



# 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:  
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## 15th 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  
Office Hours: Fax: 609-882-4375  
M–F 9AM to 3PM

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

Adoration Tom Hankinson 609-731-4542

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Deacon Steve Szmuto 609-947-0587

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Consolation Ministry Mary Szmuto 609-882-3277x3

Infant Baptism Mary Szmuto 609-847-0796

Liturgical Ministers Mary Szmuto 609-882-3277x3

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## Mass Intentions

<b>SATURDAY,</b> 5:00 PM	<b>JULY 13, 2024</b> Joanne Ragazzo Fraytak r/o John & JoAnn Jaremback Michael Wilk r/o Mom & Dad
<b>SUNDAY,</b> 8:30 AM	<b>JULY 14, 2024</b> <b>15th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> People of the Parish Barbara Dutko r/o Eileen Kovalsky
10:30 AM	Renato & Matilda Carabelli r/o John & JoAnn Jaremback Michael Kelly (Anniv) r/o Wife & family
<b>MONDAY,</b> 7:30 AM	<b>JULY 15, 2024</b> Emiliana Codilla r/o Shinkle Family Bernadine Medwick r/o Dee Hindley
<b>TUESDAY,</b> 7:30 AM	<b>JULY 16, 2024</b> Joyce Cahill r/o M/M Mike Giglio
<b>WEDNESDAY,</b> 7:30 AM	<b>JULY 17, 2024</b> Intentions of Padre Pio r/o Mike and Eileen Giglio
<b>THURSDAY,</b> 7:30 AM	<b>JULY 18, 2024</b> Michael Pagnani r/o Patti Pagnani & Albert Janec
<b>FRIDAY,</b> 7:30 AM	<b>JULY 19, 2024</b> Julius MacValda r/o Albert Janec & Patricia Pagnani
<b>SATURDAY,</b> 8:00 AM	<b>JULY 20, 2024</b> Priest's Intention
5:00 PM	Matthew Furman r/o John & JoAnn Jaremback Bernadine Medwick r/o M/M Darrin Christensen
<b>SUNDAY,</b> 8:30 AM	<b>JULY 21, 2024</b> <b>16th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> Sylvia & Lou Merlino r/o John & JoAnn Jaremback Anton Geurds r/o Barbara Kent
10:30 AM	Neil Cannon r/o Family People of the Parish

## Readers

<b>SATURDAY,</b> 5:00 PM	<b>JULY 20</b> Sherri Calderone
<b>SUNDAY,</b> 8:30 AM	<b>JULY 21</b> Maeve Cannon
10:30 AM	Carol Lake

## Eucharistic Ministers

<b>SATURDAY,</b> 5:00 PM	<b>JULY 20</b> Joyce Christensen
<b>SUNDAY,</b> 8:30 AM	<b>JULY 21</b> Danny Morales
10:30 AM	Mike Lake

## Altar Servers

<b>SATURDAY,</b> 5:00 PM	<b>JULY 20</b> Alana Collazo, James Gummel
<b>SUNDAY,</b> 8:30 AM	<b>JULY 21</b> Brayden Spina
10:30 AM	Dylan Rutkowski, Sebastian Reyes

## News & Events

**Wednesday, July 17** The Ewing Knights will meet in the Parish Hall at 7:30 p.m.  
**Saturday, July 20**, Novenas in honor of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal and St. Jude follow morning Mass. **Reconciliation** 4-4:30 PM.  
**Coming Soon**—Grandparents & Elderly day of prayer, **July 28, 8:30 and 10:30 Mass**. Refreshments following both morning masses in the Parish Hall.



### Pray for our Sick:

Kevin Baker, Mitzi Baker, Erin Barbato, Col. Gabriel Beck, Christina 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 Schmierer, Dolores Sebasto, Kristy Shanahan, Linda Solinski, Brenda Thornley, Erin Cahill Wetzel, 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.

COLLECTION TOTALS	SUNDAY	SUNDAY
	06/30/2024	07/07/2024
Registered Parishioners	688 Families	688 Families
Parishioners using envelopes	118	116
Envelope Contributions	\$ 3,131.33	\$ 3,020.00
Average Contribution	\$ 26.54	26.03
Loose Cash	\$ 587.00	\$ 455.00
<b>Total Contributions</b>	<b>\$ 3,718.33</b>	<b>\$ 3,475.00</b>

## JULY 14TH ~ THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**July 14, 2024 – 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Amos 7: 12-15      Ephesians 1: 3-14**

**Mark 6: 7-13**

*“The LORD took me from following the flock and said to me,  
Go prophesy to my people Israel.”*

*(Amos 7: 15)*

God calls us to His service at different times in our lives; the point at which we answer His call does not make it more or less valid. Some answer His call when they are young; others do not answer His call until later in life. Eternally patient and loving, God’s call is gently persistent, drawing us into a greater intimacy with Him as we journey the course of our lives.

