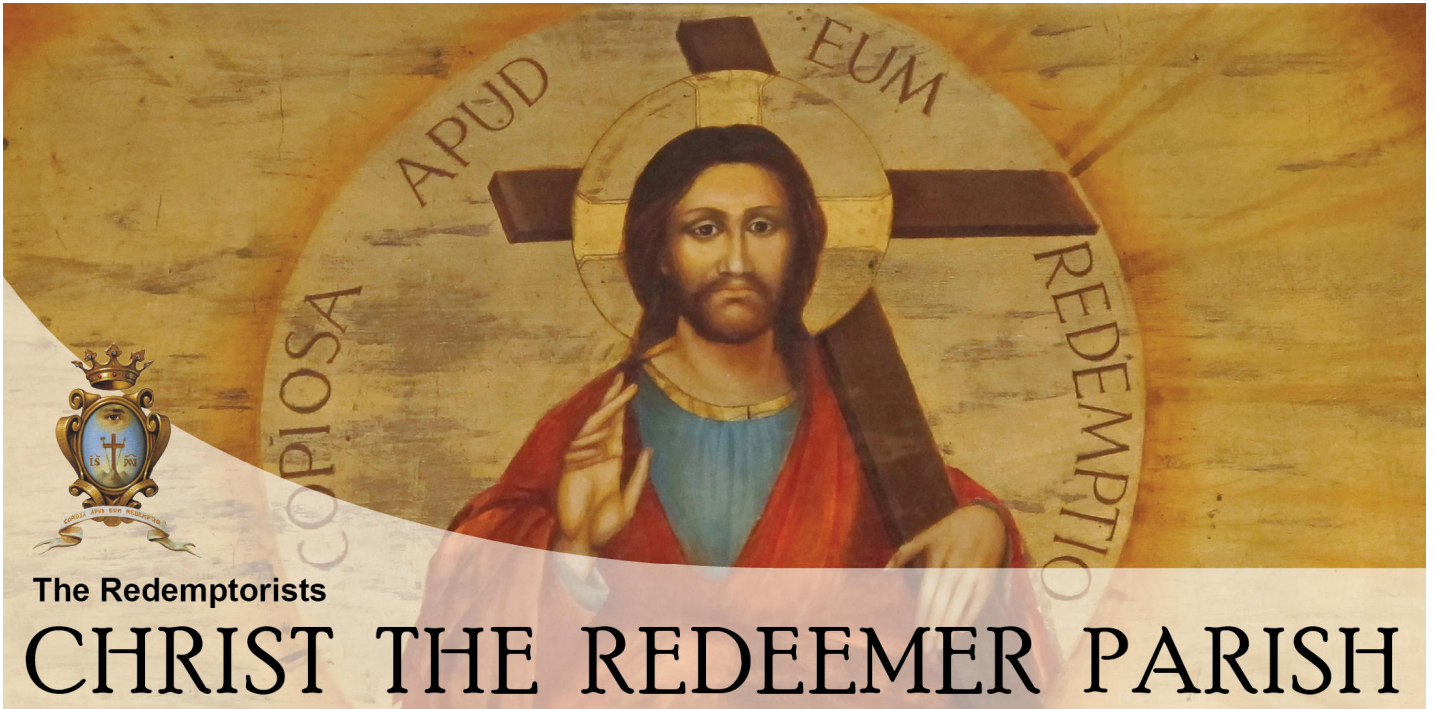


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Nativity of the Lord



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*Hark, the Herald
Angels Sing!*

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ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Christ the King Worship Site
Saturday 3:30 - 4:20 PM
Sacred Heart Worship Site
Saturday 8:30 - 9:00 AM - Our Lady of Czestochowa Chapel

CONFESSION

(English & Polish)
Christ the King Worship Site
Monday - Friday 6:30 AM; Saturday 3:30 PM
Sacred Heart Worship Site
Wednesday & First Friday 6:30 - 7:00 PM
Saturdays 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM & 4:45 - 5:45 PM

OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 9:00AM to 3:00PM.
Office closed on Thursdays. Saturdays and Evenings: By Appointment.



