

**PARISH PICNIC
SUNDAY
SEPTEMBER 15TH**

12 Noon to 3 PM



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:

Monday-Wednesday Debbie Smith

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24th Sunday in Ordinary time



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M–F 9AM to 3PM

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609-731-4542

Adult Faith Formation/RCIA

Deacon Steve Szmuto

609-947-0587

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570-290-2373

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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609-883-7620

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609-882-3215

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570-290-2373

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Our Lady of Good Counsel Church



SATURDAY, 5:00 PM	SEPTEMBER 14, 2024 Joanne M. Wuest and Frances Irene O'Brien r/o Elaine Palatine
SUNDAY, 8:30 AM	SEPTEMBER 15, 2024 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time Barbara Dutko r/o Patricia Cook People of the Parish
10:30 AM	Bernadine Medwick r/o OLGCC Choir Rocco Zangrilli r/o John & JoAnn Jarembak
MONDAY, 7:30 AM	SEPTEMBER 16, 2024 Evelyn Spellerberg r/o Elaine Palatine Rose Macciocca r/o Family
TUESDAY, 7:30 AM	SEPTEMBER 17, 2024 Intentions of Loren Medwick r/o Paul A. Medwick Healing of Lauren Zangrilli r/o David & Donna Collins
WEDNESDAY, 7:30 AM	SEPTEMBER 18, 2024 Intentions of Ralph Rogers r/o Elaine Palatine Intentions of St. Padre Pio r/o Mike & Eileen Giglio
THURSDAY, 7:30 AM	SEPTEMBER 19, 2024 Bernadine Medwick r/o Frank Higgins
FRIDAY, 7:30 AM	SEPTEMBER 20, 2024 Bernadine Medwick r/o Sandy Jones and Judy Totten
SATURDAY, 8:00 AM	SEPTEMBER 21, 2024 Priest's Intention
5:00 PM	Intentions of Emily & A. Joseph Dempster on their 22nd Wedding Anniversary r/o Deacon Steve & Mary Szmuto Frank F. Mele r/o W. M. Orendorf
SUNDAY, 8:30 AM	SEPTEMBER 22, 2024 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time Intentions of Frederic & Mitzi Baker on their 51st Wedding Anniversary and Robert Paterson r/o Deacon Steve and Mary Szmuto
10:30 AM	Anthony Joseph Tassone, Jr. r/o Heenan Family People of the Parish

Readers

SATURDAY, 5:00 PM	SEPTEMBER 21 Chaya Colazzo
SUNDAY, 8:30 AM	SEPTEMBER 22 Laura Shea
10:30 AM	Maggie Masterson

Eucharistic Ministers

SATURDAY, 5:00 PM	SEPTEMBER 21 Joyce Christensen
SUNDAY, 8:30 AM	SEPTEMBER 22 Danny Morales
10:30 AM	Wendy Reading

Altar Servers

SATURDAY, 5:00 PM	SEPTEMBER 21 James Gumme, Alana Colazzo
SUNDAY, 8:30 AM	SEPTEMBER 22 Brayden Spina, Daniel Wilkes
10:30 AM	MacKaylah Yung, Sebastian Reyes

News & Events

Monday, September 16, Welcome back **Religious Education Students.** We will meet at 6:00 pm in the Parish Hall for all grades. Students and parents will meet their child's teachers and enjoy an ice cream social. Have a wonderful blessed year of learning!

Tuesday, September 17, The Ewing Knights of Columbus will meet in the Parish Hall at 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, September 21, Novenas in honor of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal and St. Jude follow morning Mass. **Reconciliation** 4-4:30 PM.



Pray for our Sick:

Kevin Baker, Mitzi Baker, Rosalie Baldanzi, Erin Barba-to, Col. Gabriel 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 and Pamela Schmierer, Dolores Sebasto, Kristy Shananahan, Linda Solinski, Brenda Thornley, Erin Cahill Wetzell, 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.

