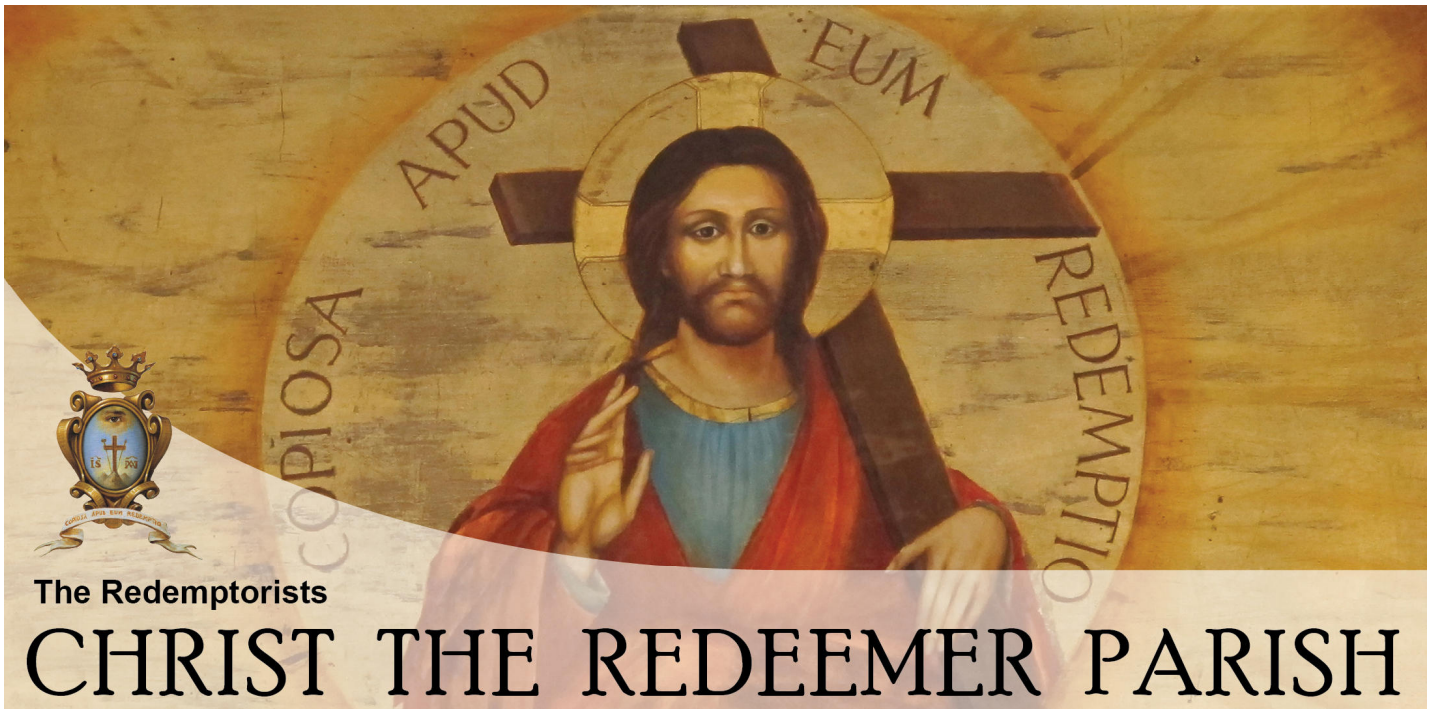


November 29, 2020

First Sunday of Advent



The Redemptorists

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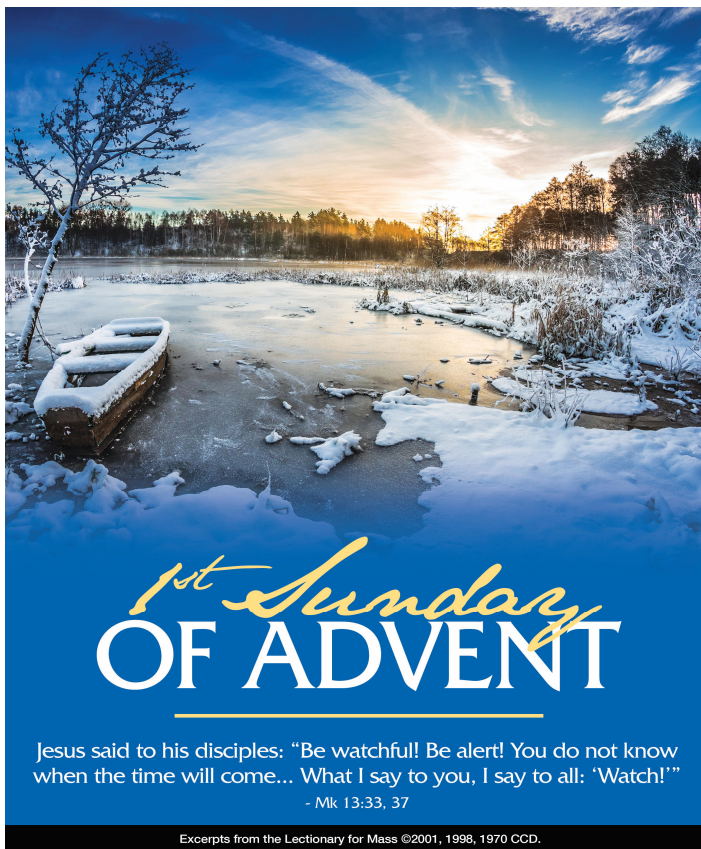
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Jesus said to his disciples: "Be watchful! Be alert! You do not know when the time will come... What I say to you, I say to all: "Watch!"  
- Mk 13:33, 37

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## PARISH STAFF

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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  
Sacred Heart Worship Site  
Wednesday & First Friday 6:30 - 7:00 PM  
Saturdays 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM & 3:45 - 4:45 PM

## OFFICE HOURS

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





# MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

## Monday, November 30 (Poniedziałek) - Andrew

SH - 8:00AM Health of mother r/o, daughter, Ania Misztal & family

SH - 11:00AM †Joe Patero r/o Margaret Zujkowski

## Tuesday, December 1 (Wtorek)

SH - 8:00AM †Jozef & Katarzyna Zielinski r/o son & family

SH - 11:00AM †Alan Paskiewicz r/o mom

SH - 11:30PM OLPH Novena in English

## Wednesday, December 2 (Środa)

SH - 11:00AM †Kimberly Ann Stanislaw r/o mom, dad & brother

SH - 11:30AM Exposition and Rosary

SH - 7:00PM OLPH Novena in Polish

## Thursday, December 3 (Czwartek) - Francis Xavier

SH - 8:00AM †Piotr Niemiec r/o family

SH - 11:00AM †Andrew Domanski r/o sister, Theresa Kosinski & family

## Friday, December 4 (Piątek) - John Damascene

SH - 11:00AM †Albin Kozlowski r/o Dora & Jerry Perna

SH - 11:30AM Divine Mercy Devotions

SH - 7:00PM †Jan Sienicki r/o Misztal Family

