

CHURCH OF CHRIST THE KING NEWVERNON, NJ

*We are a grateful and welcoming Catholic family of faith,
nourished by the Word and Eucharist,
called to serve as disciples of Christ, the King.*

27th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
October 7, 2018

FEAST OF ST. FRANCIS

Blessing of the Animals

We all know that St. Francis was a great lover of animals. In celebration of his feast day once again our parish will offer the blessing of animals for all household pets on **Sunday, October 7**. We invite parishioners to join us on the church steps at **1pm** for a simple blessing. All animals and owners are welcome!



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MASS SCHEDULE
Sunday 7, 9, 11 AM & 5:30 PM
Saturday (vigil) 5 PM
Weekdays
Monday, Wednesday, and Friday 7 AM
Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday 9 AM

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PARISH DEVOTIONS

Novena Prayers in Honor of the Sacred Heart

First Fridays during morning Mass at 7:00am.

Novena Prayer in Honor of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal

Mondays after the 7:00am Mass

Rosary

Tuesdays and Thursdays after the 9:00am Mass

Holy Hour of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

First Saturday of the month, 8:00am

Reconciliation (Individual Confession)

Saturday 9:30-10:15am

BAPTISMS

Sundays after the 11:00am Mass at 12:15pm, schedule permitting.
Please call the Parish Office to make the necessary arrangements for a Baptismal Preparation Session.

MARRIAGES

Please contact the Parish Office a year prior to the requested wedding date so the proper marriage preparation can be completed. Pre Cana takes place in the spring and fall.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Kindergarten

Optional program for families whose oldest child is in Kindergarten
Monthly on Sunday 10:00-10:45am (as scheduled)

Family Based Model

Grade 5 may select FBRE or Jr. High option
Families with children K-5

Thursday 4-6pm or Friday 6-8pm, (monthly as scheduled)

Junior High – Grades 5-8

Sundays 5:30-8:00pm (twice a month)

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION (RCIA)

September—May

Adults interested in becoming Roman Catholic Christians should contact Sister Mary Joseph Schultz, SCC, ext. 13.

MINISTRY TO THE SICK & HOMEBOUND

Priests and Ministers of Communion are available to visit the sick and homebound. Please call the Parish Office to schedule.

NEW PARISHIONERS

We welcome new parishioners to register at any time.
Please call the Parish Office.

eNEWSLETTER (monthly)

Do you want to know more of what is happening in our parish community?

SIGN UP to receive our parish eNewsletter at
www.churchofchristtheking.org

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

To understand marriage we must first understand God's design for family life.

For people of faith, marriage has but one meaning, purpose and design – that given to it by God. God – who created and celebrated the first wedding when he presented Eve to Adam as his perfect companion and suitable partner.

And yet as we know, married life can be both loving and challenging. Each year millions of marriages are celebrated and sadly, millions of marriages break down, often with pain and mutual recriminations. As Church, we are not immune to this pain and suffering, and in fact gives credence to the beautiful teachings that underpin our theology of marriage. If it were not sacred and beautiful, its breakdown would not hurt.

Jesus was not going to be caught out by the Pharisees as they tried to force his hand on the thorny issue of divorce and the Mosaic Law. Neither was he going to short-change his listeners, for as Hebrews tells us: He “for a little while” was made “lower than the angels,” that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone. More plainly, he became one with us so that we might understand in a deeper way God’s redemptive plan for creation.

Therefore, instead of getting caught up in the competing arguments, Jesus simply sidesteps the question and instead affirms the ancient Scripture in Genesis that men and women were made for each other – called to be united as one body. Together, as husband and wife, they are to strive to be suitable partners for each other, forsaking all others.

This is a hard teaching. And his audience then may be very similar to his listeners today: human beings with different experiences, trying to live a life of faithful discipleship in a world of imperfection and brokenness. So today, instead of simply laying the teaching out there, perhaps it would be better to ground and support it with the words of our Gospel acclamation: *If we love one another, God remains in us and his love is brought to perfection in us.* For true marital unity is not something we can achieve on our own, but only when we are united with Christ and when we treat each other with a Christ-like love and compassion.

Today, as we gather, there are a thousand untold stories in the lives of those who stand beside us in our journey. As the Scriptures are proclaimed and broken open, let us rejoice with those who live God’s design for marriage and who know his many blessings. For those who struggle, let us love and support them to attain this goal; and for those who suffer the pain of marriage breakdown and divorce, let us help them to discover hope – for no situation is beyond redemption.

Harding Seniors

Thursday, October 11 at 11am

Brad Seabury, Morris County Assistant Prosecutor giving a talk about *Opioids*.

Mass Intentions

Monday, October 8

7am Phyllis Caulfield

Tuesday, October 9

9am Myles Mislavsky

Wednesday, October 10

7am Betty Leeman

Thursday, October 11

9am Brian Paris

Friday, October 12

7am Roger Doyle

Saturday, October 13

9am Mary Taferner

5pm Paul Pellicano, Jr.

Sunday, October 14

7am Christine Capone King

9am Domenica Rossi

11am Anna Dickson

5:30pm Ettore Minichetti

If you are a family member or friend of the person being remembered at Sunday Mass, please feel free to approach an usher and offer to bring up the gifts.

Pray for the Sick

Joan Dagostino, Kristen Johnson, Kathryn Olden, Grant Martin Scruggs, John Allen, Tawny Wamack, Theresa Padula, Susan Alai, Anne Sullivan and all those listed in Our Lady’s Chapel prayer book of intentions.

Sanctuary Lamp

The Sanctuary Lamp burns this week in memory of Mary Taferner at the request of friends from Saint Barnabas Hospital.

