

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 10:30 am

Confession: 4:00 to 4:30 pm

Saturdays ~ Mask are required.

Holy Days

7:30 AM, Noon & 7:00 PM

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament First Friday of every month 8:00 am to 3:00 pm

Registration: All parishioners should be registered. Please contact the Rectory Office.

Secretary: Monday-Wednesday Debbie Smith Webmaster/Bulletin 609-882-3277 Email: Dsmith@olgcc.net

Thursday-Friday Mary Szmutko Email: Mszmutko@olgcc.net

Third Sunday of Easter



Our Lady of Good Counsel Church

137 West Upper Ferry Road, West Trenton, N

Parish Ministries & Services

Parish Rectory & Office 609-882-3277 Office Hours: 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM Fax: 609-882-4375

Monday thru Friday Religious Education—Brenda O'Callaghan, CRE E-mail: olgc.re.wt@gmail.com 609-883-9005 Adoration Denise Hayes 908-242-2183 Adult Faith Formation/RCIA Deacon Steve Szmutko 609-947-0587 Altar Society Mary Pat Voorhees 570-290-2373 Consolation Ministry Mary Szmutko 609-882-3277 Infant Baptism Mary Szmutko 609-847-0796 Knights of Columbus— Tom DeFalco, Grand Knight 609-882-6480 George Steward, Church Director 609-883-9173 Liturgical Ministers Mary Szmutko 609-882-3277 Marys of Mary~Mary Arcadipane 609-883-7620

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

609-882-3215

609-882-5085

609-818-1708

Music Ministry Deirdre Hindley

Dolores Sebasto, Vice President

Social Services James Gambino

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Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, **APRIL 22, 2023**

5:00 PM Eleanor & Paul Gofus r/o Gail Palatine

Harry & Mary Dennis r/o Gail Palatine

APRIL 23. 2023 SUNDAY.

8:30 AM Della Wilk & Michael Wilk r/o Family 10:30 AM H. Page Fielding r/o Wife, Judith

Maria Hegyi r/o Daughter, Terri

MONDAY, **APRIL 24, 2023** 7:30 AM Michael Kelly

r/o Wife, Barbara

TUESDAY, **APRIL 25, 2023**

7:30 AM Antonio D'Alessandro

r/o Carmela Giovanni Cifelli

WEDNESDAY. APRIL 26, 2023

7:30 AM Dorothy Devlin Hankinson r/o Son, Tom

THURSDAY, **APRIL 27, 2023** 7:30 AM

Anne Rita Newell

r/o Daughter, Debbie & Family

FRIDAY. **APRIL 28, 2023**

7:30 AM Hilda Szmutko

r/o Deacon Steve & Mary Szmutko

SATURDAY. **APRIL 29, 2023**

8:00 AM Special Intention

5:00 PM Jeffrey Joseph Jaremback

> r/o John & JoAnn Jaremback Meg Morocco r/o Eileen M. Giglio

SUNDAY. **APRIL 30. 2023**

8:30 AM Diana Ionata r/o Richard W. Smith

Rob and Donna Cook r/o Mom

10:30 AM John and Margaret Chadwick

CHURCH SUPPORT

Registered Parish Families 677 Parishioners using envelopes 122 **Envelope Contributions** \$4.801.00 Average Contribution \$39.35 Loose Cash 558.00 Total Contributions April 16th \$5,359.00

Thank you for your generosity.

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Readers

SATURDAY, APRIL 29 Jackie Crane 5:00 PM SUNDAY, **APRIL 30** 8:30 AM Keri Wilkes 10:30 AM Natalie Sidone

Eucharistic Ministers

SATURDAY, APRIL 29

5:00 PM Jovce Christensen

SUNDAY. APRIL 30 8:30 AM Laura Shea 10:30 AM **Tony Jones**

Altar Servers

SATURDAY, APRIL 29

Nathan Stankus 5:00 PM

APRIL 30 SUNDAY.

