



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
3:00 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 609-882-3277
Email: Dsmith@olgcc.net

Administrative Assistant:
Thursday-Friday Mary Szmuto
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Second Sunday in Ordinary Time



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

Parish Ministries & Services

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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 Szmuto 609-947-0587

Altar Mary Pat Voorhees 570-290-2373

Consolation Ministry Mary Szmuto 609-882-3277

Infant Baptism Mary Szmuto 609-847-0796

Knights of Columbus—

Tom DeFalco, Grand Knight 609-882-6480

Bob Smythe, Knight Liaison-NJ Bob10@Verizon.net

Liturgical Ministers Mary Szmuto 609-882-3277

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

Dolores Sebasto, Vice President 609-882-5085

Social Services James Gambino 609-818-1708

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Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, 5:00 PM	JANUARY 13, 2024 Marie & William Dolton r/o HMDolton Rev. Msgr. William Fitzgerald (10th Anniv) r/o Dennis & Barbara Hice
SUNDAY, 8:30 AM	JANUARY 14, 2024 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Robert Patrick Cook r/o Mom Mary Ann Prunetti r/o Nino & Angela Como
10:30 AM	Fedina Marandola r/o Bernardino Zangrilli People of the Parish
MONDAY, 7:30 AM	JANUARY 15, 2024 Loretta Weise r/o Family
TUESDAY, 7:30 AM	JANUARY 16, 2024 Helen Marie Dolton r/o Rose Ferri
WEDNESDAY, 7:30 AM	JANUARY 17, 2024 Chico Lucero r/o Matt & Deidre Gordon
THURSDAY, 8:30 AM	JANUARY 18, 2024 M/M Richard Russell r/o Michael, Eileen and Family
FRIDAY, 7:30 AM	JANUARY 19, 2024 Margaret Giordano r/o Pat Langan
SATURDAY, 8:00 AM 5:00 PM	JANUARY 20, 2024 Priest's Intention Healing Intentions of Marty Marsola r/o Hope Holland For the People of the Parish
SUNDAY, 8:30 AM	JANUARY 21, 2024 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Rocco Zamgrilli r/o Pasquale, Donna Guarraggi & Family Mary Ann Prunetti r/o Tony & Gina DiMascio
10:30 AM	Patrick Keenan r/o Mom



COLLECTION REPORT

Registered Parish Families	688
Parishioners using envelopes	98
Envelope Contributions	\$2,624.00
Average Contribution	\$26.78
Loose Cash	\$583.00
Total Contributions January 7th:	\$3,207.00

This weekend is the annual collection for Kasanna Luwero Bishop Asili Clinic, Africa.

Please place both envelopes in the one collection.

Thank you for your generosity!

Readers

SATURDAY, 5:00 PM	JANUARY 20 Sherri Calderone
SUNDAY, 8:30 AM	JANUARY 21 Keri Wilkes
10:30 AM	Maeve Cannon

Eucharistic Ministers

SATURDAY, 5:00 PM	JANUARY 20 Janet Stankus
SUNDAY, 8:30 AM	JANUARY 21 Dennis Hice
10:30 AM	Danny Morales

Altar Servers

SATURDAY, 5:00 PM	JANUARY 20 James Gummel
SUNDAY, 8:30 AM	JANUARY 21 Brayden Spina, Daniel Wilkes
10:30 AM	Dylan Rutkowski, Ryan Spina

News & Events

1/14 Sunday - RCIA Session 11:30am in Parish Hall. Religious ED Classes GR 8 are Closed.

1/15 Monday— Religious ED Grades 1-7 Classes are closed for Martin Luther King Holiday.

1/16 Tuesday—Ewing Knights of Columbus will meet at 7pm in the Church Hall.

1/17 Thursday Good News Sunday 7pm Opdenacker Room of Parish Hall and Friday morning at 10am.

1/20 Saturday—Family Game Night 6-8pm in the Hall.

1/20 Saturday - Novenas in honor of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal and St. Jude follow morning Mass. **Reconciliation** 4:00-4:30 pm.



OLGCC parishioners Dominic and Laura (8:30 am Mass Greeter) Petito have shared with us Dominic is in need of a Liver Donor. **Dominic's blood type is A+.**

Any help you or a member of your family could offer would be deeply appreciated. For more information please call the Rectory. Please share with your friends and family and please keep Dominic in your prayers.



