

# CHURCH OF CHRIST THE KING NEW VERNON, 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.*

**24<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
September 16, 2018

## Welcome Back from Summer

*A 3-part social event to kick start the new season!*

**Friday, September 28  
at 6:45 pm**

We will start outside with Fr. Brian leading us in a short ceremony, blessing our new roof, then go into the church for a contemporary music presentation by our Music Ministry with an intergenerational vocal ensemble and band, followed by a reception downstairs in our Parish Hall.

*This is the event of the season that can't be missed!*



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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 7:00am.

### 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  
[www.churchofchristtheking.org](http://www.churchofchristtheking.org)

## 24<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

*The story of Peter, with all its twists and turns, is one that every Christian can learn from.*



**P**eter is rightly recognized as a great saint. Many see themselves reflected in his flawed humanity and find hope in the fact that, despite all his struggles, he ultimately became a saint. But what makes Peter a great saint is not his flaws, but his deep faith in Christ. It is the fact that he finally came to embrace the truth of Jesus' words: Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me.

This truth is evident when we recall that it was Peter who denied and deserted Jesus in his time of need. There, the one who declares Jesus to be the Messiah proved himself to be a fair-weather friend. So great is Peter's misunderstanding of Jesus and his mission that he even felt able to rebuke him. But in one of the most shocking Gospel interactions, Jesus turns on Peter in the strongest way: Get behind me, Satan. You are thinking not as God does, but as human beings do. Strong words indeed! But deserved by Peter for he is totally out of step with Christ.

As we hear this Gospel, it is good for us to ask what we believe about Jesus. If we simply see him as a prophet, can we truly believe in the reconciliation offered through his cross and Resurrection? Or are we like Peter, happy to confess that he is the Christ but unable to embrace the fullness of what that means?

To imitate Peter it is best to see his whole story – his post-denial regret and tears, his declarations of love at the Sea of Galilee and his post-Pentecost courage to preach the risen Christ. These are what make Peter great and worthy of our admiration. We can learn much from Peter. And although we might be attracted by his flawed humanity, we should not ignore the work that God has done in strengthening and empowering him to be a disciple and evangelist.

Like Peter we, too, need to let Christ change us if we are to let go of the human way of thinking. Yes, it's difficult but necessary. Baptism is never just a moment in time or a cultural expectation, but the beginning of a relationship with Christ. And it's a relationship that lasts all of our lives and calls us to be always open to Christ and his Word.

## Mass Intentions

**Monday, September 17**

7am Joan Aumand

**Tuesday, September 18**

9am Frank and Michalina Oberc / Jeanne Nichols

**Wednesday, September 19**

7am Evelyn Aquila

**Thursday, September 20**

9am Marie Magnier

**Friday, September 21**

7am Benedict Aspero, Sr.

**Saturday, September 22**

9am Robert Zachary Buns

5pm John Roy

**Sunday, September 23**

7am George Sullivan

9am David Sovetts

11am Dorsey Thebault

5:30pm Richard Grover

*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.*

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## Pray for the Sick

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

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## Collection

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](http://www.faithdirect.net). Our parish code is **NJ658**.

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## Baptism

This weekend we welcome into the Church through the waters of Baptism Mason Liam Carroll, son of Brendan and Jessica (Nee Saraceno), Colin and Mathew Darling sons of Brian and Michelle (Nee Parlapiano), Giovanni Vazquez, son of Alexander and Alyssa (Nee Dellureficio),

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## 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.

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## Daily Reading

Find Today's Readings at [www.bit.ly/2gGKsiU](http://www.bit.ly/2gGKsiU)

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## Religious Education



### • Kindergarten Religious Education

(Monthly Sunday)

**First Session** – September 30, 10 – 10:45am – PLC Library

### • Family-Based Religious Education

**First Thursday Session – September 20**

4 to 6pm – In the Parish Hall

**First Friday Session – September 21**

6 to 8pm – In the Parish Hall

*Pizza will be served for both sessions at 5:45pm*

**First Grades 1-5 Learning Session**

Thursday, October 18 – 4 to 5pm – Parish Hall

### • Junior High Religious Education

(Grades 5, 6, 7 & 8)

**First Student Session** – Sunday September 30 6:30 – 8pm

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

### • Sacramental Preparation Inscription Liturgy

Sunday, September 30 – 9am 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.*

If you are new to the Parish and have a child in the Second grade, please contact Erin at 973-539-4955 ext. 22 or [erin@churchofchristtheking.org](mailto: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.*

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## 2018 Bishop's Annual Appeal

### Here I Am Lord!

Over the years, more and more parishioners have chosen to support the Bishop's Annual

Appeal by making an on-line gift. Simply go to [www.2018appeal.org](http://www.2018appeal.org) and follow the instructions. You can either make a one-time gift or a pledge with monthly payments made automatically for your convenience. Whether it is a pledge, a one-time gift, or an on-line donation, your support is greatly needed. Every single gift counts! Please participate in the 2018 Appeal today!

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Diocese of Paterson



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## Meetings & Happenings

**Monday, September 17**

7pm Youth Ministry | *ABC's of Our Faith*

**Tuesday, September 18**

9am Mass / CTK Breakfast Club

7pm September 28 Concert Rehearsal

**Wednesday, September 19**

7pm New Day Bereavement Group

**Thursday, September 20**

9:30am Bible into Life

4pm Family Based Religious Education

**Friday, September 21**

10:30am Bible Study

6pm Family Based Religious Education

**Saturday, May 22**

9:30am Reconciliation

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## New Day Bereavement Sessions



Starting on September 19, the "New Day" Bereavement Group will meet for nine evening sessions. If you are interested in this 9-week healing journey or if you know someone who might be helped through their grieving process, please contact Sister Mary Joseph to register: 973-539-4955, ex.13 or [srmaryjoseph@churchofchristtheking.org](mailto:srmaryjoseph@churchofchristtheking.org).

