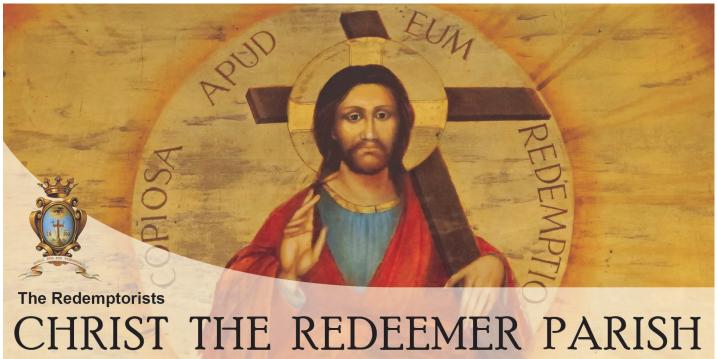
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Fourth Sunday of Advent



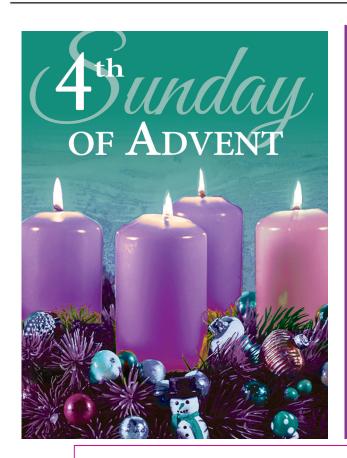
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ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Christ the King Worship Site
Saturday 3:30 - 4:20 PM
Sacred Heart Worship Site
Saturday 8:30 - 9:00 AM - Our Lady of Czestochowa Chapel

CONFESSION

(English & Polish)

Christ the King Worship Site

Monday - Friday 6:30 AM; Saturday 3:30 PM
Sacred Heart Worship Site

Wednesday & First Friday 6:30 - 7:00 PM Saturdays 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM & 4:45 - 5:45 PM

OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 9:00AM to 3:00PM. Office closed on Thursdays. Saturdays and Evenings: By Appointment.

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, December 21 (Poniedziałek) Peter Canisius

CTK - 7:00AM †Barbara Demchak r/o Drobny Family

SH - 8:00AM †Lucille, Roger & Lori Ann White r/o family

SH - 11:00AM †Emil Gural r/o Barbara Gural

CTK - 12:00PM Rosary & Divine Mercy Devotions

Tuesday, December 22 (Wtorek)

CTK - 7:00AM †Gene Golaszewski r/o wife, Irene

SH - 8:00AM †John & Jason Cap r/o wife, Mary & family

SH - 11:00AM Mass and OLPH Novena in English

Wednesday, December 23 (Środa) - John of Kanty

CTK - 7:00AM †Betty & George Tomko r/o daughters, Betty Ann & Marge

SH - 11:00AM †John & Irene Allesandro r/o daughter & son-in-law. Carol & Rav

SH - 7:00PM OLPH Novena in Polish

Thursday, December 24 (Czwartek) - Christmas Eve

SH - 4:00PM Christmas Liturgy for children & parents

CTK - 10:00PM Midnight Mass in English (For All Parishioners)

SH - 12:00AM Midnight Mass in Polish (For All Parishioners)

Friday, December 25 (Piatek) - Christmas Day

SH - 7:00AM For All Parishioners

CTK - 8:30AM For All Parishioners

SH - 8:30AM For All Parishioners

SH - 10:00AM For All Parishioners

CTK - 10:30AM For All Parishioners

SH - 11:30AM For All Parishioners

Saturday, December 26 (Sobota) - Stephen

SH - 8:00AM †Emma & Faust DeLorenzo & Mary & Joseph Wechkus r/o daughter, Mary Cap & family

