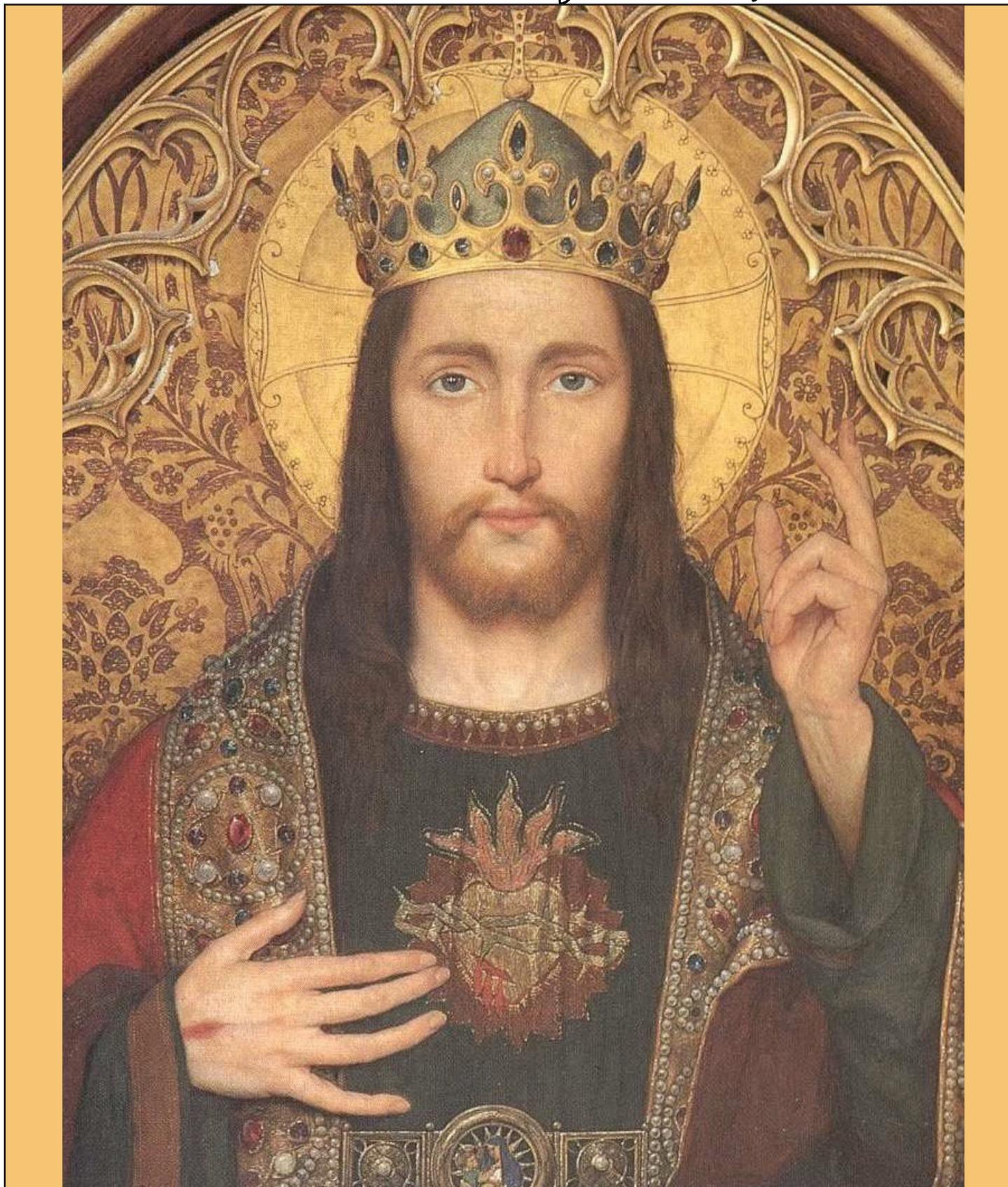


IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH

ST TERESA OF CALCUTTA PARISH

NOVEMBER 20, 2022 | *Feast of Christ the King*



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FALL MASS SCHEDULE

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH

30 North Fullerton Avenue, Montclair

📶 *Indicates the Mass is livestreamed.*

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5:30 pm

Sunday: 8:00 am | 10:30 am 📶 | 6:00 pm

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE:

Monday - Friday at 8:00 am 📶

MEMORIAL INTENTIONS

Altar candles *In memory of Patrick J. Pignatello Jr.*

INTERCESSIONS

Pope Francis for November † For children who suffer; We pray for children who are suffering, especially those who are homeless, orphans, and victims of war; may they be guaranteed access to education and the opportunity to experience family affection; *We pray to the Lord.*

