

Church of the Holy Family

PARISH RECTORY

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Rev. John P. Collins

Pastoral Service Director and Permanent Deacon

Deacon James Browne

Music Director

Joseph O'Brien

Child Care Ages: Infant (6 wks.)-PreK (4)

Hours: 6:00am-6:00pm (year-round care)

Phone: 610-952-9186

Email: childcare@holyfamilychurch.org

Holy Hour: Second Sunday of each month
after the 11:00am Mass Miraculous Medal

Novena: every Friday after 8:00am Mass

Altar Servers: Bernadette Welsh

Cantors: Joseph O'Brien

Extraordinary Ministers:

Jeanine Censi-Lamont

Lectors: Kathy Duffy

RCIA: Wednesday at 7:00pm

PREP: Sundays from 10:00-11:00am



CHURCH SERVICES

Saturday Evening Mass: 4:00pm

Sunday Mass: 9:00am, 11:00am

Weekday Mass: 8:00am

Holy Day Vigil Mass: 7:00pm

Holy Day Mass: 9:00am

BAPTISM

Baptisms are celebrated every third Sunday after the 11:00am Mass. Please contact the rectory for details about the Pre-Jordan program which is held on the first Sunday of the month at 12:00pm in the rectory.

CONFESSION

Saturday: 3:00-3:45pm or any time upon request.

MARRIAGE

Couples must make arrangements at Holy Family at least 6 months prior to the wedding. Call the rectory at 215-482-0450 for an appointment.

MINISTRY TO THE SICK & ELDERLY

Visit those unable to attend Mass due to sickness or age on Thursday each week from 11:00am to 12:30pm

Pre-Cana Team: Program for engaged couples – John and Beth Delaney

Liturgy Committee: Plans religious services – Jim Browne

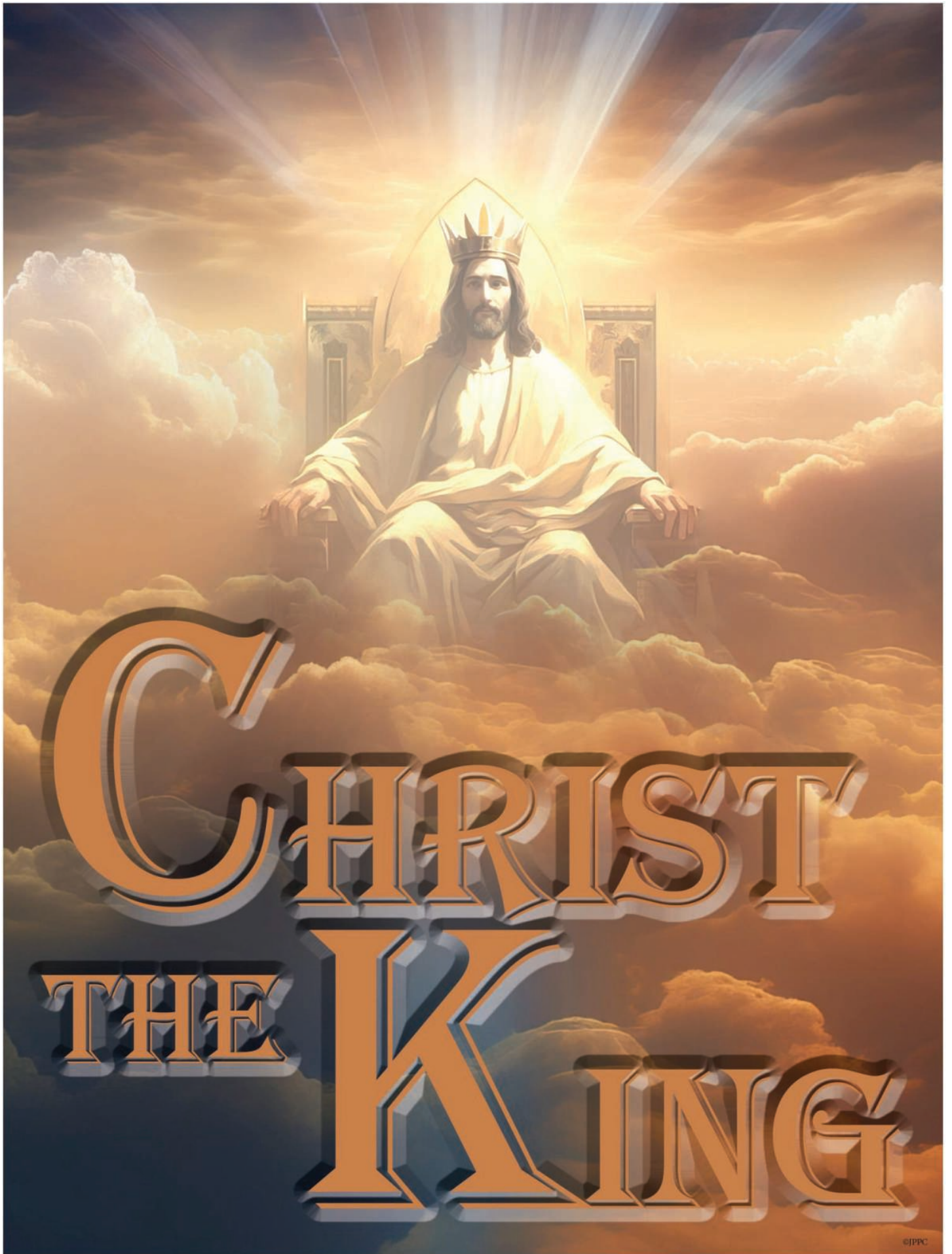
Parish Pastoral Council: meets first Monday of the month to confer on Pastoral planning

