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November 23, 2014

The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

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Weekly Planner

SUNDAY 11/23 • Christ the King

- 10 AM–12 PM CCD in Session
- 1:30 PM Bingo *Cent Hall*
- 4–6 PM Fil–Am Choir Pract *Cent Hall*

MONDAY 11/24

- 1–4 PM St. Anne Seniors *Cent Hall*
- 3:30–4:30 PM Legion of Mary *Convent*

TUESDAY 11/25

- 12:15 PM BINGO *Cent Hall*
- 3–4 PM Holy Hour for Priests *Church*
- 7–8 PM Nelson Ave Block Assn *Cent Hall*

WEDNESDAY 11/26

- 4:30–11:30 PM (Setup) Thanksgiving Dinner *Cent Hall*

THURSDAY 11/27 • Thanksgiving

- Rectory Office Closed for Holiday*
- 9 AM Thanksgiving Mass
- 12–2 PM Thanksgiving Dinner *Cent Hall*

FRIDAY 11/28

No BINGO, Rectory Office Closed for Holiday

SATURDAY 11/29

SUNDAY 11/30 • 1st Sunday in Advent

- No CCD Classes
- 1–3 PM Fil–Am Choir Pract *Cent Hall*

Liturgies

Saturday Evening Church	English 5:30 PM
(anticipating Sunday)	Misa Español 7 PM
Sunday Church	8 AM, 10 AM, 12 Noon
Monday ▶ Friday:	Communion Service <i>Church</i> 7 AM
Monday ▶ Saturday:	Mass <i>Church</i> 9 AM
Wednesday:	Mass <i>Church</i> 7 PM

Holy Hour

Tuesdays Church 3–4 PM

Sacrament of Penance

Saturdays *Church* 5 PM
or by Appointment



Mass intentions

Monday, November 24, 2014

9 AM Angela Aversano Family
(Shin Family)

Tuesday, November 25, 2014

9 AM Lawrence Shin
(Shin Family)

Wednesday, November 26, 2014

9 AM † Robert J. Kakowski
(James)
7 PM Special Intention
(Our Lady of Perpetual Help Group)

Thursday, November 27, 2014

9 AM † Angelo Tomeo &
Carmine DeSomma
(Claire Seborowski)

Friday, November 28, 2014

9 AM Thanksgiving

Saturday, November 29, 2014

9 AM † Antonio Fulgencio
(Family)
5:30 PM † Dolphuss Addison
(Stracquatano Family)
7:00 PM † Rosa Diaz
(Daughter)

Sunday, November 30, 2014

8 AM † Alfred E. Zampella
(Suzanne Tharaldsen)
10 AM † Giuseppe DiSalvo
(Manzo Family)
12 PM † Giuseppe & Ernestina Dell'accio
(Family)

Sanctuary Gifts

For the week of November 23rd— November 29th, 2014 the gifts are offered in honor of:

Altar Wine † Lillian Link
(Parish Intention)

Altar Bread † John Zielenski
(Parish Intention)

Sanctuary Lamp † Fred J. Day
(Parish Intention)

Altar Candles † Mae Baker
(Parish Intention)

Praying for the Sick

People will remain on sick list for 2 weeks unless otherwise notified:

Alma DeBenedetto ● Kathleen McGuinness ● Diane Shea ● Marie Portelli ● Joseph Callandrillo ● Humberto Quintana ● Julia Annicchiarico ● Al Coulter Sr. ● Loretta Dempsey ● Javier Vega ● Jennifer Moloughney ● Antoinette Maddi ● Carol Jordan ● Anthony Biggio ● Sammy DeLeon ● Shane Quinn ● Alice Daly ● Sadie Krieger ● Emilie Jaworowski ● Dolores DelMonte ● Dianne O'Sullivan ● Carl Carlson ● Larry Bello ● Miyuki Campbell ● Diane Albert ● Meghan Connaughton

Perspectives on Thanksgiving

On Thursday, so many of us will celebrate Thanksgiving. Whether at home or afar, this day has become for many Americans a "religious holiday" of sorts, to pause and be grateful for so many things, material and otherwise. The USDA National Agricultural Service, US Census Bureau, reports the following statistics:

Thanksgiving Holiday Statistics	Data
Total number of Turkeys that are consumed on Thanksgiving Day	51,000,000
Total US spending on Thanksgiving dinner food	\$2,375,000,000
Average household spending on Thanksgiving dinner	\$54.18
Average household spending on Thanksgiving weekend	\$302
Number of families that will travel for Thanksgiving	39,000,000

