CHURCH OF CHRIST THE KING

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 6, 2019

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 6**. We invite parishioners to join us on the church steps at **1pm** for a simple blessing. All animals and owners are welcome!





16 Blue Mill Road PO Box 368 New Vernon, NJ 07976 973.539.4955 phone 973.539.9203 fax www.churchofchristtheking.org 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

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 4:15 – 6:30 pm (twice a month)

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION (RCIA)

September—May

Adults interested in becoming Roman Catholic Christians should contact the office at 973.539.4955.

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

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Faith is a gift, and God is the source and giver of that gift.



s we read this Gospel passage, it is hard not to conclude that this request for an increase in faith comes somehow out of the blue. So what prompted the disciples to make this unusual request? To understand that we need to go back to previous passages in Luke's Gospel – the parables about the prodigal son, the dishonest steward, Lazarus and the rich man. Together, they point to a reality that God's ways are different from our ways. They remind us that if we are to be faithful disciples, then we must take our cue not from the world, but from Christ who reveals to us the very mind of God.

We use the word "faith" in different ways – from our denominational identity to our creedal statements. But when Luke speaks here of faith, and indeed when Paul speaks about the gift given through the laying on of hands, they are not simply speaking about creedal statements or identity. Instead, they refer to that gift from God that binds us and empowers us to follow and live in Christ. This is what the disciples sought: an increase in that most precious of all gifts – a strong and enduring relationship with Christ.

It has never been easy to be a Christian. The early Christians had to deal with all sorts of threats and persecutions. So, we can understand why this call to faith is at the heart of the Gospels. By asking Jesus for an increase, the disciples are recognizing that he is the source of this supernatural faith, and that such a faith is not the outcome of human strength or willpower but is sheer gift from God. Because it is a gift, it can never be seen as something we can boast of as our own achievement. We are servants of the Word, and when we respond to it we are simply doing our duty.

We also live in a world where it can be difficult to be faithful disciples. In such a world, our living, acting faith is of more and more importance. To be a faith-filled Christian is not simply about having an inner conviction, but the courage and strength to live that faith on a daily basis.

Christ's word to us today is a word of encouragement that we need only a little trust – the size of the mustard seed – in his strength to carry us through in this life. It is the power of God living in and through us that will ultimately empower us to be faith-filled and faithful.

Mass Intentions

Monday, October 7

7am Daniel P. Nugent, Sr.

Tuesday, October 8

9am Dave Willean

Wednesday, October 9

7am Eleanor Leppin

Thursday, October 10

9am Christie Family (Living)

Friday, October 11

7am Brian Paris

Saturday, October 12

9am Patricia & Alfred Mills

5pm Paul Pellicano, Jr.

Sunday, October 13

7am Charles Cooper

9am William Narduzzi (Living)

11am Anna Dickson

5:30pm Sr. Mary Joseph Schultz (Living)

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 Cerreta, Gerry Matrisciano, Mary Lopez, and all those listed in Our Lady's Chapel prayer book of intentions.

Sanctuary Lamp

The Sanctuary Lamp burns this week in memory of July Rosa at the request of Joan & Lou Dagostino.

Baptism

This weekend we welcome into the Church through the waters of Baptism: Cassius Draconis Daley, son of Justin and Danielle (Nee Raoul).

Collection

Last Weekend Collection: \$13,995.00*

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

Harding Seniors

Friday, October 11 | Trip to Hunterdon Playhouse Performance of "Barefoot in the Park" and Lunch Bus Departs from parking lot of Christ the King

Religious Education



• Family-Based Religious Education

First Thursday Session – October 17 4 to 6pm – In the Parish Hall First Friday Session – October 18 6 to 8pm – In the Parish Hall Pizza will be served for both sessions at 5:45pm

Junior High Religious Education

(Grades 5, 6, 7 & 8) - (please note new session time)

First Parent & Student Session

Sunday, October 6 | 4:15 - 6:30pm

First Student Session

Sunday, October 20 | 4:15 - 6:30pm

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

Sacramental Preparation Inscription Liturgy

Sunday, October 6 – 9 am Mass First Reconciliation Activity Books are due. Children will meet with Erin in St. Joseph's Chapel at 8:45am in preparation of the Liturgy.



Silver and Gold Wedding Anniversary Mass

Couples, were you married in 1969 or 1994? The Diocese of Paterson invites you to celebrate your 25^{th} or 50^{th} wedding anniversary during a special Mass to be offered at the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist in Paterson, NJ, Bishop Serratelli will serve as the main celebrant on this joyful occasion to be held on **Sunday, November 3, 2019 at 3:30pm.** Arrangements can be made by contacting the parish office. The deadline to register is Friday, October 11, 2019. You will receive additional information from the Office of Family Life once your registration has been processed. Congratulations on this joyous occasion!

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.

Interfaith Food Pantry



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.

