# 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. **26<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**September 29, 2019





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: <a href="https://www.patersondiocese.org">www.patersondiocese.org</a>

#### eNEWSLETTER (monthly)

Do you want to know more of what is happening in our parish community? **SIGN UP** to receive our parish eNewsletter at <a href="https://www.churchofchristtheking.org">www.churchofchristtheking.org</a>

## 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Like the poor man in the parable, we are all people in need.



t is a scene that is repeated far too often in far too many places. Usually it occurs near a major intersection or at the end of a freeway off-ramp: an individual, dressed in worn clothing, holding a sign written on cardboard. Sometimes the signs indicate that the person is out of work. Other times, the signs may indicate that they are homeless. Some of the individuals look like they may be veterans down on their luck, but all of them look like they are in need.

Dozens of vehicles stream by; few, if any of them, stop for a moment, roll down a window, and hand a few bills or some change to the person in need. Unfortunately, many of us may, too often, be one of those drivers who keeps eyes focused straight ahead, doing everything we can to not make eye contact with the person in need. Apparently, we think that if we somehow don't see or notice the individual, we don't have to respond to their need.

Jesus' parable in today's Gospel challenges us in a very fundamental way. The problem with the rich man is not so much that he did something wrong. The problem is that he did nothing at all. One can imagine the rich man walking out his front gate each day, carefully stepping over Lazarus, intently trying not to notice his need, and trying to avoid doing anything to alleviate his suffering. All it would have taken was a little food, a little bit of human kindness, some clean clothing, a decent coat and a warm hat. Very practical things and perhaps things that the rich man had in abundance and could easily have shared with someone in need – but he didn't.

When someone is in need, we may not be able to solve all their problems, but we can often do little things with great care to ease their sadness and suffering. All that is needed is a little food; some clean, used clothes; a bottle of water and a cereal bar; a gift card to a fast-food restaurant; a listening ear and a prayerful heart. The willingness to give these little bits of our selves can ease the burdens of another. It is good to keep this in mind as the weather begins to cool and the nights become longer. We are dependent upon one another, and we are dependent upon God. We are all needy people.

That is what we admit in this Eucharist – we are a people in need. We need God's love. We need God's forgiveness. We need our Savior, who freely offers himself to save us and bring us to eternal life.

In this Eucharist, Jesus reaches out to each of us as we reach out with our hands and with our hearts. Jesus offers us his love and comfort in his body and blood, so that we can share that with those around us.

#### **Mass Intentions**

#### Monday, September 30

7am Margaret Rochford

#### Tuesday, October 1

9am Harold & Maurice Mills

#### Wednesday, October 2

7am Peter Michael Conroy III

Thursday, October 3

9am Dennis Joseph Murphy

#### Friday, October 4

7am Stanley Borant

#### Saturday, October 5

9am Nancy Romain

5pm Deceased Members of the O'Shea & Leahy Families

#### Sunday, October 6

7am Peter M. Johnson

9am Geraldine Feula

11am Arthur Papetti, Sr.

5:30pm Nancy Higgins

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.

#### **Baptism**

This weekend we welcome into the Church through the waters of Baptism: Nico Rhys Mani, son of Rohan and Alyssa (Nee DaCosta).

#### Collection

#### **Last Weekend Collection:** \$15,345.00\*

\*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 <a href="https://www.faithdirect.net">www.faithdirect.net</a>. Our parish code is **NI658**.

# 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.

## **Daily Reading**

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

## **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.

#### 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.



#### **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 <a href="https://www.faithdirect.net">www.faithdirect.net</a> to enroll securely online. Our parish code is **NJ658.** 

# 2019 Bishop's Annual Appeal Diocese of Paterson



#### "For I Was Hungry"

While there are many ways to donate to the Annual Appeal, there is one option unique to people who are 701/2 or over and have an IRA. If you are in this category, the IRS requires you to take a required minimum distribution from your IRA each year. As a result, this distribution is added to your taxable income and increases the amount of taxes owed to the government. However, instead of taking your required minimum distribution, you can instruct your IRA investment manager to donate this distribution to a charity such as the Bishop's Annual Appeal and this automatically omits this amount from your adjusted gross income. This tax benefit can be realized by all qualifying individuals, whether you take the standard deduction or itemize your deductions. This can be a significant benefit to you and a great way to support the work of the Bishop's Annual Appeal. For more information, call the Bishop's Annual Appeal office at 937-777-8818, ext. 218. If you are considering making a charitable donation using your IRA required minimum distribution, please be sure to first discuss this with your financial or tax advisor to make sure it is right for you.

## Silver and Gold Wedding Anniversary Mass

Couples, were you married in 1969 or 1994? The Diocese of Paterson invites you to celebrate your 25<sup>th</sup> or 50<sup>th</sup> 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!

## 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 <a href="mailto:smmjosephs@yahoo.com">smmjosephs@yahoo.com</a>
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## **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

# Liturgical Minister

# **Training Sessions**



## **Altar Servers**

(4th Grade and Older) Wednesday, October 2 – 4 pm or Saturday October 5 – 10:30 am

## **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.