Women's Club: Meets six times/year and sponsors social activities

**Please note:* If you are interested in participating any of these activities, please contact the rectory at 215-482-0450.

Welcome

*We welcome all who join us for worship, and we invite you to become part of our parish family.
You may register as a parishioner in the rectory on any Sunday morning after the Masses or any time online.*



SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26TH 2023

**OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST,
KING OF THE UNIVERSE**



SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25th – 4:00pm

Eileen Mullen and Dave Thummel, requested by Betty Thummel

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26th

9:00am

Our Parishioners

11:00am

Magdalena and Lou Censi, requested by the Censi Family

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 27th – 8:00am

Adaline O’Harra

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 28th – 8:00am

Elizabeth Tallarico, requested by Dr. Posatko

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 29th – 8:00am

Edward Oakes, requested by John Groom

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 30th – 8:00am

Special Intention

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1st – 8:00am

Joan Mary Hall, requested by her children

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2nd – 4:00pm

Jaelyn Szeliga, requested by her Mother

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3rd

9:00am

Marie Mattoccia, requested by John and Louise Mancuso

11:00am

Ann and Kill Kaczmarzyk, requested by the Koenig Family



Please remember your CHURCH WEEKLY OFFERING. You can either mail it in or do it by Electronic Giving. Please follow this secure link: www.holyfamilychurch.org/give

Your financial offerings are most appreciated.

Due to the Publisher needing the Bulletin for November 26th to be in before Thanksgiving, the collection totals for the week of November 19th and the 26th will be in the December 3rd bulletin.

The second collection this weekend will be for the Parish.



In your prayers, you are asked to pray for all the sick of the parish and those who care for them especially, Josephine Barry, Ashley Brown, Christopher Browne, Megan Duffy, Daniel Evans, Terry Flanagan, Theodora Garrett, Anna Kenny, Jane Latta, Edward Lawnton, Lisa Long, Maeve Mahon, Erin McFarlane, Jerry McGough, Megan McHugh, Anthony Pelle, Marie Prince, Ronald Rigler, Daniel Seddon, Bill and Theresa Sherwin, Fred Smeltzer, Ava Snick, David Sparacino, Frances Sprenkle, Joseph Synchronick, and Roy (Toysie) Turvey, Jr.



LCPL. Shane Canavan, Sgt. Shane Carlson, Sgt. Tyler Manigly, RTC Dominic Remolde, Captain Zach Schwatka, Col. Scott Shore, and Cpl. Christopher Starrett.



Please pray for the happy repose of all the faithful departed.



SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25th

4:00pm

Grace Welsh

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26th

9:00am

Joseph Arturo

11:00am

Jocelyn Welsh



SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25th

4:00pm

Deb O'Donnell

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26th

9:00am

Louise Mancuso

11:00am

Tom Payne



SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25th

4:00 pm

Sister Mary Jo Larking

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26th

9:00am

Audrey Williams

11:00am

Dorothea Richardson



Thank you to all who drop their receipts. Please remember to drop your Shoprite receipts in the silver in the silver container on your way out or in to mass! For the month of October we received \$45.00.