## Saturday, December 5 (Sobota)

SH - 8:00AM †Katarzyna, Jadwiga, Franciszek & Andrzej Kolodziej r/o Kurasinski Family

SH - 11:00AM †James Chernesky r/o wife & family

SH - 5:00PM †Jadwiga & Andrew Terpilowski r/o daughter, granddaughter & great-granddaughter

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent, December 6 (Niedziela)

SH - 6:30AM Godzinski

SH - 7:00AM †Bronislaw Uzen r/o daughter & family

SH - 9:00AM God's Blessing for John A. Tardy r/o parents

†Gertrude Franzoso r/o daughter & family

†Hugh Brickley r/o Claude D'Alessio

†Linda Capoccia r/o mom & family

For the People of the Parish

SH - 11:30AM †Miroslaw Slezewski r/o family

The Sanctuary Lamp in Sacred Heart will burn this week for the repose of the soul of **Barbara Demchak** at the request of her husband & son.



*“Watch, therefore; you do not know when the Lord of the house is coming, whether in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or in the morning. May he not come suddenly and find you sleeping.”*

*- Mk 13:35-36*

## FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

You are at the eye doctor and it's time for the peripheral vision test. You know the one. It's where you put your head up to a contraption and have to click a switch every time you see a squiggly line. If you don't concentrate and maintain optimal focus, you will miss them and skew the outcome of the test. You can easily find yourself with a diagnosis that really isn't accurate! Concentration and focus are key to succeeding with this evaluation. They are also key to developing a healthy, vibrant spiritual life. If we do not bring our full consciousness to the task, concentrate with all our might, be watchful and vigilant, we are not going to see God's loving presence flashing before our eyes!

