

November 24, 2013 Christ The King

Church of Christ the King



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Readings for the Week of November 24, 2013

Sunday: 2 Sm 5:1-3/Col 1:12-20/Lk 23:35-43

Monday: Dn 1:1-6, 8-20/Lk 21:1-4

Tuesday: Dn 2:31-45/Lk 21:5-11

Wednesday: Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28/Lk 21:12-19

Thursday: Dn 6:12-28/Lk 21:20-28

Friday: Dn 7:2-14/Lk 21:29-33

Saturday: Rom 10:9-18/Mt 4:18-22

Next Sunday: Is 2:1-5/Rom 13:11-14/Mt 24:37-44

Americans celebrate Thanksgiving Day this Thursday. This week will be one of the busiest for travel. Local news channels will broadcast stories about Thanksgiving meals and also about the poor who will be served by others. The president will pardon a turkey. Stores will gear up for Black Friday sales and a big shopping weekend. Financial markets in the United States will be closed down Thursday and have shortened hours on Friday. The collision of sentiments of gratitude and crass commercial

-ism on a single weekend can make for a certain incongruence in one's experience of these few days. As we celebrate the feast of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, we are presented with a seemingly huge incongruity in the Gospel that is proclaimed this year. We celebrate a great King, and in our human experience when we hear of a king we think of fine robes, sumptuous feasts, grand castles, and scores of courtiers and servants. The Gospel today gives us a broken man, abandoned by his friends, condemned, reviled by a criminal, and hanging on a cross. This is the King we honor today. Thank God that we can live with a certain amount of dissonance in our lives. It is what allows us to hold in balance seemingly contradictory notions, like the fact that a crucified man is our Lord and King. One of the criminals crucified with Jesus asks that he be remembered when Jesus comes into his kingdom. That plea, uttered near the moment of his death, has become a prayer for Christians through the centuries, because we believe that the death of Jesus was not the end. We believe that his death was just the beginning, ushering in a new kingdom, and promising a new life that can be ours if we submit ourselves to the rule of this universal King. The promise Christ makes to the repentant thief is the promise he makes to us: we will be with him in paradise.

CHRIST THE KING PARISH NEWS & UP COMING EVENTS

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Mon., November 25 **Catherine of Alexandria**
7:00 AM +Julia Kasica r/b family
7:30 AM Exposition of the Blessed
1:30 PM Sacrament until 8:30AM
Rosary & Divine Mercy

Tues., November 26
7:00 AM In Thanksgiving for Robert Wood
r/b Mom & Dad
7:00 PM Exposition of the Blessed
Sacrament until 8PM

Wed., November 27
7:00 AM Dr. Seenivasan r/b JoAnn &
Claude D' Alessio

***Thurs., November 28** **Thanksgiving Day**
7:00 AM In Thanksgiving for all living
members of the Tardy Family r/b
Terezia & John Tardy

***Fri., November 29**
7:00 AM +Angela Kerecman r/b Rosarian
friend

Sat., November 30 **Andrew**
4:30 PM –Advent Retreat +Joe Pschar r/b wife, children &
grandchildren

Sun., December 1 **1st Sunday of Advent**
8:30 AM +Betty Ann Bridy r/b husband,
Henry
10:30 AM-Advent Retreat +Angela Kerecman r/b Mary
Evancho

The Parish Office will be closed on **Thurs., 11/28 & Fri., 11/29 in observance of the Thanksgiving Holiday. There is a Priest available for Sacramental Emergencies.*

CONTRIBUTIONS The Offertory Collection received on 11/17 was **\$2910** and the children's collection was **\$51**. Thank you for your contributions. *Fr. Stan*

STEWARDSHIP "He delivered us from the power of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son..." Col. 1:13

If we recognize Jesus as our King, then we must also recognize ourselves as His loyal subjects. As members of God's kingdom we have an abundance of wonderful blessings. But we also have responsibilities. We must always use our gifts to help build up the kingdom. We must never forget that we are truly blessed to be called to serve the Greatest of Kings.

For The Week The Altar Bread & Wine will be consecrated this week in memory of all deceased members of the Kocay Family at the request of Anne, Bernadette & MaryCarol. The Sanctuary Candle will burn in memory of Christina Garay at the request of her daughter, Helen Michno.

