

NOVEMBER 26, 2017

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

MONDAY

8:30 Pearl Collins req. by Bernie & Joan Beihl
Leland Sember req. by Tom & Bridget Manning

TUESDAY

8:30 Emily Abdy req. by Fedele Fabiano & Family
Patrick Brady req. by Terry Mazzaferre

WEDNESDAY

8:30 Marsha Nolan req. by Fedele & Nanette
Fabiano & Family
Special Intentions for Joan Shaw req. by Ray &
Pat Convey

THURSDAY – Saint Andrew, Apostle

8:30 Gaetano DePalma req. by Fedele & Nanette
Fabiano & Family
Diane Zumpano req. By the Knight Family

FRIDAY

8:30 Gertrude Jones req. by Muriel Macksoud

SATURDAY

8:30 Karen D. Morrison req. by Gail Pelli
Special Intention of Anna and Simon Levien req.
by the Geronimo Families
5:30 People of the Parish
Patrick Brady req. by Janice Quinn & Family

DECEMBER 3, 2017

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

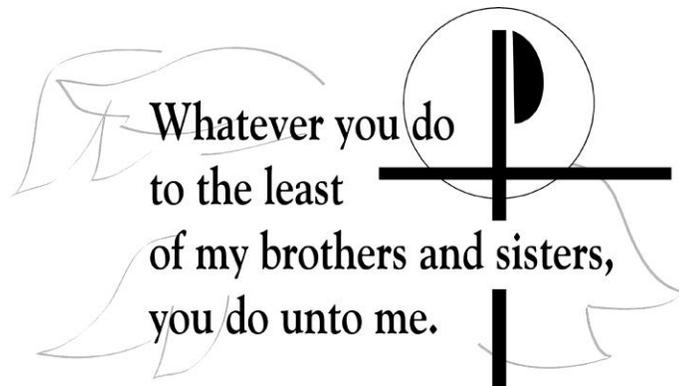
7:45 Joseph Vozza
Jack Hingel req. by Judy & Bill Bosworth
9:00 Dr. John Kirk req. by the Redshaw Family
Peter Cofrancesco req. by the Gang Family
10:30 Joan McLaughlin req. by Mary Mack Brunner
Beatrice Sanchez req. by Christel Packwood
12:00 Members of the Purgatorial Society
Anthony Cammarata req. by Family

PARISH FINANCES

November 19, 2017

\$11,621

*Next week's second collection is for
our Parish Maintenance.*



REFLECTION

A KING WITH A DIFFERENCE

Today the liturgical year draws to an end in a glorious crowning in the celebration of the feast of Christ the King. Jesus is the King but not as we understand what it means to be a king. Jesus the King appears without power or glory; his throne is the cross, his crown is made of thorns; he has no scepter but a reed; he has no luxurious clothing, but rather is stripped of his tunic; he wears no ring, but rather his hands are pierced with nails. He has no treasures; he was sold for thirty pieces of silver; His reign is not of this world; he has an army, not of soldiers but of legions of angels.

He is the Servant King, and the grandeur of his kingdom is not of power or influence or wealth, but of love, the love of God. He is the King of love and he reigns over the kingdom of love. His love forgives all things, hopes all things and sustains all things. His love overcomes sin, death and fear.

The Scriptures testify that Jesus of Nazareth is the King, not just of the Jews but of the universe, the cosmos, heaven and earth and under the earth. The ancient hymn our forefathers sang and is now revered as sacred as sacred scripture proclaims that at his name every knee will bend and every tongue confess that he is King and Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Jesus is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation, the Savior and the Creator, for by him all things were made. In him dwells the fullness of the deity, and by his cross he has saved, redeemed and reconciled us.

Jesus of Nazareth is the radiance of God's glory, the exact representation of his being. So let us acknowledge him as King of the universe. All that has been created has been made by him. Let us dedicate our lives to serving the Servant King in establishing the kingdom of God.