Thanksgiving Related Food Statistics	Data
Average number of Turkeys raised in the US each year	248 million
Annual consumption of turkey by the average American	16 pounds
Annual tons of green beans produced	656,340 tons
Pounds of sweet potatoes produced annually	2.4 billion pounds
Value of all pumpkins produced annually	\$117 million
Pounds of cherries produced annually	266 million pounds
Barrels of cranberry produced annually	7.5 million barrels

By any measure, we have much to be thankful for. Be sure this year, amidst all the turkey and stuffing and pumpkin pie to take a moment to thank Almighty God for all the blessings received in your life. Perhaps we can also take a moment to do something tangible for someone in our midst who is less fortunate, even hungry.

Religious Education News

Faith Formation (CCD) for children in grades K through 9 takes place on Sunday mornings, beginning with the 10 AM Mass followed by 45 minute to 1 hour class sessions. Parents and Guardians are required to accompany their children to Mass, as a family, and are encouraged to get involved in the spiritual and faith formation of their kids, 'You are the first teachers of your children in the ways of Faith.' (Rite of Baptism).

Questions and concerns regarding registration or any other area of the program may be di-

rected to Ms. Judith Anne Waddleton either in person on Sundays and by appointment, or via telephone, (201) 360-0838 extension 6.

Children are dismissed on Nelson Avenue at the following time:

- Grades K-1 @ 11:45 am
 - Grades 2-3 @ 11:50 am;
 - Grades 4-5 @ 11:55 am
 - Grades 6-9 @ noon
- Upcoming sessions:**
- Nov. 23: CCD in session
 - Nov. 30: NO CCD; THANKSGIVING RECESS
 - Dec. 7: CCD in session
 - Dec. 14: CCD in session

11 Facts About Hunger in the US

- **1 in 6 people in America face hunger.**
- **Households with children** reported a significantly higher food insecurity rate than households without children in 2011. 20.6 percent vs. 12.2 percent.
- **Food insecurity exists in every county** in America. In 2011, 17.9 million households were food insecure.
- **50.1 million Americans** struggle to put food on the table.
- **In the US, hunger isn't caused by a lack of food**, but rather the continued prevalence of poverty.
- **More than 1 in 5 children is at risk of hunger.** Among African-Americans and Latinos, it's 1 in 3.
- **Over 20 million children** receive free or reduced-price lunch each school day. Less than half of them get breakfast and only 10 percent have access to summer feeding sites.
- **For every 100 school lunch programs, there are only 87 breakfast sites** and just 36 summer food programs.
- **1 in 7 people are enrolled in Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP).** Nearly half of them are children.



- **40 percent of food is thrown out in the US every year**, or about \$165 billion worth. All of this uneaten food could feed 25 million Americans.
- **These seven states have statistically higher food insecurity rates** than the US national average (14.7%): Mississippi (19.2%) ● Texas (18.5%) ● Arkansas (19.2%) ● Alabama (17.4%) ● Georgia (17.4%) ● Florida (16.2%) ● North Carolina (17.1%)

WHAT CAN WE DO BETTER TO HELP WITH HUNGER AS A PARISH?

CATHOLICS FIGHTING HUNGER

Discover Caritas International

One human family, food for all, is a confederation-wide campaign by the global Catholic confederation Caritas Internationalis aimed at ending hunger by 2025. All 164 Caritas member organisations are invited to take part in the campaign. This includes national members and the diocesan Caritas which belong to them. Caritas Internationalis will coordinate the campaign.

How to help

Individually The foundation for any real change comes from within ourselves first and foremost and our ability to see the face of Christ in those who are suffering from hunger. When we start to look deep within ourselves regarding the issues around hunger at home and abroad we realise that it is only by working as one human family in a spirit of compassion and unity that we can finally bring an end to a grave injustice: that there is enough food in the world, and yet people still suffer from hunger.

Nationally Caritas asks all of its member organisations to pursue national goals which address hunger issues in their country. This could be, for example, on food waste, the promotion of market gardening, advocating to their government.

Internationally Caritas believes that the implementation of the right to food in countries where it doesn't exist is a fundamental step to eliminating global hunger. Caritas will produce a draft framework law on the right to food which national member organisations can encourage their governments to adopt. Caritas will also advocate at the United Nations for a session on the right to food at the 2016 UN general assembly.

