

December 6, 2020

Second Sunday of Advent



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"Prepare the way of the Lord." - Mk 1:3

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ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Sacred Heart Worship Site

SATURDAY 8:30 - 9:00 AM
(Our Lady of Czestochowa Chapel)

SATURDAY 4:00 - 4:45 PM

CONFESSION

(English & Polish)

WEDNESDAY & FRIDAY

6:30 - 7:00 PM

SATURDAY

11:30 AM - 12:30 PM

4:00 - 4:50 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, December 7 (Poniedziałek) - Ambrose

- SH - 8:00AM Health of Ryan McKee r/o mother & family
- SH - 11:00AM †Andrew R. Vinchur r/o family
- SH - 6:00PM (E) †Nati Rosalie Botante & Lucas Sr. & Juliana Cordova r/o Cordova Family

Tuesday, December 8 (Wtorek)

Feast of the Immaculate Conception

- SH - 8:00AM †Marcin S. Wierzba r/o wife & family
- SH - 11:00AM †Peter Blazejewski & family r/o daughter-in-law
- SH - 11:30PM OLPH Novena in English
- SH - 6:00PM (E) For the People of the Parish
- SH - 7:30PM (P) †Marcin S. Wierzba r/o wife & family

Wednesday, December 9 (Środa)

Juan Diego Cuauhtlatotzin

- SH - 11:00AM †Carmelo & Lucy Perna r/o brother & family
- SH - 11:30AM Exposition and Rosary
- SH - 7:00PM OLPH Novena in Polish

Thursday, December 10 (Czwartek)

- SH - 8:00AM †Marcin S. Wierzba r/o wife & family
- SH - 11:00AM †Antonio, Josephine & Gianna Perna r/o son & family

Friday, December 11 (Piątek) - Damasus I

- SH - 11:00AM †Iggy Gilarde Sr. r/o Doreen & Dana Schultes
- SH - 11:30AM Divine Mercy Devotions
- SH - 7:00PM †Ryszard Sokolowski r/o ciocia, Krysia Rogalski

Saturday, December 12 (Sobota)

Our Lady of Guadalupe

- SH - 8:00AM †Ignacy Rogalski r/o zona, Krysia Rogalski
- SH - 11:00AM †Robert Post r/o Lois & Greg Zwerko
- SH - 5:00PM †Lucille & Walter Domin r/o Mary Marsicano

3rd Sunday of Advent, December 13 (Niedziela)

- SH - 6:30AM Godzinski
- SH - 7:00AM God's Blessing & Health for Helena r/o daughter & family
- SH - 9:00AM †Helena Florek r/o family
God's Blessing for the Tardy grandchildren r/o grandparents
†Robert Rollman r/o Lois & Greg Zwerko
For the People of the Parish
- SH - 11:30AM †Wladyslawa & Stanislaw Sienicki r/o daughter, Agata & family

The Sanctuary Lamp in Sacred Heart will burn this week for the repose of the soul of **Carmen DeBellis** at the request of Mary Sue Schlenker & sons.

The Altar Bread & Wine in Sacred Heart is consecrated this week in memory of **Jadwiga & Andrew Terpilowski** at the request of their daughter, granddaughter & great-granddaughter.



SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

People knew over a year in advance that the Pope was coming for a visit to America and the preparations began. Security, space limitations and requirements, protocols, crowd management, itineraries, invitations, regulations, and so much more was necessary to pull this event off effectively. It's not every day that we get a visit from such a prominent dignitary. Thought, effort, meticulous attention to detail and vision all are necessary to make this thing work. After all, he can't just show up in the ordinary and normal daily routines of life and catch people unprepared! Tickets have to be purchased, buses rented, hotel rooms reserved, and travel arrangements made early because it will be impossible to see him if we wait too long!

We do this kind of preparing not only for prominent religious figures but for political dignitaries, notable sports figures, people of fame, and even actors. If an individual intrigues us, we are going to want to do all we have to do to get a "good seat" in the house. Does Jesus Christ captivate this much of our attention? We are asked to prepare the way of the Lord and to do so not with frantic frenzy but patient enthusiasm. We do not have to stand on a street corner making profound announcements about God's coming or become overly zealous in our embrace of the Good News. Our task is quieter, more interior, captivating, and consuming. We are asked to change. We have to conduct our lives with holy devotion.

