

# 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.*

**HOLY FAMILY**  
December 30, 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 am.

### Novena Prayer in Honor of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal

Mondays after the 7 am Mass

### Rosary

Tuesdays and Thursdays after the 9 am Mass

### Holy Hour of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

First Wednesday of the month, 7 pm

### Reconciliation (Individual Confession)

Saturday 9:30-10:15 am

## BAPTISMS

Sundays after the 11 am Mass at 12:15 pm, 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 10-10:45 am (as scheduled)

### Family Based Model

*Grade 5 may select FBRE or Jr. High option*

Families with children K-5

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

### Junior High – Grades 5-8

Sundays 5:30-8 pm (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)

# The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

*To walk in the path of the Holy Family is to imitate their holiness, humility, gentleness and deep concern for one another.*



**T**he Gospels give us very few details of the daily life of Jesus growing up in Nazareth. Here and there we get snippets of what his early life must have been like, and of course we can fill in some of the missing details from what we know of first-century life in Palestine. As a carpenter, Joseph was probably a man of modest means from the lower middle class. While a member of the Davidic clan, he and his family, and indeed his community, lived modestly.

Today's Gospel passage, often known as the Finding of the Child Jesus in the Temple, is very familiar. Here the Holy Family has traveled to Jerusalem to celebrate Passover, and on their way home they realize that Jesus is no longer with them. Passover was, and continues to be, the key defining feast of Judaism – a commemoration of Israel's liberation from slavery and the source of its identity as God's Chosen People. Today, it stands as the backdrop to Luke's revelation of Jesus' fullest and deepest identity. Here, the Gospel tells us, Jesus reveals himself as the Father's Son who has come among us to answer the great questions of human experience.

Filled with concern for his safety and indeed with a little bit of righteous annoyance, the parents return to Jerusalem where they find him – not with children of his own age but with the elders. We can all imagine their emotions and fears before they found him, and their relief and joy when they found him safe.

This Gospel, however, is not so much a commentary on family life, but more a testimony to its importance in God's plan for our world. Having experienced the wonder of Jesus' birth, Mary and Joseph do not keep his holy presence to themselves nor closet him away from the world. Instead, as faithful people of the Covenant, they ensure that he is brought up as part of a worshipping and faith-filled community. There, he would grow in grace and favor even in the face of life's struggles and challenges.

Today's feast sets before us the truth that, with God's help and despite all the challenges of life, we can grow in goodness and holiness. Imagine what a difference we could make in our own families if we sought to understand more fully, as Saint John reminds us in our second reading, that we already share a holy dignity as God's children and a holy destiny that has yet to be revealed.

As we celebrate the Holy Family, let us invite Christ Jesus to bring his loving presence into our homes this day – binding us together, healing our rifts and allowing us to give ourselves over to loving God and others. Then we would truly be God's holy family.

## Mass Intentions

**Monday, December 31**

7am Margaret Feledy

**Tuesday, January 1**

11am Susan Docherty

**Wednesday, January 2**

7am Betty Metcalfe

**Thursday, January 3**

9am Holy Souls in Purgatory

**Friday, January 4**

7am Barbara Nault

**Saturday, January 5**

9am Kevin Devine

5pm Christina Corsini

**Sunday, January 6**

7am John Martin

9am Anna Bjorkedal

11am Robin Colarusso Messuti

Dawn Colarusso Ciasulli

5:30pm Benedict Aspero, Sr.

*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, Jim Dwyre, and all those listed in Our Lady's Chapel prayer book of intentions.

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## Collection

Due to early holiday Bulletin deadlines collections will be reported in future bulletins.

CHRIST THE KING YOUTH MINISTRY  
ONLINE REGISTRATION OPEN  
**ANTIOCH**  
JANUARY 18-20  
[HTTPS://CHURCHOFCHRISTTHEKING.ORG/ANTIOCH-RETREAT](https://churchofchristtheking.org/antioch-retreat)

**Next week is our  
monthly food collection for the  
Interfaith Food Pantry.**

# Christmas Blessings 2018

*We are grateful to the following parishioners who have donated our beautiful wreaths, trees, flowers and garland.*