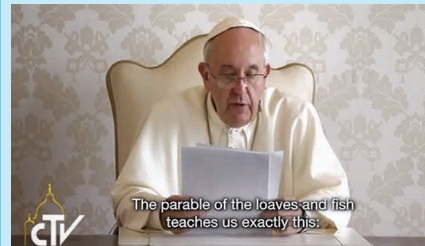
Why?

Food is essential to living a dignified life, it is also central to the Christian faith since bread is transformed into the body of Christ and shared with the faithful during the celebration of the Eucharist.

The first Millennium Development Goal is to eliminate hunger and poverty. As the MDGs are coming to an end in 2015, the Caritas confederation wants to put its collective power and good will, and join with many other organisations to contribute to the post-2016 Development Process and bring an end to the suffering of millions of hungry people around the world.

VIDEO

Watch Pope Francis' message for One Human Family, Food for All



YouTube tiny.cc/francishunger

Special Altar Cloth For November

On All Souls Day, November 2003, a very special cloth was laid on the altar. Over the last one hundred years, many gifts have been shared with our Parish in remembrance of loved ones who have died.

Quite often, vestments to be used at Mass are given. Some of these memorials are sent around the world so that priests who cannot afford quality vestments may come before the altar properly attired. The generosity of the Saint Anne's family over the years has touched many other parishes and churches. But, with so many years and such generous people, we still had vestments that, due to age, could no longer be used.

A very talented seamstress, Jane Cecere, took these vestments and created a special altar cloth, which recalls all the souls of our faithful departed. Twenty-three vestments were used to create the 40 squares of the All Souls Quilted Altar Cloth. We will continue to use this altar cloth during each All Souls Novena, as we remember the parishioners of the past, with the prayers of the parishioners of the present.

SFIC Annual Christmas Breakfast

The Scholarship Fund for Inner City Children invites all parishioners to join them for their Annual Christmas Breakfast on Thursday, December 4, 2014 from 9:00am to 10:30am at Saint Michael's School, 27 Crittenden Street, Newark. The Annual Christmas Breakfast will give our guests a first hand view of one of our vibrant schools in action... take a tour, meet some students, enjoy the surroundings and the spirit of a school that changes lives forever. **To R.S.V.P. or for more information call (973) 497-4279 or e-mail Barbara Cortes at cortesba@rcan.org.**

Prayer Intentions of the Holy Father for November

General intention: Lonely people. That all who suffer loneliness may experience the closeness of God and the support of others.

Missionary intention: Mentors of seminarians and religious. That young seminarians and religious may have wise and well-formed mentors.

Sunday Readings

First Reading: **Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17**
 Psalm: **PS 23:1-2, 2-3, 5-6**
 Second Reading: **1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28**
 Gospel: **Matthew 25:31-46**

Weekday Readings

Monday *St Andrew Dũng-Lac and Companions*
 Revelation 14:1-5 / PS 24:1BC-2, 3-4AB, 5-6 / Luke 21:1-4
Tuesday *St Catherine of Alexandria*
 Revelation 14:14-19 / PS 96:10, 11-12, 13 / Luke 21:5-11
Wednesday
 Revelation 15:1-4 / PS 98:1, 2-3AB, 7-8, 9 / Luke 21:12-19
Thursday *Thanksgiving Day*
 Revelation 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9 / PS 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9, 10-11 / Luke 21:20-28
Friday
 Revelation 20:1-4, 11-21:2 / PS 84:3, 4, 5-6A AND 8A / Luke 21:29-33
Saturday
 Revelation 22:1-7 / PS 95:1-2, 3-5, 6-7AB / Luke 21:34-36

Offertory

Below is the breakdown and total collection for the weekend of Sunday November 16, 2014:

Saturday, November 15, 2014:

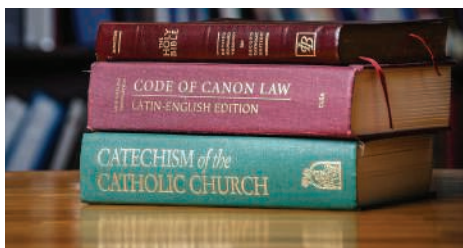
5:30 PM	\$856.15
7 PM	\$183.89

Sunday, November 16, 2014:

8 AM	\$466.80
10AM	\$851.74
12 PM	\$950.71
Total Giving	\$3,309.29

Annulment Information Evening

Tuesday, December 9, 2014, 7:30 PM-Saint John the Apostle Church, 1805 Penbrook Terrace, Linden, NJ.