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## Women of Grace®



Ladies 18 years of age and older are welcome to join our parish Women of Grace® group. We will begin meeting on **Monday, September 24** in the Parish Center Library. Choose either the morning session at 10am or the evening session at 7pm. This nationwide study group is designed to assist women to pursue their true feminine vocation as together we study the Catholic faith, Scripture, the saints, and the Catechism of the Catholic Church. To register, contact Sister Mary Joseph at the parish office or email: [srmaryjoseph@churchofchristtheking.org](mailto:srmaryjoseph@churchofchristtheking.org).

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## Flu Clinic

The Harding Township Health Department has scheduled their influenza immunization clinics Thursday, September 27 from 9 to 11am and Thursday, October 4, 2018. Both will take place at the Kirby Municipal Building. (Vaccine cannot be administered to persons under 18 years of age.)

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## Silver and Gold Wedding Anniversary Mass

Couples, were you married in 1968 or 1993? The Diocese of Paterson invites you to celebrate your 25th or 50th 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 main celebrant on this joyful occasion to be held on **Sunday, November 4, 2018 at 3:30pm**. Arrangements can be made by contacting the parish office. The deadline to register is Monday, October 15, 2018. You will receive additional information from the Office of Family Life once your registration has been processed. Congratulations on this joyous occasion!



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## Matthew & Jonathan Sellitto Golf Outing

**Thursday, September 20, 2018,**  
Ballyowen Golf Club, Hamburg, NJ

Schedule of Events:

9am Registration/Warm-up

9:30am Brunch, 11am Shotgun Start,

4pm Cocktail Reception and Awards Ceremony

Information and/or registration call 973-432-0455 or email: [mtsellitto@gmail.com](mailto:mtsellitto@gmail.com).

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## Sisters of Christian Charity Golf Outing



The Sisters of Christian Charity will be holding their Fourth Annual Golf Outing at Cedar Hill Golf and Country Club in Livingston, New Jersey on **Thursday, September 27**. Registrations begin at 10am, at which time the practice range will also open and brunch will be served. Sponsorship opportunities and combination packages are also available. For more information, please visit [www.scceast.org](http://www.scceast.org), or contact Casey Dolan, Associate Director of Mission Advancement via email at [Dev.director@scceast.org](mailto:Dev.director@scceast.org), or call 973-543-6528.

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## 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Loyola Jesuit Center Golf Outing

**Monday, October 1, 2018**

Spring Brook Country Club, Morristown, NJ

A day of Fun, Community and Support of Loyola Dinner and Live/Silent Auction to follow Golf. Visit [www.loyola.org](http://www.loyola.org) for information and registration.

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## Family Promise

**Family Promise** provides emergency shelter, meals and support services. 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, October 9

Tuesday dinner (5 – 8:30pm)

### CTK Homeless Support Weekend

Friday & Saturday, October 12 & 13

Friday overnight stay (8pm – 8am)

### Saturday breakfast & visitation with guests

1<sup>st</sup> Shift: 8 – 9:30am or 2<sup>nd</sup> Shift: 9:30 – 11:30am

### Volunteers are still needed for Saturday's shifts!

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

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## Saint of the Week

September 17 | Mother Frances Warde

**W**hile Mother Frances is not yet declared a saint, she definitely was an influential force for good during her own lifetime and beyond.

Frances Warde was born in Ireland in 1810 and left motherless in infancy. She met Catherine McCauley in 1826. Catherine was in the process of founding the Sisters of Mercy and Frances joined with her to help manage a house for Homeless Children. As soon as the Sisters of Mercy were established, Frances joined them as one of the first professed members of the Congregation. Immediately she began to work among the poor of Dublin and helped to establish other foundations of the Sisters of Mercy in Ireland.

She traveled to Pittsburgh with six other companions in 1843 in order to open a new mission of the Sisters of Mercy, at the invitation of Bishop Michael O'Connor. As with many other groups of women religious at the time, their original work was for a specific group of immigrants. In this case it was the Irish. Quickly the Congregation grew in numbers and expanded throughout southeastern New England, opening parish schools, homes for the poor and orphans, hospitals, and working in penitentiaries.

The anti-Catholic sentiment of the time erupted in threats from the "Know-Nothings" in Providence, Rhode Island. A mob of several thousand gathered to burn down the convent, calling the Sisters "female Jesuits." The mayor advised the Sisters to flee, but the bishop and Mother Warde refused to back down. The mob was shamed into dispersing.

After a life of tireless efforts, most of which was spent as the superior of the Sisters in the U.S., Mother Frances Warde died on September 17, 1884 after establishing twenty-seven convents in ten states.

*Mother Frances, obtain for us the grace to stand firm in our beliefs, even should a mob attack and threaten us.*

# 2018 Adult Guatemala Outreach Trip

This past July, Fr. Brian and a few of our parishioners traveled down to Guatemala to volunteer through the organization From Houses to Homes! Thank you to everyone for your generous donations, support and prayers! Below are some pictures to capture the experience of our week and we hope that you can join us next year! For more information about this wonderful organization, please visit [www.fromhousestohomes.org](http://www.fromhousestohomes.org).

