



Saturday, November 23

5:00 PM Ignatz Dubeil

Sunday, November 24

9:00 AM Dominick Rotella

10:30 AM Sophie Lukowski

12:00 PM James McMahan

Daily Mass November 25-29 @ 9:00 AM

Monday Luella Murphy

Tuesday Healing of Violy Lee

Wednesday Peter Masterson

7:30 PM Thanksgiving Vigil Mass

Thursday No Mass

Friday The Parents of Carl & Pat Beaulieu

Saturday, November 30

5:00 PM Scott Babin

Sunday, December 1

9:00 AM Dominick Rotella

10:30 AM James DiCarlo, Sr.

12:00 PM Doris Frascella



**BAPTISM
PREPARATION CLASS**
meets 2nd Saturday monthly

Dec 14 @ 10:00 am
Contact the parish office
or visit our website.

*Increase
Our
Faith*



The community of Good Shepherd joyfully welcomes our
Newly Baptized:
† Zara Ciel Paul †
Daughter of Al Paul & Emily Blohm

RCIA • Baptism • First Eucharist •
Confirmation •

A journey in faith

Next meeting, November 26th
7:00 PM in the Rectory

The Sacraments: Baptism and Confirmation

*Please pray for all those who have decided
to follow the journey of our faith.*

SCRIPTURE READINGS

First Reading: Samuel 5:1-3

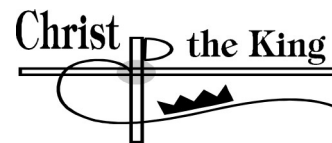
We see how David became King of a united country. His kingship prefigures the universal kingship of Christ.

Second Reading: Colossians 1:11-20

Christ is not only head of the Church but Lord of all creation.

Gospel: Luke 23:35-43

Christ reigned from the cross, and brought salvation to one of the thieves crucified with him.



**“Encounter with God, In Daily Living,
Through the Sunday Scriptures”**

Scripture reflection with Fr. Tim
Tuesday, November 26th, 9:30-11:00 am (chapel)
+ Pause + Reflect + Act +

1. David is called by God to be a shepherd and commander. How do you balance authority with service and compassion, as a shepherd might lead his sheep.
2. Is my life more present or future oriented?
3. On this feast of Christ the King of the Universe, why do you think the Church would choose for us to read and meditate on Jesus’s crucifixion?

COLLECTION BREAKDOWN November 16 & 17:

Envelopes:	\$5,673.50	213 families/26.63 average
Not using Envelopes:	<u>1,149.00</u>	2nd Collection: 2,353.00
Regular Collection:	\$6,822.50	(Parish Maintenance)

Our thanks to all of our parishioners who respond each week to the needs of our parish and who make their weekly offering a part of their budget. Your contributions, both monetary and in service, are important to our parish.

May God Bless you for your generosity.

PRIEST’S MASS SCHEDULE

NOV/DEC	5:00 PM	9:00 AM	10:30 AM	12:00 PM
Nov 23-24	Fr. Tim	Fr. Michal	Fr. Michal	Fr. Tim
Nov 30-Dec 1	Fr. Michal	Fr. Tim	Fr. Tim	Fr. Michal
Dec 7-8	Fr. Tim	Fr. Michal	Fr. Tim	Fr. Michal
Dec 14-15	Fr. Michal	Fr. Tim	Fr. Michal	Fr. Tim

HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION

Please join His Holiness, Pope Francis, who has chosen the following intention to be prayed for during the month of November.

Universal:

That a spirit of dialogue, encounter, and reconciliation emerge in the Near East, where diverse religious communities share their lives together.



The CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE

is now set up in the atrium.

You may select a "CARD" from the tree to fulfill a wish.

Please **READ** and **FOLLOW**

ALL DIRECTIONS on each "CARD".

ALL wrapped GIFTS and GIFT CARD envelopes are **DUE by 12:00 noon** **SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8th**

PLEASE NOTE:

Most gifts and gift cards go to groups or families with other members. We don't want anyone feeling they are getting less than others, so we kindly ask you to **only fulfill the gift(s) or gift card that is requested and please "nothing extra"- thank you!**

Do not leave any gifts under the tree that do not have a GIVING TREE LABEL on them - sorry, we can not use them.

MONETARY donations gratefully accepted.
Please drop into the Giving Tree "Church" box.

Monies will be used to buy any missing gifts, as well as extra small gifts such as snacks and supplies for various groups.

Questions or delivery concerns, contact gt4gsc@gmail.com or the Parish Office at 973-786-6631

The Giving Tree Committee extends their thanks for your generosity and support of this Christmas outreach.



THANKSGIVING EVE MASS

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 27th
at 7:30 PM

We invite all families to celebrate this special Mass thanking God for the many blessings He has bestowed upon us.

Blessing of apples and bread following Mass.

Christmas Sing-Along & Pot Luck Dinner

Join us as we gather to sing our favorite traditional sacred carols, secular seasonal songs, mixed with a variety of solos and choir selections. We will begin with a festive dinner followed by a sing-along of holiday favorites.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8TH FROM 5:00-7:00 pm IN THE PARISH HALL

Please bring your favorite hot dish to share. Kindly prepare enough to feed four.

The Good Shepherd Choirs and soloists will be there to add spirited joy to the evening!
All ages welcome!

Advent

The Joy of Advent

GRACE THROUGH WAITING

Advent: A strong wind is blowing. An adventure is in the air. Someone is coming. The curious energy of Advent is that we are looking for something we know is already here. It is both right now and not yet. We sing "O Come, O Come Emmanuel," yet *Emmanuel* means "God is with us."

