



**The Solemnity of  
OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST,  
King of the Universe**

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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 Parish Office.

# Our Lady of Good Counsel Church

## Masses For The Week



<b>SATURDAY,</b> 5:00 PM	<b>NOVEMBER 23, 2024</b> Deceased Dolton Family r/o Helen Marie Dolton Christina Beck r/o Joann & Johnny Fort
<b>SUNDAY,</b> 8:30 AM	<b>NOVEMBER 24, 2024</b> <b>Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe</b> Steven Dill & John Hutton r/o John & JoAnn Jaremback Wayne Lecato r/o Dcn Steve & Mary
10:30 AM	Eleanor & Paul Gofus r/o Daughter, Gail Palatine People of the Parish
<b>MONDAY,</b> 7:30 AM	<b>NOVEMBER 25, 2024</b> Anna Maria Zeier r/o Dcn Steve & Mary Douglas Johnstone r/o Matt & Deidre Gordon
<b>TUESDAY,</b> 7:30 AM	<b>NOVEMBER 26, 2024</b> Special Intentions of Eileen & Michael Giglio
<b>WEDNESDAY,</b> 7:30 AM	<b>NOVEMBER 27, 2024</b> Intentions of Eileen Truskey r/o Nephew, Paul A. Medwick Special Intention r/o Marie Grimm
<b>THURSDAY,</b> 8:30 AM	<b>NOVEMBER 28, 2024 Thanksgiving</b> People of the Parish
<b>FRIDAY,</b> 7:30 AM	<b>NOVEMBER 29, 2024</b> Deceased Vrancik & Sabol Family r/o Nancy Finn & Laura Shea
<b>SATURDAY,</b> 8:00 AM	<b>NOVEMBER 30, 2024</b> Priest's Intention
5:00 PM	Damian Zenchak r/o Mom Bernadine Medwick r/o Stan & JoAnne Sliwinski Maria & Philomena Muscente r/o David & Donna Collins
<b>SUNDAY,</b> 8:30 AM	<b>DECEMBER 1, 2024</b> <b>First Sunday of Advent</b> Jean Budney r/o Debbie Smith People of the Parish
10:30 AM	Dominic Bernardi r/o Daughter, Dina Living & Deceased Muscente Family r/o Carol Muscente

## Readers

<b>SATURDAY,</b> 5:00 PM	<b>NOVEMBER 30</b> Chaya Colazzo
<b>SUNDAY,</b> 8:30 AM	<b>DECEMBER 1</b> Keri Wilkes
10:30 AM	Maeve Cannon

## Eucharistic Ministers

<b>SATURDAY,</b> 5:00 PM	<b>NOVEMBER 30</b> Jackie Crane
<b>SUNDAY,</b> 8:30 AM	<b>DECEMBER 1</b> Dennis Hice
10:30 AM	Wendy Reading

## Altar Servers

<b>SATURDAY,</b> 5:00 PM	<b>NOVEMBER 30</b> Nathan Stankus, Alana Colazzo
<b>SUNDAY,</b> 8:30 AM	<b>DECEMBER 1</b> Brayden Spina, Daniel Wikes
10:30 AM	Dylan Rutkowski, Sebastian Reyes

## News & Events

### Sunday, November 24:

- RCIA will meet after the 10:30 AM Mass in the Parish Hall.
- **Adult Faith Formation ~ Last Class ~ The Eucharist in Scripture** meets 6pm in the Hall.

**Monday, November 25, Religious Education** Grades 1-7, 6:00-7:15 pm Advent Confessions followed by Advent Wreath Making the Parish Hall.

**Thanksgiving Holiday—The Parish Office will be closed November 27, 28 & 29.**

**Saturday, November 30,** 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 Barbato, Col. Gabriel Beck, Rosemarie Buker, Richard Cook, Joseph and Marilyn Dablewski, Jack Devlin, 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, Mary Leary, Laura Lynch, Kevin Mattis, Kevin McBride, Keith Mello, Joan Moore, Marie Muscente, Kim Nash, Angelika Niranjana, 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 Shanahan, Linda Solinski, Dorothy Stanley, 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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<https://www.instagram.com/olgchurch/>





# NOVEMBER 24TH ~ OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE



*"You say I am a king. For this I was born and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth." (Gospel)*

## Reflection

Reading I: Daniel 7:13-14

Responsorial Psalm: 93:1, 1-2, 5

Reading II: Revelation 1:5-8

Gospel: John 18:33b-37

This is the last Sunday of the liturgical year – more commonly known as the Feast of Christ the King. The focus of the readings is on the glory of the Son of Man. However, the Gospel reading presents a paradox; Christ, standing in chains – a prisoner – is being questioned by Pilate in a trial that will lead to his crucifixion and death. This is hardly a regal image. Jesus had no army, no hordes of soldiers ready to sacrifice themselves for his victory. Even his closest disciples had deserted him in his darkest hour. And so, Jesus stood alone before the one who would decide whether he would live, or he would die.