From the: Bible Alive

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH - 11/26/17 to 12/2/17

Sun 1:00 Woman's Social	Cassidy Hall
Mon 7:30 PM RCIA	St. Lucy Church
Knights of Columbus Mass	Church
Tues. 9:15 AM Scripture Class	Library
7:00 PM Bible Study	Library
7:00 PM Woman's Cornerstone	St Lucy
Wed. 7:30 PM Study of the Saints	Cassidy Hall
Thur. 6:45 PM BINGO (non-smoking)	McKenna Hall
Fri. 7:00PM Filipino Mass	McKenna Hall
Fri. 8: 30 PM AA	Cassidy Hall
Sat. After 8:30 Mass – Legion of Mary	St. Benedict
8:00 PM AA	McKenna Hall

LITURGY

November 26, 2017 - Christ the King

First Reading: Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17

This passage beautifully describes how the Lord God, as shepherd, will tend his flock. He will rescue those who are lost, bring back those who stray, heal the sick, and "pasture" all.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28

Paul once again stresses the significance of Christ's resurrection in the total divine plan, emphasizing that Christ's rising means that those who believe in him will also rise after death. Christianity, he argues, is meaningless if it concerns only this life on earth. In the end, even death will be destroyed, and "God will be all in all."

Gospel: Matthew 25:31-46

With words both poetic and vivid, Jesus tells the disciples that since he is present in all people, whatever they do to "one of my least brothers" they do to him; and whatever they fail to do to his "least," they fail to do to him.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

First Reading: Isaiah 63:16b-17, 19b, 64:2-7

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:3-9

Gospel: Mark 13:33-37

KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Those serving in the military especially: Richard Fox, John Garlasco, Brian McCarthy, Lt. Daniel Faherty, Joseph Venutolo, Cpl. Marc Vero, Sgt. Jeremy Overstreet, Kevin Michael Kiefer, Michael Krapels, Robert Stumpe, USMC, Staff Sgt. Jeremy Curcio, Staff Sgt. Lena Webb, Spc. Samuel Nolan, US Army, Lt. Jamie Curcio, Navy Reserve, 1ST Lt. Christopher Tantillo; LCpl. Marc Stanziale, USMC. 1ST Lt. Joseph Brunone, US Nat'l Guard, Brandon Adams, Private William Maloney. Please continue to pray for all our servicemen and women. *Please let us know when your loved one has returned. Thank you.*

MUSIC MINISTRY

The Adult Choir practice takes place on Tuesdays at 7:30 PM in the Choir loft.



Contemporary Choir - Saturdays, 4:30 PM in St. Cecilia Room.

Children's Choir practice takes place on Thursdays at 2:45 PM in the St. Cecilia Room.

Vocal- Instrumental

Group - contact our Music Director, Krzysztof Kowalewski at the parish office. *New and existing members are invited.*

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Come one, come all to our annual Christmas Concert 4:00PM, December 10th.

SPIRITUAL ENRICHMENT

WE ARE FORGIVEN

This week the young people of the parish preparing for Reconciliation reflected on the story of the prodigal son and the forgiving father. Each time we pray the Our Father we are reminded of God's forgiving love and our call, as children of God, to share that forgiving love with others. How do we as a parish welcome people unconditionally with a heart filled with joy?

DOGMA TEAM Dogma Team meets every Monday at 6:30 PM. to 8:00 PM in the Youth Room.

SCRIPTURE CLASS

Scripture class takes place on Tuesday mornings following 8:30 morning Mass. We meet every Tuesday in the Parish Library. Our main focus is on the readings and Gospel for that weekend Mass. Please join us for a very relaxed discussion as we relate to how the Gospel speaks to us in our lives. Bring a friend as we all journey in our faith together. The class is only one hour. Hope to see some new faces; it will be an hour well spent!

