

**St. Catharine's Church**

523 Western Highway

Blauvelt, N.Y. 10913

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Rev. Msgr. Emmet R. Nevin, Pastor

Rev. Michael Kerrigan, Associate Pastor

Rev. Abraham Vallayil, CMI, Associate Pastor

Rev. Mr. John Jurasek, Deacon

Rev. Mr. John C. Kelleher, Deacon

Mass Schedule:

Sunday 5:00pm Saturday evening Vigil
8:00am, 9:15am, 10:30am, 11:45am,
1:00pm and 4:30pm

Weekday 6:45am and 8:30am

Saturday 8:30am

First Fridays 6:45am and 8:30

Baptism

First and third Sundays of the month at 2:00pm.

Parents should call the rectory for an appointment and Baptismal preparation.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays from 4:00 to 4:45pm and by appointment.

Marriage

Couples should call the rectory a minimum of six months prior to their marriage date to receive necessary information and preparation.

Anointing of the Sick

Call the rectory anytime for this request.

Parish Registration

Every family living in our Parish is requested to register at the rectory and to use envelopes to contribute to the support of our Parish.

Parish Devotions

Miraculous Medal held after the 8:30 am Mass on Mondays.

Rosary following 8:30am Mass (Mon.-Fri.)

Scriptural Rosary following 8:30am Mass on Saturdays

Eucharistic Adoration

In our Chapel on First Fridays following the 8:30am Mass until **8pm** and on First Saturdays from 9am until **1:30pm** when a priest will conclude adoration with prayers and benediction.

Prayer Group meets every Thursday afternoon at 1 pm. in the Church.

Parish Religious Education Program

Mrs. Audrey Angelini, Coordinator
845-359-4014

St. Catharine's Early Childhood Program

Mrs. Barbara Feeney
845-359-4330

PARISH MINISTRY & SERVICE CONTACTS

Adoptive Families Group: Gail Rogo, 359-5671

Adult Religious Education: Anna Stellwag, 359-0769

Altar Servers: Deacon John Jurasek, 359-0542

Mary Anne Pagnani, 358-0739

Altar Society: Anna Stellwag, 359-0769

Bereavement Group: Sr. Catherine Tahaney, 359-4207

Bible Study: Sr. Dorothy Wieting, 359-5600 ext. 529

Birthright of Rockland: Call 623-9098

Bulletin: Lara Schutz, 359-4014 or email

Yanks10913@aol.com

Cancer Survivor Group: Susan Powers, 359-1095

Choirs: Dr. Rene Dalandan, 359-9015

CYO Basketball: Mary Anne Pagnani, 358-0739

CYO Basketball Website: www.ourcyo.org

Driving Seniors to Mass: John D'Andrea, 735-0110

Early Childhood Program: Barbara Feeney, 359-4330

Eucharistic Ministry at Mass: John Langan, 359-5648

Eucharistic Ministry to Homebound:

Edie Reimer, 359-4086

Good Samaritan Society: Tom Carley, 359-3019

Homebound Ministry: Ken Lee, 353-1915

Ladies Guild: Patricia McKenna, 398-1520;

Joann Battaglia, 359-8248; Ann Chabot, 359-7614

Lectors: Veronica Rogers, 624-1427

Liturgical Committee: Lisa Borruso, 398-7630

Parish Council: Tim Brown, 848-2091

Parish Nurse Program: Mickey DeTemple, 359-3129

Maureen Fallon, 398-3806

Parish Prayer Group: Aida Dalandan, 359-9015

Parish Office: Theresa McTernan, 359-0542

Prayer Shawl Ministry: Louise Langan, 359-5648

Religious Education: Audrey Angelini, 359-4014

Social Activities: Joe Onativia, 365-1151

Teen Association: Nilda Barrett, 365-6666

Ushers: Ken Lee, 353-1915

**SOLEMNITY OF MARY,
THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD**

“The proof that you are sons is the fact that God has sent forth into our hearts the spirit of his Son which cries out ‘Abba!’ (“Father”). You are no longer a slave but a son! And the fact that you are a son makes you an heir, by God’s design.”... “Mary treasured all these things and reflected on them in her heart.”