8:30 AM Brayden Spina, Daniel Wilkes

10:30 AM Dylan Rutkowski

News & Events

Religious Education Classes April 23 for our Confirmation Class at 7 PM and Grades 1-7 on Monday, April 24th at 6 PM in the Parish Hall. Tuesday, April 25, The Children's Home Society Auxiliary Board will meet in the Parish Hall at 7 PM. Saturday, April 29, Novenas in honor of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal and St. Jude follow morning Mass. **Reconciliation** 4:00-4:30 p.m. Mask required.

Pray for our Sick: Col. Gabriel Beck, Christina Beck, Rosemarie Buker, Richard Cook, Helen Marie Dolton, Sarah Dowd, John Finn, Al Gatto, Leo Genovesi, Brian Gershon, Elizabeth Gonzalez, Theresa Gregorio, Leslie Hall, Sherri Hanlon, James A. Keenan, IV, Mary Lou Kramli, Carol Lake, Laura Lynch, Kevin McBride, Keith Mello, Joan Moore, Marie Muscente, Kim Nash, Angelika Niranjan, Carol Perrine, Lucy Saganowski, Vincent Schnell, G. Welly Samuels, Debbie Sattler, Gregory Schafer, Dolores Sebasto, Kristy Shanahan, Steve Schmierer, Linda Solinski, Erin Cahill Wetzel, Stanley Wrobel, and all parishioners who are sick or homebound. Please call the parish office at 609-882-3277 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.

Next Weekend please SUPPORT ~

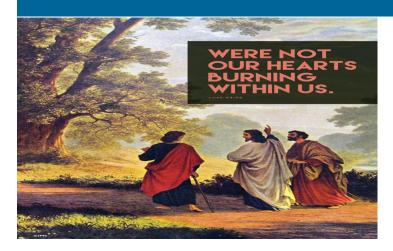
THE CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS APPEAL.

Your generosity will strengthen the Church at home. Today nearly 40% of dioceses in the US and its territories are unable to fund the essential pastoral work their communities need. Your support helps meet these faith formation and sacramental needs.

Please prayerfully consider how you can support this appeal. More information can be found at

www.usccb.org/home-missions.

APRIL 23RD ~ THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER



3rd Sunday of Easter

Acts 2:14,22-23; Ps 16:1-2,5,5-11; 1 Pet 1:17-21; Lk 24:13-35

Lord Jesus, open the Scriptures to us; make our hearts burn while you speak to us. (Ps16)

The challenges facing the disciples were tremendous. After the joy of coming to know the Lord, they must have been devastated to see him tortured and killed. If such a thing could happen to him — healer, teacher, counselor, and prophet — what would happen to them? The man that they knew and trusted was dead. To whom would they place their trust?

The road to Emmaus must have been long and lonely indeed! Their lives were in shambles, their leader gone! What would the future hold? These were likely the questions in the minds of the travelers, when the Lord joined them on their journey. Yet, so stricken were they in mourning for Jesus that they failed to recognize the risen Christ even as he accompanied them. The Lord spoke to them and taught them with the intimate knowledge of one who knew all things that had been revealed in the sacred scriptures, and who taught as one with authority. Yet for all that, the two disciples did not recognize the Lord. Only when he was at table, did they recognize him: He took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them. As at the institution of the Eucharist at the Last Supper, Jesus' true nature was not revealed until the Word was made flesh in the Sacred Eucharist.

In the Catholic faith, the fullness of discipleship has been revealed to us in the Liturgy of the Word — the proclamation of Sacred Scripture from both Old and New Testaments — and the Liturgy of the Eucharist, where Christ shares his Precious Body and Blood with his disciples in fulfillment of his Word. There is great and inseparable unity in the Liturgy! The Word reveals the fulfillment of Jesus as the center and focus of the Scriptures and nourishes our discipleship in Christ. He is, and ever remains, the center of our lives as revealed in both the Old and New Testaments. The Eucharist, the real presence of Christ in our midst, is the center of our faith community and confirms our unity with our brothers and sisters and our oneness with the Lord. The Eucharist is the food by which we are nourished to go forth to spread the Gospel message to all men and women so that they might live as witnesses to the Heavenly Kingdom.

