

# 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.*

**CHRIST THE KING**  
November 25, 2018



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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](http://www.churchofchristtheking.org)

# Feast of Christ the King

*Jesus Christ is a King unlike any other. In his kingship, Jesus offers us an example of how to live.*

When we think of royalty, what may come to mind most quickly is the British royal family. There has been much coverage of that family through the years. Often, we may have thoughts of a glamorous life of ease and luxury. Over time, though, we have come to see them as a sometimes dysfunctional family that can be painfully, woefully human. This does not seem to be the kind of King we celebrate in Jesus.

As a nation that fought a revolution to throw off the reign of an unjust tyrant, our own kind of “royalty” can disappoint, too. Presidents, politicians, great athletes and stars of stage and screen can too easily let us down. We hope for them to show us an image of a better way to be as people, yet they often let us down because we see their all-too-human side.

As we celebrate this Solemnity of Christ the King, it is apparent that we need a different image of kingship. We should look to the ancient image of a king to better understand what this solemnity says about Jesus, and what it entails for us as members of the kingdom of God.

The ancient ideal of kingship meant that a king was one who was faced with making difficult decisions with wisdom, mercy and justice. Ancient kings were meant to live lives in service to their people, being willing to set a faith-filled and servant-like example. Kings were meant to serve as peacemakers and were to be willing to give their lives in service to their people. They were called to live holy lives, and to lay down their lives for their people if necessary.

This ancient image of the king helps us to better understand Jesus Christ, the King. He is the one who offers us an example of living to emulate in our daily lives. He is the one who seeks to bring peace into the midst of conflict. His wisdom, mercy and justice are a pattern for our own deliberations and actions. He is willing to offer us life by laying down his life for us on the cross.

As the best of Kings, Jesus teaches us by his example that true kingship is not about glamour, power or wealth. It is about service. As our King, and as the example and model for our daily living, Jesus shows us by his life that we are called to humble, loving service. Our King shows us that we are to be merciful, just and truthful, willing to bring God’s peace to challenging situations. Like Christ, our King, we are called to lay down our lives so that others may live.

This is the kind of kingship into which each of us has been baptized. This sort of kingship offers a vision of a new heaven and new earth. It also demonstrates that we, like Jesus, must be willing to stand in tatters before the powers of the world, ready to offer our lives in pursuit of the kingdom of God.

## Mass Intentions

### Monday, November 26

7am Christine Capone King

### Tuesday, November 27

9am Sister Mariette Jansen, S.C.C.

### Wednesday, November 28

7am Marie Henderson

### Thursday, November 29

9am Dave Willean

### Friday, November 30

7am Peggy DelCorpo

### Saturday, December 1

9am Catherine Prendergast

5pm Robert Beers

### Sunday, December 2

7am Pamela Cousland

9am Josephine Garrubbo

11am Jack Weichert

5:30pm Diane Sartori

*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.*

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## 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.

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## Sanctuary Lamp

The Sanctuary Lamp burns this week in memory of deceased members of the Kearns family, requested by Bill Kearns.

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## Baptism

This past weekend we welcome into the Church through the waters of Baptism George Allen Boyan III, son of George and Meredith (Nee Sullivan).

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## Collection

Due to the early Thanksgiving bulletin deadline, the collection information for both November 18 and 25 will be included in the December 2 bulletin.

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## Communion for the Sick and Homebound



Eucharistic Ministers are available to visit and bring Holy Communion to anyone who is sick or homebound. If you, or someone you know, would like to be visited by a Eucharistic Minister, please call the parish office.

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## Religious Education



### • Family-Based Religious Education

**Thursday Session** – December 6

4 to 6pm – In the Parish Hall

**Friday Session** – December 7

6 to 8pm – In the Parish Hall

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

### • Grades 1-5 Learning Session

Thursday, December 13 – 4 to 5pm – Parish Hall

### • Junior High Religious Education

(Grades 5, 6, 7 & 8)

**Student Session**

Sunday, December 2 – 6:30–8pm

**Parent & Student Session**

Sunday, December 16 – 6:30–8pm

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

### • Sacramental Preparation Liturgy

Sunday, December 2 – 9am Mass

*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.*

Any questions regarding our Religious Education or Sacrament Preparation please contact Erin at 973-539-4955 ext. 22 or [erin@chuchofchristtheking.org](mailto:erin@chuchofchristtheking.org).



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## Faith Direct



Faith Direct enables parishioners to make your Church contributions through either direct debit from your checking/savings account or through your credit/debit card. No more writing checks or searching for envelopes on the way out the door. Now you can apply the convenience of direct debit to your parish offerings in much the same way as you may now use it to make your mortgage, car or tuition payments. Visit [www.faithdirect.net](http://www.faithdirect.net) to enroll securely online. Our parish code is **NJ658**.