BIBLE STUDY

Increase your understanding of Holy Scripture by attending Bible study at our parish center. Special emphasis will be placed on Sunday Scripture readings and how they connect to daily living. Meetings take place on Tuesdays at 7:00 to 8:30 PM in the Parish Library. All are welcome.

SPIRITUAL GUIDANCE THROUGH THE WISDOM OF THE SAINTS

There is still time to join us on Wednesday evenings. Now through December 6, from 7:30 – 9:00 PM in the Parish Library, for our next "Study of the Saints" discussion group opportunity. All are welcome! Learn about the 3 major stages in everyone's spiritual journey. Contact Jeff Tucker (973) 726-9011 or Nancy Hefele (973) 713-1376 for more details.

WE'VE BEEN ASKED TO ANNOUNCE

Presentations at Immaculate Conception, Franklin

The Legion of Mary of Immaculate Conception Church in Franklin is pleased to sponsor two important and timely presentations by theology professor Rafael Gonzalez. On Saturday, December 2nd, after the 5:00 PM Mass. Professor Gonzalez will give a talk about the Message of Fatima and how it is relevant 100 years after it was delivered by Our Lady. Then on Monday, December 4th after the 7:00 PM Mass. He will discuss "Topics on Catholic Morality to gain a better understanding of why the Church teaches what it does. Based on the document from St. John Paul II, *"The Splendor of Truth"* (*Veritatis Splendor*). Please consider attending one or both talks as an enhancement to your Advent preparations. All are welcome.

The National Shrine of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel,

70 Carmelite Drive, Middletown, NY

- **A Healing Mass** is held on the last Thursday of every month at 7:00 PM.

- **Carmelite Cor First Friday Event**

A youth group hosted by the Carmelite Friars to help teens grow in the love of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary meets every First Friday, 6:00-9:00pm. Evening includes Mass, dinner, Adoration and social time.

- **First Saturday Mass**

A Mass on every first Saturday of the month is at 10:15 AM, followed by 11:00 AM Holy Hour with confessions and rosary followed by benediction.

For information, call Carol Bezak, Shrine Director at [845-343-1879](tel:845-343-1879). All are welcome.

PART-TIME CRE NEEDED

Part-time position available for *Coordinator of Religious Education*, in Our Lady of Fatima Parish in Highland Lakes approximately 200 Students. 20 hours per week – Monday, Tuesday and Friday 9-2 and on Saturday 3 hrs. and Sunday 2 hrs. Please contact Fr. Ricardo Ortega, Pastor directly at 973-764-4457.

LUMINARY KIT SALE

December 2nd and 3rd after masses.

Each year the Columbian Squires at St. Kateri sell Luminary kits in November and December with all proceeds to benefit the homeless and needy of our area through local charities (Samaritan Inn, Family Promise, Sparta Food Pantry, Book Bank Foundation). The



Squires who have sold these kits in the past few years are parishioners at Our Lady of the Lake. Please give them your support.

ADOPT-A-FAMILY

Spreading Christmas Joy to Members of our Diocese

The Adopt-A-Family Ministry asks our very generous parishioners to continue the wonderful support in helping the working poor of our Diocese, who without your kindness, would not have any gifts underneath their Christmas tree.



If you, your family or your business have selected a family to adopt, please be sure to drop off wrapped gifts in McKenna Hall on **Saturday, December 9 between 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM.**

If you have any questions, please contact Allison Ognibene at (973) 903-0999, or email at allisonognibene@yahoo.com.

SCCC FIRST RESPONDERS MASS

The 2nd Annual Sussex County First Responders Mass will be held on Wednesday, December 6, 2017 at 12:15 PM in Sussex County Community College's Performance Arts Center. Rev. Michael Rodak, Chaplain of the Catholic Campus Ministry, will be the celebrant.

