

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.*

13th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
June 30, 2019



Follow Me!



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MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday 7, 9 & 11 AM
Saturday (vigil) 5 PM

Weekdays

Monday, Wednesday, and Friday 7 AM
Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday 9 AM

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Obey God's call without delay or excuse.

"Follow Me"

Now that the Easter Season is concluded and we have celebrated the Feasts of the Ascension, Pentecost, Most Holy Trinity and the Holy Body and Blood of Jesus, we have returned to Ordinary Time. The Scriptures today refer to God's call, and the necessity for us to provide an answer to that call with an act of faith. If we truly believe the Lord to be the sovereign in the center of our hearts, then we must obey God's call without delay or excuse.

Just prior to today's reading on top of Mount Horeb, the Mountain of God, Elijah was granted an answer to his prayers. After praying for death and enduring an earthquake, windstorm and wildfire on top of that mountain, he had heard the tiniest whisper. It was the voice of the Lord telling him that Elisha was chosen to be his successor. Elisha was not as excited as Elijah to learn of this. He wanted to go and bid farewell to his family, and perhaps get his affairs in order. Once he realizes he must leave everything and go right then, not only does he lay down the reins to his father's plow, he burns everything up – there is no turning back. Elisha set the stage for what Jesus' Apostles would do centuries later, when they would lay down their nets and leave the customs post to follow him.

In the Gospel, we listen to the final verses of the ninth chapter of Luke. This is a very busy chapter in Luke's Gospel, and a tumultuous time in the life of Christ. Earlier in this chapter, Jesus had sent out the Twelve Apostles on their first missionary journey. Then, Jesus informed his Apostles that he was going to be arrested and put to death. Then, he took Peter, James and John up on Mount Tabor and they saw Jesus transfigured before them.

Now, today, as we work toward the end of the chapter, we see that Jesus increasingly meets resistance in his efforts to seek and save the lost. Fewer and fewer people wish to accompany him, even Samaritans who previously offered him the warmest of welcomes. They know why Jesus is going to Jerusalem, and they are not sure they wish to follow him any further if it means suffering and death.

Jesus calls others to follow him but, like Elisha, they have excuses, they need more time, they are not ready to go. The Lord has nowhere to rest his head and his days are numbered, but still he presses on, inviting others to join him along the way of the cross. They will not go. Perhaps it is a sign of the abandonment and isolation Jesus is set to endure in his last hours, as almost everyone he cared about refuses to stay at his side.

The Lord is calling all of us. He calls us to be prophets, apostles, disciples, friends, to serve one another through love, as Paul encouraged the Galatians in today's second reading. The time for excuses is long past. Whether we feel unworthy, unwilling or afraid, let us trust in the Lord and leave it all behind and follow him, that he might lead us to himself, to the Father and to heaven.

Mass Intentions

Monday, July 1

7am Ruth Germosen

Tuesday, July 2

9am Anne Sullivan

Wednesday, July 3

7am Diane Cecala

Thursday, July 4

9am Patricia Kirby

Friday, July 5

7am James Nutile and Ann Marie McGovern

Saturday, July 6

9am Catherine (Dolly) Savarese

5pm Dave Willean

Sunday, July 7

7am Arthur Papetti

9am Simon Vacca

11am Frank & Rose Helfrick

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, James VanDerveer, Mary Borrello Cerrera, and all those listed in Our Lady's Chapel prayer book of intentions.

Sanctuary Lamp

The Sanctuary Lamp burns this week in memory of the 63rd Wedding Anniversary of John and Pat Cox, at the request of John Cox.

Collection

Last Weekend Collection: \$14,662.00*

*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**.

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 to enroll securely online. Our parish code is **NJ658**.

Religious Education



Re-Registration Forms & Calendars

Re-Registration Forms and calendars for the 2019-20 school year were recently mailed to families who attended CTK Religious Education sessions in 2018-19 Thank you to all of the families that have already returned the necessary forms for next year's program. *We ask that you return your registration form to the parish office as soon as possible.*

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If you did not receive the re-registration mailing and your child will be entering **Kindergarten thru 8th grade** in September OR **if you are new to our Religious Education program**, please contact Erin by phone at 973-539-4955 ext.22 or email erin@chuchofchristtheking.org.

First Reconciliation & First Eucharist Registration

Sacrament preparation began at individual informal child & parent meetings. If you did NOT attend a meeting, please contact Erin at 973-539-4955 ext. 22 or erin@chuchofchristtheking.org. Preparation for First Reconciliation and First Eucharist is separate from your family's participation in our Family Based Religious Education program. If you are new to the Parish and have a child who will be in Second grade this September, please phone 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.



Sisters of Christian Charity Employment Opportunity

The Sisters of Christian Charity are looking for a Vehicle Attendant. This is a part-time position, Mon. Tues., Thurs., Fri. Hours are 7 am-11 am. If you or anyone you know may be interested in the position, please have them contact Eileen Davis in the Business Office. Eileen can be reached at bus.manager@scceast.org or 973-543-6528 ext. 5368.

Daily Reading

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

Youth Ministry



- **Youth Ministry Registration is open!** Forms have been emailed home to all 9th & 10th grade families. Please get your forms in ASAP! If you did not receive a form, please email christa@churchofchristtheking.org.
- **Attention ALL COLLEGE STUDENTS!** Please send an email to christa@churchofchristtheking.org with your college address as soon as it is made available to you... just because you are away from home, doesn't mean we forget about you. 😊
- **All First Year Confirmation Students:** Please keep your eye out for an email to sign up for 1 on 1 meeting time slots. Email will be sent once Registration Form is Complete!
- **Calling all 11th & 12th Graders:** Please email Christa if you are interested in being a **RETREAT LEADER** this coming school year!
- **We are still looking for 1 additional chaperone for our trip to Philadelphia, July 7-12.** Please reach out to Christa if you are interested!

CTK YOUTH MINISTRY
ANNUAL FUNDRAISER

HOPE FOR A HOME

"Hope for a Home" is our Youth Ministry Fundraiser to support the youth and young adults of our parish who volunteer their time & talent to help our less fortunate brothers and sisters both in and out of the United States.

This year we will be traveling to Philadelphia to help with issues facing food insecurity and to Guatemala to build a home for those in need. Any donations you can give is greatly appreciated to ensure we can best help those in need receive the necessary resources to live a better life!

Please complete the section below and return it, along with your check, made payable to Church of Christ the King and then mail it to:

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P.O. Box 368
New Vernon, NJ 07976
Attn: Christa FitzPatrick

\$500+ \$250-\$500 \$100-\$250

No gift is too small. Please know that whatever help and support you can give is appreciated in our outreach fundraising!

Other: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

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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.

If any person may have been abused by any priest, they should immediately contact their local County Prosecutor's Office and the Diocese's Victims Assistant Coordinator: Dr. Ken McNiel at 973-879-1489. You may also be in touch with either of the Diocesan Response Officers: Rev. Msgr. James T. Mahoney, Vicar General and Moderator of the Curia, 973-777-8818 ext. 205 or Sister Joan Daniel Healy, S.C.C., Chancellor/Delegate for Religious, 973-777-8818 ext. 248. The entire text of the Policy of the Diocese of Paterson in Response to Complaints of Sexual Abuse is available on the diocesan website: www.patersondiocese.org

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