That's why we need Advent. Let's face it. We can easily get distracted, focus on nonessential and superficial things and lose touch with what really matters. Our attentions wander. We daydream and even become a bit overwhelmed and tired. All of the stresses and demands of life consume us and we find ourselves constantly trying to play catch up rather than relishing the moment of the now. "Now" moments are so fleeting. They flash before us like those squiggly lines on a screen. Present moments go as quickly as they come but it is important to discover them and rest in them as often as we can. Though gone in a flash, these now moments of encounter with God teach powerful lessons and offer a grounding in truth that can be found nowhere else. It's the grace of Advent to become watchful and attentive because we are never sure when God will surprise us.

God loves surprises and love thrives on them! God's now moments of surprises come as tender instants of intimate connection where I find profound peace, experience joy, and rest in love. These are Advent times reflective of the now moments when Christ first was born, when God surprises us during every time we care to watch and when the great surprise of Christ's second coming dawns upon us all. But, to discover the grandeur and experience the awe of these now times, we have to be ready. We have to want to be there. We have to believe. And, we have to have the desire to soak in as much as we can in the time we have before us.



## Download the Parish App...

Now is the perfect time to download the parish app to keep abreast of everything that's going on during this crisis. To download:

iPhone Users Text: ParishApp1 to 555888  
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To learn more visit our website.

## PARISH ADVENT RETREAT IN ENGLISH DECEMBER 13-15, 2020

An Advent Parish Retreat is an important and a joyful experience which prepares us spiritually for Christmas. It is important because we concentrate on life's purpose and goals and joyful because Jesus is at the heart of every spiritual experience. This three-night Retreat is a more contemplative experience with each night focusing on the Eucharist. Should we be unable to gather due to the pandemic or should you not feel safe enough to attend, the Retreat will be live-streamed.



Fr. Kevin MacDonald, C.Ss.R., is a Redemptorist priest from Woburn, Massachusetts, about ten miles north of Boston. He entered the Redemptorist missionary order after attending Boston College and playing seven years of professional baseball with the Pittsburgh Pirates organization and overseas in Holland and Australia. He is a member of the Boston College Hall of Fame. Ordained in 1991, he has worked as a parish priest in Dominica, New York, Boston, St. Lucia, and the Virgin Islands. He is currently assigned to the Redemptorist Community in New Smyrna Beach, Florida. He is greatly looking forward to spending this time with us.



*Our parish community welcomed Harrison Gregory Gil, son of Grzegorz & Agnieszka and Luka Szafranski, son of Mariusz & Joanna, in the sacrament of Baptism. We congratulate them and their families.*



*We welcome the following newly registered members to our Parish Family: Kysha Ramirez & her son, Jacob, Laura Toth & her daughter, Kayla and Monika & Konrad Wiecek & their son, Oliver.*



*We ask you to remember in your prayers the following parishioners who have died: Albert Mlynarski, Cathy Ravaioli & Benedict Pankowski. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.*

## Give Online

Consider using ConnectNow Giving during this health crisis. Go to our website and use the "Quick Give" feature to give a one-time gift without creating a login, and you'll see a list of our special funds from which you can choose to contribute. Or you can create a login and set up a recurring donation.

Pomimo kryzysu związanego z koronawirusem prosimy o wsparcie finansowe dla parafii. Zachęcamy do korzystania z zakładki Online Giving na stronie internetowej parafii. Transakcje czynione za pomocą Online Giving są bezpieczne. Dziękujemy za wsparcie i zrozumienie.

## Readings for the Week of November 29, 2020

**Sunday:** Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7/Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19 [4]/1 Cor 1:3-9/Mk 13:33-37

**Monday:** Rom 10:9-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [10]/Mt 4:18-22

**Tuesday:** Is 11:1-10/ Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17 [cf. 7]/ Lk 10:21-24

**Wednesday:** Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [6cd]/ Mt 15:29-37

**Thursday:** Is 26:1-6/Ps 118:1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a [26a]/Mt 7:21, 24-27

**Friday:** Is 29:17-24/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 [1a]/Mt 9:27-31

**Saturday:** Is 30:19-21, 23-26/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [cf. Is 30:18d]/Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8

**Next Sunday:** Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 [8]/2 Pt 3:8-14/Mk 1:1-8

The daily Scripture references are printed here. If you find it helpful and have internet access, you can find the complete Daily Scripture Readings at <http://www.usccb.org/nab/>.

## Catholic Charities Diocese of Metuchen

Please consider supporting our local poverty relief services by donating gently used clothing, shoes, household items and small appliances to Catholic Charities-Diocese of Metuchen. Clearly marked donation boxes are available in more than 30 locations throughout our four-county diocese. For a complete list of drop-off locations, visit <http://www.ccdom.org/how-you-can-help/clothing-donation-drop-boxes>. If you have an item that is too big to fit in a donation box, call 877-343-3651 to arrange for a free pick up at your home.



