

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.*

18th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
August 5, 2018

The Lord gave them bread from heaven...



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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

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Here in this desert, we are being wonderfully fed.



How wonderfully God provides for the needs of his people. In today's first reading, God generously responds to the complaints of the people he has miraculously freed from slavery, by providing daily rations of quail and manna – in a desert! He gives them just as much as they need, when they need it, inviting them to trust in him to fulfill every necessity, every day.

More than one thousand years later, Jesus explains to the crowd that he is the bread of life – the answer to every need. He is the one who fulfills every necessity, every day, for he is food that endures for eternal life.

We have much in common with both the Israelites who wandered in the desert, and with the crowds who were fed by Jesus and later sought him out, looking for more. Whether we live in a bustling city, in a suburb or in the remotest rural area, we face deserts in our own lives – difficult times when we seem to be lost or facing impossible challenges.

Jesus reminds us, as he reminded the people of his time, that we need to rely for strength and nourishment on food that is “imperishable” – food that will feed our souls and bring us eternal life. This is not unlike Saint Paul's message to the Ephesians, that they must no longer live as the Gentiles do, in the futility of their minds ... you should put away the old self ... and be renewed in the spirit of your minds. Paul, of course, is speaking not just of how we think, but how we live. And living in the Christian community means celebrating and partaking of the Eucharist, the sacrament which forms and transforms us to live in this world and the next.

As the crowds did, and the Ephesians did, let us seek Jesus and rely on him when we need anything. He is the one sent by God to bring life to the world – and to help us through the desert journey of this life.

Pray for the Sick

Joan Dagostino, Kristen Johnson, Kathryn Olden, Grant Martin Scruggs, John Allen, Tawny Wamack, Theresa Padula, Susan Alai, and all those listed in Our Lady's Chapel prayer book of intentions.

Mass Intentions

Monday, August 6

7am Antoinette A. Mennella

Tuesday, August 7

9am Margaret Feledy

Wednesday, August 8

7am Fred Witt

Thursday, August 9

9am Alice Benning

Friday, August 10

7am Florence Swan

Saturday, August 11

9am Annie Virrill

5pm Mark Trombetta

Sunday, August 12

7am Fred & Dot Yeomans

9am Flora Quesada

11am Joseph Mansfield

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.

Collection

Last Weekend Collection: \$13,791.00*

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

Next weekend we welcome Father Yesu Mulakaleti who will speak at all the Masses on behalf of our second collection for the **Missionary Cooperation Appeal**.

Dear Friends,

The Diocese promotes programs imparting education to the SC, ST, tribal children, backward classes and all who are deprived of education opportunities. Skill training programs are available for rural drop out children, bonded labor, young and widowed women.

The most urgent needs of the people in the rural zone and villages are safe drinking water, sanitation, education and support for young girls, widows and aged.

The above listed programs are being taken by the Diocese and imparts in the missions. The diocese depends very much on the generous contributions of people like you. To reach the people and enrich their bright future.

Your generosity in support of this collection is greatly appreciated.

Rev. Yesu Mulakaleti

Checks should be made payable to Church of Christ the King. Please include in the memo section: “Missionary Cooperation Plan”.

Religious Education



Re-Registration Forms & Calendars

Re-Registration Forms and calendars for the 2018-19 school year were recently mailed to families who attended CTK Religious Education sessions in 2017-18. 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.

Attention parents of current 1st graders

This is the traditional year for children to prepare and receive the Sacraments of both Reconciliation & Eucharist. Preparation for First Eucharist is separate from your family's participation in our Family Based Religious Education program.

We began preparation for the sacraments at individual informal child & parent meetings. If you have **not** met with Erin and have a child who will be in 2nd grade this September, please call Erin Ranft at (973)539-4955 ext. 22 or email at erin@churchofchristtheking.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.



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**.

Interfaith Food Pantry



When I was hungry, you gave me to eat.

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.

Saint of the Week

August 9 | *St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross (Edith Stein)*

Edith Stein, distinguished philosopher, convert, and martyr, was born on October 12, 1891 into a large, devout Jewish family in Poland. She was the youngest of eleven, and the favorite of her mother. Unfortunately, by her teenage years she became an atheist.

Edith was very gifted and applied herself to the study of philosophy in Germany. When World War I erupted, she volunteered as a nurse in an infectious disease hospital. During her studies, Edith was taken up with the writings and especially the autobiography of St. Teresa of Avila, a Carmelite and Doctor of the Church. It was this reading that contributed to her conversion to the Catholic Church in 1922. Eleven years later she entered the Carmelite monastery in Cologne to devote her life totally to the pursuit of God. She took the name Sister Teresa Benedicta of the Cross. Her sister, Rosa, likewise converted and entered Carmel.

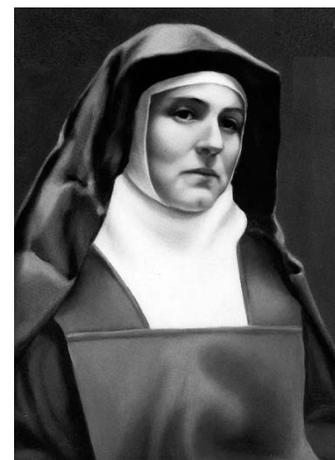
At the outbreak of the Nazi regime, the two sisters were transferred to a Carmelite monastery in Holland for protection. Sister Teresa felt she would not survive the war, and began to embrace the idea that she would be sent to a concentration camp. She even "practiced" being cold and hungry in preparation. After the Nazi invasion of Holland, she and Rosa were indeed arrested and sent to Auschwitz, where they died together in the gas chamber on August 9, 1942.

St. Teresa Benedicta was canonized in 1998. She is memorialized throughout the world, particularly with schools named in her honor.

Pray for us, St. Teresa Benedicta, that we might persevere in our quest for God, no matter where it may take us.

Daily Reading

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



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PARISH DEVOTIONS

Novena Prayers in Honor of the Sacred Heart

First Fridays during morning Mass at 7:00am.

Novena Prayer in Honor of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal

Mondays after the 7:00am Mass

Rosary

Tuesdays and Thursdays after the 9:00am Mass

Holy Hour of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

First Saturday of the month, 8:00am

Reconciliation (Individual Confession)

Saturday 9:30-10:15am

BAPTISMS

Sundays after the 11:00am Mass at 12:15pm, 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 10:00-10:45am (as scheduled)

Family Based Model

Grade 5 may select FBRE or Jr. High option
Families with children K-5

Thursday 4-6pm or Friday 6-8pm, (monthly as scheduled)

Junior High – Grades 5-8

Sundays 5:30-8:00pm (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.

eNEWSLETTER (monthly)

Do you want to know more of what is happening in our parish community?

SIGN UP to receive our parish eNewsletter at
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