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, December 26 (Poniedziałek) - Stephen

CTK - 7:00AM †Jerome Wilczek r/o Leomaolia Luty

SH - 8:00AM †Horonata & Jan Banka r/o Wanda Banka

SH - 11:00AM God's Blessing for Paul Tulanowski r/o Barbara Gural

CTK - 12:00PM Rosary & Divine Mercy Devotions

SH - 7:00PM (P) †Stanislaw Brandt r/o son & family

Tuesday, December 27 (Wtorek) - John

CTK - 7:00AM †Joseph Michael Redmond r/o Shamy Family

SH - 8:00AM †Stanislaw Banka r/o wife, Wanda

SH - 11:00AM Mass and OLPH Novena in English

Wednesday, December 28 (Środa) - Holy Innocents

CTK - 7:00AM †Jerome Wilczek r/o CJ & Heather Scheinman

SH - 11:00AM †Francis & Theresa Fiduk r/o children

SH - 11:30AM Exposition and Rosary

SH - 7:00PM OLPH Novena in Polish

Thursday, December 29 (Czwartek) - Thomas Becket

CTK - 7:00AM †Joan Wilczek r/o Dan Kikta

SH - 8:00AM †Leonarda Salamon r/o Eleni Skontrianos

SH - 11:00AM †Joe Wolinski r/o children & grandchildren

Friday, December 30 (Piątek)

Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

CTK - 7:00AM †Jerome Wilczek r/o Dan Kikta

SH - 11:00AM †Charles Schlenker (Anniv.) r/o Mary Sue & sons

SH - 11:30AM Divine Mercy Devotions

SH - 7:00PM †Helena Waskiewicz r/o Kania Family

Saturday, December 31 (Sobota) - Sylvester I

SH - 3:00 PM - (P) Benediction

SH - 3:30 PM - (P) For the People of the Parish

CTK - 4:00 PM - (E) Benediction

CTK - 4:30 PM - (E) For the People of the Parish

SH - 5:30 PM - (E) Benediction

SH - 6:00 PM - (E) For the People of the Parish

Mary, Mother of God, January 1 (Niedziela)

SH - 7:00AM †Robert Lach r/o family

CTK - 8:30AM †Phuoc Nguyen r/o Marge Iarkowski

SH - 8:30AM †Michael Tarby r/o Ann & Gary Straszewski & family

SH - 10:00AM †Raymond Luszcz r/o Robert & Carol Luszcz

CTK - 10:30AM †Joe Jasontek r/o wife & children

SH - 11:30AM †Teresa Puzio r/o Janczyk Family

The Sanctuary Lamp in Sacred Heart will burn this week for the repose of the souls of **Louis Forsthofer, Christina Pankowski & Joseph & Sophie Onka** at the request of Celeste Onka

The Altar Bread & Wine in Sacred Heart is consecrated this week in memory of **Edward & Eleanor Przybylkowski** at the request of Linda Blath & family.

The Sanctuary Lamp in Christ the King will burn this week for the repose of the soul of **Charles Schlenker** at the request of his sons, David & Michael.

The Altar Bread & Wine in Christ the King is consecrated this week in memory of **the deceased members of the Kocay Family** at the request of Mary Carol & Bernadette.



The time came for her to have her child and she gave birth to her firstborn son. She wrapped him in swaddling clothes and laid him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn. - Lk 2:6b-7

THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

"She will bear a son and you are to name him Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins." Today we celebrate that the prophetic dream of St. Joseph was fulfilled! Jesus is born! A Savior has come to deliver us-- Emmanuel, "God is with us." Christmas is a feast of fulfillment, a holiday of deep and enduring happiness not only because God became man and was born of a woman, but because along with his Incarnation, God brought us freedom. Jesus is the long-awaited Messiah who sets us free from the misery of our own sins. This is the ultimate gift of Christmas Day.

We exchange gifts today as a sign of our love for one another to be sure, but also as a concrete, visible way to celebrate the gift that we have first received from God. We are free people! We are not slaves but rather the children of God whose priceless inheritance is to dwell in his kingdom for all eternity. On this most festive day of the year, we are invited to exult in this fact and spare little effort or expense to show our gratitude and joy.