Is the cost of that ticket too much for you? Don't you want the "best seat" in the house? You don't want to miss Our Lord's arrival when he comes, do you? After all, if he comes while you are going about your daily routines without you even knowing, he may catch you off guard. Or, he may come in disguise looking like a beggar, a prisoner, migrant, refugee, or someone who is lost. Would you be ready to recognize him then? Preparing for the coming of Christ requires a change of mind, heart, and behavior. It is not adequate to simply do the things we always do. We want our lives to speak of the exciting news of Christ's coming and the joy that the Gospel brings. It has to do with our demeanor, values, priorities, choices, and how we structure daily routines. Of course, it involves sacrifice. All anticipations do! Are you excited, captivated, enthusiastic, and sitting on the edge of your seat eager to celebrate his coming among us at Christmas, and waiting for him to come again? If not, why not?

John the Baptist appeared in the desert proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. John was clothed in camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist. He fed on locusts and wild honey. And this is what he proclaimed: "One mightier than I is coming after me."
- Mk 1:4, 6-7a



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF MARY

THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON TUESDAY DUE TO THE HOLYDAY. IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY, PLEASE CALL 725-0072. PLEASE NOTE THE MASS SCHEDULE FOR THE HOLYDAY OF OBLIGATION.

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

Oplatki na Wigilię Bożego Narodzenia, do nabycia w Biurze Parafialnym, w cenie \$3 za paczkę, w godzinach urzędowania.

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Prepare the way of the Lord! The message of John the Baptist becomes the calling of every baptized disciple of Jesus Christ. Each one of us is asked to prepare the way of the Lord. Given the humble means of our lives, how can we do this? It certainly does not require that we stand on street corners announcing God's future coming! We can more readily take up the task of our lifework by clearing our lives of unnecessary, distracting clutter. By creating solid and deep spiritual lives, we can heighten our awareness of God's presence and help people point to and discover God's presence around them. By conducting ourselves in holiness and devotion, we can speak volumes to those we meet. Not by preaching actual words, but by living lives that communicate the comfort God wants His people to know. As the world sometimes frantically unfolds around us, we can be people of patience who show others that it's okay to wait for God's gift to come. Conducting our lives in this manner, we will know the peace that comes from doing what we have been asked to do.

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 December 6, 2020

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

Monday: Is 35:1-10/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14
[Is 35:4f]/Lk 5:17-26

Tuesday: Gn 3:9-15, 20/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [1]/
Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/Lk 1:26-38

Wednesday: Is 40:25-31/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10 [1]/
Mt 11:28-30

Thursday: Is 41:13-20/Ps 145:1 and 9, 10-11, 12-13ab [8]/
Mt 11:11-15

Friday: Is 48:17-19/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [cf. Jn 8:12]/
Mt 11:16-19

Saturday: Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/
Jdt 13:18bcde, 19 [15:9d]/Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47

Next Sunday: Is 61:1-2a, 10-11/Lk 1:46-48, 49-50, 51-54
[Is 61:10b]/1 Thes 5:16-24/Jn 1:6-8, 19-28

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 our parishioners, the Knights of Columbus and to Michelle Lafoon, the Social Concerns Ministry and the parishioners of St. Joseph's Parish for their very generous donations which helped the needy have a Happy Thanksgiving.



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

The next **FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTIONS** to Our Lady of Fatima will take place on **January 2nd**.



HOLY NAME SOCIETY

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



If any of the following items pertain to you or your family, please check the appropriate box in front of the listed item. This information will be a great help to us. You may tear off the form and deposit in the collection basket or mail it to the Parish Office. Your cooperation in this matter would be greatly appreciated.