*Mrs. Sally Aspero in memory/honor of Benedict V. Aspero  
Pilar Barboza in memory/honor of Carlos Barboza, Flora Quesada, Ricardo Bermudes, Fabeio Salas  
Mrs. Jean Barry in memory/honor of The Barry & Cain Families  
Mrs. Mary Bentzlin in memory/honor of B. V. Bentzlin, Margaret Ruhle  
Drs. Eric & Eve Benvenuti in memory/honor of Adam Stupur, Andrew Benvenuti, Kenwin Nanco  
Ms. Sheila Briscoe in memory/honor of Thomas Briscoe  
Mrs. Patrick Burns in memory/honor of Pat Burns and The Burns & Webster Families  
Mr. & Mrs. James Caldwell in memory/honor of Jim & Janet Caldwell, Debbie Caldwell, Thomas Gavigan  
Mr. & Mrs. Kevin Casse in memory/honor of Edward & Mary Swatt & Bob Casse  
Mr. & Mrs. David Conti in memory/honor of The Miglior Family, Conti Family, Eileen Conti, Adam Weiner, Tom Butler  
Mr. & Mrs. John Cox in memory/honor of Gerry Jones  
Mr. & Mrs. Louis Dagostino in memory/honor of Mari-Jo Dagostino, Joseph & Jennie Lucia, Fred & Ann Lucia, James & Marion Dagostino, Nunzio Dagostino  
Mr. & Mrs. Matthew DeLaney in memory/honor of Dr. & Mrs. J. DeLaney, Mr. & Mr. H. Kelly, Ms. Paddy Kelly  
Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Demeter in memory/honor of The Burke & Demeter Families  
Ms. Mary Ann Dickson in memory/honor of Ann & Albert Dickson  
Mr. & Mrs. Ronald Dolecki in memory/honor of Lawrence Martine, Edith Driessens, Daniel J. Dolecki, Carol Dolecki, Joseph Dolecki, Robert Flaim  
Mrs. Barbara Drew in memory/honor of Michael Drew  
Dr. & Mrs. Mark Drzala  
Mrs. Shirley Emmens in memory/honor of Bob Emmens, May & Gus Gernert  
Mr. & Mrs. Edward J. Foley III in memory/honor of Kathleen Kade Charbonneau, Kathryn & Charles Kade, Holly Newman*

*Mr. Lawrence Forno in memory/honor of Phyllis Giannone  
Mr. & Mrs. Bruce Francis in memory/honor of Alice Francis, George Francis, Elizabeth & Harry Rose  
Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Gangemi in memory/honor of Gina Gangemi & Claude Plantener  
Mr. & Mrs. Michael Gargiulo  
Mrs. Elizabeth Gilfillan in memory/honor of Jack Gilfillan  
Mr. & Mrs. Albert Graf in memory/honor of The Kenney Family, Graf Family, O'Brien Family, McEntee Family  
Mr. & Mrs. Antonio Grande in memory/honor of Vito Giuliano, Steve Galasso, Rocco & Bice D'Amato, Natale & Teresa Grande, David Gross  
Mr. & Mrs. Francis Grather in memory/honor of Frank W. & Mary A. Grather, Joseph & Mary Crines, Frank Crines, William Augusta Grather, William & Sarah Joyce  
Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Gregor in memory/honor of Diane & Paul Bongard, Elizabeth & Vincent DeForge, Dorothy & Robert Gregor  
Mr. Donald Hagan in memory/honor of Dolores Hagan & David B. Hagan  
Mr. & Mrs. John Hanifin in memory/honor of The Hanifin Family & Kelly Family  
Mr. & Mrs. James Harrison in memory/honor of Maris Lewis Slight  
Mrs. James Heaney in memory/honor of James & Sharon Heaney  
Mr. & Mrs. Christopher Hinds in memory/honor of Hazel & Lou Hinds, Richard Stephenson, Mr. & Mrs. H. O. Meyer  
Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Hollo in memory/honor of Edward F. Flynn, Sally M. Flynn, George P. Hollo, Marie Hollo  
Mr. & Mrs. Michael Horn in memory/honor of Alice Marie Hertzberg  
Mr. & Mrs. Eric Jaso in memory/honor of Geraldine Meyer, Hector C. Jaso, M.D., Irma E. Valera Jaso, Lorraine Burroano, Grace Mendes  
Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Leahy in memory/honor of The Leahy Family, O'Shea Family, Fitzmaurice Family*

*Mr. & Mrs. Richard Lury in memory/honor of Anthony & Christina Manuele, Rill, Anna & Katahleen McGinn, Salvataore & Lynn Colanggelo, Angelina & Dominic Caruso*  
*Mr. & Mrs. W. Stephen Leary in memory/honor of Peggy Leary Selton*  
*Mr. & Mrs. Jack Macedo*  
*Mr. John Magnier*  
*Ms. Cecelia Maher in memory/honor of Martin & Cecelia Maher, Martin & Catherine Maher, Michael & Mary Anne O'Donnell*  
*Mr. Bernard Markey*  
*Mr. & Mrs. Donato Maselli in memory/honor of Francesco Maselli, Loretta Schwartz*  
*Mr. & Mrs. Paul Mayes in memory/honor of Nicholas De Nunzio*  
*Mr. & Mrs. John McCormack in memory/honor of John J. McCormack III, Mr. & Mrs. John McCormack, Sr., Mr. & Mrs. Robert Harvey, Susan H. McNamara, Patrick F. McCormack*  
*Mr. & Mrs. Michael McNamara*  
*Mr. & Mrs. Christopher McReynolds*  
*Mr. & Mrs. Farley Moran*  
*Mr. & Mrs. James Morgan in memory/honor of Paul & Mia Parasugo*  
*Mrs. Mary Ann Motiuk in memory/honor of Josephine & Basil Burgess, Basil Burgess, Jr., Gitla & Kalmen Motiuk, Donald & John McMillin*  
*Mr. & Mrs. Richard Mowbray in memory/honor of Mr. & Mrs. John Mowbray, Mr. & Mrs. William Kriete, Mr. John Mowbray, Jr., Mr. William Mowbray*  
*Mr. David Murphy in memory/honor of Edward J. Murphy*  
*Mrs. Neir Nogueiras*  
*Mrs. Patricia O'Connor in memory/honor of Jerry O'Connor, Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Cooney, Mr. & Mrs. George Saunders*  
*Mr. & Mrs. William O'Neil*