Thank you for your continued support of Caritas. The Caritas Team collects food **every week** at the church. Desperately needed items: Spaghetti Sauce, Soup, Cereal, Macaroni and Cheese, Dried Potato Mixes, Rice, Canned Meat-Ham, Tuna, Chicken, Canned Fruit, Peanut Butter and Jelly. The Caritas Team also collect monetary donations and on-line through our church website.

*A special thank you to the Canal Walk Women's Club for their very generous monetary donation to help the needy have a Happy Thanksgiving.*



HOLY NAME SOCIETY

The next Holy Name Society Meeting will be held on **January 4<sup>th</sup>** in the St. John Neumann Center at 6PM.



Oplatek (Christmas wafers) are available at the parish office for \$3 per package during regular business hours.

Opłatki na Wigilię Bożego Narodzenia, do nabycia w Biurze Parafialnym, w cenie

\$3 za paczkę, w godzinach urzędowania.

### Weekly Vocation Prayer Schedule

Sunday: Randy Hart  
 Monday: Colleen Hart  
 Tuesday: Thomas Amato  
 Wednesday: John Tardy  
 Thursday: Ellen Michta  
 Friday: Laurie Lukacs & Terezia Tardy  
 Saturday: Brett & John Wood

### OUR CHILDREN'S GIFTS TO CHRIST THE REDEEMER PARISH

#### My Good Deed was when I:

helped cleaned the house.  
 helped my parents take care of my siblings.

Alex  
 Amelia



The next Altar Rosary Society Mass will be said on **December 20<sup>th</sup>** at 10:00AM.

The next **FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTIONS** to Our Lady of Fatima will take place on **December 5<sup>th</sup>**.



## The Knights of Columbus Saint Jude Council # 6573

**Council Meetings and Social Gatherings:** Held monthly on 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday, respectively at 7:00 pm; Saint John Neumann Center at Christ the Redeemer Parish, Manville N.J. Catholic men 18+ who are not fellow knights but may have an interest to join are invited to the social events.

**CLOTHING DRIVE - Cancelled until further notice!**

**Bible Study:** Bible study is every Thursday at 7:00 p.m. and is currently covering Galatians. All are welcome to join the discussion.

We always have updates on our Facebook Page - <https://www.facebook.com/kofc6573biblestudy/>

### Report of Sunday Offerings in Support of our Parish The Christ the Redeemer collection for the weekend of November 15, 2020

Offertory	\$ 3,756.00
Mail-Ins	\$ 2,883.00
On-line Giving	\$ 1,856.00
Diocesan Assessment	\$ 949.00
Children's donations	\$ 9.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 9,299.00</b>

Thank you for your generosity and support. May God bless you.  
 Stan Fr.

*"Take heed, watch and pray; for you do not know when the time will come." - Mark 13:33*

We all take things for granted. In particular, we take time for granted. We make our lives too busy. We plan our time, our days, weeks, months, even years in advance. Remember, our time on earth is a gift. None of us knows how long we will be here. Start today and begin thanking God for each and every day. Take time in silence, every day, and listen to how God is calling you right now to help build His kingdom on earth.



We ask you for your prayers for the health of those in need, especially: Edwina Andreyko, Toni Antonelli, Evelyn Appenzeller, Cheryl Argento, John Bartley, Thelma Bartus, Jean Batula, Harold Bok, Shawn Brickley, Denise Buanano, Lorraine Burkoski, Marylou & Jason Cebula, Chester Cejnowski, Luke Chartowich, Palo Cizmar, Pat Cobo, Allison Collins, Betty Ann Cowen, Kaiden Crothwer, Bill and Denise Davidson, Dolores DeFazio, Marge Demski, Dorothy Dinsmore, Heather Drodz, Mary Evancho, Bernice Fatto, Maureen Femiano, Lou Fischer, Kathryn, Debbie, Madison & Michael Fisne, Valerie Frank, Nancy Franklin, Karter Fridlund, Marian Gano, Helen Gazo, Helen Gilmore, Dorothy Gluch, Christopher Gregor, Dolores Hart, Frank Honkisz, Maryann Hughes, Marge Iarkowski, Maria Inglot, Raul Jaime, Joseph Jaworsky, Kim Jenkins, Dennis Koslowski, Ed Kawalchuk, Theresa Kraska, Wiktoria Lach, Rita Lagasse, Ken Lake, Janice Lalley, Donna Lawler, Ann Marie Lazor-Shapiro, Judy Lentzsch, Antoinette Leotti, Cheyenne Liccardi, Rachel Lukacs, Nadine Mack, Jerry Mamola, Quaid Mobus, Alexander Monto, Ed Nawracaj, Mai Nguyen, Hunter Norz, Ned Panfile, Barbara Pankowski, Robert & John Parlier, Barbara Perone, Steven Pirello, Mary Poltarek, Elijah Paul Prater, Joseph G. & Mark Pschar, Carolyn Puia, Steve Quintana, Chelsea Rivard, Laura Rodaman, Mary Rogalski, Marie Rogusky, Sylvia Rubito, Jerry Russell, Jr., Dolores Serra, Michael Sheehan, Irene Shelcusky, Pat Sherwood, Eric Slaughter, Celia Smith, Charlotte Snow, Victoria Soika, Albert Stanski, Michelle Tranter, David Urban, Frances Viola, Irena Walczak, Ramona Walsh, Mark Waugh, Cindy Weigel, Cathy Wildgust, Raymond Wisniewski, Barbara Wrigil, Rose Zakszewski, Michael Zamorsky, Margaret & Mark Zujkowski, Maria Zurawiecki, and Regina Zydalis.