Fr. Stan

- ☐ New in Parish and would like to register
- ☐ Change of address
- ☐ Request Collection Envelopes
- ☐ Moving out of Parish
- ☐ Need Information – Please CALL
- ☐ New Telephone Number: _____
- ☐ Family Member (Name: _____) is ill:
 - ☐ At Home
 - ☐ In the Hospital: Room #: _____
 - ☐ Would like to receive Holy Communion

Your name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Weekly Vocation Prayer Schedule

Sunday:	Josephine Pschar & Marge Iarkowski
Monday:	John Tardy
Tuesday:	Dolores Finlan
Wednesday:	John & Magdalena Daus
Thursday:	Katlyn Hart
Friday:	Maximilian Czajka
Saturday:	Kelly Baccarini



The Knights of Columbus Saint Jude Council # 6573

Council Meetings and Social Gatherings: Held monthly on 1st and 3rd 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/>

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

Jubilation to Share

Sometimes you have something to share with people that causes you to well up inside with excitement to the point of going crazy. A pregnancy test, a pay raise, a college acceptance, a wedding or engagement are all examples of moments in life when we might be bursting at the seams to tell somebody the good news. When we finally get the chance to tell somebody, joy just seems to flow through us with ease. We literally want the entire world to share in our jubilation.

When was the last time you shared with a friend or loved one how much your faith in Jesus means to you? You don't feel the same motivation to share? Are you not overwhelmed with a desire to spread the Good News?

Don't feel bad. You are not alone. As Christians, we often fail to grasp the powerful implications of being a disciple of Jesus Christ. We can become complacent and lose sight of what matters the most. That is when sharing with others about our faith seems uncomfortable.

Faith is a gift. As everyday stewards we are called to share with others what God has given us. Advent is a great time to grow in our faith and love of the Lord. The more we cultivate our faith and the closer we draw to Him, the more we will want to share about Him. We might not have the impact of John the Baptist in the course of human history, but our proclamation of the Gospel to another might be the gift that changes their history.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



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 Sr., Jerry Russell, Jr., Dolores Serra, Michael Sheehan, Irene Shelcusky, Pat Sherwood, Eric Slaight, 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.



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

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

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 Bonnie Giacobbe will be presenting the reflections and next week Deacon Bill will be the presenter.

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

**Report of Sunday Offerings in Support of our Parish
The Christ the Redeemer collection for
the weekend of November 22, 2020**

Offertory	\$ 3,612.00
Mail-Ins	\$ 3,293.00
On-line Giving	\$ 2,294.00
Children's donations	\$ 16.00
Total	\$ 9,215.00

Development of People \$ 742.00

**The Christ the Redeemer collection for
the weekend of November 29, 2020**

Offertory	\$ 3,479.00
Mail-Ins	\$ 2,303.00
On-line Giving	\$ 2,434.00
Property Insurance	\$ 1,213.00
Children's donations	\$ 9.00
Total	\$ 9,438.00

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

"Prepare the way of the Lord..." - Mark 1:3

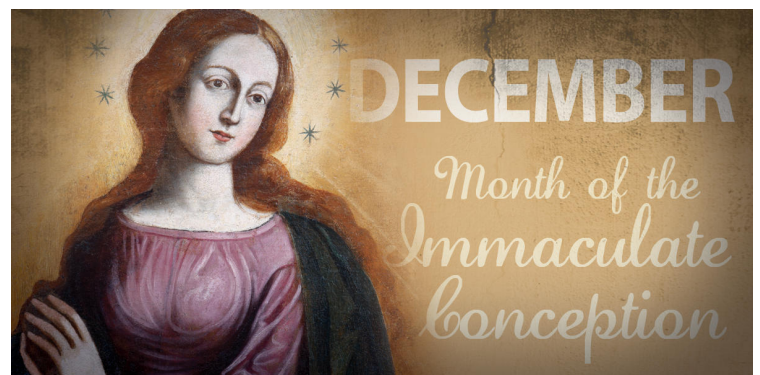
We are all called to live a holy life. We are all called to invite others to live holy lives. Living a stewardship lifestyle, being grateful and generous with our gifts, puts us on the path to holiness and is an example for others to be holy, too. We are responsible not only for our own lives, but for the lives of others as well.

OUR CHILDREN'S GIFTS TO CHRIST THE REDEEMER PARISH

My Good Deed was when I:

**cleaned my room & cleaned the floor.
got good grades & was nicer to my siblings.**

**Vivien
Amelia**



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