SH - 11:00AM †Edward Hart r/o Dolores Hart & family

CTK - 3:30PM Adoration

CTK - 4:30PM †George Gazo r/o M/M Joseph Novak & family

SH - 6:00PM †Vincent Kozlowski Jr. r/o sister, Dottie

Sunday, December 27 (Niedziela) - The Holy Family

SH - 7:00AM †Zofia Malinowski r/o Marian & Maria

CTK - 8:30AM †David Horvath r/o Wanda & Don Nering

SH - 8:30AM †Rose Stadler r/o Frank & Maria Stadler

SH - 10:00AM †Frank Fedorczyk r/o wife & children

CTK - 10:30AM †Sally Lisay r/o sister, Cecelia Smith

SH - 11:30AM †Living & Deceased Members of the Blessed Virgin Mary Society

The Sanctuary Lamp in Sacred Heart will burn this week for the repose of the soul of **Emil Gural** at the request of Barbara Gural.

The Altar Bread & Wine in Sacred Heart is consecrated this week in memory of **Vincent Patero & family** at the request of Joe Patero.

The Sanctuary Lamp in Christ the King will burn this week for the repose of the soul of **Barbara Demchak** at the request of Mary Sue Schlenker & son, Dave.

The Altar Bread & Wine in Christ the King is consecrated this week in memory of **Barbara Demchak** at the request of Mary Carol & Bernadette.



When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the infant leaped in her womb, and Elizabeth, filled with the Holy Spirit, cried out in a loud voice and said, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb."

- Lk 1:41-42

4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

"Mary set out and traveled to the hill country in haste." What was the rush? Why did Mary go so quickly to visit her cousins Elizabeth and Zechariah? It's hard to know exactly what her purpose was, but one thing is clear: Mary and Elizabeth shared a special connection. Perhaps Mary was anxious to be in the company of someone who could understand her unusual situation.

At this point, Mary was newly pregnant by the power of the Holy Spirit. The verses preceding today's reading tell us about the appearance of the Angel Gabriel and Mary's willingness to become the mother of the Messiah. Now, this child was already growing within her womb, but the whole thing was an incredible secret. Who would believe her? In whom could Mary confide the unbelievable events that had taken place? We know that at some point later, Joseph had a vision in a dream that allowed him to understand. But before that dream came, he was planning to part ways with Mary. It must have been during that difficult time that Mary went to see Elizabeth. And what joy that upon her arrival, Elizabeth immediately understood. "Blessed is the fruit of your womb," Elizabeth cried out. The same Holy Spirit who conceived Jesus in Mary's womb enlightened Elizabeth at this moment. What a consolation this must have been to Mary.

This story reminds us of the importance of our own fellowship in the faith. Sharing our spiritual journey with other believers who are receptive to the Holy Spirit is meant to be a source of encouragement and strength. We are not supposed to be in this alone. As we worship and celebrate together with our faith community, may we share with each other the real joy of this sacred season.



The Grace and Peace of Our Newborn Lord and Savior Jesus Christ be with you!

In the birth of our Lord, the Word of God has come among us. This has happened not out of a debt of obligation owed to us but because of Love. A love which does not admit to exclusion. No more are we to be judged by what we have or can do but simply by our response to God's gift to us. In our community we see what this response means. Our community continues to grow. Our heritage is learned and respected. More and more people are choosing to share their talents: the Gospel is preached and lived, families are welcomed, the old find comfort, and we are at peace with one another.

The greatest gift of this season has already been given – God the Father has shared his Son. During this Christmas Season in particular we have the opportunity to better appreciate God's gift to us. First, let us do that in thanksgiving. We are thankful for the gift of one another and our faith. Second, we appreciate this gift in prayer. May God continue to watch over us and bless us. And finally, we appreciate this gift by living lives accountable to the Lord. Faith and the life given us in Jesus is to be the center of our lives.

At this time we want to thank all of you for your care and love of the Lord and your parish. This is a wonderful parish to be a member of. I thank you for that. May God continue to bless you and watch over all you do.