Intercessions for Life † For our parish community: may each of us be given a renewed sense of wonder at the gift of our own lives, and find words to praise God the Father for this gift; *We pray to the Lord.*

Intercessions for Immigration † We pray that we are willing to help others who are in need of basic necessities as food and also able to listen to those in need; *We pray to the Lord.*

Vocation Intercession for November † As National Vocations Awareness Week begins today, we pray for more dedicated, holy priests, deacons, and consecrated men and women. May they be inspired by Jesus Christ, supported by our faith community, and respond generously to God's gift of vocation; *We pray to the Lord.*

BREAKFAST with SAINT NICHOLAS



December 3rd

9:00am - 11:00am

\$8 per person
(\$25 per family of 4 or more)

JOIN US FOR THE ANNUAL BREAKFAST WITH SAINT NICHOLAS, FEATURING PANCAKES, CRAFTS, GAMES AND MANY PICTURE OPPORTUNITIES.



SCAN QR CODE
TO REGISTER!



Special thanks to the Knights of Columbus for their generous support of this parish event.

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 19

5:30pm IC † Shylaine Louissant
† Pedro Tamyó
† Eloina Garcia

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20

8:00am † Manuel Wong
10:30am † Phillippe Dorante
† Kevin Haas & Susan Lovely
6:00 pm People of the Parish

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 21

8:00am † Frank Catalano
† Ricardo Dauval

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 22

8:00am † Jerry Klufas

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 23

8:00am Lucrecia Kitain

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 24 THANKSGIVING DAY*

9:00am* People of the Parish

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 25

8:00am † Caileb Harris

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 26

5:30pm IC † Juana M. Medrano Corporan

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27

8:00am People of the Parish
10:30am † Isabelle Haas
† Julia Vance
6:00 pm † Johnny Griffin

"To everything there is a season, and a time for every purpose under heaven."

- Ecclesiastes 3:11

"... A TIME TO BE HEALED..."

Michael Bruder III, Michael Arminio Jr., Anthony Pacifico Jr, Joel Rivera, Carmen Kessler, Ieda Giles, Doreen Carson, Lauren Ojido, Connie & Vinny Romano, Maria Metzel, Eileen Burriss, Sylvia Magliaro, Kevin Haber, Karen Potucek, Genevieve Johnston, Ferruccio Intrivici, Frank Gallo, Barbara Regan, Paula Scaglione, Jose Fidalgo Sr, Bridget Connell, Jaxson Rivera, Carole DeCepoli, Oneida Fernandez, Michelina Giuliano, Chester Karnas Jr., Laurie Steffy, Laura McGannon

Please contact the Parish office if you would like to add someone to the sick list.

"... A TIME TO DIE..."

Recently Deceased

MAY ALL THE SOULS OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED REST IN PEACE.



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Thanksgiving Message

THANKSGIVING DAY IS A UNIQUELY AMERICAN CELEBRATION, as families across the country gather at the family table to offer thanks and praise to a God of love, compassion, mercy, forgiveness and blessings. Unfortunately, we sometimes take for granted the blessings we have received and complain when things don't always go the way we desire. It is the human condition, focusing on what we don't have rather than what we do have. That is why Thanksgiving Day is still so important, even though so far removed from the first thanksgiving meal shared among the Puritans and native Americans. There is much to be thankful for, even during trying times. All we should try to do, each and every day, is reflect on the blessings we have received, most importantly, God's love for us, and then attempt to live our lives reflective of that love.

Horatio Spafford lived during the latter part of the Nineteenth Century. He was a successful lawyer and an elder in the Presbyterian Church. He was a person of deep faith who possessed a deep sense of gratitude for what he had received from his God. In 1888, he and his family were traveling by ship from New York City to Europe for a vacation. Due to logistics, his wife and four daughters traveled on one ship he on a separate ship, a half day later. During the ocean passage, he received a telegram from his wife simply telling him that her ship had sunk and only she survived. He was devastated by the news but still remained grateful for God's love and presence in his life. As his ship passed by where his family's ship had sunk, he wrote a poem which powerfully speaks of the need to be thankful regardless of the circumstances. The poem read in part, "When peace, like a river, attendeth my way, when sorrows like sea billows roll; whatever my lot, thou has taught me to say, it is well, it is well, with my soul." This blessed assurance should serve as the foundation of our Thanksgiving meal. For when we offer grace, when we offer thanksgiving, the fact that God is ever-present in our lives, especially during the periods of our greatest trials and tribulations; should cause us to recognize that our family, our faith and the freedoms we enjoy as Americans, are the most precious of gifts.

