

Feast of Our Lord, Jesus Christ the King

November 24th, 2019

MASSES FOR THE NEXT WEEK

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24TH

8:30 A.M. Beverly Lagonikos
10:30A.M. People of the Parish
12:00P.M. Doris O'Rourke

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 25TH

8:00 A.M. Dan McPhillips

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 26TH

8:00 A.M. Alex Marcial, Sr.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 27TH

8:00 A.M. Frances Carnevale

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 28TH - Thanksgiving

9:30 A.M. Walter Connolly

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 29TH

8:00 A.M. Al Jennings

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 30TH

9:00 A.M. Rev. Edward Dillon – Memorial Mass

5:00 P.M. Anna Frazzano

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1ST

8:30 A.M. Francesca Kariyawasam

10:30A.M. People of the Parish

12:00P.M. Kathleen Della Terza (10th Anniversary)

SCRIPTURES:

December 1st – First Sunday of Advent

First Reading: THE WORDS OF ISAIAH URGE ALL PEOPLE TO FORSAKE WAR, AND TO LIVE IN PEACE FOREVER. THE TONE REACHES A CLIMAX IN THE WORDS, "ONE NATION SHALL NOT RAISE THE SWORD AGAINST ANOTHER, NOR SHALL THEY TRAIN FOR WAR AGAIN." (ISAIAH 2: 1-5)

SECOND READING: PAUL INVITES US TO PUT AWAY ALL THE THINGS OF DARKNESS AND SIN AND TO PREPARE FOR THE COMING OF CHRIST. (ROMANS 13: 11-14)

GOSPEL: A COMPARISON IS MADE BETWEEN THE DESTRUCTION CAUSED BY THE FLOOD IN NOAH'S TIME AND THE NEED TO BE PREPARED FOR THE SECOND COMING OF CHRIST. "YOU MUST BE PREPARED IN THE SAME WAY. THE SON OF MAN IS COMING AT THE TIME YOU LEAST EXPECT." (Matthew 24: 37-44)

STEWARDSHIP by the BOOK-November 24th

Today we celebrate Christ the King and are reminded that all was created through Him and for Him. Does my stewardship of the blessings entrusted to me give evidence that Christ is Lord of my life?
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MASS CARDS We are asked to pray for the dead. The best way to do this is to have a mass celebrated in memory of a loved one. Call the rectory 973-663-0211. **Please note-** offering is \$15. **NOTE:** Mass of Living Intention & Healing Mass Cards are available for weekday masses.

RCIA The RCIA process for 2019-2020 Next meeting is Tue. November 26th at 7:15pm in the Rectory.



BAPTISMS are usually performed on the First Sunday of the month at 1pm. To arrange for a Baptism please call the Rectory - 973-663-0211.

Next Baptism prep is Monday Nov 25 at 7:15pm. Baptisms will be celebrated on Sunday December 1st at 1pm.

FLOWERS: This weekend's flowers were donated by Susan & Robert Lee in celebration of their wedding anniversary. If you would like to donate altar flowers in memory of a loved one, or in honor of an occasion e.g. anniversary; please call the Rectory 973-663-0211. \$65-\$75.



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ELEMENTARY SCHOOL -PRE-K-Grade 5

Sunday, November 24th – 8:45AM – (K-5)

MIDDLE SCHOOL -GRADES 6-8

Sunday, November 24th – 6:30-8PM - class
Class Mass – Grade 8

HIGH SCHOOL – GRADES 9-10

Sunday, November 24th- 6:30-8:00PM –classes

No Religious Education Sunday, December 1st.

CHOIR



CHRISTMAS CHOIRS ARE NOW FORMING!

If you would like to join the adult or childrens' choir for Christmas please contact our Choir Director Mrs. Therese Butler at musicministry.olsos@gmail.com. A schedule for practices has been set. Carols will be sung before the 5pm Mass and the 10:30 Mass on Christmas Eve. Make a joyful noise!