The Mass commemorates those serving in Sussex County communities as law enforcement, fire fighters, and in emergency medical and rescue services, both past and present. For further information, please call Wendy Cooney, SCCC Criminal Justice Faculty at (973) 300-2240 or Bill McGovern, SCCC Criminal Justice Faculty at (973) 300-2182.

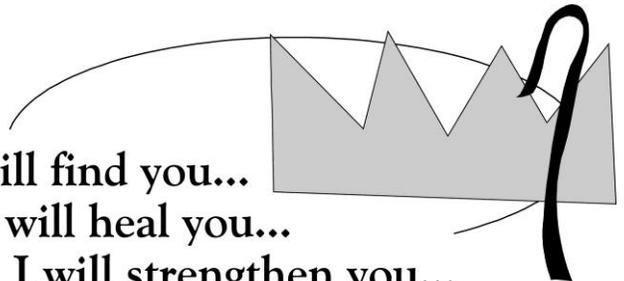
HOLY LAND OLIVE WOOD CARVINGS

Please watch future bulletins for the date that we will have a vendor in Cassidy Hall one weekend during Advent with holy items made by Christians in the Holy Land. They make great Christmas presents.

I will find you...

I will heal you...

I will strengthen you...



**CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS
COME TOGETHER ONE AND ALL
TWO GREAT EVENTS!**

DECEMBER 2, 2017, 2:00 PM – 3:30 PM

On Saturday, December 2nd Our Lady of the Lake, will bring "Christ in Christmas" to life. This event in the spirit of the true meaning of Christmas, brings together young children to build Teddy Bears for the children in homeless shelters in the Sussex County area. We invite you to join us in McKenna Hall from 2-3:30 PM, as a parish family for Christmas cheer and spirit. **"To sign up for Christ in**



Christmas, visit the Announcements section of the OLL website home page."



Festivities will continue in the evening with our **Tree Lighting Ceremony after the Saturday 5:30 Mass.** Come and join us in song, fellowship, feasting, and fun... AND may "God Bless Us Everyone".

WELCOME TO THE WeShare FAMILY!

ParishPay has transitioned to **WeShare**. Here are several things to keep in mind as you familiarize yourself with WeShare.

We take security seriously. Donors' recurring donations will continue as scheduled. But donors must authenticate their account and email to receive WeShare emails or to make any changes to their account. The first time a donor enters the system – they will have to go through a one-time validation requiring:

- Their ParishPay user name
- The last 4 digits of the bank account or credit card used with ParishPay

And ONE of the following two options:

- Their email address
- A collection name and the specific amount donated within the last 6 months.

Please feel free to contact the customer service team for assistance at WeShare@4lpi.com or call 1 (800) 950-9953 and select *Option 1*.

CHECK OUT OUR NEW WEBSITE

Would you like to know more about our parish? Go to www.ourladyofthelake.org. We have the same information as before, but in a new format. We hope you will like it. You can see the Sunday Bulletin – the current week and archived issues from the beginning of the year. You can find the schedules for Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers under 'Liturgy'. Need to register in the parish? The Registration form is there under "New Members". How to sign your child up for Religious Education. And, of course, if you have any questions or have trouble finding anything, please call the parish office at (973) 729-6107.

RACHEL'S VINEYARD

**Healing the pain of abortion
one weekend at a time.**

The Diocese of Paterson is sponsoring a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat from Friday, January 26, 2018 to Sunday January 28, 2018. This is a safe place to renew, rebuild, and redeem hearts broken by abortion. Weekend retreats offer you a supportive, confidential, non-judgmental environment where women and men can express, release, and reconcile post-abortive emotions to begin the process of restoration, renewal, and healing. For more information, please call (973) 377-1004 ext. 425 or e-mail RVPaterson@gmail.com.

*Happy
Thanksgiving*



**Father David, Father Marcin, Deacon Krzysztof,
Deacon Jim and Deacon Sonny and all the
Parish Staff wish you all a
Safe and Happy Thanksgiving weekend.**