*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*

*SPC Christopher Elsen*

*PFC Joshua Hussey*

*Major James A. Jablonski Jr.*

*Master Sergeant Kimberly Kaminski USAF*

*Airman Michael Edward Kassick III*

*1st Lieutenant John Limyansky USAF*

*First Sergeant Jeff Morella USMC*

*SR Jerry Lee Rogalski*

*Commander Peter G. Rybski, Jr.*

*PFC Steven Ubry*

*Staff Sergeant Lindsay Zaccardi USAF*

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!

*Please visit our parish website:*

**[www.ctrmanville.com](http://www.ctrmanville.com)**

*up-to-date information, schedules, church bulletins, pictures from parish events and much more...*

**Be sure to check out our video reflections on the Sunday Readings each week. This week Deacon Bill will be presenting the reflections and next week Bonnie Giacobbe will be the presenter.**

**Have parish newsletter delivered to your email. Sign up for our newsletter on the website.**

### **24 Hour Prayer Line**

Our Diocesan Office for Persons with Disabilities has a 24 hour prayer line for those who desire prayer for special needs. If you, a family member or friend would like to be remembered in prayer for a temporary or permanent illness, please call us and leave a detailed message at (732) 765-6431 or send an email to our office: catholicswithdisabilities@gmail.com.

### **More Resources for Persons with Disabilities**

Our Diocesan Office for Persons with Disabilities has a Facebook page that provides daily updates with short inspirational reflections for people with disabilities, family members and care givers. The site also provides endless resources for those with physical, emotional, cognitive, visual, auditory and other special challenges. To access our Facebook page (even if you are not a member of Facebook), type the following into your search engine: Diocese of Metuchen Office for Persons with Disabilities

### **LIVE THE LITURGY INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK**

Be watchful! Be alert! The core message of Advent cannot be more direct or simple. As those who are postured in a spirit of readiness and anticipation, we must always be attentive and vigilant. We have to be ready not only for the anticipated arrival of our Lord, but watchful and attentive to the unexpected visit as well. While we know that the Christ is coming, we also do not know the exact time. Cultivating this expectant attitude is the purpose of this season. It is easy to grow slack, inattentive, and too self-assured. We can easily deaden ourselves to the wonder and surprise of God's presence. We get so absorbed in so many other distractions that it can seem like Christ's second coming, and even Christ's coming in time are of lesser importance. When it finally dawns on us that we have wandered far away from where we need to be, and lost our attentiveness and focus, we will wonder how this all happened. We may even try to put the onus on God and blame God for a lack of involvement or presence. We are the ones, who through our own choice, put the distance in our relationship and lost touch. Now it's time to come back and perk ourselves up a bit!



# Remember in Your Prayers

ALL THOSE AFFECTED BY THE CORONAVIRUS THROUGHOUT THE WORLD

Compassionate and Loving Father,

In the face of confusion and concern  
impart to us the calm of Your presence.

In You allow us to find hope and healing.

Be with those who serve the sick and  
give them Your caring hands.

Be with those who lead and give them  
Your spirit of wisdom.

Be with those who have fallen ill and  
give them Your comforting heart.

Wrap Your arms around our world  
and hold us in Your love.

Allow us at this time of trial to then  
serve as instruments of that love  
to all we meet.

We ask this in Your Name.

*Amen*

