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Sunday, November 24, 2024 – Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe



Mass Schedule @ Main Church

Saturday Evening, 5:30 pm Sunday Morning, 7:30, 9:30, 11:30 am Confessions, Saturday 4:15 - 5:00 pm or anytime by appointment

Weekday Morning Mass

Monday – Friday 8:30 am @ MAIN CHURCH Monday 8:30 am Mass with Miraculous Medal Novena

Served By:

Rev. James Ferry, Pastor

Rev. James N. Chern, Weekend Assistant

Rev. Robert K. Suszko, Weekend Assistant

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Sacrament of Baptism

Celebrated *usually* the first Saturday of the month. Parents are required to meet with Father Jim Ferry. Please call RECTORY.

Sacrament of the Sick

Administered in an emergency at any time. Please call RECTORY when someone is ill or admitted to the hospital.

Sacrament of Marriage

Engaged couples are asked to make their arrangements one year in advance of their wedding. Please call RECTORY for an appointment with a priest.

First Friday

5:30 pm – 7:30 pm. There is 1st Friday Adoration during the "Fall" months of September, October, November and December and the "Spring" months of March, April, May and June.

Peace and Good Corner Gift Shop

Religious articles, books and cards are available for purchase inside the church before and after all Masses or by appointment. Contact RECTORY.

New Parishioners

Welcome to Our Lady of Lourdes. Please register at RECTORY or call for registration forms.

MISSION STATEMENT The people of God in West Orange were called by the Holy Spirit in 1914 to form Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, a community centered on Jesus Christ. The Holy Spirit remains with us today as we continue our journey to God. We are inspired by the Gospel of Jesus Christ, nourished by the Eucharist, called to respect life and proclaim our Catholic faith. We serve God by providing spiritual, educational, and social activities for our parish family as well as extending God's love and compassion to serve the greater community.



Dear Brothers & Sisters of Our Lady of Lourdes,

I share with you this article / reflection based from Crossroads Initiative:

https://www.crossroadsinitiative.com/media/articles/feast-of-christ-the-king/

FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING - LASTING DOMINION UNIVERSAL KINGDOM

Dr. Marcellino D'Ambrosio

The feast of Jesus Christ the Universal King was instituted by Pope Pius XI in 1925 and is observed on the last Sunday of the Roman Catholic Liturgical Year. It causes us to ponder what sort of authority, kingdom and dominion are truly lasting, and what judgment will be truly final.

From the dawn of civilization, kings have arisen who have dreamed of possessing a world-wide dominion, a universal kingdom that would last forever.

CONQUERORS & KINGDOMS

Some have come close to conquering much of the known world–Alexander, Genghis Khan, Augustus Caesar, and Adolf Hitler, to name a few. And some kingdoms have lasted a very long time, such as Rome which lingered on in the East for 2000 years.

But despite all their machinations and self-glorifying monuments, the great rulers of the earth all proved mortal like anybody else. They had their day in the sun . , , only to disappear. Their kingdoms, too, ultimately passed away, leaving abundant ruins for generations of tourists and archeologists to explore.

There is another thing that these great ones of the earth had in common-they jealously guarded their glory, sharing it with no one. Their ascent to the pinnacle of power was made over the backs of others, and they did not hesitate to eliminate any and all rivals.

A DIFFERENT SORT OF KING

The feast of Christ the King celebrates the fact that there is one who is remarkably different. He came to serve all, even His enemies. He truly was a Son of Man, with a vulnerable human nature. But He was also truly Son of

God. Not in some mythological sense, like the Pharaohs. Or the wishful thinking sense, like the Caesars. But really and truly, the Immortal, the Eternal, taking the form of a mortal man in a specific time in history.

Rather than executing His opponents, He forgave them. Rather than dominating His subjects, He exalted them.

He even called them not servants, but friends, and bestowing on them a share in His priesthood and kingship. Though He died, like other kings, it was for a different purpose than Augustus in his bed or Hitler in his bunker. He died willingly to save His people, and His death was not a result of a battle lost or a plan gone awry, but of a glorious victory planned before the world began.

LASTING DOMINION & KINGDOM

He rose in glory, which can't be said for the rest of them. And at His heavenly coronation, when He ascended to His Father, He was given what all the rest lusted for in vain-a worldwide dominion, a universal kingdom, that will never pass away.

But the world goes on oblivious, with corporate executives and politicians still jockeying for position, exalting themselves at the expense of others. Still others crowd the cover of People magazine competing for other glories like the King of Rock'n roll.

UNIVERSAL KINGDOM

The true King, however, is biding His time. He will return and suddenly things will be seen as they truly are. His coming will sweep away ambition, vanity, and pre-tensions. And much of what now appears important will look very empty. No longer will oppression be allowed to stand; the innocent will finally be liberated from their tormentors.

This dominion will truly be universal. There will be nowhere left where He is not recognized as Who He is, though in some quarters, that acknowledgment will be made with consternation and gloom.

DEFINITIVE JUDGMENT

For His coming means doom-judgment for those who have for so long resisted Him. They will be allowed, of course, to cling to the evil that they have chosen, and hold it close to themselves for all eternity. But they may no longer afflict others with it.





SATURDAY, 23 NOVEMBER

5:30 pm Erwin S. Young

SUNDAY, 24 NOVEMBER

7:30 am People of the Parish 9:30 am Elizabeth Pflug (48th Ann.)

11:30 am Eugenie Ferrus

MONDAY, 25 NOVEMBER

8:30 am Lawson Nzegwu (Special Intention)

TUESDAY, 26 NOVEMBER

8:30 am Julie Okeke (Special Intention)

WEDNESDAY, 27 NOVEMBER

8:30 am Patricia Landers

THURSDAY, 28 NOVEMBER



8:30 am People of the Parish

FRIDAY, 29 NOVEMBER

8:30 am Marita Camba (28th Ann.)

