



Our Lady of Good Counsel

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March 10, 2024

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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

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Fourth Sunday of Lent



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

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Deacon Steve Szmuto 609-947-0587

Altar Mary Pat Voorhees 570-290-2373

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Tom DeFalco, Grand Knight 609-882-6480

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

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Dolores Sebasto, Vice President 609-882-5085

Social Services James Gambino 609-818-1708

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Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, 5:00 PM	MARCH 9 2024 Helen Marie Dolton r/o Elaine Palatine Healing of Kendall Grimm r/o Marie Grimm
SUNDAY, 8:30 AM	MARCH 10, 2024 Fourth Sunday of Lent Tricia Elizabeth Cook Parziale r/o Mom Maureen Neville r/o Jack Flanagan
10:30 AM	Jean Trainor r/o Family Charles P. Chianese r/o Judy Fielding People of the Parish
MONDAY, 7:30 AM	MARCH 11, 2024 Mary Ann Prunetti r/o Dolores DeBlasio Healing of Neil Cannon r/o Maeve Cannon
TUESDAY, 7:30 AM	MARCH 12, 2024 Rev. James A. Russell r/o Eileen and Michael Giglio
WEDNESDAY, 7:30 AM	MARCH 13, 2024 Anna Adomaitis r/o Gerree Pecht
THURSDAY, 7:30 AM	MARCH 14, 2024 Norma Norris r/o Katherine Kornhauser
FRIDAY, 7:30 AM 7:00 PM	MARCH 15, 2024 William Medvic r/o Paul A. Medwick Stations of the Cross
SATURDAY, 8:00 AM	MARCH 16, 2024 Priest's Intention
5:00 PM	Mary DeCandido r/o Debbie & Family Intentions of Mary Pat Voorhees r/o Family
SUNDAY, 8:30 AM	MARCH 17, 2024 Fifth Sunday of Lent Sharon Zuccarello r/o Family People of the Parish
10:30 AM	Intentions of Deacon Steve Szmuto r/o Family Mary Ann Prunetti r/o Gail Palatine



Readers

SATURDAY, 5:00 PM	MARCH 16 Jackie Crane
SUNDAY, 8:30AM	MARCH 17 Laura Shea
10:30 AM	Religious Ed Students

Eucharistic Ministers

SATURDAY, 5:00 PM	MARCH 16 Janet Stankus, Ginny Evans
SUNDAY, 8:30 AM	MARCH 17 Dennis Hice, Laura Shea
10:30 AM	Tony Jones, Danny Morales

Altar Servers

FRIDAY, 7:00 PM	MARCH 15 Stations of the Cross Brayden Spina, Nathan Stankus, James Gummel
SATURDAY, 5:00 PM	MARCH 16 Nathan Stankus
SUNDAY, 8:30 AM	MARCH 17 Daniel Wilkes, Brayden Spina
10:30 AM	Dylan Rutkowski, Ryan Spina

News & Events

Sunday, March 10, RCIA will meet at 11:30 am in Parish Hall. Religious Ed Gr 8 will meet at 7:00pm in the Parish Hall.

Wednesday, March 13, Delaware Valley Radio Assoc. will meet 6:30PM in Parish Hall.

Thursday, March 14 Good News Sunday Scripture Study. We meet in the Opdenacker Room at 7:00 PM and on Friday morning at 10:00 AM. All are welcome.

Friday, March 15, Youth led Stations of the Cross at 7 PM. Following Stations we will prep for the Easter Egg Hunt. All welcome to help!

Saturday, March 16, Novenas in honor of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal and St. Jude follow morning Mass.

Reconciliation 4:00-4:30 PM.

COLLECTION REPORT

Registered Parish Families	688
Parishioners using envelopes	128
Envelope Contributions	\$3,396.00
Average Contribution	\$26.53
Loose Cash	\$607.00
Total Contributions March 3rd:	\$4,003.00

Thank you for your generosity!

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES - This Weekend

Every gift you give helps a child thrive, brings hope to a family and rebuilds a community. When you give, you help fill the bellies of young children so they can study hard in school. You help mothers and babies around the world receive nutritional care and health exams. Farmers learn innovative ways to plant and grow crops despite drought or disease. And women find dignity in opportunities for savings and training. You can make an immediate lifesaving difference and give hope to children, mothers and fathers around the world.

Please place both envelopes in the one collection.

Pray for our Sick:

Kevin Baker, Mitzi Baker, Erin Barbato, Col. Gabriel Beck, Christina Beck, Rosemarie Buker, Richard Cook, Sarah Dowd, 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 Niranjan, 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, Deacon Steve Szmuto, Brenda Thornley, Erin Cahill Wetzel, Cherylann Wilson, 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.

