



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.

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Thirtieth 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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Deacon Steve Szmuto 609-947-0587

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Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, 5:00 PM	OCTOBER 28, 2023 Mary & Joseph Dolton r/o Helen Marie Dolton
SUNDAY, 8:30 AM	OCTOBER 29, 2023 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time Respect for Life & an End to Abortion r/o Mary Arcadipane
10:30 AM	Intentions of Msgr. Ralph Stansley r/o Judy Fielding For the People of the Parish
MONDAY, 7:30 AM	OCTOBER 30, 2023 Frank & Mildred Ryba r/o Daughter & Son-in-law John E. Kane, III r/o Susan T. Kane
TUESDAY, 7:30 AM	OCTOBER 31, 2023 Michael Wilk r/o Mom and Dad
WEDNESDAY, 7:30 AM 12:00 Noon 7:30 PM	NOVEMBER 1, 2023 ALL SAINT'S DAY Special Intention r/o Gatto Family For the People of the Parish Healing Intentions r/o Marie Grimm
THURSDAY, 7:30 AM 7:00 PM	NOVEMBER 2, 2023 ALL SOUL'S DAY All Soul's Intentions Mass of Remembrance
FRIDAY, 7:30 AM	NOVEMBER 3, 2023 FIRST FRIDAY Frank & Hilda Szmuto r/o Family ADORATION 8AM-3PM
SATURDAY, 8:00 AM 5:00 PM	NOVEMBER 4, 2023 FIRST SATURDAY Priest's Intention Janina Sliwinski r/o Family Healing Intentions r/o Marie Grimm
SUNDAY, 8:30 AM	NOVEMBER 5, 2023 VOCATION WEEK 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time Lois P. Trave r/o Peter Gaeta For the People of the Parish
10:30 AM	Michael Bergamo r/o Joe Massone

Readers

SATURDAY, 5:00 PM	NOVEMBER 4 Jackie Crane
SUNDAY, 8:30 AM	NOVEMBER 5 Keri Wilkes
10:30 AM	Maggie Masterson

Eucharistic Ministers

SATURDAY, 5:00 PM	NOVEMBER 4 Ginny Evans
SUNDAY, 8:30 AM	NOVEMBER 5 Laura Shea
10:30 AM	Danny Morales

Altar Servers

SATURDAY, 5:00 PM	NOVEMBER 4 James Gummel
SUNDAY, 8:30 AM	NOVEMBER 5 Brayden Spina, Daniel Wilkes, Elizabeth Baron
10:30 AM	Dylan Rutkowski, Ryan Spina

News & Events

10/29 Sunday - RCIA Session 11:30am in Parish Hall. Trunk or Treat at 3 pm starts in Parish Hall. Religious ED Classes GR 8 7PM in the Parish Hall.

10/30 Monday—Religious ED Grades 1-7 Classes will take place from 6pm to 7:15pm in the Parish Hall.

10/31 Tuesday - Aux. Board Children's Home Society will meet in the Parish Hall at 7pm. **Happy Halloween!**

11/1 All Saints Day—Masses: **7:30-am 12noon & 7pm.** Seniors Meeting in the Parish Hall at 11:00am. All seniors are welcome.

11/2 Thursday—**All Souls Day**- Mass of Remembrance at 7pm followed by refreshments in the Parish hall. Good News Sunday 7pm Opendacker Room of Parish Hall and Friday morning at 10am.

11/3 Friday—First Friday Adoration 8am to 3pm.

11/4 Saturday - Novenas in honor of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal and St. Jude follow morning Mass. **Reconciliation 4:00-4:30 pm.** Don't forget to set your clocks back tonight. Daylight Saving Time ends.

Pray for our Sick:

Kevin Baker, Erin Barbato, Col. Gabriel Beck, Christina Beck, Rosemarie Buker, Richard Cook, Steve Dill, Helen Marie Dolton, 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 Niranjan, Carol Perrine, Lucy Saganowski, Vincent Schnell, G. Welly Samuels, Debbie Sattler, Gregory Schafer, Steve Schmierer, Dolores Sebasto, Kristy Shanahan, Linda Solinski, Ann Szostak, Brenda Thornley, Stanley Wrobel, Rocco Zangrilli 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.

CHURCH SUPPORT

COLLECTION REPORT

Registered Parish Families	688
Parishioners using envelopes	102
Envelope Contributions	\$2,430.00
Average Contribution	\$23.82
Loose Cash	\$514.00
Total Contributions October 22nd	\$2,944.00

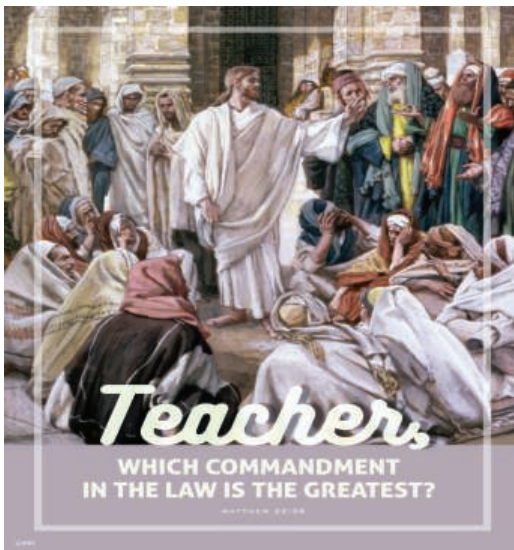
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30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reading I: Exodus 22:20-26