HAPPY THANKSGIVING On behalf of my fellow Redemptorists, Deacons, Parish Office Staff and Christ the King School staff, I would like to wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving. Let us give thanks for all of our blessings. *Father Stan*

Merger Update Corner

Some parishioners believe that Christ the King Church will close on January 1, 2014. The Provisional Parish Council wants everyone to know that Christ the King will continue to serve as a worship site for all Catholics. Even though Christ the King Parish will merge with Sacred Heart Parish into Christ the Redeemer Parish in January, both current churches will continue to function and provide all liturgical ministries.

Don't Forget! SAVE THE DATE/New Parish Celebration held **January 4, 2014**

NEW WINE, NEW WINESKINS

Becoming an Evangelizing Parish

John 20:11-18, The Appearance to Mary of Magdala

Sharing Question Share about a time when you talked with someone about what Christ is doing in your life.

How have you experienced the presence of Jesus Christ in the merger process?

Sharing Our Faith What can we learn from Mary Magdalene? How have we been disciples of Christ in this merger process? How can we reach out to parishioners who may have distanced themselves from the Church and/or from this community?

New Members please help welcome **Ms. Nicole Gilfert** to our parish. May she find a deepening path to her faith within our parish community.

Baptism Congratulations and welcome to **Zachary Stanley Kunzle** son of **John** and **Jillian Kunzle**, received in the Sacrament of Baptism during the month of November.

Rest In Peace Please pray for **Louise Upshaw, Bozena Karp, Rick Straszewski, Elizabeth Kawalchuk** and **Florence Kresiefski** who died recently. May they rest in peace.

Memorial Donations the following individuals donated monies to the *Christ the King Memorial Fund* in memory of **Estelle McManus**; M/M Edward Beaney, Stella Alexandroff and Debra Szymanski.

Don't Forget...

HOLY NAME ANNUAL TOY DRIVE the Holy Name Society of CTK begins today and will continue collecting through **Sunday, 12/8** inclusive. Do not wrap toys & *No Cash Please*. You may donate toy(s) for either gender, babies included. The cost of the item(s) is at your discretion. You may bring your toys to any Mass and leave on the Divine Mercy side in the front of the church. Any questions? Just call Frank Picciano at 908-725-5957.

Sacred Heart Breakfast with Santa Come to the monthly "All You Can Eat Breakfast Buffet" next Sunday, **December 1st** sponsored by the SH Altar Rosary Society from **8 to 12Noon**, (last seating 11:30AM) in the Sacred Heart Auditorium. Only \$5 for teens & adults; \$2 children ages 5 –12 and children 4 years & younger are Free! Santa will be visiting after the **10AM** Mass, so bring the kids & enjoy!

60's Plus Thank you to all who helped & attended our gathering last Sunday!

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES 2013—2014 All classes are held at Christ the King School and the schedule is as follows:

TUESDAY

Grades 2 & 4: 4:00 to 5:15 PM

Grades 7 & 8: 5:30 to 6:45 PM

*WEDNESDAY

Grades 1 & 3: 4:00 to 5:15 PM

Grades 5 & 6: 5:30 to 6:45 PM

***There will be no classes held on Wednesday, November 27th.**

Children's Stewardship volunteering to sort popcorn for Boy Scout fundraiser, **Jacob**; I kept my promises, **Elizabeth**; helping a new student in my class, **Emily**; helped a friend at school, **Noah**; sharing my toys with my sister, **Gianna**; walked the dog, **Mike**; helping my sister make bracelets, **Justin**; help mom, **Evzen**; cooking for breakfast, **Robert**; helped clean up yard, **Rebecca**; helped my classmate write down things he can not see on the board, **Gerard**; helping my mom do the laundry, **Katie**; helped mommy, **Armondo**; helping mom take in the groceries without being asked, **Julia**; served at Mass and helped the elderly, **Rachael**; took care of my baby cousin, **Michelle**; attended & donated; **Amanda, Rohan, Cristabelle, Melissa, Cole, Melanie, Shane, Emme, Danice, Joseph, Andrew, Steven, Matthew, Tom, Ella, Olivia, Megan and Aidan.**

PLEASE PUT YOUR NAME, GRADE & CLASS ON YOUR ENVELOPES!