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## Meetings & Happenings

**Monday, November 26**

10am Women of Grace

7pm Women of Grace

**Tuesday, November 27**

10am Book of the Month

7pm Choir Rehearsal

**Wednesday, November 28**

7pm Mass of Remembrance

**Thursday, November 29**

9:30am Bible into Life

**Friday, November 30**

10:30am Bible Study

**Saturday, December 1**

10:30am First Reconciliation

**Sunday, December 2**

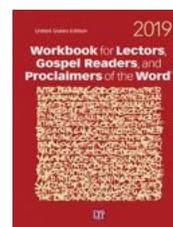
10am Kindergarten RE

6:30pm Junior High RE

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## Lector Workbooks

Lector Workbooks for the new liturgical cycle, which begins December 2, are available in the Priest's Sacristy. Please stop in the Sacristy and pick up your Workbook before you leave Mass.



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## Bishop's Annual Appeal

**Here I am, Lord!**

2018 Bishop's Annual Appeal  
Diocese of Paterson



This time of year, as we come together to celebrate Thanksgiving, please consider making a gift to the Bishop's Annual Appeal as a way to give thanks for our many blessings. Each year, tens of thousands of people in profound need seek out the services of our Catholic Charities and, with the help of the Bishop's Annual Appeal, they find an open door and a compassionate response. Please make a pledge to our Bishop's Annual Appeal today! For your convenience, you can make an online gift or pledge at [www.2018appeal.org](http://www.2018appeal.org).

*The Lord is King.  
He is robed in majesty.*

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## Daily Reading

Find Today's Readings at [www.bit.ly/2gGKsiU](http://www.bit.ly/2gGKsiU)



Join the combined choirs of  
**Church of Christ the King & St. Patrick Church**  
for our *8th Annual Christmas Concert.*

# *A Renaissance Christmas*

Music by Byrd, Praetorius, Victoria and others

**Saturday, December 8 – 7:30pm**

Church of Christ the King, New Vernon, NJ

**Sunday, December 9 – 2pm**

St. Patrick Church, Chatham, NJ

**FREE ADMISSION**

A free-will offering will be gratefully accepted.

# The Giving Tree

Gifting opportunities for the following Organizations are represented by tags on the Giving Trees located in the front and side entrances of the Church.



**Return items by December 2 or 9**

*Please check individual tags for the specific return date.*

## **Passaic Neighborhood Center for Women**

**Passaic Neighborhood Center**- a collaborative effort between the **Diocese of Paterson, NJ** and its religious communities -- exists to provide a place for the women of Passaic to meet, share and grow in a peaceful and safe environment. The Center is guided by the belief that when women are empowered, the family is strengthened. Return items with the **Giving Tree Tag** attached by **December 9**.

## **Catholic Charities Diocese of Paterson - Christmas Blessings Project**

**Catholic Family & Community Services** will match your donation with a needy child, family, senior or other needy adult- throughout Passaic, Morris and Sussex Counties. These include schools at the **Father** English Community Center in Paterson and Hope House in Dover, NJ. Return items with **Giving Tree Tag** attached by **December 9**.

## **Morris County Housing Authority**

Their mission is to enhance the lives of the citizens of the county by creating and sustaining decent, safe and affordable living environments that foster stability and self-sufficiency. Return items with the **Giving Tree Tag** attached by **December 9**.

## **Birth Haven**

**Birth Haven** is a non-profit organization that provides shelter, support, and education for homeless pregnant women and girls. It operates a transitional living facility in Newton. Birth Haven can house 9 mothers and their babies at any given time. Most residents are between the ages of 17 and 21. Our Giving Tree provides opportunities to purchase items for baby care and basics for the living facility. Return items with the **Giving Tree Tag** attached by **December 9**.

## **Eva's Village**

**Eva's Village** is a non-profit organization dedicated to feed the hungry, shelter the homeless, treat the addicted and provide free medical and dental care to the poor in Paterson. Our Giving Tree provides opportunities to purchase items for homeless residents. Return items with the **Giving Tree Tag** attached by **December 2**.

## **Family Promise of Morris County**

**Family Promise of Morris County** is a non-profit organization dedicated to ending a crisis of homelessness faced by Morris County families by partnering with over 75 faith-based congregations to provide shelter and meals to families. Our Giving Tree provides opportunities to purchase gifts and gift cards to help families with clothing, gas and groceries. by **December 9**.

**Return unwrapped items with the Giving Tree Tag attached.**

For further information contact Sister Mary Joseph at (973) 539-4955 ext. 13.