Collection

Last Weekend’s Collection: \$15,016.00*

Included in this number is Faith Direct, electronic giving. The weekly average for electronic giving is \$5,476.00. For an easier more consistent way of supporting Christ the King, please consider using Faith Direct at www.faithdirect.net. Our parish code is **NJ658**.

Second Collection

Next weekend is our monthly collection for Project Faith, our Diocesan Assessment. Your generosity in helping us meet this obligation is greatly appreciated.

Liturgical Ministry Trainings

Altar Server Training

Boys and Girls Third Grade and up.

Monday October 9 or Tuesday, October 10 – 4 to 5pm

Eucharistic Minister Training

Wednesday, October 10 – 7 to 8pm

Lector Training

Thursday, October 11 – 7 to 8pm

All training sessions will take place in the church. Please call the Parish Office if you plan to attend.

Religious Education



• Family-Based Religious Education

Thursday Session – October 11

4 to 6pm – In the Parish Hall

Friday Session – October 12

6 to 8pm – In the Parish Hall

Pizza will be served for both sessions at 5:45pm

Grades 1-5 Learning Session

Thursday, October 18 – 4 to 5pm – Parish Hall

• Junior High Religious Education

(Grades 5, 6, 7 & 8)

Parent & Student Session – Sunday October 14 6:30–8pm

Student Session – Sunday November 4 & 18 6:30–8pm

All sessions will gather in the Parish Hall. We encourage families to attend the 5:30pm Sunday Evening Mass.

If you are new to our Religious Education program and have not yet registered please contact Erin at 973-539-4955 ext. 22 or erin@chuchofchristtheking.org.

Sacramental Preparation First Reconciliation Workshop

Sunday, November 4

12:30 – 2:30pm

First Reconciliation Workshop- Parish Hall

Parent/s and communicant attend

Sacrament of First Reconciliation

Saturday, November 17 at 10:30am

If you are new to the Parish and have a child in the Second grade, please contact Erin at 973-539-4955 ext. 22 or erin@chuchofchristtheking.org.

Please note that the diocese asks that all children have two years of Religious Education prior to the reception of First Reconciliation and First Eucharist.

Interfaith Food Pantry



When I was hungry, you gave me to eat.

This weekend is our monthly collection of food/donations to benefit the Interfaith Food Pantry. Thanks for your continued support of this vital ministry. If you prefer to

contribute a monetary donation, please make your check payable to the Interfaith Food Pantry.

Meetings & Happenings

Sunday, October 7

9am Munchkin Sunday

1pm Blessing of Animals

Monday, October 8

NO WOMEN OF GRACE

Tuesday, October 9

9:30am Prayer Shawl Ministry

4pm Altar Server Training

5pm Family Promise

7pm Choir Rehearsal

Wednesday, October 10

4pm Altar Server Training

7pm New Day Bereavement Group

7pm Eucharistic Minister Training

Thursday, October 11

9:30am Bible into Life

11am Harding Seniors

4pm Family Based Religious Education

Friday, October 12

10:30am Bible Study

6pm Family Based Religious Education

8pm Family Promise (*overnight*)

Saturday, October 13

9:30am Reconciliation

10:30am Music Ministry "Lunch Crunch"

Sunday, October 14

6:30pm Junior High Religious Education

Coat Drive

Market Street Mission's

28th Annual Coat Giveaway



Would you like to donate a coat, hat, scarf or gloves for men, women and children? Bring them to the church basement anytime from **September 23 to October 14**. Deadline at the Mission is Friday, October 26

Coat Giveaway

Do you need a coat? Come to the giveaway. Saturday, November 3, 2018 | 10 am to 1 pm
On the Morristown Green

For more information please contact Sister Mary Joseph at the parish office at (973)539-4955 x13 or at srmaryjoseph@churchofchristtheking.org.

Daily Reading

Find Today's Readings at www.bit.ly/2gGKsiU



HERE I AM, LORD!

2018 Bishop's Annual Appeal
Diocese of Paterson



A WEEK IN THE LIFE OF THE BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

Sunday, 10:00 a.m.

Catholic Charities staff takes disabled residents who live in a diocesan group home to Mass at St. Clare Parish, Clifton.

Monday, 1:45 p.m.

The Veterans Outreach Team from Catholic Charities works with a veteran in Passaic to get her into temporary housing.

Tuesday, 12:10 p.m.

Senior priests gather together for lunch at Nazareth Village, grateful for having a place to call home in their retirement.

Tuesday, 2:35 p.m.

A Catholic Charities staff member picks up a client in West Milford and takes her to a chemotherapy appointment in Morristown.

Wednesday, 9:05 a.m.

A student at our Catholic elementary school in Paterson is researching an engineering project that she will present at a diocesan-wide event.

Wednesday, 1:15 p.m.

An elderly, disabled couple in Morris County is helped with some minor home repair provided by Catholic Charities Operation Fix-It Program.

Thursday, 11:40 a.m.

A Catholic Charities volunteer delivers a hot meal to a senior citizen in Montague.

Friday, 8:40 a.m.

Seminarian Francis Lennie attends a Theology class at Immaculate Conception Seminary, preparing to serve the Diocese as a priest.

Friday, 5:35 p.m.

A single working mother, whose minimum wage income does not cover living expenses, comes to the Fr. English Center food pantry in Paterson to get food for her family.

Saturday, 1:25 a.m.

A supervisor at one of our group homes for adults with disabilities is comforting a woman with Down Syndrome who just lost her mother.

Sunday, 9:30 a.m.

A "Let Go, Let God" Liturgy is held at Straight and Narrow for those with substance use disorders followed by an AA recovery meeting.



