewing5.net) with any questions and to register for materials.

Save the Date - Monday, September 25 from 7 - 9 PM at Pope John Paul XXIII High School - "Pizza Night for Women" with Bishop Serratelli. Open to high school and college aged women discerning their vocation. Contact 973-777-8818 ext. 207, or kerry@patersondiocese.org.

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 14, 15, 16, 17 –

Parish Picture Directory photo shoots

September 17 – Parish Picnic following 11:30 am Mass **September 21** –

Parish Picture Directory group ministry photos at 7:00pm **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.

Together let us Remember, Rejoice, & Recommit!

Peace, Fr. Jared

PARISH PICTURE DIRECTORY: LAST CHANCE IS THIS WEEK!!

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-ml.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.

PARISH PICNIC - NEXT SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

Our parish picnic will be held outside the parish center next Sunday, September 17 following the 11:30 Mass. It will be a great afternoon of fun 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. Signup sheets are in the back of the church. Tickets are \$5 each/ \$30 max per family and will be sold at the picnic. Questions? Contact Whitney at 973-586-2777.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

St. Catherine's is in need of helpers to join a team of volunteers to wash/iron Mass purificators. The rotation involves covering two weeks approximately four times a year. If you can help, please contact Kathleen Gronet at 973-586-0986 or gronetk@optonline.net



NEWS FROM THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE

UPCOMING DATES:

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

October 7, 5:30 Mass

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

October 8, 9:30 am Mass

1st grade class Mass

October 16, 7:00 pm

First Reconciliation parent meeting

October 22, 11:30 am Mass

10th grade Rite of Acceptance for the Sacrament of Confirmation

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES BEGIN:

Monday, Sept 11

2nd grade – 4:00 - 5:15

 7^{th} grade -7:30 - 9:00

Tuesday, Sept 12

1st & 3rd grades - 4:00-5:15

 6^{th} 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

Please consider being a part of the teamwork in catechizing the youth of the parish. The Religious Education program is still in need of the following classes that start the end of October:

Monday: 7:30pm - 9:00pm

8th grade – 1 teacher

Wednesday: 7:30pm-9:00pm

9th grade – 1 teacher

Thanks and God bless.

Lisa Gervasio, Director of Religious Education (973) 334-5257 DRE@stcatherine-ml.org

Prayer to Begin a School Year

Dear God, each new school year brings new beginnings, new opportunities for children to learn, grow and make friends. Be with them each day as they are faced with many challenges. Help them in accepting new classmates and in showing respect for their teachers. Help them to do their best both in and out of school. Guide them and their classmates as they journey together in the months ahead. Amen.

MOMS & TOTS

The Moms & Tots playgroup will resume meeting every TUESDAY from 9:30 - 11:00 BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 12. On the 12th, we will meet at the Gardner Field playground in Denville. In case of rain, we will meet in the parish center gym. Subsequent playgroup dates will be held in the 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 Kerrie Boland 973-335-5673 or caulfika@hotmail.com with any questions. We look forward to seeing all of our friends!

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. RCIA will begin Mon, Sept. 25 at 7:00 pm.

SILVER & GOLD WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Couples, were you married in 1967 or 1992? You are warmly invited to celebrate your 25th or 50th wedding anniversary with the Church of Paterson. Bishop Serratelli will be the main celebrant at Mass at the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist in Paterson on Sunday, November 5 at 4:00 pm. Arrangements can be made by contacting the parish office. Registrations will be accepted through Tuesday, October 17. Information will be sent from the Office of Family Life once your registration has been processed.

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. Signup sheets are in the back of the church.