Yes, we have much to be grateful for. Let us always offer thanks. God bless!

A THANKSGIVING PRAYER

*Loving God, giver of all good gifts, we thank you for good food to eat,
for fresh water to drink, for warm clothes to wear.*

*We thank you for our homes, for our schools and for our churches,
for our free country. We thank you for those who take care of us
and for those who love us. We thank you for your word*

*which leads us to you. In your kindness give all your children
your gifts and graces always. We thank you and we pray to you through Jesus,
your greatest gift to us. Amen.*

Anticipating

Advent at IMMACULATE

DECEMBER 3-4

- Sister Norma, Director of Catholic Charities of the Rio Grande Valley, Texas visits Immaculate Conception Church

DECEMBER 3

- Breakfast with St. Nicholas
10:00 am

DECEMBER 6

- Women's Christmas Social
7:00 pm

DECEMBER 8

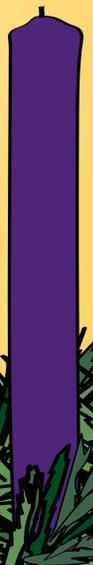
- Feast of the Immaculate Conception Masses
8:00 am, 12:00pm, 7:00pm

DECEMBER 11

- Our Lady of Guadalupe Celebration with Mariachi
10:30 am Mass

DECEMBER 18

- Christmas Pageant
After 10:30 am Mass
- Christmas Concert
3:00 pm



CASTING CALL!



CHRISTMAS PAGEANT 2022

REHEARSALS:
DECEMBER 14, 15, 16

PERFORMANCE:
DECEMBER 18
after the 10:30 Mass

Instructions to join will be in your weekly email from Family Faith

O Holy Night CONCERT 2022



Chad Armstrong, *Baritone*



Sara Armstrong, *Mezzo-Soprano*



Joshua Benevento, *Tenor*



Irina Rindszuner *Soprano*

With:

Craig Ketter, *Pianist*

Juliya Berenshtein, *Violin*

Donald Wismann, *Organ*

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18 3:00PM

FREE WILL OFFERING

JOIN US FOR REFRESHMENTS IN MADONNA HALL FOLLOWING THE CONCERT

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH
30 NORTH FULLERTON AVE
MONTCLAIR, NJ 07042

Come enjoy a festive evening and have fun in the spirit of the Advent season!

TAKE TIME to relax in the midst of the hectic holiday season

TREASURE a night out with girlfriends (ADULTS ONLY)

TRIM your TABLE in festive seasonal decor

TASTE delicious TREATS to share

TRANSFORM your mindset from stressful to spiritual with an inspiring TALK

Keynote Speaker: MRS. GINA BUTLER

Coordinator of Faith Formation & Youth Ministry at St. Catherine of Siena Church, Cedar Grove.

Invite all your girlfriends and reserve a table. The event is not only for parishioners.

Come decorate your table before the event starts with tablecloth, seasonal tableware, candles, centerpieces, etc. Doors open for table decorating at 5:30pm.

Bring a dessert to share with all attendees. Drinks will be provided

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH PRESENTS

THIRD ANNUAL Women's Christmas Social

Live Music, Wine Tasting

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2022
7-9:00 PM | Madonna Hall

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH | MUNN STREET, MONTCLAIR

REGISTRATION REQUIRED BY NOVEMBER 28: Parish office (973)-744-5650 or Lucilla@montclaircatholics.org | Limited seating available

RETIREE FR TOM'S THOUGHTS ON CHRIST THE KING

NOVEMBER 20, 2022

WHO'S YOUR FAVORITE KING? Did you say Stephen? Good choice if you like scary reads. When I went to high school, the Norman King William I, who in 1066 earned the title "conqueror" at the Battle of Hastings, was the go-to answer, though he did battle with Burger King, who only battles fast-food rivalries, and was formed in 1953, when I was two. In the limelight now is the still new Broadway musical, "Six," which presents the lives of the six wives of King Henry VIII. He must be turning over in his grave. And, it goes without saying, that after seventy years on the throne, and the passing of Queen Elizabeth II, directly descended from William I, in one way or another, the gender on the throne has changed once again to "king," in the person of Elizabeth's son, Charles, now King Charles III. He, no doubt, will stir up some interest as his style of reigning begins to develop focus.