Openings are always important. The opening game, the premiere of a movie, the first night of a show, all take on special meaning. As we begin this new year, let’s give it special meaning. What has transpired this past week?

We have celebrated the coming of our God in history, as one with us, Emmanuel. He has answered our need, our urgent request for a savior. Not only that, He remains in us through His Spirit dwelling within us. We know a loving God, who generously has saved us and because He is kind allows us to call Him “Daddy.” It is interesting that the scripture leaves the word in the original, before translating Abba.

We begin a new year, aware of who we are and whose we are. A great inheritance awaits us and we begin 2012 with our plans to unite us with God’s design. Like Mary we treasure what has happened in history and to us. Like Mary we begin the year, grateful for what was, eagerly looking forward to what can be as we too reflect, ponder or weigh how special it is to launch this new year of grace. May we conform our lives to the plan of God and see His hand present in all that will occur.



*Mary
kept these things
in her heart*



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First Reading: Numbers 6:22-27

The Lord told Aaron to bestow his blessings on the Israelites. God wanted them to know that by invoking his name they would be blessed by him.

Second Reading: Galatians 4:4-7

Paul describes how through Jesus' birth, we have been delivered from the laws that exiled Gentiles from God's community. Through Jesus, the Gentiles became God's adopted ones and would receive the same blessings that the Jewish converts had been promised.

Gospel: Luke 2:16-21

The shepherds went to Bethlehem to see Jesus and immediately understood all that they had been told about him. They praised God for what they had seen, and Jesus was given the name that the angel had chosen for him.

PARISH BLOOD DRIVE - SAVE THE DATE!

NEXT SUNDAY, JANUARY 8TH

This New Year, we'll once again be looking for your BLOOD! Yes, that's right, we're out for your BLOOD! Please join us in the school cafeteria, next Sunday, **between 8AM & 1:30PM**. Donors need to be least **17** years or older, have I.D. and not have donated blood in the previous 56 days. Please join Msgr. Nevin, your fellow parishioners, neighbors and our co-sponsors, the St. Dominic's Knights of Columbus, in giving **the gift of life** for those who many be in need at this time of the year.

Supplies are low and you can really make a difference!





SNAPSHOT OF UPCOMING PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday (1/1/12) Feast of Mary, Mother of God
Friday (1/6) Eucharistic Adoration
Saturday (1/7) Eucharistic Adoration
 Sunday (1/8) Feast of Epiphany (Little Christmas)
 9:15 Family "3 Kings" Mass & Breakfast
 Second Collection – Catholic University
 Blood Drive 8 AM – 1:30 PM
 Monday (1/9) Baptism of the Lord – Official End of Christmas season
 Saturday (1/14) First Penance at 10:30 AM & 1PM
 Monday (1/16) M.L.K. Holiday - Parish office closed
 Wednesday (1/18) PRE K registration day 9-11 AM

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

We have 10 tickets left for Bowzer's Oldies Show at Mohegan Sun on January 15th. There will be 10 groups performing. The cost is \$85. For further information, call Joe, 845-365-1151; 646-648-0823. All the trips are on the sheet in back of the church.

EARLY CHILDHOOD - PRE-K OPEN HOUSE
Monday, January 9, 2012

Open house for 3, 4 & 5 year olds will be from 9-11 AM and 6:30-8PM. The snow date will be January 11th.

REGISTRATION DAY
Wednesday, January 25th

Our Pre-K registration will take place from 9-11 AM and 6:30 -8:00 PM in the cafeteria. The snow date will be Wednesday, February 1st.

For further information, please contact us at 845-359-4330 or email us at st.cprk@yahoo.com

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Eucharistic Adoration will take place this Friday (1/6) until 8 PM and Saturday (1/7) until 1:15 PM in our chapel (Family Room). As usual, a light breakfast will be served over in the Parish House right after the 8:30 AM Mass. Please plan on joining us.

"Can you not set spend even one hour with me?"

ST. CATHARINE'S PREP



Would like to wish you all a very Blessed Christmas and a Happy and Holy New Year. Classes will resume January 8th

PLEASE DON'T FORGET!