We only must be careful not to reduce our celebrating today to something less glorious, something less meaningful, or less profound. This is no mere secular holiday. This is not just a ritual of family gatherings, elaborate evergreen trees and sumptuous meals. Christmas is a holy day and as Christians it is our day in a most definite and undeniable way. The treats and trimmings are all signs that remind us of what lies ahead for those who accept the real gift of Jesus Christ: an unending banquet of eternal delights and divine gifts that will never fail to satisfy. Yes, Christmas is a little taste of heaven, the perfect gift that lies in wait for those who love the Lord.



Christmas Blessings

The Grace and Peace of Our Newborn Lord and Savior Jesus Christ be with you!

In the birth of our Lord, the Word of God has come among us. This has happened not out of a debt of obligation owed to us but because of Love. A love which does not admit to exclusion. No more are we to be judged by what we have or can do but simply by our response to God's gift to us. In our community we see what this response means. Our community continues to grow. Our heritage is learned and respected. More and more people are choosing to share their talents: the Gospel is preached and lived, families are welcomed, the old find comfort, and we are at peace with one another.

The greatest gift of this season has already been given – God the Father has shared his Son. During this Christmas Season in particular we have the opportunity to better appreciate God's gift to us. First, let us do that in thanksgiving. We are thankful for the gift of one another and our faith. Second, we appreciate this gift in prayer. May God continue to watch over us and bless us. And finally, we appreciate this gift by living lives accountable to the Lord. Faith and the life given us in Jesus is to be the center of our lives.

At this time we want to thank all of you for your care and love of the Lord and your parish. This is a wonderful parish to be a member of. I thank you for that. May God continue to bless you and watch over all you do.

In the Peace of our Newborn Savior.

Fr. Stan, Fr. Marcin & Fr. Wojciech

KOLEDA

THE ANNUAL BLESSING OF HOMES (KOLEDA) WILL BEGIN ON MONDAY, JANUARY 2, 2017 from 9:30 AM to Noon and from 1 PM to 5 PM. *Should you not be at home when the priest visits, he will leave a message in your door.* If you would like to reschedule or if you prefer to schedule an appointment to have your home blessed, please call the parish office. If you live outside of Manville you must call the parish office to have your home blessed.

Chwała Nowonarodzonego Zbawiciela niech będzie z Wami wszystkimi!

Z narodzeniem Pana Słowo Boże przyszło do nas na ziemię. Stało się to z miłości do nas. Z miłości, która nie zna granic. Z miłości, której orzeczeniem nie jest to co posiadamy, lecz jaką odpowiedź damy Bogu za Jego dar dla ludzkości. W naszej wspólnocie parafialnej dajemy tą odpowiedź Bogu poprzez fakt, że jako parafia rozwijamy się i żyjemy życiem Bożym. Wyciągając wnioski z naszej przeszłości i przynależności narodowej okazujemy sobie wzajemny szacunek. Coraz więcej parafian dzieli się swoimi talentami z innymi, nasze rodziny żyją Ewangelia Chrystusa i stają się poprzez to radośniejsze, a ci, którzy są już w podeszłym wieku znajdują opiekę i spokój. Stajemy się przykładem chrześcijańskiej wspólnoty ludzi wierzących w Chrystusa.

Otrzymałiśmy największy dar. Bóg dał nam swojego Syna. W okresie Świąt Bożego Narodzenia mamy obowiązek podziękować Bogu za Jego dar. Złożmy podziękowanie za Siostry i Braci w Chrystusie, za dar wiary, za dar modlitwy. Niech Dobry Bóg nam wszystkim błogosławi i darzy opieką, a Chrystus niech staje się naczelną wartością naszego życia.

Jako Duszpasterze tutejszej parafii, pragniemy podziękować wszystkim, którzy kochają Chrystusa i naszą wspólnotę parafialną. Parafia Najświętszego Serca Pana Jezusa w Manville jest wspólną i powinniśmy być dumni z przynależności do niej. Niech dobry Bóg darzy was obfitym błogosławieństwem na nadchodzące Święta i Nowy Rok.

W Chrystusie Odkupicielu,

O. Stanisław Slaby, O. Marcin Zubik i O. Wojciech Kusek

KOLEDA

Podtrzymując tradycję lat poprzednich, również w nadchodzącym okresie Świąt Bożego narodzenia błogosławić będziemy domy naszych parafian. Kolędę ropoczniemy od czwartek 2 stycznia w godzinach od 9:30 – 12:00 i od 13:00 do 17:00. Jeśli ktoś z parafian nie może być w domu w tych godzinach prosimy o telefoniczny kontakt z biurem parafialnym i ustalenie dogodnego terminu kolędy.