A staff member of the Tribunal of the Archdiocese of Newark will provide basic information about annulments; the requirements for annulments and how to begin the process of petitioning for an annulment. There will be an opportunity for questions at the end of the session. Pre-registration is not necessary, but for directions, please call the parish at 908-486-6363.

The Parish of Saint Anne's is sponsoring a Giving Tree

Sharing The Christmas Message Of His Love!



The Giving Tree will be placed in the Church vestibule on the **First Sunday of Advent – December 1st**. Please take a tag from the tree, purchase the gift, **attach tag to gift** and **drop off at the Rectory!** All gifts are requested to be gift-wrapped WITH the original tag attached.

Gifts with yellow tags must be dropped off by Wednesday, December 11th! – (In time for children's party).

All other gifts must be dropped off by December 15th. Thank you for participating.



Volunteers To Cook Turkeys

St. Anne's will be hosting its annual Thanksgiving Dinner in Centennial Hall on Thursday, November 27th for the poor, lonely and the homeless of the parish.



We are looking for volunteers in this endeavor to help with setup, assist Thanksgiving Day and cleanup; **Most importantly, volunteers are needed to cook turkeys and deliver them "hot" Thanksgiving morning by 11:00 AM to Centennial Hall;** turkey and pan will be supplied by us.

If interested in helping or being a guest, please contact Mary Stewart at 201-653-6717.

Thanksgiving Bread Prep

Thanksgiving morning at 7:00 AM, 3 to 4 people are needed in Centennial Hall to prepare the bread for the 9:00 AM THANKSGIVING DAY MASS; (bread to be put in baggies along with a prayer). Bread will then need to be brought up into Church before 9:00 AM for distribution. If available, please leave your name and phone number at the rectory. Thank you.

SUNDAY BINGO
NOVEMBER 23, 2014
JANUARY 4, 2015
FEBRUARY 1, 2015
MARCH 8, 2015

St. Anne's Church, 3545 Kennedy Blvd., JC
Starting at 1:30 PM

Centennial Hall
(Doors Open 12 PM)



Ministry to the Sick

We hope to give to all the sick and

Communion, please call St. Anne's Rectory at 201-360-0838 or email Webmaster@stannesjc.com.

aged in our parish the opportunity to receive the Eucharist. If you or someone you know can no longer get to church, and would like a Eucharistic Minister to bring you

We ask that you pray for the sick in our community and for the Eucharistic Ministers – that they may worthily and gracefully share the Lord's Presence.

Safeguarding Children and Addressing Abuse

The Catholic Church is Battling Sexual Abuse



While most media focus over the past ten or more years has been on the incidents of sexual abuse within the Church, little has been said about the many positive steps that the Catholic Church has taken to address the issue. Dioceses across the country, and especially the Archdiocese of Newark, have instituted compassionate outreach to victims and support services, training and background checks for staff and volunteers, training for children and youth, codes of conduct, reporting requirements to civil authorities, independent Review Boards to investigate allegations and recommend actions under Canon law for offenders, as well as other initiatives.

To date, the Catholic Church is the only youth-serving organization in the country – private or public – to undertake such a comprehensive program to create and promulgate safe environments for children and young people.

Independent auditors from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops have found the Archdiocese of Newark to be fully compliant with the requirements of the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People in every year since audits began in 2003.



Passing on the Faith... Young Catholic Adults?

Fr Linh Hoang, OFM, PhD

A host of studies on young adults stress that church attendance is not important. This is probably not surprising news. A recent book *Young Catholic America* (2014) follows this claim with data and personal interviews. In fact, it insists that the future of the Church looks pretty bleak, especially if we rely on the current crop of young people. The book is a continuation of the National Study on Youth and Religion that began in 2002 when many of the young people in this survey were in their early teens—now they are in their twenties—and the majority claims that church has definitely fallen off their radar. By the number, on the one end of the spectrum, only 7 percent call themselves practicing Catholics—if practicing is defined as attending Mass weekly and saying faith is extremely important. On the other end, 27 percent are disengaged which means they never attend Mass and feel religion is unimportant. Bleak numbers, indeed.