ANNUAL CATHOLIC Appeal 2024

DIOCESE OF TRENTON ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Today, I invite you to be a part of something truly special—the Annual Catholic Appeal! This year's theme, "One Love, One Faith, One Family," mirrors the teachings of Christ and resonates with the wisdom of Colossians: "And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity" (Colossians 3:14). This profound and perfect love reinforces our shared belief in one God, inspiring us to become pillars of compassion and support for each other.

A gift to the appeal becomes a lifeline for families in need, supports the education of our youth in the faith, and empowers individuals on their journey to become religious leaders, such as Deacons and Catechists, serving our parishes and communities with wisdom and faith. Your support also sustains our retired priests, allowing them to continue offering guidance, and provides essential resources to our Catholic school principals and teachers, ensuring an education grounded in faith and values.

May God bless you abundantly for your generosity and commitment to our church. Join us on this journey, hand in hand, as we embody the spirit of "One Love, One Faith, One Family."

With every good wish, I remain



Most Reverend David M. O'Connell, C.M.
Bishop of Trenton

If you have not yet made a gift, there are pledge forms available in the back of church, or you can visit:

www.dioceseoftrenton.org/catholicappeal



GREETERS MINISTRY

Hello & Welcome

Would you like to say these words to fellow parishioners coming to weekend Masses?

It sounds pretty easy but it sure makes a big difference!

We need volunteers to be Greeters!

Simply come to Mass 10-15 minutes early.

Pick a door and share a smile and welcome to all.

Depending on the number of volunteers we get this could be a once a month commitment.

The Greeter Ministry is part of our Hospitality Committee.

For more information please Email
Joyce Christensen at

olgcehospitality@gmail.com



MARK YOUR CALENDAR! OUR BISHOP IS COMING!

We are pleased to share we will welcome our Bishop, **MOST REVEREND DAVID M. O'CONNELL, C.M.** to OLGCC to celebrate the **Easter Vigil Mass**.

7:30 PM, Easter Vigil Mass, March 30th

We encourage all parishioners to come and join in the Easter Vigil Liturgy commemorating The Resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ with our Bishop. Our Religious Education Students will move the rock of the tomb away to show all that Christ is not there, He is Risen!

40 Cans for Lent

Our Social Services Committee invites everyone to participate. Please leave your donated cans of fruit, low-salt soup, or vegetables in the designated area in our Church Hall.



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 609-882-3277 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.

MARCH 10TH ~ FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

OUR LORD IS KIND AND MERCIFUL!

Blessings to you on your First Reconciliation



Starting at the top left are:
John Valentine, Father Ariel, Sebastian Reyes, Ryan Suggs,
2nd row: Isadora Madriz and Catalina Martinez and 3rd row: Paige Kolodziej,
Nina Cifelli, Camila Martinez and Kennedy Rogers.

Easter Egg Hunt—Candy needed to fill the eggs!

Donations will be accepted in the Parish Hall on the designated table. Fun or small sized candy is requested so it will fit in the plastic eggs. Deadline is March 10th. Thanks for your help!

Calling all Youth!
We are in search of
volunteers who would
like to lead a Station
of the Cross on Friday,
March 15th at 7 pm.

Open to all parish
youth. We will pray the
Stations with The Way
of the Cross for
Children.

If you can help -
Please RVSP to
nfinn1121@gmail.com



**FRIDAY
MARCH 15,
7:00PM**



Come pray with us.

LENTEN STATION CHURCHES



A Lenten pilgrimage takes us to Holy Ground, the Station Churches, are located here in our County. Join fellow pilgrims by visiting the designated Churches for a Lenten evening Mass. For the complete schedule please go to our webpage www.OLGCC.net click on **Lent** on the top menu bar. Come to all or as many as you are able to attend.

This week's Churches:

The purpose of the Station Churches is to provide an opportunity to visit some of the beautiful Churches in our area and to worship with other Catholics of Mercer County. Make this a pilgrimage part of your Lenten Journey.

Monday, March 11, St. George (7:00 PM) ~
1370 River Rd, Titusville

Wednesday, March 13, St. Anthony (7:00 PM) ~
626 S Olden Ave, Trenton

Thursday March 14 St. Joachim (7:00 PM) ~
19 Bayard Street, Trenton



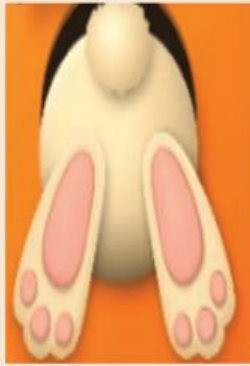
HELP IS NEEDED! FRIDAY, MARCH 15TH

Friday evening following the Youth Stations of the Cross we will meet in the Parish Hall to stuff the Easter Eggs for our Parish Easter Egg Hunt. This is the perfect opportunity for Confirmation Students to earn their necessary service hours. Adults welcome too.

For more information please contact:

Joyce Christensen at 609-651-0466.





