

# *Christ the King Roman Catholic Parish*

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*October 16, 2022  
Twenty-ninth Sunday In Ordinary Time*

### *Clergy and Staff*

**Rev. Esterminio Chica**

Pastor ([FrMino@gmail.com](mailto:FrMino@gmail.com))

**Rev. Mr. Charles Simmons, Deacon**

**Ms. Ann Warren, Business Manager**

Office Hours : Monday—Thursday 9:00 AM—1:00 PM

**Mass times: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday: 9 a.m. in the Rectory**

**Sunday: 8 and 10:00 a.m.**

**Eucharistic Adoration Thursdays 7p.m.**

**Facebook live: Christ the King Parish Jersey City, NJ**

## Lectors

Date		
October 16	Diana Daniels-Maina	
October 23	Rosemary Nwabueze	
October 30	Anthony Oparji	
November 6	Allen Lee	

## Eucharistic Ministers

Date	Host and to Pews
October 16	Yolanda Jackson
October 23	Mabel Hawkins/Patrice Maina
October 30	Rosemary Nwabueze
November 6	Ann Warren



Join us for Eucharistic Adoration on Thursday evenings at 7p.m. Spend some time in quiet prayer before the Blessed Sacrament.

### Collection Year to Date 10/9/22

Actual: \$31,844  
Budget: \$34,300  
Shortage: \$ 2,456

### Emergency Fund

Goal: \$150,000

Actual: \$48,872  
Shortage: \$101,128

Please  
**P R A Y**  
for the sick of our parish and  
those that care for them

**Please keep the following parish family members and friends in your prayers:**

Francena Thomas, William Moore, Nathaniel McDougald, Irene Gaynor, John Lott, Connie Moses, Deneen Dorsey, Carol Jones, Julia Hunt-Walker, Elizabeth Gaines, Alicia Brown, Ellen Stuckey, Shirley Connell, Dolores Sanders, Bessie Johnson, Gordon Gladden, Adela Buccilli, Lourdes Ithier, Robert and Cherie Orange, Pat Edomy, Davey Bogar, Harriet Donald, Wanda Manning, Roberta Brown, Michael J.R. Coates, Claude Hunt, Carolyn K. Rice, Verdona Johnson, Elissa Hairston, Valerie Lewis-Mosley, Renade Bigbie, Janie Jackson, Dad Mallard, A.J. Downing, Thomas Fowler III, Ronald Peterson, Katherine Graham, Eleanor Mixson, Miya Enix, Ruth Ann Watkins, Anna Marie Mosley, Shirley West, Curtis Curry, Bestine Remy, Jessie Williams, Bryson Nelson, Gail Williams, Monica Brown, Courtney Curry, Rahsaan Garlin, Hollistine Bennett, Maxine Turner, Patricia Williams, Yvonne Garlin, Deacon Simmons, Martha Maynor, Sharon Johnson, Jeanette Daniels, Treyvon Warren, Bishop Ferdinand Cherie of New Orleans, Minnie Johnson, Dakesha Felder, Ellen Wright, Kurtis Curry.

**God of mercy, ease the suffering of those on our prayer list.**

**Comfort them in their various illnesses. Please give them courage, patience and hope. In their times of loneliness assure them of our love and prayers.**

**Fr. James Mc Connell**

**SMA Fathers**

**23 Bliss Ave.**

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**Fr. John Martin (Fr. Jack)**

**Rev. Msgr. James Kelly Residence**

**247 Bloomfield Ave.**

## Prayers for the Dead

Eternal rest grant unto him/her, O Lord. And let perpetual light shine upon him/her. May he/she rest in Peace, Amen. May his/her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen

Prayer requests for the dead and for the recently deceased in our community: Morris Mosley, Pearl Hardy, Valerie Thomas-Floyd, James Holloway, Elaine Gardner, Michael McKoy, Rosalie Daniels, William Miller, Anna Hill, Fred Anderson, Celeste Bryant, Jerry Isaiah Glover, Aaron Anderson, Mary Boston, Albert Carter, Lorraine Portee-Brown, Michael Thurston, Maurice Anyorah, Richard Boyd, Reaner McClain, Joyce Byrd, Yvonne Bailey, Hubert Ray, Clarastine Akbar, Delores Wigfall, Rev. James E. Goode, O.F.M., Bill Dabney, Kadeem Carson, Velma Smith Ingram, Jake Mincey, Sondra Ray-Fulmer, Janine Jackson, Sheronda Rogers, Frank Moses, Robert Warren, Sr., Johnathan Simmons, Mildred Hamm, Gloria Felder, Shirley Connell, Sharon Massey.

