The Parish of St. Catharine and St. Margaret

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time
November 5, 2023

Mass Schedule
St. Catharine Church
215 Essex Avenue, Spring Lake, NJ 07762
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday
12 Noon
Saturday 5PM
Sunday 9AM
St. Catharine Chapel
215 Essex Avenue, Spring Lake, NJ 07762
Wednesday 9AM followed by Benediction at 11:45AM
Sunday 12PM
St. Margaret Church
300 Ludlow Avenue, Spring Lake, NJ 07762
Saturday: 4PM
Sunday 8AM
Sunday 10AM
Sacrament of Reconciliation
St. Margaret Church
Saturday: 3:00 – 3:45PM

Parish Directory
Very Rev. Damian McElroy, Pastor
Rev. Gregg Abadilla, Parochial Vicar
Edward Jennings, Deacon
Dr. John Little, Deacon
Mark McNulty, Deacon
Paul Vitale, Deacon
Billy Lawlor, Music Director
Tammy Sablom, Religious Education
Sr. Margaret Tierney, S.C., Pastoral Care

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Dear Parishioners,

Love dies by words alone but lives by deeds. What great prophets have said is forgotten, but what heroes and saints have done is still remembered. There can be no happiness for us as long as the things we do are different from what we believe in. On the other hand, when there is harmony between what we say and do, we are happy and at peace.

"Do not say things. What you are stands over you all the while and thunders so loudly that I cannot hear what you say to the contrary". (RW Emerson).

Many religious people are not saints because they never succeed in being themselves. When people concentrate on inner goodness by being authentic, they don't have to brag about it or even want to. They know with a quiet certainty that they have something that no one can take from them, something that makes them feel worthwhile, no matter what others may think of them. They have self-esteem and self-respect. They know they are sinners and look with mercy on their brothers and sisters.

We don't have to put on an outward show or pretend to be what we are not. All we have to do is try to be true to what we are - God's sons and daughters. 'Reputation is what people think of us. Character is what God and the angels think of us' (Thomas Paine). Also, how tough the competition can be.

With Love and Blessings,

Fr Damian

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**Gospel**

Matthew 23:1-12

Jesus spoke to the crowds and to his disciples, saying, “The scribes and the Pharisees have taken their seat on the chair of Moses. Therefore, do and observe all things whatsoever they tell you, but do not follow their example. For they preach but they do not practice. They tie up heavy burdens hard to carry and lay them on people’s shoulders, but they will not lift a finger to move them. All their works are performed to be seen. They widen their phylacteries and lengthen their tassels. They love places of honor at banquets, seats of honor in synagogues, greetings in marketplaces, and the salutation ‘Rabbi.’ As for you, do not be called ‘Rabbi.’ You have but one teacher, and you are all brothers. Call no one on earth your father; you have but one Father in heaven. Do not be called ‘Master’; you have but one master, the Christ. The greatest among you must be your servant. Whoever exalts himself will be humbled; but whoever humbles himself will be exalted.”

The Gospel of the Lord

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**Readings**

**Monday:** Rom 11:29-36; Ps 69:30-31, 33-34, 36; Lk 14:12-14

**Tuesday:** Rom 12:5-16b; Ps 131:1bcde-3; Lk 14:15-24

**Wednesday:** Rom 13:8-10; Ps 112:1b-2, 4-5, 9; Lk 14:25-33

**Thursday:** Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22

**Friday:** Rom 15:14-21; Ps 98:1-4; Lk 16:1-8

**Saturday:** Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27; Ps 145:2-5, 10-11; Lk 16:9-15

**Sunday:** Wis 6:12-16; Ps 63:2-8; 1 Thes 4:13-18 [13-14]; Mt 25:1-
Dear Parishioners,

I appreciate your interest when I shared our much-needed renovation and reconstruction plans for St. Margaret Church. When the church is completed, it will look fabulous, as our beloved St. Margaret’s deserves. Those interested in fundraising or donating to this project, please email us at stmargaretrestoration@scsmsl.org.

With Love and Blessings,
Fr Damian

Introducing our new Eucharistic Ministers who were blessed by Father Damian on October 22 in St. Margaret’s at the 10:00 Mass. We would like to congratulate Mary Bogan, Maureen Bumbera and Diane Moran and thank them for stepping forward and serving the people of the Parish.
**The Tender Parting**, embraces life’s journey, benefits African Mission  

**Caritas Chamber Chorale**, directed by Barbara Sanderman, with **Simply Strings** and organist, Wayne Dietterick, will present *The Tender Parting*. Through the music, the program embraces life’s journey, recalls the loss of loved ones, and offers prayers for the dead.  

The concert will include both *a cappella* and accompanied sacred choral music and features the Fauré *Requiem*. Listeners will be invited to write their deceased loved ones’ names in **Caritas’s Book of the Dead** and the *Requiem* will be dedicated to them.  