The next **First Saturday Devotions to Our Lady of Fatima** will take place on **January 7th** after the 11:00AM Mass at Sacred Heart.

PRAYER & PRAISE GROUP

The next Prayer & Praise Group Meeting will be held on January 16th in Christ the King Church at 1:00PM.



Knights of Columbus # 6573 Bible Study All Are Welcome!

Ephesians will be a 13 week study with Fr. Mitch Pacwa on video. Participants will receive the Ephesians-Catholic Commentary on Sacred Scripture. (St. John Neumann Center @7PM)

December 22nd- Ephesians- Video w/ Fr. Mitch Pacwa: Eph 4:25- 5:2
December 29th- Ephesians- Video w/ Fr. Mitch Pacwa: Eph 5:3-14

If anybody just wants to “pop-in” and see what it’s like-no charge, but we suggest to read that week’s readings and bring your Bible (or one can even be provided). For more info check out the new Facebook page for the Bible Study Program at <https://www.facebook.com/kofc6573biblestudy/> or contact Anthony Scarpantonio- 917-494-8141, ascarp@live.com

CLOTHING DRIVE - March 11, 2017 (weather permitting). Clothing, textiles, stuffed animals, etc. can be dropped off at the St. John Neumann Center from 9AM to 12Noon.

HOLY FAMILY FEAST DAY

On Friday, December 30, 2016 we will be celebrating all milestone wedding anniversaries, i.e., 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, etc... with a special blessing at the 11:00AM Mass. Please call the parish office and let us know if you would like to participate.

UROCZYSTOŚĆ ŚWIĘTEJ RODZINY

W Piątek, 30 grudnia na Mszy św. o godz. 11.00AM (w języku angielskim) oraz o godz 7:00PM (w języku polskim) będziemy celebrować jubileusze małżeństwa. Zainteresowanych udziałem w tych uroczystościach prosimy o zgłoszenie się do biura.

NEW PARISHIONERS NOWI PARAFIANIE

If you are new to the parish, and would like to become a parishioner, please take the time to register at the Parish Office. Daily office hours are noted in the parish bulletin. If needed, evening appointments are available. We look forward to hearing from you.

Wszystkich uczęszczających regularnie na msze św. do naszego kościoła prosimy o zapisanie się do naszej parafii. Należy przyjść do biura w godz. otwarcia lub umówić się na spotkanie wieczorem. Rejestracja w parafii konieczna jest do wydawania wszelkich dokumentów i zaświadczeń, a także do chrztu, ślubu i pogrzebu. Zapraszamy!

MINISTRY TO THE HOSPITALIZED AND HOMEBOUND

Please notify the Parish Office if you or someone you know is ill in the hospital or homebound. It is your responsibility to let us know about these parishioners in order for us to provide an adequate spiritual ministry.

DUSZPASTERSTWO LUDZI CHORYCH

Jeśli ktoś z Waszych bliskich jest już dłuższy czas lub ciężko chory w domu lub szpitalu, to kapłan chętnie przyjedzie, aby porozmawiać z nim i udzielić mu sakramentów pojednania, namaszczenia chorych i Komunii Świętej. Kontakt - biuro parafialne.

60'S PLUS CLUB

**GOOD FOOD. GOOD CONVERSATION.
GOOD FRIENDS.**

All Parishioners aged 60 and over are invited to a complimentary dinner

Every Third Sunday of Every Month

Time 2pm-4pm

St. John Neumann Center The next gathering will be on January 15th.



HOLY NAME SOCIETY

The next Holy Name Society Meeting will be held on January 2nd in the St. John Neumann Center at 6PM.



Meets once a month on the 2nd Monday at 7pm. Call Mary Carol Niezgoda at 908 575-2797 for location and details. New members always welcome.