In the Peace of our Newborn Savior.

Fr. Stan, Fr. Slawek & Fr. Marcin

KOLĘDA

THE ANNUAL BLESSING OF HOMES (KOLEDA) WILL BEGIN ON THURSDAY, JANUARY 4, 2016 from 9:30 AM to Noon and from 1 PM to 5 PM. Should you not be at home when the priest visits, he will leave a message in your door. If you would like to reschedule or if you prefer to schedule an appointment to have your home blessed, please call the parish office. If you live outside of Manville you must call the parish office to have your home blessed.



Chwała Nowonarodzonego Zbawiciela niech będzie z Wami wszystkimi!

Z narodzeniem Pana Słowo Boże przyszło do nas na ziemię. Stało się to z miłości do nas. Z miłości, która nie zna granic. Z miłości, której orzeczeniem nie jest to co posiadamy, lecz jaką odpowiedź damy Bogu za Jego dar dla ludzkości. W naszej wspólnocie parafialnej dajemy ta odpowiedź Bogu poprzez fakt, że jako parafia rozwijamy się i żyjemy życiem Bożym. Wyciągając wnioski z naszej przeszłości i przynależności narodowej okazujemy sobie wzajemny szacunek. Coraz więcej parafian dzieli się swoimi talentami z innymi, nasze rodziny żyją Ewnagelia Chrystusa i stają się poprzez to radośniejsze, a ci, którzy są już w podeszłym wieku znajdują opiekę i spokój. Stajemy sie przykładem chrześcijańskiej wspólnoty ludzi wierzących w Chrystusa.

Otrzymaliśmy największy dar. Bóg dał nam swojego Syna. W okresie Świąt Bożego Narodzenia mamy obowiązek podziekować Bogu za Jego dar. Złóżmy podziękowanie za Siostry i Braci w Chrystusie, za dar wiary, za dar modlitwy. Niech Dobry Bóg nam wszystkim błogosławi i darzy opieką, a Chrystus niech staje się naczelną wartością naszego życia.

Jako Duszpasterze tutejszej parafii, pragniemy podziękować wszystkim, którzy kochają Chrystusa i naszą wspólnotę parafialną. Parafia Najświętszego Serca Pana Jezusa w Manville jest wspaniałą wspólnotą i powinniśmy być dumni z przynależności do niej. Niech dobry Bóg darzy was obfitym błogosławieństwem na nadchodzące Święta i Nowy Rok.

W Chrystusie Odkupicielu,

O. Stanislaw Slaby, O. Slawomir Romanowski i O. Marcin Kubik

KOLĘDA

Podtrzymując tradycję lat poprzednich, również w nadchodzącym okresie Świąt Bożego narodzenia błogosławić będziemy domy naszych parafian. Kolędę ropoczniemy od czwartek 4 stycznia w godzinach od 9:30 – 12:00 i od 13:00 do 17:00. Jeśli ktoś z pariafian nie może być w domu w tych godzinach prosimy o telefoniczny kontakt z biurem parafialnym i ustalenie dogodnego terminu kolędy.



TODAY, DECEMBER 20



4th Sunday of Advent

THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED FOR THE ENTIRE WEEK. In case of an emergency, please call 908-725-0072.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 21

PRAYER AND PRAISE MEETING – 1PM in Christ the King Church.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 22

ADULT CHOIR PRACTICE – 7:30PM in Sacred Heart Church.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24
PLEASE NOTE: THERE ARE NO MORNING MASSES
TODAY.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 25



MAY THE BLESSINGS OF THIS HOLY SEASON BE YOURS IN ABUNDANCE.

Ogłoszenia Parafialne

NIEDZIELA, 20 LISTOPAD

CZWARTA NIEDZIELA ADWENTU

BIURO PARAFIALNE BĘDZIE NIECZYNNE PRZEZ CAŁY TYDZIEŃ. W RAZIE KONIECZNOŚCI PROSZĘ DZWONIĆ POD NASTĘPUJĄCY NR TEL. 908 725 0072.