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 609-882-3277 to inform us you would like to be added to the **Communion Call list**. Homebound

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REFLECTION

1 Samuel 3: 3b-10, 19 Psalm 40: 2, 4, 7-10
1 Corinthians 6: 13c-15a, 17-20 John 1: 35-42

As John was standing with two of his own disciples, Jesus walked by. The Baptist turned to his followers (one identified as Andrew, the other traditionally assumed to be John, one of the sons of Zebedee) and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God." At that very moment, the two left John and followed Jesus. The event would be recalled later in the Gospel of John, where the Baptist reminded his own disciples that he was like the best man who rejoices at the bridegroom's voice: *So this joy of mine has been made complete. He must increase; I must decrease.*"

To their inquiries as to where he would stay, Jesus replied, "Come and you will see." The two men remained with Jesus throughout the day, listening to him. Andrew found his brother Simon Peter and told him, "We have found the Messiah." Peter then joined his brother and followed Christ. Beginning with this first invitation to discipleship, Jesus drew men and women to him. Each encounter was based on personal witness or upon the testimony of others to his teaching, healing, and ultimately his suffering, death and resurrection. Always, we are invited to "Come and see!"

In our Church today, we often leave evangelizing to those in formal ministry: bishops, priests, deacons, religious brothers and sisters and those lay ministers entrusted with certain formal roles. There are times that we become so immersed in formal programs and processes that we forget our central role as Christians – to bear witness to the Gospel. Sometimes we are embarrassed to talk about our faith, imagining that we will be seen as busybodies or annoying or overbearing proselytizers. We do not hesitate to share our knowledge of less essential things. We are more than willing to share our opinions on the latest books, movies, television programs; we delight in sharing the news of the day and will even pontificate on the weather. Yet, while we profess to have a deep faith in Christ, we are sometimes reluctant to share the Good News with those around us.

Discipleship involves both word and action. We must listen so that our faith is strengthened within us. We must also act, proclaiming our love of Christ to others by word and example, so that those whom we encounter may witness the transformative power in our lives. We are instruments of Jesus' redemptive mission. And our response must be: "Here am I Lord; I come to do your will."

Deacon Steve Szmuto



Pray for our Sick:

Kevin Baker, Erin Barbato, Col. Gabriel Beck, Christina Beck, Rosemarie Buker, Richard Cook, Sarah Dowd, John Finn, Al Gatto, Leo Genovesi, Brian Gershon, Phil Glaser, Elizabeth Gonzalez, Theresa Gregorio, Sherri Hanlon, Eileen and James A. Keenan, IV, Mary Lou Kramli, Carol Lake, Laura Lynch, Kevin McBride, Keith Mello, Joan Moore, Marie Muscente, Kim Nash, Angelika Niranjani, Carol Perrine, Dominic Petito, Lucy Saganowski, Vincent Schnell, G. Welly Samuels, Debbie Sattler, Gregory Schafer, Steve Schmierer, Dolores Sebasto, Kristy Shanahan, Linda Solinski, Brenda Thornley, Cherylann Wilson, 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.



Pray for our Military:

TSgt. Andrew G. Vrancic,
Air National Guard

Please email: dsmith@olgcc.net to add your soldier to the prayer list.



Healing the Wounds of Abortion

The psychological and spiritual wounds of abortion can be sharp, deep and crippling. You may feel a deep numbness and may not be able to name the pain or recognize any of the symptoms. It can also have a devastating impact on the father or grandparents of the aborted child and friend/s of the mother. You do not have to continue to hide in shame and fear. Rachel's Vineyard's Retreat is a chance to

focus on this painful time in your life through a supportive non-judgmental process, in an atmosphere of confidentiality, understanding, and compassion. It is designed to help both women and men experience the mercy and compassion of God.

If you have suffered through an abortion and have isolated yourself from healing and forgiveness, you might consider attending one of our retreat weekends. For more information, contact Judy Warenkiewicz at 732-536-6871. All inquiries are strictly confidential.

2024 Weekend Retreats
February 16-18, 2024
November 15-17, 2024



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New Year's Resolution

For a truly meaningful New Year's Resolution, one that lasts long after the Champagne has lost its fizz, why not resolve to treat each other to a Marriage Encounter Experience?

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The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend will be held February 16 - 18. Please apply ASAP as space is limited.

Phone 1-732-904-9636 for application and info (Tom & Ruth DeFalco).

Visit us at: www.wmenc.org for more information.

Family game night

SATURDAY, JANUARY 20, 2024
6-8 P.M. - IN THE PARISH HALL

Come just for the fun of it!

Join us after the 5:00 pm Mass for trivia
and some games to test your balance, speed
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Central Jersey Choral Society Presents

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Friday, January 19, 2024, 7:30 pm

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Tickets: cjchoralsociety.org
\$20 adv. \$25 at door

Christopher Loeffler,
Artistic Director



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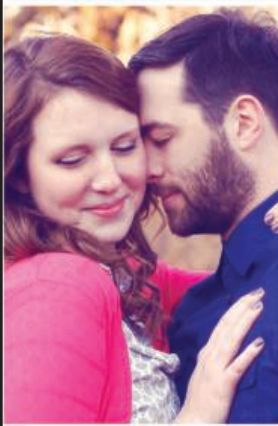
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