SATURDAY, 30 NOVEMBER

5:30 pm Mary Sharkey

SUNDAY, 1 DECEMBER

7:30 am People of the Parish 9:30 am Nancy Bergenty 11:30 am Eileen Reilly



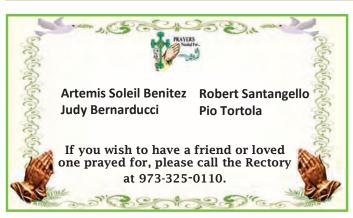
This week's Altar Candles, a gift from J.A. Konvalinka is in memory of JAROSLAV & ROSE KONVALINKA.



This week's Bread & Wine, a gift from J.A. Konvalinka is in memory of JAROSLAV & ROSE KONVALINKA.



This week's Sanctuary Candle, a gift from J.A. Konvalinka is in memory of BESSY HOAKY.



SUNDAY, 24 NOVEMBER

7:30 am Mass in Church 9:30 am Mass in Church 9:30 - 11:45 am G. 6 (OLLC, HALL)

11:30 am Mass in Church

MONDAY, 25 NOVEMBER

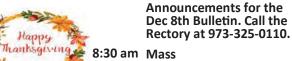
8:30 am Daily Mass will be held

Miraculous Medal Novena following 8:30 am Mass on Monday.

Monday thru Friday of each week in church.

THURSDAY, 28 NOVEMBER

10:00 am Deadline for News &



FOOD DRIVE COLLECTION

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SATURDAY, 30 NOVEMBER

4:15—5:00 pm Confessions in Church 5:30 pm Mass in Church

SUNDAY, 1 DECEMBER

7:30 am Mass in Church

9:00am Recitation of Rosary

9:30 am Mass in Church

9:30—11:45am G. 7-12 (OLLC, HALL)

11:30 am Mass in Church

ADORATION AFTER MASS



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Mass	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	
5:30 pm	Pat Sigalas	Judy Albore, Eileen Reilly (choir)	
7:30 am	Bless Bernardo	Mary Cassels	
9:30 am	Carol Ford	Annette Chiaramonte	
11:30 am	Rachelle Brown	Eileen Reilly Wendy Sheyka (choir)	

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This judgment, this kingdom, will have the last word. No election will overturn it in four years or four million years. There is no one stronger who can rest the dominion from his Almighty hand.

The Catholic Church instituted this feast of Christ the King during bleak days, when fascist and communist clouds were darkening the earth. The feast serves as a reminder to us that we know the end of the story and should not be fooled by the braggarts who strut and the bullies who gloat. They'll be gone soon.

And He'll be here soon. How soon no one knows.

The readings for the 34th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Christ the King Year B) are: Daniel 7:13-14, Psalm 93, Revelation 1:5-8, John 18:33b-37.

Source: https://www.crossroadsinitiative.com/ media/articles/feast-of-christ-the-king/

In Christ's Peace,

Father Jim Ferry

PARISH GIVING

FISCAL YEAR STARTING JULY 2024

WEEKLY GOAL \$ 6800 Collection*: Nov 9-10* \$ 5789 Deficit: \$ 1011

*Includes Online Giving Weekly Average Deposit



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The West Orange Knights of Columbus Council #5519



will host a Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser in the basement of

Our Lady of Lourdes, Connor Hall Saturday, November 23rd from 6:30 pm until 9:30 pm

Pasta-Meatballs-Salad-Soda-Coffee-Dessert will be served

The cost is \$10 for anyone 13 & over, \$5 for children 5-12 years old, and free for any child 4 years old and younger.

Proceeds will go towards supporting local charities in the West Orange area.



The Rosary Altar Society's December meeting and Christmas Luncheon will be held on:

> Tuesday, December 3, at 11:30 am in Connor Hall.

All Rosarians: don't forget to bring a gift for an elderly man or women which will be placed under the Giving Tree. Looking forward to seeing everyone there.

Carol Ford, President

St. Vincent DePaul Society

St. Vincent DePaul Society is hosting Christine's Soup Kitchen on Saturday, 12/14/2024 for Holy Trinity Episcopal Church. As of now the soup kitchen is operating on a to-go-lunch basis. Lunches are prepared ahead of time



and will be dropped off at Holy Trinity on the morning of 12/14/2024 so you will not have to serve at the soup kitchen itself. If anyone is interested in preparing or purchasing needed items please call Rosanne Bruno at 973-243-0679, or e-mail at travisb23@juno.com.



We collected 407 pairs of socks for the SOCK-TOBER collection. Socks are one of the basic needs for the less fortunate and will be greatly

appreciated by all that will receive them.

Many thanks for your generous donations.



To all who so graciously donated to our "Baby Shower". Several Sources Shelter in Ramsey, NJ is extremely grateful for your Monetary & Gift Card donations totaling \$1,090.00 and the beautiful assortment of baby gifts. Your generosity and thoughtfulness are truly appreciated.

God Bless.





At Our Parish

The Annual Christmas Giving Tree will be up in November



Please bring the gifts to Church by Sunday, December 8.

Thursday, November 28:

Thanksgiving Day—Mass at 8:30 am (Rectory Office Closed)





Thanksgiving Day Mass at 8:30 am

Thursday Nov. 28th
Bring gifts of non-perishable
food to Mass, to be shared
with local food pantry.
You may also
bring on Sunday





Saturday, November 30:

Last Day to buy Raffle Tickets.

First Sunday of Advent, December 1:

Saturday Mass—5:30 pm

Sunday Masses: 7:30 am, 9:30 am, and

11:30 am





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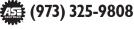
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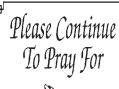
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