CZWARTEK, 24 GRUDZIEŃ
UWAGA: NIE MA MSZY SW. O 7:00 W CHRIST THE
KING ORAZ 8:00 W SACRED HEART RANO !!!

PIĄTEK, 25 GRUDZIEŃ
NIECH BŁOGOSŁAWIEŃSTWO BOŻEJ
DZIECINY SPŁYNIE NA WAS W
OBFITOŚCI, W TYM ŚWIĘTYM CZASIE.

OPŁATEK RADIA MARYJA odbędzie się w niedzielę, 17 stycznia 2016 w szkole Christ the King. Bilety do nabycia po Mszach św. i w biurze parafialnym do 11 stycznia. Zapraszamy!

HOLY FAMILY FEAST DAY

On Sunday, December 27, 2015 we will be celebrating all milestone wedding anniversaries, i.e., 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, etc... with a special blessing at the 10:00AM Mass. Please call the parish office and let us know if you would like to participate.

UROCZYSTOŚĆ ŚWIĘTEJ RODZINY

W Niedziela, 27 grudnia na Mszy św. o godz. 10.00AM (w języku angielskim) oraz o godz 11:30AM (w języku polskim) będziemy celebrować jubileusze małżeństwa. Zainteresowanych udziałem w tych uroczystościach prosimy o zgłoszenie się do biura.



Thank you to all our parishioners and friends who participated in our Giving Trees at both worship sites and the Holy Name Society Toy Drive. The response and your generosity were overwhelming. A

special thank you to our Angel Helpers, who sorted, packed and delivered the gifts and gift certificates to our less fortunate parishioners and friends. I know that many had a much better Christmas and were touched by your generosity and love. May our Lord God and Loving Father bless you all! Thank you again!!!

Fr. Stan



On Sunday, January 3, 2016, Sacred Heart Church will host a Christmas concert of sacred and secular music by the Deer Ridge Singers, under the direction of Daren L McCann, founder of the Somerset County

based choral ensemble. The program will span some 500 years of choral music to include spirituals, familiar carol arrangements, along with other surprises. This is the second performance by the singers at Sacred Heart. The concert is scheduled for 7 p.m. **Admission is FREE.**

Lancaster's Sight and Sound Theatre presents

"SAMSON"

Saturday April 9, 2016 Adults \$130 Children 6-15 \$70 Bus departs Sacred Heart Church 8:00 a.m. Dinner at Plain & Fancy Family Style Restaurant For tickets call Maryanne 908-359-5514



We ask you for your prayers for the health of those in need, especially: Jeff Andrew, Toni Antonelli, John Bartley, Jean Blazejewski, Paul Bobe, Shawn Brickley, Lorraine Burkoski, Bill Caswell, Margaret Cebula, Chester Cejnowski, Luke Chartowich, Vincent

Chiusano, Palo Cizmar, Pat Cobo, Allison Collins, Kaiden Crothwer, Dorothy Dinsmore, John Dombey, Mary Evancho, Joseph Fallon, Frank Fiduk, Ralph Gargiulo, Helen Gazo, Dorothy Gluch, John Gubernot, Dolores Hart, Maryann Hughes, Marge Iarkowski, Raul Jaime, Joanna Jasontek, Dennis Koslowski, Theresa Kraska, Wiktoria Lach, Rita Lagasse, Janice Lalley, Cheyenne Licardi, Joe Matisak, Gerry McCormick, Quaid Mobus, Alexander Monto, Adeline Morgan, Mai Nguyen, Hunter Norz, Dolores Novicky, Robert Petsko, Skip Picciano, Marie Piorkowski, Steven Pirello, Mark Pschar, Normand Rivard, Jenny Rodgers, Donna & Robert Roman, Jerry Russell, Jr., John Scanlon, Irene Shelcusky, Pat Sherwood, Eric Slaight, Victoria Soika, Tina Soltis, Albert Stanski, Rose Tabbit, Virginia Tamburini, William Tomaszfski, Joe Tomko, Michelle Tranter, Marilyn Trilone, Pauline Vantaggi, Helen Vrabel, Natalie Walkoviak, Cindy Weigel, Raymond Wisniewski, Barbara Wrigil, Joann Zielinski, Maria Zurawiecki, and Regina

God of all consolation give life and health to our sisters and brothers for whom we pray in your Holy Name. Amen.