**FAMILY SUNDAY MASS
BLESSING OF CHILDREN AND
EASTER EGG HUNT**



**SUNDAY, MARCH 17TH
10:30 A.M.**



The OLGC Annual Easter Egg Hunt

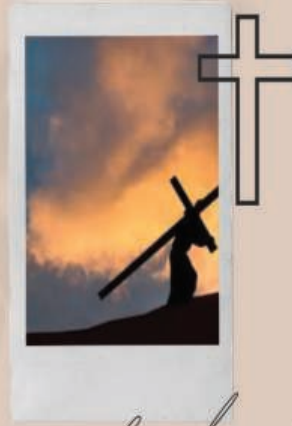
will begin with our parish children taking an active part in Mass serving as; Greeters, Ushers and Readers. There will be a Special Blessing of the Children at Mass

Following Mass we invite you to **Family Sunday refreshments** in the Parish Hall.

Our Easter Egg Hunt for children 10 and under will take place on parish grounds.

**CONTACT JOYCE CHRISTENSEN:
609-651-0466**

Inclement weather the hunt will be held in the Parish Hall. We are looking forward to this fun tradition!



March 22nd a Special Spiritual Evening of Prayer will take place at OLGCC.

Adult Parish Volunteers are needed to Lead one Station of the Cross. Please call the Parish Office to volunteer.

Lead a Station
MARCH 22ND 7:00PM

VOLUNTEER

**ADULT
PARISHIONERS**

PLEASE CALL THE
PARISH OFFICE

609-882-3277 X3



OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL

Soup for the Soul
REFLECTION EVENING

FEATURING THE INFORMATIVE TALK
HOPE IN SUFFERING BY DAN PALMIERI OF
POPULAR MEDIA TEAM **JMJ MISSIONS**

5:30 - SOUP AND FELLOWSHIP

6:00 - "HOPE IN SUFFERING" PRESENTATION

7:00 - STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Friday, March 22nd
137 West Upper Ferry Rd, West Trenton, NJ



Holy Thursday—March 28—7:30 PM Volunteers Needed!

Holy Thursday —We commemorate the Last Supper of Jesus Christ, where he washed the feet of his disciples.

Please consider participating in the **Washing of the Feet** at Mass on Holy Thursday. It is a beautiful tradition and a spiritually uplifting opportunity to connect with Our Lord as He enters into His Passion.

We are asking for adult members of the community to Volunteer to represent the Twelve Apostles.

If you can help please call the Parish Office at 609-882-3277 x3 and leave your name.



March 29th Good Friday Liturgy

Despite Good Friday's central role in the heart of Christianity, attendance at services remains low. In an effort to change this the Ewing Knights of Columbus Council 3756 is asking as many parishioners as possible to join representatives of

the Council in attending Good Friday services with their families.

Liturgy of the Lords Passion

Solemn Liturgical Service and Holy Communion 3:00 PM.

Solemn Stations of the Cross with Veneration 7:00 PM

Brothers will also have Prayer Cards for Christian Refugee Relief available.

SAVE THE DATE

Parish
Feast
Day



28 APRIL 2024
10:30 MASS

MASS, PROCESSION
OUTSIDE WITH OUR LADY
AND DINNER. YOU MAY
BEGIN DONATING ITEMS
FOR THE TRICKY TRAY
RAFFLE ON THE TABLE
DESIGNATED IN THE
PARISH HALL. THANKS!

DAY OF PRAYER FOR WOMEN ~ OASIS ~
sponsored by the Religious Teachers Filippini, will take place on **Saturday, April 20th** between 9:30 AM and 3:00 PM at Villa Walsh. Please send a Registration Fee of \$15 p.p., payable to Villa Walsh. Mail Payment to: Sr. Patricia Martin, MPF, Villa Walsh, 455 Western Ave. Morristown, NJ 07960 include your name, address, phone. For more information, call Sr. Alice at 732-238-9222. Includes: Mass, Reconciliation, Rosary/Stations & Adoration. (Outdoor Stations) bring your own brown bag lunch, drinks provided, Handicapped accessible. Gift Shop onsite.
Come aside and rest with the Lord.

PARISH COUNSELING SERVICES

Feeling overwhelmed? Personal losses impacting life? Struggling with a relationship? Everyone can use a little extra support in handling life's challenges. Parish Counseling Services Are Available. Through a joint service of Catholic Charities and the Diocese of Trenton, short term professional counseling (up to 6 sessions) is available. The fee is \$90 per session but there is financial assistance available for those who need it. Use of an individual's health insurance may also be an option. Contact your pastor or parish priest for more information and to get assistance with the referral.

For more information call:
Brenda Rascher 609-403-7180

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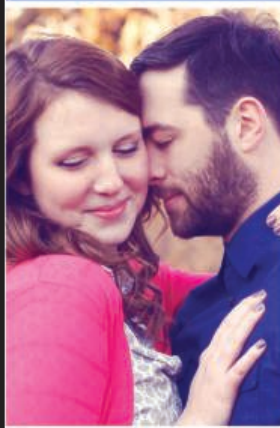
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