The Catholic Parishes of Manayunk, East Falls and Andorra will present the Pre-Cana Marriage Preparation Program for engaged couples on SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2023 in Father Sullivan Hall, Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, 819 E. Cathedral Road.

The day begins with registration at 9:00 AM and concludes with attendance at the 5:15 PM Vigil Mass. Continental breakfast and lunch are provided. Certificates are distributed after Mass. Cost is \$100.00 per couple. To register, please call Holy Family Rectory, 215-482-0450, Monday through Friday between 9 AM and 3 PM.



The Church Mass Book for 2024 is now opened. If you would like Masses said for next year contact Holy Family Rectory, 215-482-0450, Monday through Friday between 9 AM and 3 PM.



Don't forget to put your DECEMBER 50/50 envelope in the church basket.



Dear Parishioners,

As you are aware, your Block Collection Envelopes were delivered to you in the past few weeks. To those who have already donated, thank you. To those who have yet to do so, please remember the fall block collection is one of the biggest fundraisers to help with upcoming winter expenses. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Thank you to the hard-working teachers, staff and Director of Holy Family Childcare Center for a highly successful Open House.

The hard work of everyone truly shown through. We are accepting applications for new families. Please contact Ariel Presley, Director to schedule a tour, 610-952-9186.



ADVENT GIVING TREE

In the spirit of giving to those in need in our parish and community, please take a tag (or more than 1) from the Giving Tree. Please return UNWRAPPED by 9 am on Sunday, Dec. 17th. We will need a few volunteers on Sunday, 12/17 following the 11 am Mass to distribute the gifts. Thank you for your generosity and the many ways you bring Christ to our neighbors and our world.

We are in need of Altar Servers. Please see Monsignor Sweeney after mass to discuss if you'd like to become an Altar Server. Your help would be very much appreciated.



Please remember to attend Confession each Saturday from 3:00-3:45. The first Sunday of Advent is December 3rd; it is not too early to prepare.



Weekend of December 9 & 10 an Advent celebration will be held in the Rectory after the 4:00pm mass on December 9. We will have cookies and soft drinks. On December 10, after the 9 and 11 am mass we will have coffee and donuts in the Rectory, please make sure to mark you calendar to join us.

Next Sunday, which is the First Sunday of Advent, we will start preparing for the coming of Christ.



Pope Pius XI instituted the Feast of Christ the King in his encyclical *Quas primas*^[9] of 1925, in response to growing secularism and secular ultra-nationalism, and in the context of the unresolved Roman Question.^[10]

In November 1926, Pope Pius XI gave his direct assent for the priest of a promising young parish in Mount Lookout, Cincinnati to establish the first church dedicated to Christ under the title of King. In May 1927, a purpose-built sanctuary was consecrated. 1956 saw the construction of the current church, led by the architect Edward J. Schulte.^[11] The campus is an unapologetic love letter to its royal namesake, featuring a towering Byzantine mosaic of Christ, crowned and robed, above the high altar where Catholic practice usually expects a crucifix (most Protestant institutions simply employ symbolic crosses). This instance illustrates a marked change of tone that arose as a product of the Vatican's endorsement of this feast and the associated devotional.

The title of the feast was *Domini Nostri Jesu Christi Regis* ([of] Our Lord Jesus Christ the King), and the date was established as "the last Sunday of the month of October – the Sunday, that is, which immediately precedes the Feast of All Saints".^[12]

In his motu proprio *Mysterii Paschalis* of 1969, Pope Paul VI amended the title of the Feast to *Domini Nostri Iesu Christi universorum Regis* (Our Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe). He also moved it to the new date of the final Sunday of the liturgical year. Through this choice of date "the eschatological importance of this Sunday is made clearer".^[13] The feast was assigned the highest rank of solemnity.^[14] The liturgical vestments for the day are white.

In the extraordinary form, as happens with all Sundays whose liturgies are replaced by those of important feasts,^[note 1] the prayers of the Sunday on which the celebration of the feast of Christ the King occurs are used on the ferias (weekdays) of the following week. The Sunday liturgy is thus not totally omitted.

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