The concert will be presented on:  
Friday, November 17, 2023, at 7:30 pm at St. Magdalen de Pazzi Church, 105 Mine St., Flemington, NJ  
Saturday, November 18, 2023, at 8pm at Our Lady of Lourdes Church, 390 County Rd. 523, Whitehouse Station, NJ  
Sunday, November 19, 2023, at 3pm at Our Lady of Peace Church, 111 South St., New Providence, NJ  

The concerts are free and open to the public. The entirety of a freewill offering will benefit the Adorno Fathers’ African Mission in the Democratic Republic of Congo. For more information see [www.caritaschamberchorale.org](http://www.caritaschamberchorale.org) or contact director@caritaschamberchorale.org.

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**Offerings at Francis House of Prayer**  
Trenton Diocesan Spiritual Center and Retreat House  
84 Walnford Road • Allentown, NJ 08501  
609-877-0509 or FHOP@verizon.net

Please check [www.FHOP.org](http://www.FHOP.org) for dates, registration, directions and for our other offerings!  
All programs will be offered online and in-person unless otherwise indicated.

**ADVENT RETREAT DAY**  
Monday, November 27  9:30 AM – 1:00 PM

We will travel through Advent this year with *Preparation for Christmas*, by Richard Rohr and Henri Nouwen’s *Advent and Christmas*. Both books will be available. They are perfect companions for this busy and stressful season. Again, we begin this holy season together doing what we can to make it more peaceful and prayerful.

Led by S. Marcy.

Donation: $35, includes lunch and one book. Zoom: $20

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**IN-PERSON ONLY**  
**WE ALL LOVE SCROOGE**  
Friday, December 1  9:30 AM – 1:00 PM

The old familiar *Christmas Carol*, is ever ancient, ever new! What does the story say to me now? We will view the film, share its message, and enjoy a fabulous lunch. What a great Advent morning as we prepare to be generous givers this season (unlike Scrooge). This will be fun and remarkably impactful for your Advent Season. Led by Judy Principe. Donation: $25, lunch included.

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**BE BORN IN ME**
The 2024 Mass Book will be opening on Monday, November 13, 2023. Parishioners are strongly encouraged to schedule your Mass Intentions online by visiting our website: www.scsmsl.org and clicking on the “Mass Intention Link,” which will take you to the online Mass intention scheduler.

Please make an appointment to pick up your new lector books by making an appointment with Sister Margaret by calling (732) 449-5765*124. Thank you.
St. Catharine Classics
Twelfth Annual Christmas Party
Honoring Deacon Mark McNulty

Sunday afternoon, December 10, 2023, 1:00 to 4:30pm

The Essex and Sussex
Cocktail Hour 1PM
Fruit & Cheese, unlimited soft drinks, and Cash Bar

Sit-Down Dinner
Salad
Choice of three Entrees
Warm Apple Strudel with Vanilla Ice Cream
Live Entertainment
$55 Per Person

Tear off and return by December 1st with check made payable to:
St. Catharine Church, and mail to:
Nancy Zavoluk, 4 Oceanside Court, Spring Lake Heights, NJ 07762

NAME ___________________________ NO. OF PERSONS ________

PHONE NUMBER __________________

My (our) entree selections is:

_____ Herb Crusted Salmon with Tarragon and Dijon Cream Sauce
_____ Bell & Evans Pan-seared Chicken Breast topped with Granny Smith Apple, Bacon, and Rosemary Sauce
_____ Pasta Jardiniere: Penne tossed with fresh Veggies, Garlic & Endive Olive Oil

I would like to sit with: ___________________________
(Use the reverse side for a list of people to be included at your table.)
### Mass Intentions

**MONDAY, November 6**  
12:00PM  William L Coyle  
Peter Hanley

**TUESDAY, November 7**  
12:00PM  Peggy Murphy  
Jim Gil

**WEDNESDAY, November 8**  
9:00AM  Gilma Garcia  
Stella Sorrells  
12:00PM  Sara & Ed Fey  
John Joseph Donahue

**THURSDAY, November 9**  
12:00PM  Mary Callinan Kenny  
Elizabeth & Hubert Brennan

**FRIDAY, November 10**  
12:00PM  Jeff Finken 7th Anniversary  
Barbara Meyer

**SATURDAY, November 11**  
4:00PM  All Veterans  
5:00PM  All Veterans

**SUNDAY, November 12**  
8:00AM  Brigid & John Sullivan  
Robert Assuncao  
9:00AM  Filomena & Leonard Cannarozzi  
David O'Regan  
10:00AM  People of the Parish  
David John Barton  
12:00PM  Michelle Profita  
Michele Costello