Talking about kings, I would venture to guess, is not part of our regular conversational material, unless, of course, one is so interested in the topic and has a group of friends of same mind. The Church enters this conversation once a year, and I suspect, with the hope that the imagery is powerful enough to carry us through the new liturgical year while foreshadowing the second coming of Christ. Today is the Feast of Christ the King, "also called Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, festival celebrated in the Roman Catholic Church in honour (sic) of Jesus Christ as lord over all creation. It was established by Pope Pius XI in 1925. Originally, it was celebrated on the last Sunday in October, but in the revised liturgical calendar promulgated by Pope Paul VI in 1969 it was moved to the last Sunday of Ordinary Time (immediately preceding Advent), where its theme of Christ's dominion made it a fitting end to the liturgical year. The festival is also observed in Lutheran, Anglican, and other Protestant churches" according to The Editors of Encyclopaedia Britannica.

Now, all of this is just a teaser, if you will. A friend introduced me to the "The Rest of the Story" which was a Monday to Friday radio program originally hosted by Paul Harvey. Beginning as a part of his newscasts during World War II and then premiering as its own series on the ABC Radio Networks on May 10, 1976, the broadcasts always concluded with a variation on the tag line, "And now you know...the rest of the story." So, here's the rest of the story, or at least a miniscule part of it. It revolves around the Roman Question, and dates to 1849.

The Roman question was a dispute regarding the temporal power of the popes as rulers of a civil territory in the context of the Italian Risorgimento. (Risorgimento, Italian for "Rising Again," was a 19th-century movement for Italian unification that culminated in the establishment of the Kingdom of Italy in 1861. It ended with the Lateran Pacts between King Victor Emmanuel III of Italy and Pope Pius XI in 1929.)

As a way of making his point with King Victor Emmanuel and other European royalty, Pope Pius XI pronounced the following in his establishment of the Feast of Christ the King:

"If to Christ our Lord is given all power in heaven and on earth; if all men, purchased by his precious blood, are by a new right subjected to his dominion; if this power embraces all men, it must be clear that not one of our faculties is exempt from his empire. He must reign in our minds, which should assent with perfect submission and firm belief to revealed truths and to the doctrines of Christ. He must reign in our wills, which should obey the laws and precepts of God. He must reign in our hearts, which should spurn natural desires and love God above all things, and cleave to him alone."

The feast was a response to the rise of secularization, atheism, and communism. While the world was increasingly telling Christians that they must compartmentalize their religion and give their highest allegiance to the government, Pius XI noted that the feast will remind nations that rulers as well as individuals "are bound to give public honor and obedience to Christ," calling to their minds "the last judgment, wherein Christ, who has been cast out of public life, despised, neglected and ignored, will most severely avenge these insults; for his kingly dignity demands that the State should take account of the commandments of God and of Christian principles, both in making laws and in administering justice, and also in providing for the young a sound moral education."

The Lateran Treaty resolved the Roman question in 1929; the Holy See acknowledged Italian sovereignty over the former Papal States and Italy recognized papal sovereignty over Vatican City.

Martin Luther King, Jr., Billie Jean King, Nat King Cole, Ole King Cole, Kings Supermarkets, Sacramento Kings, King Kong—and the list goes on. What will never end, however, is the eternal kingship of Jesus Christ, Lord of the Universe, a bridge to Advent.

 **God Bless
the newlyweds**



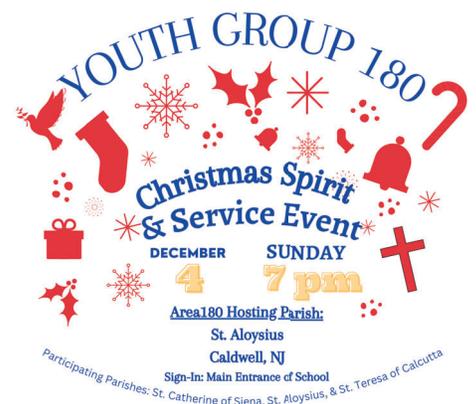
Kenneth and Alexandra

Stewardship of Treasury

week ending Nov 10

805 REGISTERED FAMILIES

Collections	Weekly	Fiscal YTD
Budgeted	\$7,098	\$127,764
Actual	\$5,378	\$115,580
Excess (Deficit)	(\$1,720)	(\$12,184)
Means of Giving	Weekly	YTD
Envelopes	59	1,067
Loose checks	4	133
Mail-in donations	3	60
Online gifts	51	1,149



Wrapping Party

We have signed up to adopt the wishlists of families in need. Register to receive the gift sign-up genius and bring your gift to wrap that night!

REGISTER
HERE TO RECEIVE
OUR GIFT
SIGNUPGENIUS:



- Christmas Carol Karaoke
- Festive Pajama Contest
- Santa Relay Races
- & MORE!