I often ponder my own calling to become a Deacon, not out of pride or arrogance, but rather with a sense of humility and wonder. Why would God choose me? What makes me worthy? And why not someone else? I do not have an answer; God’s ways are beyond my understanding. After all, God calls us for His purposes and designs, not ours. We are challenged to submit to God’s will, do our best, and trust in His Divine Guidance.

In today’s first reading, the prophet Amos explained that he was not a prophet by choice. In fact, his chosen professions were as a shepherd and a sycamore dresser (the latter, in essence, a farm worker). There was no curriculum to become a CSAT (Certified Seer of All

Things); no degree programs were available from a *Jerusalem Institute for Prophetic Studies*. No, Amos’ calling was the compelling voice of God to which he could say only, “Yes, my LORD.”

The Gospel passage from Mark further emphasizes God’s ongoing plan of salvation through the disciples of Jesus. The apostles (the word “*apostle*” means, “one sent out” in Greek) were commissioned by Christ to call all people to conversion, proclaiming the good news to all nations. The urgency of his mission was revealed in Jesus’ admonition that the apostles go forth with only minimal care for material needs. He instructed them to live a prophetic lifestyle, just as we are encouraged to live today as faithful Christians, striving against the temptations of a secular society.

We are all called to be prophets in the sense of God’s continuing challenge to be witnesses to the Gospel. His call is not one to be tucked away into the darkened corners of our private hearts. Rather, we are called by Christ to serve him through ministry to others. The call may be ordained ministry, religious vows, or to all baptized persons who embrace the universal commandment of “Love God, love neighbor.” We can be *prophetic* to all whom we encounter each day as we go about our daily business.

*“In him, we were also chosen, destined in accord with the purpose of the One who accomplishes all things according to the intention of his will, so that we might exist for the praise of his glory, we who first hoped in Christ.”*

*(Ephesians 1: 11-12)*

Deacon Steve Szmuto



### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Parents are asked to re-register their children on or before the last class each year. Re-registration forms are available online or email:

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



The tuition fee is \$100.00 1st child, \$180.00 for two and \$230.00 for 3 or more. Due August 31st.

### NEW REGISTRATIONS

Parents who have children beginning their Religious Education are asked to register as soon as possible. You may obtain the form on our webpage (Religious Education tab) or by calling the parish office, 609-882-3277x3. Registration Deadline is August 31, 2024.

Don’t be late or there is an additional late fee of \$25.00 added.



**Parish Outreach for Q2 2024**

Thanks to your continued generosity, our Social Services Committee volunteers delivered the following items to Mount Carmel Guild during April, May & June: 113 frozen food tray meals, 1 turkey, 25 other frozen items, 145 bags/boxes of non-perishable food (includes 40 Cans for Lent), 42 bags/boxes of clothes, 5 bags of personal care items, 0 baby items, 29 bags/boxes of household items and 19 bags/boxes of miscellaneous items.

**Note:** Frozen items can be placed in the donations freezer adjacent to the kitchen area. Food trays and instructions are available next to the freezer. Please consider sharing your leftovers with those in need.

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!

**Food Donations ~  
Are you able to help?**



**Hunger** never takes a vacation. All our charities are low on food. Please leave donations in the Parish hall on the tables provided. Donations may include non-perishable food, gently used clothing and accessories, baby, small household, and personal care items. There is a freezer for frozen items and food trays for Freeze-A-Meals next to the Kitchen. Please grab a tray and share a meal with the poor.



**ANNUAL DIOCESAN  
MISSION CO-OP PLAN**

**AUGUST 24-25**

We will welcome Father PJ Alindogan, Director of Missions, Diocese of Trenton, August, 24-25. Father PJ will speak to us about the Missionary

works of the diocese and how we may help on the weekend of August 24-25. I know I can count on your generous support. Sincerely in Christ, Fr Ariel



**OLGC Back-to-School Drive**  
*Help a child in need  
kick off the new school year  
in a positive way!*

During **July and August** we will be collecting donated school supplies and backpacks for children in grades K-12 for the upcoming school year. Donated items may include: backpacks, 2-pocket folders, subject & composition notebooks, 3-ring binders, loose leaf paper, erasers, pens/pencils, pencil boxes, crayons, markers, glue sticks, rulers, protractors, scissors, sharpeners, calculators, dictionaries, or gift certificates.

Please save and clip this ad to your donations bag which you may leave on the donations table in the Parish Hall. We will deliver all supplies collected to Catholic Charities of Trenton and Mount Carmel Guild at the end of August. The OLGC Social Services Committee members thank you in advance for your help with this effort!