Discipleship in the Lord is not easy. Devotion to the Lord does not solve all of our earthly problems. There are times, when we feel helpless and alone. However, God is ever watching over us as we journey in time and space. He has given us the great gift of His Word and Eucharist — abundant and everlasting grace, and food for the journey.

Deacon Steven Szmutko



Religious Education Classes—Confirmation class will meet on Sunday at 7 PM. Grades 1-7 Classes are on Monday at 6 PM in the Parish Hall.



2023 Annual Catholic Appeal
Parish Goal is \$24,500.00
OLGC Pledged to Date: \$21,315.00
Percentage of Goal: 87% with 99 total Gifts

Help us reach our Parish Goal! Please make your pledge today!

You may make your pledge or donation online at: www.dioceseoftrenton.org/catholicappeal
Or please call the appeal office at: 609-403-7197. Pledge cards are available at all Church doors. Your gift helps you to live and spread the Gospel.

Thank you for your generosity.



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GOD'S BLESSING AND CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR FORMER PASTOR.

Pev. Msgr. Palph Stansley 2023 OLS-SA

KNIGHT TO REMEMBER **HONOREE BEST WISHES TO ALL**





Marriage Enrichment

Why not celebrate the Easter Season by treating you and your spouse to a

Marriage Encounter Weekend?

A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend gives you the time and tools to revitalize romance, deepen communication, and nourish the spirituality in your marriage. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend in

Central New Jersey will be held July 14 - 16. Other weekends in nearby areas are also available. 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 for more information.

REUNION

Holy Family University invites all alumni back to campus for an evening of fun, reconnecting, and celebration at Reunion 2023 on Saturday, May 13! See complete details and register online at: holyfamily.edu/reunion or contact the Alumni Office at 267-341-5017 or alumni@holyfamily.edu.



40 Cans for Lent Update

Thanks to you and your fellow parishioners overwhelming support and generosity during Lent, our Social Services Committee collected and counted one \$100 check and \$70 in cash, plus 44 bags & 62 boxes/ packages of donated canned goods, for a total of 1,513 cans over the past seven weeks. This is a record amount and we should all be very proud of this wonderful effort to help those in need in our Trenton community.

Although the emphasis during Lent was on canned food donations, non-perishable food donations and your homemade meals are always welcome throughout the year. Food trays and instructions are available next to the donations freezer adjacent to the kitchen area in the Church Hall. Donations are delivered each week to Mount Carmel Guild. Whatever you can give is greatly appreciated. Thank you for your ongoing support! Social Service Committee members.

40 Cans for Lent Yearly Totals

In 2023 we had 44 bags + 62 boxes/packages w/1,513 cans (+5.73%)

In 2022 we had 99 bags + 51 boxes w/1,431 cans (+23.76%)

In 2021 we had 75 bags + 34 boxes w/1,091 cans. [Coronavirus] (+26.03%)

In 2020 we had 49 bags + 16 boxes w/807 cans.

[Coronavirus] (-53.66%) In 2019 we had 81 bags + 24 boxes w/1,240 cans.

(+1.29%)In 2018 we had 119 bags + 12 boxes w/1,224 cans. (+6.78%)

In 2017 we had 133 bags w/1,141 cans.

Parish Outreach for Q1 2023

Thanks to your continued generosity, our Social Services Committee volunteers delivered the following items to Mount Carmel Guild during January, February and March: 131 frozen food tray meals, 2 turkeys, 38 other frozen items, 109 bags/boxes of non-perishable food, 62 bags/boxes of clothes, 5 bags/boxes of personal care items, 2 bags/boxes of baby items, 24 bags/boxes of household items and 7 bags/boxes of miscellaneous items. items and 7 bags/boxes of miscellaneous items.

Note: Frozen items can be placed in the donations freezer adjacent to the kitchen area. Food travs and instructions are available next to the freezer.

Parishioners should know that in our weekly deliveries to these charities we regularly hear sincere expressions of appreciation for your continued generosity. Their thanks for all of our food and meal donations always get special mention. Thanks for all you do for parish outreach to help those in need!