The Christmas Season does not end on December 25th. We honor the birth of our Lord through the Feast of the Epiphany (1/8) and the Baptism of the Lord (1/9)

FAMILY MASS AND CHILDREN'S CHOIR



The children's choir is still looking for more members! We had a great turnout for our last Family Mass but WE NEED YOU! We'd love to see more kids involved at our 9:15 Family Mass as choir members and readers. Come be a part of "the little choir that could." Questions? Contact Maureen Aitchison (845-359-3027) or Lisa Borruso (845-398-7630).

SPIRITUAL RESOLUTIONS

- 1) Make time to pray every day, several times a day.
- 2) Make time for some scripture reading every day.
- 3) Get to Mass every week on the Lord's Day.
- 4) Get to confession or reconciliation regularly.
- 5) Keep up on what's happening with your faith by reading the Catholic New York newspaper or other religious publications. Watch religious programming on television.
- 6) Find the time to minister to the needs of our parish family by volunteering yourself as an usher, Eucharistic Minister, Lector, etc.
- 7) Make a consistent effort to share some of your blessings with those who are less fortunate by way of the Good Samaritan Box or other charitable outreaches.
- 8) Make up with someone you are "on the outs" with. Life is too short to hold grudges, and, it's not Christ-like.
- 9) Show more patience, compassion, understanding and love toward family members, friends, neighbors and colleagues or school mates.
- 10) Make frequent efforts to reach out to family members, friends and neighbors who are not as independent as they used to be and offer them rides to the store, hairdresser or Mass.
- 11) Make someone's day by telephoning them or emailing them a message or some photos; send out a few thoughtful notes to others.
- 11) Make a better effort to be a full-time disciple of Christ in your thoughts, words and actions, 24 hours a day, seven days a week.
- 12) Give God more of your "quality time" and not just the "crusts & crumbs" of your free or convenient time.



The **Tabernacle Candle** was donated by
The McAuley Family

In Memory of
Harry McAuley

CATHOLIC TEACHERS IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

The Sixth Annual Communion Breakfast
Saturday, January 28-2012
From 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Riverview Caterers in Hastings-on-Hudson
One Warburton Avenue, Hastings, NY 10706

Join teachers from around the Archdiocese of New York for Eucharist, sharing and breakfast. Bishop Dominick Lagonegro will celebrate the liturgy. A suggested donation of \$20.00 is requested to help defray the cost.

Contacts:

Helen Doon at 646-794-2822

Helen.Doon@archny.org

Sr. Zelide M. Ceccagno at 914-965-0490

CSWestchester@nyfaithformation.org

**ALTAR / TABERNACLE FLOWERS
MEMORIAL REQUEST FORM**

If you would like to participate, please fill out this form and return it in an envelope to the parish office.

PLEASE BE SURE TO GIVE A 2ND CHOICE

Name _____ Phone _____

In Memory / Intention of _____

Sunday Date Requested ____ (1st choice) ____ (2nd choice)

____ Tabernacle Candle offering of \$15.00 is enclosed*

____ Tabernacle Flower offering of \$50.00 is enclosed

____ Altar Flower Offering of \$50.00 is enclosed

RECENTLY MOVED INTO OUR PARISH?

We invite you to please stop by the parish House in order to register your household. Moving out of our parish? We're sorry to lose you but give us a call & let us know so we can adjust our census records. Thank you.

BANNS OF MARRIAGE



Michael Flynn - Tiffany Bentley

+PARISH PRAYER CORNER+

+WE PRAY FOR THE LIVING+

Our parish family prays for God's continued blessings and healing graces upon all of our loved ones who have experienced serious health issues during the past month. In particular, we remember the following faithful who have been prayed for from our altar and are still in need of your prayers.

Walter Cahill, Thomas Kelly, Julia Cosentino, Helen O'Brien, Matthew Mencher, Lucy Decilla, Bill Hayes, Florence Iervolino, Agnes Smith, Edna Baccari, Jenny Paci and Rosa Spear

"Holy Mary Mother of God, Pray for us sinners..."