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**REMEMBER: GOD IS GOOD, ALL THE TIME: ALL THE TIME, GOD IS GOOD!**

**Pray the Rosary:** Sunday Morning 9:30 a.m.  
**Men's Prayer Group:** Wednesday, 7 p.m. Zoom ID 582 045 8603 Password 482-482 For more info: Deacon Simmons (908) 358-9990  
**Bible Study:** Wednesday, 7p.m. For more info: Ann Warren (201) 333-4862  
**Eucharistic Adoration:** Thursday, 7p.m. Christ the King

**Stewardship Reflection**  
**October 16, 2022**

**29th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
*"...proclaim the word, be persistent whether it is convenient or inconvenient..." 2 TIMOTHY 4:2*

It is not always convenient to be a good steward, especially when all the temptations of our busy and materialistic world get in the way. Now add our own pride and ego into the equation and living a stewardship lifestyle may be downright uncomfortable! Remember, God didn't call us to be comfortable. He never said that we would have an easy life. Rather, He called us to be faithful!

*Christ the King Roman Catholic Church Parish Information*

**Mission Statement of Christ the King Roman Catholic Church**

We will be open to the voice of God leading us to a greater love for each other and those looking for a place to worship. We will work hard in order to learn the beauty of our Catholic faith and have the courage to share it with others with respect and joy. We will pray to the Holy Spirit for us to become a welcoming and healing community, in word and actions, in the legacy of our church's ancestors.

<b>Pastoral Council</b>	
Charles Simmons	Rosemary Nwabueze

<b>Finance Council</b>	
Yolanda Jackson	Donna Boyer-Lendor
Fred Garlin	Ronald J. Hunt
Shalitha Nelson	Christine Wooten
Monica Harwell	Diana Maina
Verdena Johnson	

**Trustees:**  
*Mrs. Verdena Johnson*  
*Ms. Christina Wooten*

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**Sacred Music Ministry**  
 Greg Searvance: Director  
 Michelle Adolphus: Children and Youth

**Reporting Sexual Abuse Information**

The Archdiocese takes very seriously any and all allegations of sexual misconduct by any member of the clergy, Religious and lay staff of the Archdiocese. We encourage anyone with knowledge of an act of sexual misconduct to inform us immediately so that we may take appropriate actions to protect others and provide support to victims of sexual abuse. Individuals who wish to report an allegation of sexual misconduct may do so by calling the Archdiocesan Office of Child and Youth Protection at (201) 407-3256

**The Sacrament of Baptism**

Celebrations are held seasonally. Parents should contact the pastor to set up an appointment. Parents and godparents are invited to our baptismal preparation program.

**The Sacrament of Marriage**

Couples considering marriage are expected to make arrangements with the pastor one year in advance. All couples are welcome to our marriage preparation program.

**Parish Membership**

Christ the King is a parish that welcomes all. Every member of the parish is expected to be involved in stewardship of time, talent, and treasure and one of the church ministries. Anyone needing offering envelopes should contact the rectory.

**Christian Formation**

Inquiry classes into Catholic faith RCIA formation for adults seeking full membership in the Catholic Church are held in the rectory. For more information please contact Fr. Mino for meeting times.

## Summary of Today's Readings

### Reading I: Exodus 17: 8-13

Moses defeats the fierce Amalekites by stretching out over them the same rod with which he had defeated Pharaoh. But Yahweh uses this tool to help only when Moses holds the rod aloft.

### Reading II: II Timothy 3: 14-4:2

Through Timothy's effort St. Paul urges the community to retain what they have learned from him. He notes that all Scripture, referring to the Old Testament of course, is inspired and useful for teaching. The same holds for the New Testament, yet to be written down in Paul's time.

### The Gospel: Luke 18: 1-8

Jesus teaches His disciples and us, the power of prayer. He does it with a story about a persistent widow and her power over a corrupt judge. Important to remember that in those days a widow was nearly powerless in a male-dominated society. Our Lord wants us to pay attention to that fictional judge's remarks.

## Readings for the Week – October 16, 2022

**Monday:** Eph 2:1-10; Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4ab, 4c-5; Lk 12:13-21

**Tuesday:** 2 Tm 4:10-17b; Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18; Lk 10:1-9

**Wednesday:** Eph 3:2-12; Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6; Lk 12:39-48

**Thursday:** Eph 3:14-21; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 11-12, 18-19; Lk 12:49-53

**Friday:** Eph 4:1-6; Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6; Lk 12:54-59

**Saturday:** Eph 4:7-16; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5; Lk 13:1-9

**Sunday:** Sir 35:12-14, 16-18; Ps 34:2-3, 17-18, 19, 23; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18; Lk 18:9-14