*Mr. & Mrs. Frank Orrico in memory/honor of Josephine Orrico, Sam Orrico, Maria Pinelli, Frank Pinelli*  
*Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Osborne in memory/honor of Veronica Farmer, Waltler Farmer, Margaret Osborne, Joe Osborne, Eileen Osborne*  
*Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Pacchiano in memory/honor of Dominick Cardillo, Felice Pacchiano, Frances Pacchiano, Vera & Charles Beck, Rev. John A. McHale*  
*Mr. & Mrs. Robert Pandos in memory/honor of Deceased Members of the Pandos Family, Deceased Members of the McDevitt Family, Debi Bell*  
*Mrs. Nancy Paris in memory/honor of Daniel P. Paris, Brian Paris, Rick Paris*  
*Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Pellegrino in memory/honor of Thomas & Alma Garrubbo, Rose & Joseph Pellegrino*  
*Ms. Judith Pierce in memory/honor of The Hurley Family*  
*Ms. Anna Riker in memory/honor of Alfonso & Elvira Maratelli*  
*Mr. & Mrs. Pat Romano in memory/honor of Michael & Anne Cherrillo, Joseph Romano*  
*Mr. & Mrs. Steven Rosen*  
*Mr. Peter Simon*  
*Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Stanley in memory/honor of Timothy Stanley*  
*Mrs. Abby Tierney in memory/honor of Jim Tierney*  
*Mr. & Mrs. Jeffrey Toia*  
*Mrs. Frances Trombetta in memory/honor of Raymond Trombetta, Mark Trombetta, Eileen Trombetta*  
*Mrs. Joy Vacca in memory/honor of Simon Vacca*  
*Mr. & Mrs. James Van DerVeer in memory/honor of Frank & Anne Galdieri, Richard & Concetta Van DerVeer, John A. Van DerVeer, Raffaella Galdieri*  
*Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Volz in memory/honor of Edward Swatt*  
*Mr. & Mrs. James Weichert*



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## Religious Education



### • Family-Based Religious Education

**Thursday Session** – January 10

4 to 6pm – In the Parish Hall

**Friday Session** – January 11

6 to 8pm – In the Parish Hall

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

### • Grades 1-5 Learning Session

Thursday, January 17 – 4 to 5pm – Parish Hall

### • Junior High Religious Education

(Grades 5, 6, 7 & 8)

**Parent & Student Session**

Sunday December 16 6:30–8pm

**Student Sessions**

Sunday January 6 & 27 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, January 6 – 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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## Meetings & Happenings

**Sunday, December 30**

12pm College Pizza Party

**Thursday, January 3**

9:30am Bible into Life

**Friday, January 4**

10:30am Bible Study

**Sunday, January 6**

9am First Communion Prep #3

10am Kindergarten RE

6:30pm Junior High RE

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## Daily Reading

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

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## Saint of the Week

January 4 | *St. Elizabeth Ann Seton*



**T**he life of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton is probably well-known to all, but as the very first American-born saint, it bears repeating! She accomplished more in her relatively short lifetime than many others who lived twice as long!

Elizabeth Ann Bayley was born in 1774 to a distinguished Episcopalian family in New York City. Her father was a physician and professor at what would later become Columbia University. In 1794 she married William Magee Seton and they had five children. Misfortune then beset the family. William had financial hardships and became seriously ill. A sea voyage was recommended for him to regain his health. Elizabeth, William, and their eldest daughter sailed to Italy and William died less than three months later.

The Filicchi family, with whom Elizabeth stayed in Italy, introduced her to the Catholic faith. When she returned home and became a Catholic, her family disowned her. In 1807 she and her children re-located to Baltimore, where she founded a school for girls. With the help of Archbishop Carroll, Elizabeth went on to form the Sisters of Charity in Emmitsburg, MD.

Elizabeth Ann Seton laid the foundation for the parochial school system in the United States. She wrote textbooks for the classroom and taught her sisters how to care for the poor and sick, as well as teach. She opened orphanages in Philadelphia and New York.

As a wife, mother, widow, and foundress, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton had profound faith, charity, and fortitude. She suffered the loss of several children and endured great poverty in Emmitsburg in her early foundation. The Sisters of Charity have extended throughout the world and formed into several branches of religious women who all trace their foundations to her. She died in 1821 at the age of 47 and was canonized in 1975. Her body is enshrined in the motherhouse of the Sisters in Emmitsburg.

*St. Elizabeth Seton, pray for us to be open to the paths that God points out to us, even with difficulties and challenges.*