



Our Lady of Good Counsel

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MASS SCHEDULE

Monday – Friday 7:30 am
Saturday – 8:00 am
Monday's of Holiday Weekends - Daily
Mass time moves to 8:30 am

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday – 5:00 pm
Sunday – 8:30 am and 10:30 am
Confessions Saturday: 4:00 to 4:30 pm

Holy Days

7:30 am, 12 Noon & 7:00 pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
First Friday of every month 8:00 am to
7:00 pm

Registration: All parishioners should be
registered. Please contact the Rectory
Office when entering or leaving the
parish.

Parish Secretary:
Monday-Wednesday Debbie Smith
Webmaster/Bulletin 609-882-3277x3
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Administrative Assistant:
Thursday-Friday Mary Szmuto
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25th Sunday in Ordinary time



Our Lady of Good Counsel Church
137 West Upper Ferry Road, West Trenton, NJ

Parish Ministries & Services

Parish Rectory & Office 609-882-3277
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M–F 9AM to 3PM

Religious Education—Brenda O'Callaghan, CRE
E-mail: olgc.re.wt@gmail.com 609-883-9005

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Adult Faith Formation/RCIA

Deacon Steve Szmuto 609-947-0587

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Infant Baptism Mary Szmuto 609-847-0796

Liturgical Ministers Mary Szmuto 609-882-3277x3

Mary's of Mary-Mary Arcadipane 609-883-7620

Music Ministry Deirdre Hindley 609-882-3215

Sr.'s Club Mary Pat Voorhees, Pres. 570-290-2373

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SATURDAY, 5:00 PM	SEPTEMBER 21, 2024 Intentions of Emily & A. Joseph Dempster on their 22nd Wedding Anniversary r/o Deacon Steve & Mary Szmuto Frank F. Mele r/o W. M. Orendorf
SUNDAY, 8:30 AM	SEPTEMBER 22, 2024 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time Intentions of Frederic & Mitzi Baker on their 51st Wedding Anniversary and Robert Paterson r/o Deacon Steve and Mary Szmuto
10:30 AM	Anthony Joseph Tassone, Jr. r/o Heenan Family People of the Parish
MONDAY, 7:30 AM	SEPTEMBER 23, 2024 Intentions of St. Padre Pio r/o Parish Felix Forconi r/o Patti Pagnani & Albert Janec
TUESDAY, 7:30 AM	SEPTEMBER 24, 2024 Reynaldo Obed (Anniv) r/o Gaudyterry Albano
WEDNESDAY, 7:30 AM Family	SEPTEMBER 25, 2024 Deceased Fekete & Walley Family r/o Lydia Lopez r/o Elaine Palatine
THURSDAY, 7:30 AM	SEPTEMBER 26, 2024 Intentions of Archbishop Carlo Maria Viganò r/o Eileen & Michael Giglio
FRIDAY, 7:30 AM	SEPTEMBER 27, 2024 Intentions of Archbishop Carlo Maria Viganò r/o Eileen & Michael Giglio
SATURDAY, 8:00 AM	SEPTEMBER 28, 2024 Priest's Intention
5:00 PM	Joseph Russo r/o M/M John Jaremback Healing Intentions Richard Palatine r/o Elaine Palatine
SUNDAY, 8:30 AM	SEPTEMBER 29, 2024 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time Maria Hegyi r/o Daughter, Terri Hegyi People of the Parish
10:30 AM	Ray Coryell r/o John & JoAnn Jaremback Mary Brown r/o Susan Schiller

Readers

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28 5:00 PM	Chaya Colazzo
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29 8:30 AM	Fran Golinski
10:30 AM	Catherine Ard

Eucharistic Ministers

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28 5:00 PM	Jackie Crane
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29 8:30 AM	Dennis Hice
10:30 AM	Tony Jones

Altar Servers

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28 5:00 PM	James Gummel, Alana Colazzo
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29 8:30 AM	Brayden Spina, Daniel Wilkes
10:30 AM	MacKaylah Yung, Sebastian Reyes

News & Events

Monday, September 23, Religious Education Classes Grades 1-7, 6:00-7:15 pm in the Parish Hall.

Saturday, September 28, Novenas in honor of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal and St. Jude follow morning Mass.

Reconciliation 4-4:30 PM.