Our Men and Women in the Service

Please pray for all of our men and women serving in the Armed forces, especially

Lance Corporal Matthew T. Bowden USMC
PFC Jacob R. Caswell USMC
Staff Sergeant Francis Fiduk III
Pvt. Christopher Foley
Commander Dean T. Giacobbe
PFC Joshua Hussey
Major James A. Jablonski Jr.
Gunnery Sergeant Jeff Morella USMC
PFC Joshua Rivard
Commander Peter G. Rybski, Jr.
PFC Steven Ubry
CMA Mark J. Walyga
Airman 1st Class Lindsay Zaccardi
PFC Brian J. Zarnowski

Please let us know if you have a family member who is serving in the military and we will acknowledge them in our weekly bulletin. Please share the good news with us when one of the above soldiers returns home!

2015 Bishop's Annual Appeal Grace, Mercy & Peace

As Christmas nears, you are asked to make a special effort to remember the 2015 Bishop's Annual Appeal. It is a gift that brings the *Grace, Mercy & Peace* of Christ to thousands of people throughout the Diocese of Metuchen. Please consider making a gift today.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 20, 2015

Sunday: Mi 5:1-4a/Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19/

Heb 10:5-10/Lk 1:39-45

Monday: Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a/Ps 33:2-3,

11-12, 20-21/Lk 1:39-45

Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:24-28/1 Sm 2:1, 4-8/Lk 1:46-56 Wednesday: Mal 3:1-4, 23-24/Ps 25:4-5, 8-10, 14/

Lk 1:57-66

Thursday: Morning: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/

Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29/Lk 1:67-79

Friday: Vigil: Is 62:1-5/Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27,

29/Acts 13:16-17, 22-25/Mt 1:1-25

or 1:18-25

Night: Is 9:1-6/Ps 96:1-3, 11-13/

Ti 2:11-14/Lk 2:1-14

Dawn: Is 62:11-12/Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12/

Ti 3:4-7/Lk 2:15-20

Day: Is 52:7-10/Ps 98:1-6/Heb 1:1-6/

Jn 1:1-18 or 1:1-5, 9-14

Saturday: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59/Ps 31:3-4, 6, 8,

16-17/Mt 10:17-22

Next Sunday: 1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28 or Sir 3:2-6,

12-14/Ps 84:2-3, 5-6, 9-10/1 Jn 3:1-2,

21-24 or Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17/

Lk 2:41-52

Weekly Vocation Prayer Schedule

Sunday: Pedro Diaz

Monday: Roger & Diana Sieberg

Tuesday: K.K.

Wednesday: Theresa Evans & John Strollo

Thursday: Gerald Pepe & Mary Carol Niezgoda

Friday: Betty Rybski

Saturday: John Tardy & Sharon Liszczak

Script Program

In the month of January we will be starting up the Script shopping card program (which is part of the Caritas Ministry). Order forms will be inserted in a future bulletin. For every card you purchase the parish receives a percentage of the value of the card. More information will follow.