Jesus' words revealed one in the world, but not of the world – someone apart from the image of a king. Pilate questioned him, but sought not the truth, but rather the expedient means

to settle the matter as effortlessly as possible. Christ's words to Pilate were met with puzzlement. Here was a king, but he had no stately bearing. He was just a man, a man in chains standing before him awaiting disposition of his fate. Yet, in just a few sentences, Jesus revealed himself and his mission to Pilate: *"You say I am a king. For this I was born and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice."* (John 18: 37) Although not recounted in this reading, Pilate reacted with bewilderment. He could ask only, *"What is truth?"* Yet, he seemed little interested in discovering the true nature of Christ. Pilate's cowardice and indifference to the truth set in motion the final stages of the road to Calvary.

With knowledge of the Resurrection and the gift of faith, we understand that Christ is not an earthly king. He came not to be served, but to serve and to give his life as a ransom of many. His mission was one of love and sacrifice, of offering himself – his very body and blood – for the redemption of mankind. Yet it is this very thing – perfect selflessness – that demonstrates more clearly Christ as Lord and King. He leads by example; he challenges us as his disciples to do the same. He reveals the light of truth, the light that conquers death and banishes the stain of sin, granting all men and women a share in eternal life.

Next week, we begin the new liturgical year and mark the First Sunday of Advent. As we prepare to enter into the Christological mystery anew, let us proclaim Christ as King, now and forever, and offer ourselves to him as he once offered himself for us.

**Deacon Steven Szmuto**

## CHURCH SUPPORT

### COLLECTION REPORT

Registered Parish Families	688
Parishioners using envelopes	110
Envelope Contributions	\$3,015.00
Average Contribution	\$25.34
Loose Cash	\$803.00
Total Contributions November 17th:	\$3,818.00

**Thank you for your generosity!**

### DEADLINE

Please Note **Early** Bulletin Deadlines

Articles for 12/08 Bulletin are Due 11/25

Articles for 12/15 Bulletin are Due 12/02

Articles for 12/22 Bulletin are Due 12/09

Articles for 12/29 & 1/5 Bulletin are Due 12/16



### Did you know?

OLGCC has our own imprinted Shirts, Fleece and Jackets available to order. Please contact Mary Pat Voorhees at 530-290-2373 For more information.



### EUCCHARIST 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.



**THANKSGIVING**  
The Parish Office will be  
closed November 27, 28, 29

**THANKSGIVING DAY**  
Please join us as we celebrate  
**Daily Mass at 8:30 a.m.**  
on Thanksgiving Day



### Thanksgiving Report card—A+

Many thanks to all parishioners who participated in our Thanksgiving Food Drive this year, especially with our higher food costs. Because of your generous donations, our Social Service Committee volunteers were able to deliver 6 turkeys and 50 bags/boxes of non-perishable food items to Mount Carmel Guild.

Parishioners also donated a \$100 Shop Rite Gift Card.

*Thank you for caring and helping provide a special holiday meal for those in need!*



### EWING KNIGHTS

The Ewing Knights #3756 will be selling **"Keep Christ in Christmas"** Car Magnets and Christmas Cards at **all Masses** the First weekend of Advent:  
**November 30th-December 1st.**

Cost is \$5 per magnet and \$10 per box of cards. Proceeds will be used to support our various charities.

*Thank you for your support!*

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COATS FOR KIDS

The Ewing Knight are dedicated to bringing warmth to underprivileged young children through their annual Coats for Kids initiative.

Your generous contribution will significantly help us achieve our goal. Just imagine the joy on the children's faces when they receive a cozy winter coat this season.

If you're interested in assisting the Knights in providing as many coats as possible, please send your donation to the following address:

**Ewing Knights of Columbus Council #3756**  
**Coats for Kids**  
**Post Office Box 7647**  
**Ewing, NJ 08628**

Each coat costs  
approximately \$25.00.

*Thanks for your support!*



## HAPPY THANKSGIVING

to the Families and Friends of  
Our Lady of Good Council Parish

May your day be filled with  
love, laughter and happiness.

*From Fr. Ariel, Deacon Steve Szmuto,  
Brenda O'Callaghan And the Parish Staff*



Be there for each other.



## COR for Men

COR for Men is a faith-sharing group designed for men age 18 and over, organized by the Ewing Knights of Columbus. We invite and welcome members from Incarnation-St. James and Our Lady of Good Counsel parishes. The primary goal of COR is to nurture and strengthen the faith and virtue of Catholic men, empowering them to become missionary disciples. COR invited men to deepen their relationship with Jesus Christ, through prayer, formation and fraternity.

**December 7 9:00-10:30 AM OLGCC PARISH HALL**

Topic: Spiritual Warfare Part 2. How to overcome the devil in the world and in the flesh.

Coffee and Refreshments. Information: Michael Ennis  
[ndpeacendmary@yahoo.com](mailto:ndpeacendmary@yahoo.com)



## Immaculate Conception

**December 9th**

**Holy Day Masses:**  
**7:30 AM AND 12 NOON**  
*The Rosary will be  
recited after the  
7:30 AM Mass  
and 30 minutes before  
the 12 Noon Mass.*

THE SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION IS  
CELEBRATED ON DECEMBER 8 AND IS A HOLY DAY OF  
OBLIGATION. THIS YEAR, BECAUSE DECEMBER 8 FALLS ON THE  
SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT, THE SOLEMNITY IS TRANSFERRED  
TO MONDAY, DECEMBER 9.