Pray for our Sick:

Kevin Baker, Mitzi Baker, Rosalie Baldanzi, Erin Barba-to, Col. Gabriel Beck, Rosemarie Buker, Richard Cook, Joseph and Marilyn Dablewski, Sarah Dowd, Al Gatto, Leo Genovesi, Brian Gershon, Phil Glaser, Sandra Goeke, Elizabeth Gonzalez, Theresa Gregorio, Sherri Hanlon, Eileen and James A. Keenan, IV, Mary Lou Kramli, Carol Lake, Laura Lynch, Kevin Mattis, Kevin McBride, Keith Mello, Joan Moore, Marie Muscente, Kim Nash, Angelika Niranjan, Debbie Paterson, Carol Perrine, Dominic Petito, Jennifer Andres, Gadiel Quiroga, Lucy Saganowski, Vincent Schnell, G. Welly Samuels, Debbie Sattler, Gregory Schafer, Steve and Pamela Schmierer, Dolores Sebasto, Kristy Shananan, Linda Solinski, Brenda Thornley, Erin Cahill Wetzell, Stanley Wrobel and all parishioners who are sick or homebound.

Please call the parish office to add a name to the prayer list and to inform us when all is well so we may take a name off the list.

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Reflection

Reading I: Wisdom 2:12, 17-20
Responsorial Psalm: 54:3-4, 5, 6, 8
Reading II: James 3:16-4:3
Gospel: Mark 9:30-37

“The Son of Man is to be handed over to men and they will kill him, and three days after his death the Son of Man will rise.” (Mark 9: 31b)

Mark’s Gospel portrays Jesus as the “Suffering Servant.” Its sixteen brief chapters take us directly to the cross, offering all who profess to be his disciples the way to true salvation. Today’s Gospel reading emphasizes both the “suffering” and the “servant” aspects of our discipleship. We are called to the glory of Jesus’ resurrection, but only within the context of the cross and its demands for humble servitude. The way of the cross is the hallmark of our “radical Christianity.”

The first part of the reading is concerned with the nature of Christ’s passion, which is different from a human concept of Messianic glory. As the disciples witnessed the healing power and authoritative teaching

of Jesus, they perhaps envisioned glorious triumph over oppression and evil as they shared in the earthly trappings of power and majesty. Jesus’ teaching of subjugation, suffering and death raised uncomfortable questions about their own journeys. From their limited perspective, a future of humiliation and death was inconsistent with the Messianic promise.

As they entered Capernaum, Jesus – knowing their hearts – asked them what they had been discussing. They fell silent, for they had been arguing about their own greatness and their place among the followers of Jesus. Here we return to the themes of service and humility – the genuine costs of discipleship. Jesus gathered the Twelve and, placing a child – a symbol of powerlessness and vulnerability – in their midst, said to them:

“Whoever receives a child such as this in my name, receives me; and whoever receives me, receives not me but the One who sent me.” (Mark 9: 37)


Jesus emphasized his role of service to the will of the Father and thus, called his followers to that same service. In his letter, Saint James contrasts the earthly wisdom of members of the early Church community, which leads to conflict and disorder, with the wisdom from above, which is “first of all pure, then peaceable, gentle, compliant, full of mercy and good fruits, without inconstancy or insincerity.”

We are called, as followers of the “Suffering Servant,” to a life of radical Christianity. Ours is not earthly glory; rather we are challenged to be like Christ – servants oriented to a life of loving service and compassion. If we truly aspire to be disciples of the Lord, it must be for his glory. Salvation is not won in domination, but in unconditional submission to the Father’s will. Jesus’ disciples did not readily understand this; too often, we fail to grasp this essential truth.

God can do all things; we are not God. Only in our humble acceptance of His divine will can we be saved. Our faith, manifested in an offering of our entire being, will bring us to a share in the Heavenly Kingdom. The way of the Cross is not an easy way – but it is the only way.

“If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all.” (Mark 9: 35b)

Deacon Steve Szmuto

CHURCH  SUPPORT

COLLECTION REPORT

Registered Parish Families	688
Parishioners using envelopes	110
Envelope Contributions	\$2,767.00
Average Contribution	\$25.15
Loose Cash	\$402.00
Total Contributions September 15:	\$3,169.00
Total Parish Giving August:	\$4,152.00

Thank you for your generosity!

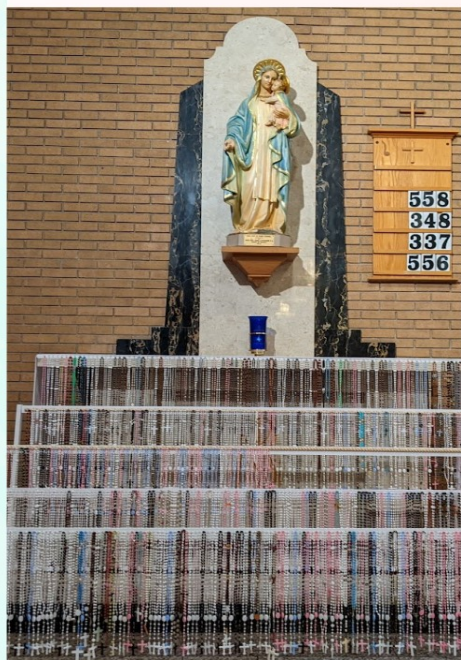
EUCHARIST FOR THE HOMEBOUND



If you or someone you know is unable to come to Mass because of significant illness or long-term disability, Fr. Ariel and our Eucharistic Ministers will visit area homes to bring the Blessed Sacrament. Please call the parish office at 609-882-3277x3 to inform us you would like to be added to the **Communion Call list**. Homebound members will be scheduled to receive the Eucharist at home.