Responsorial Psalm 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51

Reading II: 1 Thessalonians 1:5c-10

Gospel: Matthew 22:34-40

The beauty of an autumn morning is a singular gift from God, reminding us of the splendor of creation. The late October sun arcs across the sky closer to the horizon than in the summer months, washing the orange and red hues of the trees in a patina of rich golden light. Once vibrant summer lawns grow more slowly and fade beneath a carpet of leaves, scattered by a gentle yet persistent northwesterly breeze. The fresh crisp morning air holds a whiff of wood smoke, the last reminder of evening fireplaces. Above, patches of white clouds drift across the deep blue sky. In the distance, a faint thrum of a single airplane engine pierces the otherwise early silence of the day. The mood is pastoral, at once simple, and yet majestic. We are humbled before God, the one who has caused all things to be.

Humility before God and a proper disposition toward others are the central themes of today's readings. In the reading from the Gospel of Matthew, Jesus reminded the scribes and Pharisees, the crowds and the disciples of the importance of humility. He admonished those who preached, but did not practice the law. He chastised those who laid heavy burdens upon the people without lifting a finger to help them. To those who exploited their positions of authority, Jesus reminded them that to lead, one must serve. *"The greatest among you must be your servant. Whoever exalts himself will be humbled, but whoever humbles himself will be exalted."*

Jesus calls upon us to adopt a posture of humility. In a culture where achievement and accomplishment are prized as worthy ends in themselves, a posture of humility may be seen as an obstacle. However, the Lord reminds us that greatness lies in service. With great gifts come great responsibility to serve the Lord and each other. *"You have but one Father in heaven and one Master, the Christ."*

Christ's words are foreshadowed in the first reading. God speaks through the Prophet Malachi: *Have we not all the one Father? Has not the one God created us? Why then do we break faith with one another, violating the covenant of our father?* Together, the readings invite us to reflect upon our sense of fidelity in words and deeds to live for God in service to His people. We have each been chosen for a unique purpose, to serve, not to dominate, to bring our sisters and brothers to Christ. The invitation is richly ennobling and fulfilling! Will we accept the invitation?

Deacon Steve Szmuto

ALL SAINTS ALL SOULS



NOVEMBER 1

MASSES:

7:30am, 12 noon, 7:00pm

Parish Office Closed

NOVEMBER 2

**MASS of
Remembrance:
7:00pm**

Please bring a photo of your loved one (no bigger than 5X7) to place on the St. Joseph Altar

**MASS OF
REMEMBRANCE**

**2 NOVEMBER, 2023
7:00 PM**

WE WILL HONOR ALL THOSE WHO HAVE PASSED AWAY IN THE LAST YEAR FROM OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL WITH A **MASS OF REMEMBRANCE** A SPECIAL TRIBUTE TO THE DECEASED WILL TAKE PLACE DURING THE MASS.

COFFEE AND CAKE WILL BE SERVED IN THE CHURCH HALL AFTER MASS.



MINISTRY DAY SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4 INCARNATION CHURCH 1:00PM

You are invited to join us at a combined parish Day of Prayer and Reflection for church ministries.

This day of Prayer and Reflection is designed for Deacons, EMS, Lectors, Choir Members, Cantors, Adult Altar Servers, Catechists, OCIA/RCIA Teams, Greeters and Ushers, and those responsible for the Worship Environment. Spend a day in prayer and reflection about your ministry in the church.

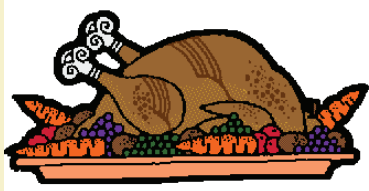


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use the QR Code to the left or
call the ISJ Parish Office
@609-882-2860

Our Lady of Good Counsel Social Services Outreach

THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE **Now Through Monday, November 6**

Please shop early and help if you can!



We will be collecting the items listed below for the upcoming Thanksgiving Holiday:

- Turkeys: small and medium-sized (12-16 lbs.) Please - No large turkeys.
- Gift Cards: Shop Rite or Stop & Shop (please leave with Rectory Office).
- Monetary Donations: make checks out to Catholic Charities or Mount Carmel Guild (please leave with Rectory Office) or donate online at www.catholiccharities.org or www.mtcarmelguild.org

***In an attempt to provide the same foods to everyone, please consider donating a Pre-Made Complete Thanksgiving Dinner Bag that includes the following items:**

Canned Goods: Cranberry sauce, Turkey gravy, Yams, Corn OR Green Beans OR Collard Greens, Fruit.