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Our Prayer Shawl Ministry is meeting once again. Our October gatherings will be held on **Tuesday**, **October 8 at 9:30am** in the **Parish Life Center Library**. All are welcome. If you do not know how to knit or crochet but would like to learn, please join us; there are members willing to teach you. These shawls are given to those who are sick or suffering from our parish and are greatly appreciated.

2019 Bishop's Annual Appeal Diocese of Paterson



"For I Was Hungry"

One of the benefits of giving to our Bishop's Annual Appeal is the knowledge that the funds stay in our own Diocese and only support important needs in Morris, Passaic and Sussex Counties. This local connection means that you may be helping your next-door neighbor, a former pastor now living in our priests' retirement residence, the store owner you see each day as you shop in town – perhaps even a family member. Please help your neighbor in need and make a pledge to other Annual Appeal today! For your convenience, you can make an online gift or pledge at www.2019appeal.org.

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel School

We invite you to get to know Our Lady of Mount Carmel School in Boonton: Please join us for a School Tour on Friday, October 18, from 9 until 10:30. Meet our faculty, witness our classrooms in action, and discover the OLMC difference! Conveniently located in Boonton and open to all in preschool through grade eight, we are the region's number one classical Catholic school. Come and see why we're growing by leaps and bounds, as parents from all over the state increasingly choose OLMC for their children's education. For more details and to register, please visit www.olmc.academy/tour. There will be light refreshments and babysitting is available.

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New NVVFD Auxiliary Fund Raiser

Please save the date and join us for our first annual All You Can Eat BBQ Buffet, **Sunday, October 27 5-7pm at the firehouse,** 22 Village Rd. New Vernon. Food will be supplied by the Minuteman Barbeque, Morristown. All you can eat menu includes: Pulled pork, pulled chicken, beef brisket, potato slider rolls, house made cole slaw, bourbon baked beans, mac & cheese, mild & hot BBQ sauce, desserts, soft drinks, and coffee. BYOB The "All You Can Eat" price is \$25/person - \$15/kids 12+under with reservations up until Oct. 19th. \$30/person at the door the evening of the event, (kids price still \$15). For reservations and questions: Call Connie Cherrillo @ 973-539-9383. Please come out and join us for a fun, delicious night with lots of small-town camaraderie, and help support your NVVFD!!

St. Paul Inside the Walls Bayley-Ellard Alumini Day Saturday, October 12, 2019- 12 to 5 pm 205 Madison Avenue, Madison, NJ 07940



St. Paul Inside the Walls has designated the 2nd Saturday in October every year as BAYLEY-ELLARD ALUMNI DAY. Come tour the restored mansion and Alumni Hall, enjoy pictures and memorabilia, walk around the beautiful grounds, bring a picnic lunch, meet with friends, etc. This is a free event and b.y.o. food and drink if you wish. The Class of '79 will host a Mass in the Chapel (formerly the library) at 3:30 with live music performed by alumni from several classes. We are looking for people to help lead tours of Alumni Hall (formerly Bishop's Hall), so if you will be there that day and can help lead tours for 1 hour, email GinnyEickSmith@gmail.com and let her know what hour you can do between 12 and 4. Thanks so much. Hope to see you there! Feel free to share with your B.E. contacts.

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.**

Sr. Mary Joseph Contact Info



Here is Sister Mary Joseph's email and mailing address (after Nov. 1) if anyone would like to keep in touch: Sister Mary Joseph Schultz, SCC <u>srmjosephs@yahoo.com</u> Haus Mallinckrodt Mallinckrodt Str. 5 D-33098 Paderborn Germany

Liturgical Minister Training Sessions



Lector Training Wednesday, October 9 – 7 pm

Eucharistic Minister Training Wednesday, October 16 – 7 pm

If these times and dates do not work for you, please contact Fr. Brian to make other arrangements.

Daily Reading

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

NEW PARISH DIRECTORY INFORMATION



Lifetouch will be at Christ the King in October and November to photograph all families for a new Parish Directory... all are welcome to be included to make our directory complete!

Please schedule your photography session **TODAY**

To schedule your appointment online click the following link:

https://bit.ly/2maYVKA

If you have any questions or need assistance making your appointment please contact:

LuAnn Romano

luannromano626@gmail.com

(973) 525-7410

WHEN:	Wednesday	October 23	2-9 PM
	Thursday	October 24	2-9 PM
	Friday	October 25	2-9 PM
	Saturday	October 26	10 AM - 5 PM
	Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday	November 6	2-9 PM 2-9 PM 2-9 PM 2-9 PM 10 AM - 5 PM

WHERE: Parish Life Center (2nd Floor)

WHAT TO EXPECT:

- * A professional photography session, NO session fees
- * Be photographed as a full group plus family combinations
- * Pet Friendly photo sessions available
- * View images directly after photo session to make selections
- * An opportunity to purchase additional photographs
 PLUS: 20% off entire order for Seniors, Military and First Responders

YOU WILL RECEIVE:

- * One FREE 8x10 standard print
- * One complimentary pictorial Parish Directory
- * \$30 to spend at <u>shutterfly.com</u> with any Lifetouch photography purchase