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**Please remember our sick:** Robert Mahala, Meryl Sparta, Robert Bell, Brian Hamilton, Marilyn Higgins, Paul Feldman, Kathleen Mc Donough, John Briscoe, Lucille Caserio, Gail Augusta, Maria Bauer, Roy Jackson, David Laible, Baby Brym, William Coyne, Cindy Lombardi, Patricia Devlin, Mary Harley, Baby Brennan, Robert Brennan, Edward Schneider, Teresa Gaidis, Genevieve O'Brien, Jeff Hawarden

**Please pray for our deceased:** Renata Osmo, Mary Lou Whitaker, Caroll Nugent, Jacqueline Boyan, Richard Baumgartner, Peter Gallo, Denise Monello, Edward “Mickey” Britt, Donald Boehmcke, Eleanor Goodman, Cornelius Gallagher, Charles Digney, Dorothy Lennon, Marie Duffy, Karolee Kowal, Joseph Venables, Patricia Hakusa, William O'Sullivan, Daniel W Le Rosa, Dolores Goerke, Joseph Sabo

Names remain on the sick and deceased at the request of parishioners for 4 weeks. If extended prayers are needed, please send a note or call.

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### Weekly Collections

#### Week of October 22-28 2023

| Weekly Collections-Mass | $12,660.00  
| Weekly Collections-Mail | $11,130.00  
| Weekly Collections-Online | $9,066.00  
| **Total** | **$32,856.00**

#### Week of October 22-28 2022

| Weekly Collections-Mass | $11,813.00  
| Weekly Collections-Mail | $3,572.00  
| Weekly Collections-Online | $7,260.00  
| **Total** | **$22,645.00**

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Please note on Thanksgiving Day (Thursday, November 23rd) there will only be a 9AM Mass in St. Catharine Church. Thank you

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Fatima Rosary: Meet at the Fatima Shrine in front of St. Catharine Church at 8:30am on the 13th of every month.  
(We meet on the 14th if the 13th is a Sunday). See shorecatholics.com for more information.
**Should We Let Others See What We Do for God?**

In today's Gospel reading, Jesus warns the people about some of their leaders. They wore special clothes and made sure that people saw them giving to the poor. They also got the best seats at gatherings. These men were only concerned about outward things and not about being holy and loving in their hearts.

Our Lord wants us to be holy on the inside—love Him and love everybody else with our hearts. But we don’t always have to show it on the outside. Sometimes we pray together or help people when others can see us, but we should often pray and do good in ways that people won’t see, too.

Still, there are some people who do wear special clothes and should get places of honour. Priests and religious sisters and brothers wear clothes that help us to know that they have special jobs. They aren’t trying to get attention, but it is a sign that they have given themselves to God. We treat them with extra respect because they have dedicated their lives to God.

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**The Kids' Bulletin**

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time
November 5th, 2023

What was the last thing Our Lord said in today's Gospel reading? Look in the mirror to find out!

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**Blessed John Duns Scotus**

November 8

**St. Paul's Letter**

Cross-Word

Use the words from the list to fill in the blanks in today's reading from the letter to the Thessalonians and then fill in the puzzle.

A = Across

D = Down

PROCLAIMED IN BELOVED TO MOTHER GOD GOSPEL THE GENTLE TOO HUMAN TOIL AMONG DAY NIGHT HER WORK GIVE WORD WITH WELL

Brothers and sisters: We were (4D) (12D) you, as a nursing (8D) cares for (16A) children. (10D) such affection for you, we were determined to share with you not only (1D) gospel of God, but our very selves as (10A), so dearly (5A) had you become (1A) us. You recall, brothers and sisters, our (11A) and drudgery. Working (17A) and (13A) in order not to burden any of you, we (6D) to you the (3D) of

God.

And for this reason we (9A) (2A) thanks to (2D) unceasingly, that, in receiving the (7D) of God from hearing us, you received not a (14A) word, but, as it truly is, the word of God, which is now at (7A) (15D) you who believe.

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Rectory Office Hours

**RECTORY OFFICE HOURS**
MONDAY-THURSDAY 9:00 AM –3:00 PM. FRIDAY 9:00 AM-12:00PM
If you wish an appointment with a priest, please call beforehand.
On Holy Days & Holidays, the rectory office is closed

**PARISH INFORMATION**
Street and Telephone Numbers
Rectory, 215 Essex Avenue 732-449-5765
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  Sr. Carole MacKenthun, RSM
  Sr. Margaret Tierney, SC
  Sr. Beth Dempsey, RSM
St. Catharine School, 301 Second Ave., Spring Lake 732-449-4424
St. Catharine Cemetery, 1100 W Chicago Blvd. Sea Girt 732-749-3092
St. Anne Cemetery, 1610 Allenwood Road, Wall 732-749-3092
St. Vincent De Paul Society 732-314-7980
PARISH WEBSITE: www.scmsmsl.org
SCHOOL WEBSITE: www.stcatharineschool.net
PARISH E-MAIL: ContactUs@scmsmsl.org

Parish Contacts

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RECTORY 732-449-5765
(Front Desk & General Info) Ext. 100

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