October

Month of the Rosary and Respect Life



40,000 Hail Mary's Project

Our goal is to offer **40,000 Hail Mary's** to the Blessed Mother for peace and healing of the world. We encourage everyone to pray the Rosary until we reach the goal of 40,000 Hail Mary's (800 Rosary recitations). Please hang a rosary bead on the Altar of the BVM when you come to church for each Rosary you complete. Each Rosary is 50 Hail Mary's.

Homebound/Can't come to Church: We need your prayers too ~ Please call **Mary Arcadipane at 609-883-7620**. She will gladly add your Rosary offered to the BVM Altar for you.

RESPECT FOR LIFE

October is Respect for Life Month. We shall have an **Exposition and Veneration of the Most Blessed Sacrament on October 12 from 8:30 AM to 12:00 Noon** where we shall pray to honor God the Father, Creator of all Life and seek peace for the upcoming elections. All are invited to join. A visiting Cenacle prayer group will join us in prayer.

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Blessing of the Animals

In honor of St. Francis



Saturday,
October 5th
9:00am

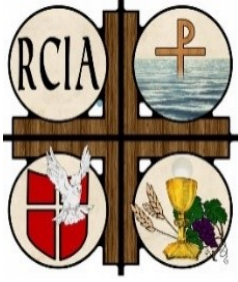
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America Needs Fatima (ANF) Rosary Rally Saturday, October 12th 12 noon - 1 pm

We will gather in front of the Our Lady of Fatima statue. Inclement weather we will be in Church.

Please join us in prayer.



BECOMING CATHOLIC RCIA

Rite of Christian Initiation

Have you been called by Jesus Christ to the fullness of the faith – the Catholic Church?

If you or someone you know are interested in becoming Catholic, or completing their Sacraments of Initiation – those never baptized; those baptized in other Christian denominations; or those baptized Catholic, but never confirmed or formed in the faith – call or text Deacon Steve at 609-947-0587 or email

deaconstevenszmutko@gmail.com

to set up an informal and confidential conversation and start the process.



VILLA VICTORIA
ACADEMY

High School Open House Villa Victoria Academy

**Saturday October 19, 2024
1:00-3:00 pm**

Visit during our Open House and meet some of our Villa girls, parents, alumnae and teachers. Register on our website and a time for your family to visit will be assigned to you. Walk-in families are also welcome. Contact Mrs. White at cwhite@villavictoria.org for more information or to register.

Registration is also available at <https://villavictoria.org/admissions/open-house/>.
Villa Victoria Academy, 376 W. Upper Ferry Road, Ewing, NJ

2024 Loaves & Fishes Event

October 26, 2024

Although it is only September, it is not too early for the parishioners of Incarnation-St. James in cooperation with the parishioners of Our Lady of Good Counsel, to begin thinking about the commitment to our annual Loaves and Fishes Event, which takes place every year in the fall. This year, our serving date is Saturday, October 26, 2024.

Basically, we plan to continue to serve a hot meatball sandwich, potato salad, a bag of chips, a package of cookies and a drink. In addition, we have been asked to continue to provide a take home lunch (peanut butter and jelly sandwich, package of cheese crackers, cookies/protein bar, and a juice carton). In addition, each guest will leave with an extra hot meatball sandwich.

We are asking for volunteers to help serve at this year's event, as we will be feeding 250 guest at their tables. As in the past few years, we need your financial support, so please be as generous you can due to cost increases this year.

Please place your donation with your name in an envelope marked "Loaves and Fishes." You may return your donation throughout the month of October in the weekly collection basket or mail /drop off to the Rectory.

At this time, there is a real urgency to feed the needy in the Trenton area and we are looking forward to keeping our tradition of assistance going strong as we do God's work.

Thank you in advance for your generosity.
Peter Brennan, Chairperson



Trunk or Treat



Sunday, October 27

**Festivities begin at 3 pm
in the Parish Hall**

How to join in the fun:

- **Bring your children/grandchildren in costume**
- **Decorate your car & bring treats for the kids**
- **Volunteer to assist with logistics**

**To RSVP or for more information
Contact Nancy Finn at 732-735-5492 or
nfinn1121@gmail.com**

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