## MASS INTENTIONS: People of the Parish

### Reflection on the Gospel

By Dr. Valerie Lewis-Mosley

*"My help cometh from the Lord, who made heaven and earth." (Psalm 121:2)*

Protection, Petition, Persistence, Proclamation, Patience, Praise, Prayer, Perseverance, Provision: These are the themes that are presented in today's readings. They are a template for how the Lord interacts with us and blesses us and answers our prayers. Every need is addressed when we submit ourselves to God in faith and faithfulness. Whatever battles or storms that come our way- when we anchor ourselves in the belief that the Lord is our **Protector**, God will fight our battles for us. We can rest assured- that our adversaries' arms are too short to box with our God. Yet we must remain in prayer- relying on the instruction of God. We must not grow weary or become faint of heart. As noted in Hebrews 12:12 we must *strengthen our feeble arms and weak knees*. It is when we are persistent that we gain the victory in the name of *Jehovah Nissi*, the Lord who fights our battles and gives us the victory (Exodus 17:13-16). God is Our Shield (Psalm 3:3)

Just as God is ever faithful, we too must persevere in faith. Prayer is the key, *calling on God, both day and night!* Praying unceasingly and petitioning the Lord God to supply all our needs is the humility of not relying on our own might! The Lord God Jehovah Jireh is our **Provider**. The quote *"the gods help those who help themselves"* is not Scriptural or Theologically correct. It is a quote attributed to Benjamin Franklin and Algernon Sidney that originates with Ancient Greek proverbs. We must rely on the Word of God to direct us and guide us and instruct us, *we are not to lean on our own understanding. Our help*

*cometh from the Lord.* It is the *Wisdom of the Lord* which is to direct our path.

When we lift our hands in praise and prayer and proclamation and petition, we stand in the presence of the Lord standing in our need and relying on our faith in the promise of the Lord. As prayer warriors we serve in the position of the prophet warriors Aaron and Hur. We stand in solidarity praying for those who are in the need of prayer. We pray for the whole of the community lifting up our hands to support those who are weak and tired!

*For every child of God defeats this evil world, and we achieve the victory through our faith.*  
(1 John 5:4)



## The Food

## Ministry at

### Christ the King Church

The Food Ministry at Christ the King Church is committed to feeding both the bodies and souls of our brothers and sisters in the community. We offer our prayers and work diligently to alleviate food insecurity. We pick up food from our sister parish, OLC, we make sandwiches, and we pack bags at the Grab n Go. We offer a food pantry in the rectory where those we serve choose the food they need. ***But the most important thing we do is respect the dignity of all who come to us for help.*** Come join us. Volunteers are always needed. Food and monetary donations are especially welcomed. Call the rectory at (201) 333-4862 for further information.

**Grab n Go:** 768 Ocean Ave

Want to know what we need? Go to <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040a4babad2ea64-ctk>  
 Contact Yolanda Jackson [yojacks1@gmailmail.com](mailto:yojacks1@gmailmail.com) or (201) 852-0023  
 Damali Oparaji [femdocjcmc@yahoo.com](mailto:femdocjcmc@yahoo.com) or (201) 951-3087



### Christ the King Charles Cooper Food Pantry (In the Rectory)

Clients have the opportunity to “shop” our shelves to choose what their families need. Registration is required. For information, or to make an appointment, call Ann Warren in the church office (201)333-4862.



The **Junior Daughters** will be hosting a bake sale. They are taking pre-orders for delivery on Sunday, November 6 at 10am. Payment must be received by Sunday, Oct. 30

On Sunday, Nov. 13 after the 10:00 Mass, they will go out to feed the homeless. They are collecting hats, gloves, blankets, and toiletries to give as well. Please contact Monica Harwell at (201)697-8507 if you need items picked up.



### MEN OF CHRIST THE KING



**M.O.C.K. The Men of Christ the King will meet *in person* every first Sunday after 10:00 Mass. Location will be announced. Please come and enjoy the fellowship.**

The Knights and Ladies of Peter Claver St. Martin De Porres Council #297 and Bishop Joseph A. Francis Court # 297 are looking for new members. Curious? Interested? Contact JACKIE FLOYD, CN. 297 (201) 362-5324 or VERDENA JOHNSON, CT. 297 (201) 970-3942. or visit the website [www.kofpc.org/join](http://www.kofpc.org/join)

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Thank you to Juanita and Lionel Hekpo who have so graciously volunteered to live stream the 10:00 Mass on our Facebook page for those who are homebound. **A second team would be great.** Do you have expertise in live streaming? Are you willing to step up? If you can and will, please contact the church office and we will get you started.



Verdena Johnson and Eleanor Mixon are compiling a list of parish young people for a Giving Tree. Please submit the names of your children,

grandchildren, and yes, great grandchildren who are in school: grammar, high, college, or trade school. Please see Verdena or Eleanor to make sure that your family member is on that list.

Marjorie Ware is interested in forming a committee to work on the Church's 91st Anniversary celebration.

Please contact her at 973-280-2335 or 973-3731627 if you are willing to help.



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