The days of Advent are like the intriguing little doors on an Advent calendar. Each one opens to reveal some aspect of Christmas. The reflections that follow are some of the doorways I find in the Emmanuel reality—beauty, kindness, prayer, humor, insight memory, encounter, music and Scripture. What doors will you open this season?

- Patricia Livingston -

PLEASE NOTE:

The Parish Offices will be closed on Friday, November 29th, the day after Thanksgiving.



FAITH FORMATION NOTES



The Advent Wreath

The Advent Wreath is comprised of four candles, one lit each Sunday of the Season of Advent. The three purple candles bring to mind the royalty of the coming Messiah. The rose candle, lit on the third Sunday (Gaudete Sunday) means "rejoice" and represents the joy we feel as Christmas nears. A fifth white candle, often placed in the center of the wreath, can be lit during the octave of Christmas. The evergreen boughs that make up the wreath represent the new life we have in Christ.

Traditions:

- ☐ Set up your Advent Wreath in a central location, like the dinner table. Light the candles while gathered for family meals.
- ☐ Read Scripture selection from the Mass readings and sing *O Come, O Come Emmanuel* as you light the candles.

"The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light." ~Isaiah 9:1

ADVENT BEGINS ON SUNDAY DECEMBER 1st

GOSPEL Luke 23:35-43

Jesus is crucified under the title King of the Jews.

FAMILY CONNECTION

Understanding today's Feast of Christ the King may be particularly challenging. We do not have kings or royalty in our culture, but Christ the King is different from all traditional notions of royalty. Christ is King because in his death and resurrection, he brought salvation to all humankind. We show that we are his followers when we live our lives accordingly.

Recall with your children stories that you may have read about royalty. Talk with your children about what they have learned from these stories about what it means to be a king. Talk about what they have learned from these stories about what it means to be a subject.

Tell your children that this Sunday is the last Sunday in the Church Year, and on this Sunday, we celebrate a special feast called the Feast of Christ the King. Read today's Gospel, Luke 23:35-43. Reflect together on how the various people in this Gospel respond to Jesus on the Cross. Who in this Gospel recognizes Jesus as King? (the thief) What does Jesus promise the thief as a result? (The thief will be with Jesus in paradise.)

Talk about how your family will recognize and honor Christ the King. Pray together the Lord's Prayer and ask God to help your family to act in ways that show you recognize and honor Christ as King. (Loyola Press)

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Messiah	soldiers	jeered
wine	King	Jews
inscription	criminals	reviled
rebuking	condemnation	sentence
crimes	remember	kingdom
Amen	Paradise	today

FAITH FORMATION CLASS MEET DATES

GRADES 1-8

Week of:

NOVEMBER

24

DECEMBER

8
22

CONFIRMATION

9th GRADE

NOVEMBER

17

DECEMBER

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CONFIRMATION

10th GRADE

NOVEMBER

24

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Thank you...

Thank you to the Don Bosco Columbiettes from Newton that donated toiletry items to our food pantry.
Your kindness is greatly appreciated.



BIBLE STUDY
There will be no Bible Study on November 26, 2019
Gospel of Matthew
Presenter Deacon Keith

Tuesday, December 3, 2019 at 1:00 pm
Lesson 5 - Crucifixion & Resurrection

St. Paul's Abbey Christmas Tree Plantation

Located on Route 206 (one mile south of Newton) has **thousands of Christmas trees** ready to choose'n'cut - 7 days a week from November 29 to December 23rd, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm. The Benedictine Monks have been tending to these beautiful trees each year since 1930!



The Abbey Gift Shop also offers many items that make ideal Christmas gifts, including books, statues, jewelry and more for your Christmas giving.

The Retirement Fund for Religious Annual Appeal

Sister Christina Chong, S.D.B. will be visiting us and addressing the parish at all Masses the first weekend of December. We look forward to hearing from her and thank her, in advance, for her time and efforts.

ADVENT TREE LIGHTING



Saturday, November 30th
Please join us after the **5:00 pm Mass** for our Annual **Tree Lighting.**

CAMP AUXILIUM'S DINNER WITH SANTA




Thursday, December 5th - 5:30-7:30 PM
Camp Auxilium - 14 Swartswood Road, Newton NJ
Tickets: \$10 Adult/\$5 Child (up to 12 years)

*Italian meal prepared by Camp's own Chef Michelle
Pictures with Santa - Holiday train display - & more*

For Tickets: Call (973) 383-2621
OR email: Summercamp@campauxilium.org

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Please remember to sign the book in the atrium.

November 27 Thanksgiving Vigil Mass	Eucharistic Ministers	Lectors	Altar Servers	
7:30pm	Priests and Deacons	Linda Gray Ed Denmead	Morgan Denmead Hayden Denmead Gavin Denmead	
November 30-December 1	5:00pm	9:00am	10:30am	NOON
 Eucharistic Ministers	Janine Neill Roberta Harden Irene Finnan Fred Finnan Melodie Novak Eileen Cahill Sioban Rooney-Opperman	Bogdan Bienko John Costello Alice Giliberti Melissa Lewis Betty Gates Andy Grinthal	Robert Gallagher Donna Fett Joan DeBoer Eunice Howley Christine Berg Nick Berg	Debbie Rothweiler Hildegard Schleyer
 Lectors	Joe Novak	Maureen Flynn	Confirmation Class Lector Marie Margiotti	Bob Pfeiffer
 Altar Servers	Caitlyn Neill Allyson Neill Addyson Ortiz	James Bongiorno Connor Kovach	Joey Holdt Madeline Holdt Danny Holdt	Sophia Vitez