CATHOLICS IN THE UNITED STATES ARE REQUIRED TO ATTEND  
MASS FOR THIS SOLEMNITY, IN ADDITION TO THEIR REGULAR  
SUNDAY MASS FOR THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT.





### **Christmas Gift's Due, December 9th**

Once again it is your opportunity to participate in our **Christmas Gifting Outreach** ministry where our parishioners purchase gifts for those in need in our Diocese to help brighten their Christmas holiday.

To participate, please take a gift tag, or more, from the baskets located in the front Church vestibule. This years' tags include infant (0-2 yrs), toddler (2-4 yrs.), child (5-10 yrs.), and teen (11-13 yrs.). Purchase the gift, attach your gift tag to it and return it to the designated table in the Parish Hall by **Monday, Dec. 9<sup>th</sup>**. **Please do NOT wrap your gift and do NOT place your gifts in bags.**

For those who like to wrap gifts, consider **Adopting A Family** this Christmas. Catholic Charities of Trenton is searching for **Adopt-a-Family** donors right now. Struggling families of various sizes provide wish lists for specific items, which you can help provide. Family sizes include Small (2 people), Medium (3-5 people), Large (6 or more) or No preference.

Please call Jim Gambino of our Social Services Committee at 609-818-1708 to find out how you can participate in Adopt-A-Family and help brighten Christmas morning for a struggling family in our Diocese this year.

**Adopt-a-Family** gifts may also be left in the Parish Hall in the designated area.

***Thanks for your generosity!***



Parents' Night Out/  
Family Movie Night  
Saturday, December 14  
6:00 to 8:30 pm  
OLGC Church Hall

- We'll supply dinner and a movie
- And some fun and games too
- You can stay with your children or leave them with us while you Shop, decorate or wrap it up!

Pizza will be served.  
Sponsored by the OLGC Parish Council  
Youth Engagement Committee

Please RSVP to [nfinn1121@gmail.com](mailto:nfinn1121@gmail.com)



**ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE ~ Cohort 9 ~**

**Sacred Heart Church**  
343 South Broad Street  
Trenton, NJ 08608

**Saturday, December 14th at 10:00 a.m.**

**Priests from OLGCC, I-SJ and Sacred Heart  
will be available for Confession.**

**Come prepare your heart for our Infant King.**



## Thanksgiving

In this season of Thanksgiving, why not celebrate your marriage and its many blessings by attending a Marriage Encounter Weekend?

A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend gives you the time and tools to enrich your marriage, deepen communication, and nourish the spirituality in your marriage. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend will be held **February 14–16**. Please apply ASAP as space is limited.

Phone 1-732-904-9636 for application and information (Tom & Ruth DeFalco). **Visit us at:**  
**[www.wwme.org](http://www.wwme.org) for more information.**



## SENIOR CLUB NEWS

The Senior Club will hold its Annual Christmas Lunch at 12:00 Noon on **Wednesday, December 4<sup>th</sup>** for all members who paid the \$20.00 lunch fee.

The luncheon will take place at Sal de-Forte's at 1400 Parkway Ave. There will be no meeting in the Church Hall.



## FAMILY SUNDAY ~ CHILDREN'S LITURGY ~ DECEMBER 8TH at 10:30 AM MASS.

Each Month on the 2nd Sunday our parish religious education children will take part in serving at the 10:30 AM Mass. The children will serve as Greeters, Ushers and Readers. All children of the parish are welcome to participate for information please email:

Brenda O'Callahan CRE: [olgc.re.wt@gmail.com](mailto:olgc.re.wt@gmail.com)

## >EXCITING NEWS FOR FAMILY SUNDAY! < CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD (CLOW)

JOIN US FOR THE 10:30 MASS  
ON SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8TH

The 2nd Sunday of the month, is dedicated to Family Sunday and **CLOW**.

CLOW is an age-appropriate *Liturgy of the Word* offered for **children up to 7 years old**.

Before the first reading, children along with a parent or adult will depart from mass to attend a class in the hall, returning after the Homily.

The session will feature:

- Listening to a children's version of the Gospel
- Engaging in prayer
- Enjoying a story, song, or even acting out a skit
- Participating in a coloring page or craft activity
- Mark your calendars for upcoming CLOW Sundays:

**December 8, January 12, February 9, March 9**

**Family Sunday ~ Refreshments** will follow the 10:30 Mass in the Parish Hall. Join us for some hot brewed coffee and delicious treats.

For unto us  
a child is born!



Calling all Parish children!  
Come be a part of the  
Annual Christmas Pageant

**Tuesday, December 24, 5:00 pm Mass**

- Multiple non-speaking roles - You could be a King, a Shepherd, an Angel, Mary or Joseph!
- Narrator needed
- Practice in Church - Sunday, December 22 at 3:00 pm and Monday, December 23 at 3:00 pm

For more information contact:

✓ Brenda O'Callaghan at [olgc.re.wt@gmail.com](mailto:olgc.re.wt@gmail.com)