**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

**deaconstevensmutko@gmail.com**  
to set up an informal and confidential conversation and start the process.



**JOE MULÉ, SR.**

*Eternal rest grant unto  
him, O Lord, and let  
perpetual light shine  
upon him. Amen.*

# ANNUAL CATHOLIC Appeal 2024

**2024 Annual Catholic Appeal Progress:**  
**We're Getting Closer to our Goal!**  
**But we're not there yet.**

**Goal:** \$24,500.00  
**Pledged:** \$21,857.00 (89% of goal)  
**Paid:** \$19,267.00 (79% to goal)  
**Total Donors:** 101  
**Total Gifts:** 121  
**Average Gift:** \$180.64

### Three Ways to Make Your Donation

- ▶ **ONLINE:** Access our secure website at [www.dioceseoftrenton.org/catholicappeal](http://www.dioceseoftrenton.org/catholicappeal) to easily make a pledge, payment or outright gift.
- ▶ **BY MAIL:** Send a check or money order to our processing center, made payable to: Annual Catholic Appeal: Diocese of Trenton, PO Box 70170, Newark, NJ 07101
- ▶ **BY PHONE:** Call our Department of Development at 609-403-7197 with your credit card information.



## NFP AWARENESS WEEK

In celebration of 2024 National Natural Family Planning Awareness Week (July 21-27), the Diocese of Trenton encourages all married couples in their fertile years to learn more about *Fertility Awareness Based Methods* of Family Planning that cooperate with God's wonderful plan for co-creation and responsible parenthood. Natural methods of family planning are consistent with the healthy, holistic lifestyle so many couples are seeking today. To learn more Natural Family Planning or to take an online class, go to [www.dioceseoftrenton.org/natural-family-planning](http://www.dioceseoftrenton.org/natural-family-planning), or call 609-403-7128.



### RETROUVAILLE: REDISCOVER THE LOVE IN YOUR MARRIAGE

Tens of thousands of couples have healed their marriages through Retrouvaille (pronounced Retro-vy). If you know anyone who could benefit from this program, please pass this on. Couples learn to build communication skills and to increase intimacy. It provides help for marriage problems, difficulties or crises. The next program will be held August 9 - 11, 2024 and again on October 4 - 6 at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA. For more information, or to register, visit [www.HelpOurMarriage.org](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.org) or call 215-766-3944 or 800-470-2230. All inquiries are strictly confidential.

### 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**.

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# 4th Annual Day of Prayer for Grandparents & Elderly

July 28 ~ Masses:  
8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.



## WE INVITE YOU TO:

- Bring a picture of your deceased Grandparents/Elderly. Please place your picture on the table in front of St. Joseph and remember to take it home with you after mass.
- Grandchildren invite your Grandparents or elderly mentors to the Sunday 8:30 or 10:30 morning Mass on July 28.
- Before the final Blessing a **Special Blessing** will be offered for all Elderly and Grandparents in our parish.
- SWEET TREATS after both Sunday morning Masses!
- Stay for a fun, FREE, **parish family bingo** at 12:00 pm in the parish hall! **Open to all ages!**



## PARISH *Free Family Bingo Day*

**JULY 28TH ~ 12:00 PM**

Join us for a Bingo Extravaganza!

Enjoy a delightful Continental Breakfast after the 10:30 Mass, then immerse yourself in an afternoon of Bingo fun, with a prize for every game, great company, and lots of laughter. Don't miss the chance to shout "Bingo!"

Bring your Grammy, Grandpa, or a cherished elderly mentor, and let's celebrate Grandparents/Elderly Day with Bingo and a memorable time together! All are welcome!

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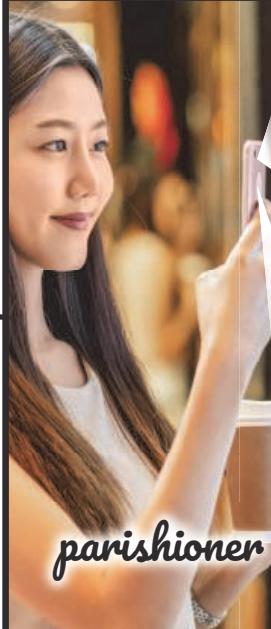


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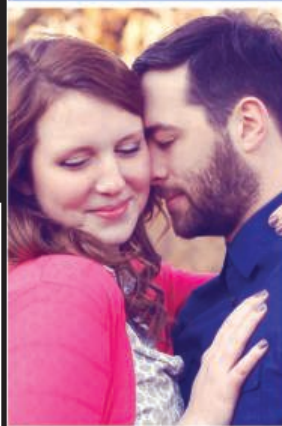
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