Report of Sunday Offerings in Support of our Parish

The Christ the Redeemer collection for the weekend of December 13, 2015

Weekly budget needed:	\$ 16,000.00
Weekly Collection:	
Offertory	\$ 6,885.00
Youth & New Evangelization	\$ 1,878.00
Mail-Ins	\$ 1,858.00
Children's donations	\$ 78.00
Total	\$ 10,699.00
Budget vs. Collection:	
Surplus/(Deficit)	\$ (5,301.00)

[&]quot;For behold, when the voice of your greeting came to my ears, the babe in my womb leaped for joy." (LUKE 1:44)

When you hear the scripture readings and Gospel reading each Sunday, do you "leap for joy?" If not, don't blame the lecturer or priest, rather look inside yourself. Do you prepare for Mass each week or do you just show up and expect to be entertained?

OUR CHILDREN'S GIFTS TO CHRIST THE REDEEMER PARISH

My Good Deed was when I:		
helped make a cake for grandma.	Alicia	
elped my dad. Maximilian, Maria & Jayden		
helped my dad set up the nativity scene.	Alex & Adam	
helped my parents move boxes.	Marysia	
helped my mom.	Kamil	
cleaned my room.	Hailey, Patryk & Andre	
helped decorate my house for Christmas	s. Victoria	
helped clean & put up Christmas tree.	Michelle	
put away the groceries.	Michael	
was good at school.	Emely	
shared the tablet with my sister.	Emilia	
put wreaths on veterans' graves with my cub-scout pack. Jacob		
cleaned my room without being asked.	Armondo	
gave a friend a coin they dropped.	Gianna	
made breakfast.	Robert	
helped at breakfast for Santa.	Hunter	
helped my mom cook.	Colleen	
helped make a wreath.	Michael	
folded clothes.	Madison	
helped daddy with lights.	Joey	
helped clean the house.	Nick	
did dishes.	Christian	
was nice.	Ella	

Dylan

offered to help pay for the Christmas tree.

helped grandma make blueberry pierogies. Alina made my bed. Thomas helped mom decorate the house & tree. Jillian helped mom around the house. Olivia

Don't forget to put your first and last names and your grade on your envelopes.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES LEKCJE KATECHEZY

THERE WILL BE NO RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES THIS WEEK. CLASSES WILL RESUME ON JANUARY 5TH.

W tym tygodniu lekcji religii nie będzie.

PARISH CALENDARS

Within the next week or so, parishioners will be delivering our new Parish Calendars to all the parishioners in Manville. For our out of town parishioners, the calendars will be available in the vestibule beginning the 4th Sunday of Advent.

W ciągu następnego tygodnia, wyznaczone osoby będą dostarczać nowy parafialny kalendarz na Rok 2016 dla wszystkich naszych parafian w Manville. Dla parafian spoza Manville kalendarz będzie dostępny od IV Niedzieli Adwentu w przedsionku kościoła

Nativity of the Lord

"And we saw his glory." Never before or since, in the entire course of human history, have men and women been able to gaze upon the face of God. But for a brief moment in time, God "became flesh and made his dwelling among us." This is the remarkable event we celebrate today.

At that first Christmas some two thousand years ago, the glory of God was revealed through the face of a child. As a tiny, helpless creature, completely dependent upon his mother to sustain him, this humble little baby came into the world. Yet this infant was "the only Son, God, who is at the Father's side." Why is it that the eternal majesty of the triune God should choose to appear in such a simple way? How does this humility reveal what St. Paul calls today, "the refulgence of [God's] glory, the very imprint of his being"?

Today we celebrate a holy day that is unlike any other. Indeed we celebrate a BELIEF that is unlike any other when we proclaim, as Christians, that God became man and walked in our midst. No other major world religion makes such an astonishing claim. And with this comes our unique understanding of the humble nature of God. We believe in a God whose glory is not the glory of the world. His majesty is not like that of earthly kings and rulers. Rather, we believe in a Heavenly Father who loves his little children enough to live among them. This Father takes joy in the joy of his children. Jesus once remarked that just as we desire to give good gifts to our children, "how much more will your heavenly Father give good things to those who ask him" (Mt 7:11). This Christmas, may we remember that the greatest gift is Christ himself.