Packaged Goods: Stuffing, Instant Mashed Potatoes, Macaroni & Cheese, Pie Crust Mix & Pumpkin Filling & Evaporated Milk, Cake Mix & Icing, Tea, Coffee, OR Cocoa

Please: No expired, dented or rusted cans, or opened or expired foods. Also, no glass bottles (breakable), or cellophane bags (crushable). Fresh produce is provided by the Mercer Street Friends Food Bank.

*Please leave your SORTED food in medium sized boxes or bags on the Donations Tables in the Church Hall. Turkeys should be placed in the donations freezer in the Church Hall adjacent to the kitchen area.

Both Catholic Charities and Mount Carmel Guild do a wonderful job of distributing much needed food to the many needy clients in the city of Trenton, and they regularly express their appreciation for the food provided by the kind and generous parishioners of Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish. Early Deadlines this year. Thanks for shopping early and for your help!

Please call Jim Gambino at 609-818-1708 with any questions.



The Ewing Knights of Columbus will be selling Super 50/50 Raffle Tickets after all Masses the weekend of November 4 and 5. Funds raised from the raffle will help support

Knights of Columbus charities. Tickets are \$5.00. Drawing will be held on Saturday, December 9 at the Cash Bingo being held at Incarnation Church. Last year's prize was over \$2,000. Winner need not be present to win.

This is your last chance to buy tickets at mass, but they will be available at the Farmers Market on November 18 and at Bingo.



~ **First Friday Adoration** ~
NOVEMBER 3rd
8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Adoration—Sign up sheets are in the Church Vestibule to designate a time when you can attend. You may also sign up online at olgcc.net click on Adoration on top menu bar, Click on the flyer and you will be in the sign up area. Simply pick a time slot and you will be prompted to fill in your information. Don't like doing things on line then please call our Chairperson, Denise Hayes at 908-242-2183 she will gladly help you sign up.

*Come aside and rest a while with the Lord.
He is truly present in the
Most Blessed Sacrament*

**Knights of Columbus
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The Ewing Knights of Columbus will be donating warm winter coats to children in need in our area.

If you would like to help the Knights provide as many coats as possible you can send a donation to the following address:

**Knights of Columbus
Coats for Kids
Post Office Box 7647
Ewing NJ 08628**

The cost of each coat is approximately \$ 25.00.

**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.

Clip this coupon!

**Send a Hero Home for the Holidays – Fundraiser
Wednesday November 8th Firkins Tavern**



Ewing Knights of Columbus Council 3756 is once again hosting a "Send a Hero Home for the Holidays" fundraiser at the Firkin Tavern, 1400 Parkway Ave, Ewing. This year's event will be held on **Wednesday November 8th from 5:00pm to 10:00pm**. The "Send a Hero Home for the Holidays" program is sponsored by the Trenton Diocesan Federation of the New Jersey Knights of Columbus and pays the transportation costs for local active military personnel to return home for Christmas. **Firkins will be donating a 10% of the of the cost of your meal (dine**

in or takeout) to this worthy cause. Please consider patronizing Firkins on November 8th to help "**Send a Hero Home for the Holidays**". You must present a copy of this coupon or announcement. If you cannot make it that evening you

can donate by sending a check to: **Send A Hero Home for the Holidays**

Ewing Knights of Columbus, P.O. Box 7647,
Ewing, NJ 08628





Sunday, October 29

Festivities begin at 3 pm in the Parish Hall

How to join in the fun:

Bring your children/grandchildren in costume

Decorate your car and bring treats for the kids

Volunteer to assist with the event

For more info call Nancy Finn at 732-735-5492

What exactly is Trunk-or-Treat? The idea is simple: Individuals and groups bring their cars to a designated parking lot. The drivers decorate their cars for Halloween, sometimes creating elaborate scenes out of their trunks. Participating children then walk from vehicle to vehicle, collecting candy the way they would during a normal trick-or-treating outing.

How will it work at OLCG? The safety of our children is our top priority, therefore certain parking lot entrances will be closed off during the event. (Please follow signs and parking attendants.)

Families can participate in two ways: Bringing your children and/or decorating your car & providing treats.

Parents/grandparents can bring children dressed in their costumes at 3:00 pm in the Parish Hall for games and a costume parade. You can stay with your children or go outside and decorate your car! All children should arrive in the Parish Hall by 3:30 pm so they can assemble in an organized and safe way before we proceed outside.

Meanwhile, families and organizations will assemble in the parking lot, decorate their cars, fill their trunks with candy and/or other Halloween trinkets.

At 3:30 pm the children will be led into the parking lot to parade around visiting all the cars and collecting their treats.

The afternoon will conclude with prizes for the Best Decorated cars.

All parishioners are invited to join in and/or simply watch and enjoy the costumes and the fun!



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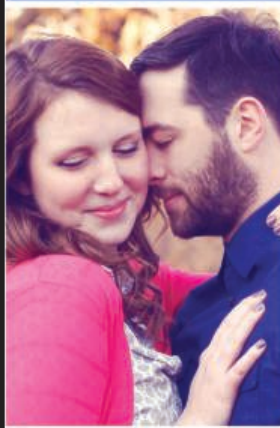
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