

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.*

2nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
January 19, 2020

Deceased Parents Memorial Mass



In light of the passing of Fr. Brian's father, we invite you to join us on this **Tuesday, January 21 at 7 pm** to celebrate a memorial mass in memory of all deceased parents.

This will be a time for us to honor and remember our mothers and fathers that are no longer with us. Let's come together to share the lasting memories and lessons our parents have given us.

All 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 am.

Novena Prayer in Honor of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal

Mondays after the 7 am Mass

Rosary

Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays 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 Jonathan Camiolo at 973.539.4955, 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

2nd Sunday In Ordinary Time

Our baptism calls us into service to the Lord.

Anyone here who has ever been a part of a pickup basketball, football or baseball game as a youth and was not overly athletic knows the anguish of hoping and praying not to be the last one chosen. Now, on the other hand, if the boss was looking for someone to take on a large project that would involve a lot of time and energy, our hope and prayer might be the opposite – stare at the ground and try to become invisible.

In our three readings today, first the prophet was called, and then Paul, and finally, Jesus was called. There was no staring at the ground in hopes of being overlooked – no worries they would be the last one tapped to be God’s servant. In each case, the invitation to service was boldly embraced.

So, today, let us talk about each of us being chosen to be God’s servant. Is this a welcomed call? In an ideal situation we would all say “yes” – yes this is a welcomed call. But on this side of heaven, we do not live in an ideal world, so our answer to the invitation to be God’s servant may cause us to hesitate in boldly saying “yes.” This is quite normal and understandable given all the demands placed upon our time. There are, after all, only 24 hours in a day, right?

It is important here to remember that Isaiah dealt with hardheaded people, and Paul started out persecuting Christians before he became one. Jesus was tempted in the desert and agonized in the garden before he accomplished the Father’s will. We are in good company with our hesitations and difficulties. While we might hesitate for what we think are good reasons, as believers, as followers of Jesus, we can never excuse ourselves from our responsibility to be God’s servants.

Being God’s servant does not necessarily mean running to the nearest seminary, convent or monastery to become a religious or ordained minister of the Church. Although those are indeed good things! What it does mean is seriously reflecting on how God is calling each of us to be his servants.

Yes, some are being called from among our number here to serve the Church as priests, sisters or brothers. Many more are called to marriage. And apart from those vocations, and no matter our state in life, we are all called to holiness.

Let there be no mistake. By virtue of our baptism, we have been called to be servants of the Lord. There are no excuses or exemptions from this call. Our task, therefore, is to live out the call to serve, by growing in faith and holiness. According to the catechism, Christians are “sanctified ... [and] called to be saints” (CCC 1695). Nurses serve, accountants serve, maintenance staff serve, parents serve. Our “job” does not preclude, or improve, the opportunity to serve. As long as we have the love of Christ alive and well within us, then we will be good and faithful servants. And with God’s mercy and grace, we will one day join the communion of saints giving glory to God, forever.

Mass Intentions

Monday, January 20

7am Newton Adukonu

Tuesday, January 21

9am George Sullivan

Wednesday, January 22

11am Msgr. John Corr

Thursday, January 23

9am Rev. Edward Hubert

Friday, January 24

7am James K. Webber

Saturday, January 25

9am Lee Lavita-Stanzione

5pm Frederick Horn, Sr.

Sunday, January 26

7am Joan Clifford

9am William Reynolds

11am Bernard Danese

5:30pm Brian Casse

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

Collection

Last Weekend Collection: \$13,847.00*

*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



• Family-Based Religious Education

Thursday Session – February 6

4 to 6pm – In the Parish Hall

Friday Session – February 7

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)

Parent & Student Session

Sunday, January 26 | 4:15 – 6:30pm

Student Session

Sunday, February 9 | 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 Liturgy

Sunday, February 2 – 9am Mass

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.

Harding Township Seniors

Thursday, January 23, at 11 am

Christ The King Church Parish Hall

Guest Speaker: Sister Joan Marie;

and advocate for the victims of Human Trafficking;

How to Eliminate It from Our Society.

Holy Hour

For Life and World Peace

Wednesday, January 22, 2020 from 7 to 8 pm

St. Vincent de Paul Parish, Stirling

Daily Reading

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



Family Promise of Morris County is a non-sectarian, not-for-profit organization dedicated to ending the crisis of homelessness faced by Morris County families by partnering with other public and private agencies, religious congregations and community volunteers to provide shelter, case management and mentoring services leading to self-sufficiency. Christ the King is a support congregation and is assigned four commitments a year. On those dates we provide and serve dinner and breakfast. We also need two volunteers who are willing to stay overnight.

Would you like to help?

Christ the King is responsible for:

CTK Homeless Support Dinner Evening

Tuesday, February 11

Tuesday dinner (5 – 8:30pm)

CTK Homeless Support Weekend

Friday & Saturday, February 14 & 15

Friday overnight stay (8pm – 8am)

Saturday breakfast & visitation with guests

1st Shift: 8 – 9:30am or

2nd Shift: 9:30 – 11:30am

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED!

Please contact Britta Gangemi for more details at (973) 493-0184 or brittagangemi@gmail.com.

Men's Cornerstone Retreat

Calling all men of the parish. Are you looking to start off the new year with a deeper relationship with our Lord? If so, you are invited to a 24-hour retreat held on January 24th and 25th at the Notre Dame of Mount Carmel Church located at 75 Ridgedale Ave, Cedar Knolls, NJ. Come listen to and reflect upon experiences that demonstrate how God is present in our lives. Contact Matt Cooney at (973) 832-5932 or Edwin Dsouza (908) 635-4135.

March for Life

St. Vincent de Paul Parish will once again have a bus for the annual March for Life on January 24 in Washington, D.C. We begin with 6 am Mass and breakfast @St. Vincent's and the bus returns approximately 9-10 pm. Thanks to generous donations this year the price has been reduced to \$20 (\$25 if registering after 1/15). You may register online at www.stvincentschurch.org/march-for-life.

GUATEMALA COLLEGE OUTREACH TRIP



May 16 – May 23

Over the last 10 years, more than 50 of our college students and young adults have traveled to Guatemala through the organization **From Houses to Homes** and have built more than 16 homes to date!

Right now, we only have 2 confirmed participants and we need at least 5 to build a house! Please don't let this opportunity pass you by and help us continue this wonderful tradition!!

REASON FOR TRIP

During the week, we will have the opportunity to work together as a faith community and learn about our brothers and sisters in Guatemala, giving us a greater sense of self and a better understanding of how we are all called to be disciples of Jesus to one another.

For more information, email or call:

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*A final decision about the feasibility of the trip will be made **by Friday, February 7.***

BIBLE STUDY



Many people want to read the Bible because they know it is God's Word,
but they give up because it seems so complicated.
Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible helps you to get the "big picture" of the Bible
by showing how fourteen narrative books of the Bible tell the complete story
from Adam and Eve to Christ and the Church.

Join us as we

UNLOCKING THE MYSTERY OF THE BIBLE

8 Wednesday Sessions

February 5 – April 1

[no session Ash Wednesday 2/26/20]

9:30-11 am or 7-8:30 pm

Find Registration forms in the Church or Parish Office.

For more information, email or call:

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