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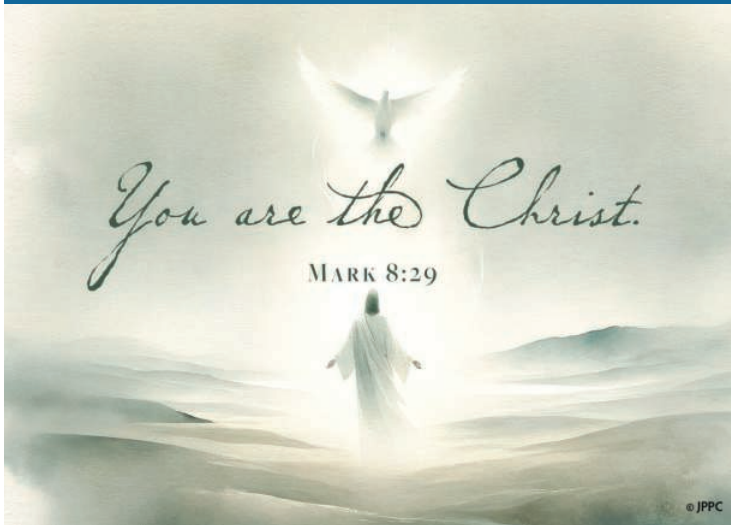
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Reflection

Reading I: Isaiah 50:5-9a

Responsorial Psalm: 116:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9

Reading II: James 2:14-18

Gospel: Mark 8:27-35

□ *Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and that of the gospel will save it.* □ (Mark 8: 34b-35)

Jesus and his disciples were traveling to Caesarea Philippi. This was an ancient Roman city about 25 miles north of the Sea of Galilee, near the foot of Mount Hermon. The city was the location of the springs that fed the Jordan River. The region was fertile and was the site of many small villages. It was the site of numerous temples built during the Roman and Hellenistic periods. It is here that Jesus began to teach his disciples more deeply about the true nature of his salvific mission, his impending fate in Jerusalem and the conditions of discipleship.

In today's reading from Mark's Gospel, Jesus questioned them about what the people were saying about him. At first they answered somewhat abstractly: □ *John the Baptist, others Elijah, still others one of the prophets.* □ These were rather safe answers, conveying only the opinions of others. Then, Jesus placed the question squarely before his disciples: □ *But who do you say that I am?* □ This was not just a casual inquiry! Jesus was challenging their own beliefs. Peter, ever impetuous, quickly replied: □ *You are the Messiah.* □ He responded with the convictions of the man who would later become the rock upon which Christ would build his Church.

If this were the end of the reading, we would be left with the impression of Peter as the man with all the answers. Of course, the story doesn't end there. Moments later, when Jesus provided the first glimpse of his Passion, Peter rebuked him. While his reaction was predictably human, it demonstrated Peter's lack of understanding of Christ's mission. Jesus' own rebuke reminded Peter and the disciples that they must be obedient to God's plan, and not seek God on their own terms. In the first of several predictions of his Passion and death, our Lord clearly reminded them of the cost of discipleship.

We experience times in our lives that can be described as our own passion. During those difficult days, it can be easy to depart from the path of salvation. Yet if we are to remain faithful disciples, we must continue to follow the word of Christ and remain obedient to his teachings, just as he remained faithful to the commands of his Father.

Deacon Steve Szmuto



Religious Education 2024-25 School Year

WELCOME BACK! CLASSES BEGIN:

9/16 FOR GRADES 1-7 6:00 -7:15 PM ~

Ice Cream Social ~ Welcome Back For All Students

9/19 FOR GRADE 8 7:00 -8:00 PM

All Classes are held in the Parish Hall.

All registrations are due now. Registrations received after August 31st must add \$25.00 late fee.

The tuition fee is \$100.00 1st child, \$180.00 for two and \$230.00 for 3 or more. Registration forms are available online, in church or email: **Brenda O'Callahan**, CRE at:

olgc.re.wt@gmail.com

We are still in need of volunteers to be aides for the upcoming year. Think about it. It's easy and is an important ministry to our children. If you are interested in serving as an **aide** please contact Brenda at above email.



Back-to-School Drive Results

Thanks to all parishioners who participated in our back-to-school drive this year. The OLCG Social Services Committee is happy to report that 66 backpacks, one \$25 gift card, \$21.00 cash donation and 49 bags / boxes of school supplies were donated during this year's drive. We should all be very proud of this wonderful effort to help those children in need in our Trenton community.

These items were delivered to Mount Carmel Guild and Catholic Charities of Trenton for distribution. Thank you so much for helping some needy children kick off the new school year in a positive way through your generosity!

SEPTEMBER 15TH ~ THE TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PICNIC TIME!

September 15th, 12 pm to 3pm
Wilburtha side of Church.



September 15, 2024 ~ 10:30 AM Mass.

Prayer for Catechists

Dear Lord, Anoint those who serve as catechists, those who tell your story of determined love for your people. Be with our catechists in their classrooms, inspire the hearts of those in their care, ignite a new generation disciples for you!
Amen.