St. Mary Byzantine Catholic Church has resumed the Slavic Dinner held on the 2nd Wed., of every month in the St. Mary Parish Center, 1900 Brooks Blvd., Hillsborough, NJ. The **December** dinner will be held on **Wed., 12/11** from **4PM to 7PM**. The cost is \$12 for adults, age 9 and up and \$5 for children age 5 and under and includes *all you can eat Pirohi, Stuffed Cabbage, Kielbasa & Sauerkraut, Mashed Potatoes, salad, desert & beverage*. Orders to go are also available. For more info. call 908-725-0615.

CHRIST THE KING PRAYER LISTS: Please pray for all of the family, friends & members of our parish, especially those who have requested our prayers: Toni Antonelli, Cecelia Bok, Joseph Brickley, Shawn Brickley, Margaret Cebula, Bill Clifford, Pat Cobo, Allison Collins, Kaiden Crothwer, John Dombey, Dorothy Dinsmore, Cathy Iarkowski, Joanna Jason-tek, Betty Joe Matisak, Mark Matisak, Marie Krachan, Cheyenne Licardi, Joan McKelvey, Gerry McCormick, Quaid Mobus, Skip Picciano, John Polites, Destiny Poulino, Janice Rivard, Normand Rivard, Jenny Rodgers, Robert Roman, Pat Sherwood, Victoria Soika, Andy Soltis, Rose Tabbitt, Virginia Tamburini, William Tomaszfski, Joe Tomko, Marilyn Trilone, Pauline Vantaggi, Helen Vrabel, Raymond Wisniewski, Joann Zielinski, Anne Zydallis, Regina Zydalis

ARMED FORCES: Captain Christopher Bartok, PFC Joshua Hussey, PFC Joshua Rivard, CMDR, Peter G. Rybski, Jr.

Weekly Vocation Prayer Schedule: Prayer assignments for the coming week are as follows: **Sun.**, Gerald Pepe & MaryCarol **Mon.**, Betty Rybski & Bob Vornlocker **Tues.**, John Tardy & Sharon L. **Wed.**, Ron Dzubeck & Sandra Vornlocker **Thurs.**, Frank Batula & Natalie Day **Fri.**, Randy Hart & Julia Diaz **Sat.**, Colleen Hart & Barbara Demchak

2013 Bishop's Annual Appeal/Faith, Family, Community

Each year over 2,500 eighth grade and high school students participate in the Teen Outreach Chastity Program, "Because...I'm Worth It." The *Office of Respect for Life* also brings disability awareness programs into the classrooms. Your generous gift to the Bishop's Annual Appeal will ensure that these programs continue. Please prayerfully consider a gift today.

CHRIST THE KING SCHOOL NEWS

Please Note

On **Wed., 11-27** there is a **12:30PM** dismissal with NO Aftercare available. On **Thurs., 11/28 & Fri., 11/29** classes will not be held due to Thanksgiving recess. *Have a wonderful Thanksgiving Holiday!*

*Christine Benson, Principal
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Calendar Raffle Tickets @ \$20 each

There will be a drawing every Saturday from January 4th through March 29th at 7:15pm each week prior to the start of Bingo. Winner need not be present. Weekly prize amounts will range from \$400 - \$450, with the final weekly winner at \$500. Tickets can be purchased at the school office. Please call 908-526-1339.

*BINGO!

Saturdays— Admission is \$2.00; doors open at **6pm**, Early Bird at **7:15pm**, Games begin at **7:30pm**, *delicious* food always available for purchase.

***Bingo will not be played on Saturday 11/30**

Choose Catholic Schools!

Come check out our School! Enrolling for the 2013—2014 school year. Full day Pre-K, Kindergarten and grades 1 thru 8; 1/2 day Pre-K and Before & Aftercare available. Call to schedule a tour 908-526-1339. Please join us!!

Christine Benson, Principal

Great Lakes Scrip Cards

Great way to support the CTK School with your everyday shopping needs. Purchasing gift cards for Shop-rite, Kohls, Home Depot and so many more at no additional cost to you. A list of retailers is available online. Gift cards are ordered online at www.glscrip.com. Enrollment code is F48E622816389. Orders are placed online. **Print out your receipt** and send in your check made payable to **CTK H.S.A.**, Attn: Christy LoMedico c/o Marissa Grade K/Mrs. Grecco. Orders will be sent home with your student the following week. During the last week of Nov. & part of Dec., an order will be placed every Monday for Christmas. Questions or concerns? Call Suzanne Hanlon 908-812-2275 or Christy LoMedico 908-966-5373. Great Gift Idea!