Please remember in prayer those who are sick:

Fr. Tim Ryan, Lisa Ann Fisher, Marilyn DiGennaro, Anne Nichols, Annette Maratta, Fr. Jude Salus, Carol Linstedt, Mary Ann Miller, Jennifer Delaney, Mary Lavin, Dora Lavin, George Kapetaneas, Chris & Barbara Young, Robin Wright, Christine Profaca, & all who are ill at this time.

We also pray for the recently deceased: Fr. Ed Dillon, Frances Carnevale, Alex Marcial, Sr., Felix Schimpf.



Religious Education has Advent Wreath sets available. Advent begins December 1st. This practice is a good way to spiritually celebrate this tradition as a family. Please call the Rel. Ed. Office-- 973-663-0124 to purchase a set, or speak with Mrs. Hedrick. \$16 each.

ECUMENICAL THANKSGIVING SERVICE will be held on Sunday, November 24th at 7pm at St. Jude Church, 40 Maxim Drive, Hopatcong. This is a time for our Lake Hopatcong Association of Churches to worship together for the holidays. Free will offering to help our Emergency Fund will be accepted.



Painting with Claudia Dungan

Art Course continues Nov. 24, Dec. 1. (Sat., Dec 14 - make up class if needed). Contact Claudia 973-663-4287

NEW TO THE PARISH Welcome! Please call the rectory (973) 663-0211 and arrange to become a member of our active parish.



THANKSGIVING BASKETS –Religious Education students are requested to bring food for our Thanksgiving Baskets on November 24th. Adults are asked to bring food on November 23-24 to the Church Hall. **ITEMS NEEDED:** Turkeys & hams*, stuffing, fresh and instant potatoes, yams, vegetables (green beans, corn, carrots, spinach, beets, etc.) rice, gravy, cranberry sauce, jelly, tuna, cereal, coffee, tea, fruit juices, dessert mixes. Baskets will be assembled on Sunday, November 24th from 11:30 to 1:00 in the Church Hall by our 8th grade students.

Monetary donations are also needed for our gift certificates.

NOTICE: There will be a Memorial Mass honoring Fr. Ed Dillon on Saturday, November 30th at 9:00AM, followed by a coffee and cake gathering in the Church Hall. Rosary Society will supply desserts & rolls.

THE FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING

Today is the 34th and last Sunday of the Liturgical Year (C). It is also the feast of Christ the King. This feast echoes Ascension Day, Epiphany, and Palm Sunday, the feast which celebrates Christ's royal rule. It was instituted by Pope Pius XI in 1925 as an antidote to the destructive forces of the world. The fall out from the Great War of 1914-18 continued to have repercussions especially in Europe.

The destruction, loss of life and emerging independent countries, meant that a new political landscape had emerged in Europe. The political instability of the Balkan Region has continued from the end of World War I right through the last century, with the exception of the years when Communism ruled. World War I didn't really settle anything except the defeat of Germany and the Austro-Hungarian Empire. It may have also sown the seeds of World War II.

Pope Pius XI could have issued a document, an encyclical to voice opposition to these destructive forces, which included the Bolshevik Revolution in 1917, the rise of Fascism in Italy, the loss of political power for the Church in most countries, and the rampant materialism of the "Roaring Twenties." The Pope believed that an annual feast could be a more effective teacher than an encyclical. Hopefully this feast is still effective in getting us to consider other world realities. The times have changed in many ways since 1925 yet our age is also characterized as an age of rampant materialism. The feast of Christ the King is also a fitting way to focus on the End-Time.

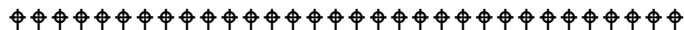
The church provides us with three volumes of scripture readings, to be proclaimed at mass over a three-year period designated as years A, B and C – that constitute the cycle of readings that feed and nourish us spiritually.

Today as year C concludes, we are told by Jesus that we are encouraged to respond positively to the needs of the poor, the hungry, the thirsty, those in prison, if we wish to know eternal life with God. We must see Jesus in the person of the poor in our midst. If we do then we will be with Jesus forever.

The First Sunday of Advent we begin a new liturgical year.