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



COMING SOON:
Sunday evening
Faith Formation
returns this Fall!

Sessions will begin in mid-October.
Watch the bulletin for upcoming registration information.

Where two or three are gathered in my name, I am



Next weekend, **September 21-22**, we will welcome a representative from Mt. Carmel Guild, who will share insights about their ministry and mission. Following all Masses, our Social Service Committee and Knights of Columbus members will be selling **Restaurant Raffle tickets (\$20.00 each) after all weekend Masses.** We appreciate your support!



For more information, please visit www.mtcarmelguild.org/raffle or call 609-392-5159 Ext. 111

DRAWING WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE 29TH ANNUAL GALA
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2024 AT THE TRENTON COUNTRY CLUB
DRAW TIME IS BETWEEN 9:00 PM - 10:00 PM



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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**. Homebound members will be scheduled to receive the Eucharist at home.



ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please notify the Parish Office 609-882-3277x3 when serious illness occurs or when the sick, aged, or incapacitated are confined to home for an extended period. Arrangements can be made to bring the sacrament of anointing.

CHURCH SUPPORT

COLLECTION REPORT

Registered Parish Families	688
Parishioners using envelopes	116
Envelope Contributions	\$3,285.00
Average Contribution	\$28.32
Loose Cash	\$642.00
Total Contributions September 8:	\$3,927.00

Thank you for your generosity!

2024 Annual Catholic Appeal

Progress:

We Did It!! We Made our Goal!

Two years in a row!! Hooray!

Goal: \$24,500.00
Pledged: \$27,441.00 (112% of goal)
Paid: \$25,911.00 (106% to goal)
Total Donors: 105
Total Gifts: 136
Average Gift: \$201.77



A heartfelt thank you to everyone who has contributed to help our parish reach 100% of our goal! We will receive 15% of the funds towards our goal and 50% of any funds raised beyond that for our parish's needs. Your support truly means everything to us—thank you for your generosity.

If you have yet to make your pledge or donation, please visit us online at: dioceseoftrenton.org/aca-donate-page.

You can also mail or drop off checks made out to the 2024 Annual Catholic Appeal at the rectory, or place



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Marriage Encounter

With summer winding down, why not treat yourself to a Marriage Encounter Weekend?

A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend gives you the time and tools to enrich your marriage, deepen communication, and nourish the spirituality in your marriage. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend in Central New Jersey will be held October 18 - 20. Other dates are available in Cherry Hill, NJ and Doylestown, PA. 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.

Blessing of the Animals

In honor of St. Francis

Saturday,
 October 5th
 9:00am

Rectory side
 parking lot



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 the weekend of October 4 - 6 at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA. For more information, or to register, visit www.HelpOurMarriage.org or call 215-766-3944 or 800-470-2230. All inquiries are strictly confidential.



America Needs Fatima (ANF) Rosary Rally Saturday, October 12th 12 noon - 1 pm

We will gather in front of the Our Lady of Fatima statue. Inclement weather we will be in Church.

Please join us in prayer.

Coming in October

A SPOOKY AFFAIR

TRUNK OR TREAT

Join us on 10/27, 3 pm
 Wilburtha Side Parking Lot.

Soccer Challenge



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Wednesday, October 9th 5:30-8:30 pm

The Ewing Knights of Columbus Council 3756 is conducting their Annual Soccer Challenge on Wednesday, October 9th from 5:30 pm to 8:00 pm at the Ewing Municipal Soccer Complex. All boys and girls ages 9 - 14 are invited to participate (Age eligibility is determined by the age of the contestant as of September 1). All contestants are recognized for participation in the event. The Knights of Columbus Soccer Challenge provides an athletic outlet for boys and girls ages 9 to 14 through penalty kick competition. Designed for players to demonstrate their skills in the penalty kick. Children demonstrate the most important skill in soccer - shooting accuracy on the penalty kick - and compete to reach the district, state, and even international level of competition. For additional information contact Past Grand Knight: Frank Ferdetta @ 609-475-5031 or Frank.Ferdetta1@verizon.net.

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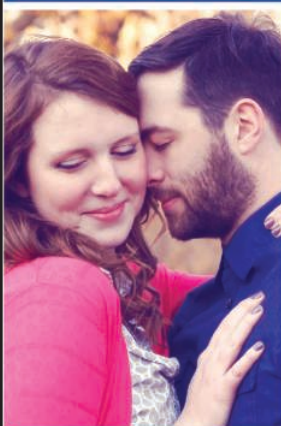


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