+WE PRAY FOR THE DEARLY DEPARTED+

Our parish family has prayed for the repose of the souls of many of our faithful departed who were a part of our parish and or community in the past as well as present. *We remember all those who died and went home to the Lord recently.*

**Teresa Leone, Bernie Adams, Joan Bauer, Germaine Boxa, Lesmond Kane, Nicholas Scandiffio
Lucy Dorman and Michael Gibbons**

"Lord, by Your Cross and Resurrection, You have set us free, You are the Savior of the World."

ATTENTION: SENIOR CITIZENS

Senior Citizens, living in Blauvelt or Orangeburg and needing a ride to Mass (10:30 AM) should leave their name, address and telephone number at the Parish Center Office. Someone will contact them thereafter with the drivers' schedule, telephone numbers and any additional pertinent information.

CATHOLIC TELEVISION CHANNELS

Cablevision currently carries TWO Catholic channels with 24-hr. coverage. Verizon also offers both channels.

EWTN – Channel 135 (or 285 Verizon) offers varied programming with Masses at 8 AM, 12 Noon and 7 PM
TELECARE - Channel 137 (or 296 Verizon) also offers varied programming and Masses, including a 6:30 PM Mass which is a repeat of the 8 AM Mass at St. Patrick's Cathedral. This Mass sometimes features Archbishop Dolan as the celebrant.

PARISH CHRISTMAS TREE

We are grateful to all who contributed to the decorating of our church (inside & out) this Christmas. In a special way, we would like you to know that the beautifully lit parish Christmas tree is in memory of Rosemary D'Andrea and is lovingly decorated by her son, Joseph.



PETITION OF THE WEEK

*For a happy, healthy, holy and prosperous new year ...
Let us pray*

ALTAR DUTY

Theresa McTernan

TITHING - GOD'S WAY OF SHARING

*Last week's Collection \$11,845
Last Year's Collection \$8,799*



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday

Nm 6:22-27; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21

Monday

1 Jn 2:22-28; Jn 1:19-28

Tuesday

1 Jn 2:29—3:6; Jn 1:29-34

Wednesday

1 Jn 3:7-10; Jn 1:35-42

Thursday

1 Jn 3:11-21; Jn 1:43-51

First Friday

1 Jn 5:5-13; Mk 1:7-11 or Lk 3:23-38
or 3:23, 31-34, 36, 38

First Saturday

1 Jn 5:14-21; Jn 2:1-11

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, JANUARY 2

6:45 Rosena Bradshaw

8:30 Kathleen Conway

TUESDAY, JANUARY 3

6:45 Rosemary D'Andrea

8:30 Thomas and Bridget Kivlehan

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 4

6:45 Patrick McHugh

8:30 Catherine and Michael O'Sullivan

THURSDAY, JANUARY 5

6:45 Dr. Joseph Seminara

8:30 Helen Miozzi

FRIDAY, JANUARY 6




6:45 Alicia Angel

8:30 Ann McLaughlin

SATURDAY, JANUARY 7

8:30 Mary Marino

+LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR JANUARY 8th, 2011+

<u>TIME</u>	<u>LECTORS</u> 	<u>EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS</u> 	<u>ALTAR SERVERS</u> 
5:00pm	M. McCarroll	P. Regan, I. Franco, D. Feldman, N. Barrett	T. Fitzgibbons, A. Genovese, M. Shanley
8:00am	J. Lounibos	A. Angelini, M. Parisi	A. Suarez, D. Suarez
9:15am	Family Mass	D. Kivlehan, B. Stadnick	S. Aitchison, A. Albanese, S. Cunningham
10:30am	T. Swift	J. Kraus, J. Battaglia, J. DelGatto, J. D'Andrea	A. Akdemir, E. Flynn, C. McGovern
11:45am	G. Griffith	C. Nunes, J. Haughey, P. McKenna, G. Sozzi	K. Haughey, L. McKenna, M. Yuvienco
1:00pm	J. Nielsen	J. O'Connor, P. Lifrieri	W. Crable, L. Gavigan, M. McCaffrey
4:30pm	M. VerSchneider	A. Muttath, L. Neuendorf, L. Russell	V. Gadioma, J. McKiernan, A. Wamsley