Sincerely in Christ,

Father Chris



FOOD PANTRY **NEW HRS: Mon., TUES., Fri. 1:30-4PM, Thurs. 2-4pm.** Coordinator is Toni Tarighi.

Please call 973-663-0211 to set up an appointment.

Items needed: **CEREAL, SOUPS, PASTA SAUCE,**

STEWES, HASH, Potato Buds, **RICE, CANNED PASTAS,** canned fruit, spinach, carrots, beets, peas, cranberry sauce, stuffing, gravy. **Toiletries: 2-in-1 shampoo,** deodorant, detergent.

Refrigerator: milk, yogurt, OJ, frozen foods- all types.

Thanks to the Bolcars for donations. NOTE: Shoprite gift cards are also accepted.



2019 Bishop's Annual Appeal – "For I Was Hungry..." 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 of giving 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 Annual Appeal today! For your convenience, you can make an online gift or pledge at www.2019appeal.org. Thank you.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

K of C Queen of Lakes Council 51124 will be holding it's First Annual 50/50 raffle to be drawn on Sunday, December 28th. **Tickets costing \$5 each will be sold**

on the weekends of Nov. 23-24, and Dec. 14-15. Proceeds will go to support the Queen of Lakes Council's charitable support such as programs like the "Ultrasound Program," as well as support of those in need in our local communities. Please purchase your tickets and help our Knights help others. Thank you.



ADVENT MEDITATIONS WITH JOSEPH.

Advent is a special season for the Church — it is the time when the world prepares to celebrate anew the coming of Christ. Often, we lose sight of the point of this season because we get caught up in our preparations for Christmas and arrive at Christmas no more transformed than we were at the start of Advent. A way that our parish is seeking to prepare for Jesus' birth and experience true transformation in this powerful season is by engaging with a new program from Ascension. This program is *Rejoice! Advent Meditations with Joseph*. We have the opportunity to walk together, following the Holy Family on their journey to Bethlehem.

Our Parish will be holding an Advent Mission Night on **Monday Nov 25, Wednesday Dec. 4, Wednesday Dec. 11 and Wednesday Dec 18, at 7:30PM in the Church Hall. There will be also an afternoon session on these dates. Rejoice! is an opportunity for our whole community to enter into the season of Advent intentionally and receive the grace God is waiting to give us in this holy season.** Join us for our Advent Mission Night and take full advantage of this transformative experience. Registration forms located in the back of the Church for those interested. We look forward to sharing this journey with you.
Deacon Alberto Totino



THANKSGIVING TURKEY DONATIONS*:

If you are donating to Star of the Sea please call ahead- 973-663-0211. We are in need of turkey breasts, canned hams and fresh hams at this time. We are also accepting

donations of ShopRite and Stop & Shop Gift cards. We will be distributing 56 baskets on Tuesday, November 26th. As always, your support is greatly appreciated. Thank you, Father Chris.

CYO BASKETBALL Games played at Star of the Sea Sunday, November 24, 2019

TEAM	OPONENT	HOME TEAM	TIME
JV BOYS A	St. Phillip A	OLSOS	1:00pm
JV GIRLS A	St. Vincent Mad C	OLSOS	2:15pm
Varsity GIRLS A	Holy Family A	OLSOS	3:30pm
Saturday, November 30, 2019			
Varsity Boys B	St. Vincent Stirl. A	OLSOS	11:00am
(host)JV GIRLS	Sr. Mary, Denville A	St. Phillip A	12:30pm

Thanksgiving Prayer

Thanksgiving is a time of gratitude to God,

whose love is with us forever.

Thanksgiving is a time of changing seasons,

when leaves turn golden & apples are crisp in the chilling breezes of fall.

Thanksgiving is a time to reflect on changes, remembering that we, too, have grown and changed from one season of life to another.

Let us remember the true meaning of Thanksgiving.

In the beauty of Autumn, let us acknowledge the many blessings which are ours... think of our families and friends, and give thanks in our hearts

for them, this bountiful feast, and for the many gifts our Loving God has given us.

Author Unknown, The Marist Brothers



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Thank you for all your help.
Have a blessed Thanksgiving.