The author Christian Smith, a sociologist from Notre Dame University along with several colleagues, tracked these young people as they transitioned into adulthood. They label them as “emerging adults” because they do not fit neatly into the traditional category of adulthood. The labeling can be debated but what is important is the follow-up interviews with these emerging adults. For the emerging adults, church seems associated primarily with morals and obligations rather than anything that sounds like Jesus and the Gospel. A more depressing statement, “it’s just easier not to follow a religion, is what is comes down to.” The authors’ sense is that this is a generation largely

lost to what older adults think of as Catholic identity.

If you have not followed the discussions on young adults and religion, this may be a good book to start because this downward trend is nothing new: Mass attendance and other measures of involvement and allegiance among young adults have been at low levels since the 1960s. They state that the church in the United States did not appear unified nor provide strong leadership which some may argue continues today. But throwing blame to the hierarchy is too simplistic. There are many complex issues and social changes that the Church did not or could not handle which compromised peoples’ commitment. But if it is leadership, this may be a reason so much attention is given to Pope Francis. Some may say he will call people back, others have their doubts, but nevertheless, he has provided means to address some of these complex human concerns.

I am drawing your attention to book also in light of the closings of the 50 plus parishes in the Archdiocese of New York. The current problem is not only part of the leadership but everyone involved from the local priests to the occasional parishioner because everyone has contributed to these ultimate closures. Thus, if we do not want to see this happening in the Archdiocese of Newark, then we should inform ourselves as well as continue to participate and encourage others to come and join us in sharing the faith. Finally, a few things that kept emerging adults as well as seasoned adults in the church was their parents example and other peoples’ encouragement, especially those who invited them to come back. It is that personal invitation which endures. This is passing on the faith.

Radio

Relevant Radio, the nation's largest Catholic Radio network, broadcasts on WNSW — 1430



AM with a 24-hour-a-day, seven-day-a-week coverage of Catholic news, opinions, catechesis and information. Many of its signature shows — Morning Air, Go Ask Your Father, On Call with Wendy Wiese and The Drew Mariani Show — are call-in programs that bring to listeners a clear and consistent Catholic message to benefit not only Catholic people, but people of all faiths, helping them to understand the Catholic faith more fully and share it with others.

Graduate Certificate

Enroll in “STEPS” Graduate Certificate Program- Immaculate Conception Seminary School of Theology at Seton Hall. STEPS is designed for adult Catholics who wish to pursue a deeper understanding of their faith and to serve the Church, particularly their individual parishes. Upon completion of the program, students have the option of applying their credits toward an M.A. in Pastoral Ministry or an M.A. in Theology. Classes are held at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish in Ridgewood, New Jersey. **For more information, please contact the Immaculate Conception School of Theology, Institute for Christian Spirituality: (973) 761-9575 or by email, theology@shu.edu**

God in the Present Moment Retreat

A meditative approach along with periods of silence, reflection and discussion will be used to help us deepen our awareness of God's presence. Men and women are invited to a retreat day “God in the Present Moment” **December 20, 9 AM - 3PM at Benedictine Center, Elizabeth NJ. \$35 lunch included.** The retreat is open to women for the weekend December 19-21. (\$135 weekend - women only) Registration required. **Call 908-353-3028 or email maritaosb@aol.com.**

Archdiocesan Youth Conference Day

Have your High School teens join us for a GREAT Day of Music, Prayer and Reflection on **Saturday November 22nd from 9:30am to 9pm at the Archdiocesan Youth Retreat Center, Kearny NJ.** Archbishop Hebda will deliver an opening prayer to kick off a day that includes workshops, general sessions with keynote speakers Chris Padgett and Bob Perron, Eucharistic Adoration, Lunch AND Dinner, Reconciliation, Mass and a closing dance. Admission is ONLY 20 dollars a PERSON. **To learn more visit: www.newarkoycm.com**

Catholic Charities Food Drive

The Catholic Charities' Emergency Food and Nutrition Network (CCEFNN) Thirtieth Annual Harvest of Hope Food Drive provides an opportunity for schools to respond to those in need in our area. Your participation in the Harvest of Hope Drive (October 16 – December 31) can make an important difference to the many families we help in the four counties of Essex, Hudson, Union and Bergen. **For more information, call (973) 266-7966**

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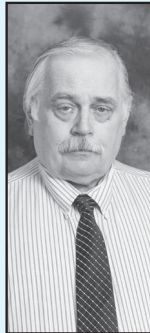
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