Minister Schedule for December 31/January 1

	4:30PM CTK	6:00PM SH	7:00AM PL-SH	8:30AM CtK	8:30AM SH	10:00AM SH	10:30AM CtK	11:30AM PL-SH
Lectors	F. Beller	R. Trksak	E. Niedbała E. Poplawski	A. Corradino	M. Urbaniak	D. Rubin	J. Zunski	A. Niecikowski J. Linda
Eucharistic Ministers	S. Liszczak J. Pschar J. Villagra	L. Genovese M. Tabbitt J. Sharbaugh	A. Niecikowski B. Nowak	A. Tartaglione A. Tomaiko K. Tartaglione	R. Dorward J. Heffernan S. Kosensky	J. Jaime S. Klein B. Stefany	F. Batula E. Zunski J. Zunski	H. Brandt M. Wojtach



We ask you for your prayers for the health of those in need, especially: Jeff Andrew, Toni Antonelli, Evelyn Appenzeller, Baby Isabel Therese Bailey, John Bartley, Jean Blazejewski, Paul

Bobe, Shawn Brickley, Lorraine Burkoski, Bill Caswell, Margaret Cebula, Chester Cejnowski, Luke Chartowich, Palo Cizmar, Pat Cobo, Allison Collins, Kaiden Crothwer, Dorothy Dinsmore, Mary Evancho, Frank Fiduk, Marian Gano, Helen Gazo, Dorothy Gluch, John Gubernot, Dolores Hart, Maryann Hughes, Marge Iarkowski, Raul Jaime, Joanna Jason-tek, Edward Knitowski, Dennis Koslowski, Theresa Kraska, John Krasnansky, Wiktoria Lach, Rita Lagasse, Janice Lalley, Rosemarie Lazar, Cheyenne Licardi, Joe Matisak, Gerry McCormick, Quaid Mobus, Alexander Monto, Ed Nawracaj, Mai Nguyen, Hunter Norz, Dolores Novicky, Donna Parlier, Robert Petsko, Skip Picciano, Marie Piorkowski, Steven Pirello, Mark Pschar, Dorothy Rembelles, Normand Rivard, Jenny Rodgers, Robert Roman, Jerry Russell, Jr., Irene Shelcusky, Pat Sherwood, Eric Slaight, Victoria Soika, Tina Soltis, Albert Stanski, Rose Tabbitt, Virginia Tamburini, William Tomaszfski, Joe Tomko, Michelle Tranter, Marilyn Trilone, David Urban, Pauline Vantaggi, Peter Viola, Natalie Walkoviak, Cindy Weigel, Raymond Wisniewski, Barbara Wrigil, Edward Zujkowski, Maria Zurawiecki, and Regina Zydalis.

God of all consolation give life and health to our sisters and brothers for whom we pray in your Holy Name. Amen.



Our Men and Women in the Service

Please pray for all of our men and women serving in the Armed forces, especially

Corporal Matthew T. Bowden USMC

Corporal Jacob R. Caswell USMC

Staff Sergeant Francis Fiduk III

Pvt. Christopher Foley

PFC Joshua Hussey

Major James A. Jablonski Jr.

Gunnery Sergeant Jeff Morella USMC

PFC Joshua Rivard

Commander Peter G. Rybski, Jr.

PFC Steven Ubry

CMA Mark J. Walyga

Airman 1st Class Lindsay Zaccardi

PFC Brian J. Zarnowski

Please let us know if you have a family member who is serving in the military and we will acknowledge them in our weekly bulletin. Please share the good news with us when one of the above soldiers returns home!



We welcome the following newly registered members to our Parish Family: Joaquin Abarca. Karolina Warzecha, Caroline Smith &



Best Wishes for a long and happy marriage filled with God's blessings to Mr. & Mrs. Guillermo & Marcia Casas, who were married in our parish recently .



We ask you to remember in your prayers the following parishioners who have died: Francis Wozniak, Louis Mrofka, John Day, Joseph Glod & Ryszard Brozyna. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

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Why do we give gifts at Christmas?

Great events in and of themselves are not tangible. They occur in life but leave no mark behind, nothing that someone could come across and know that something significant occurred. So we mark the event with monuments, holidays, gold watches or plaques, making a meaningful event tangible and memorable.

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Gifts at Christmas do the same thing. They mark the occasion of the birth of Jesus, communicating a bit of the joy of the day by allowing us to be both giver and receiver. Gift-giving sets aside the day as special and different. The special foods, customs, decorations and gifts all help focus our attention on the importance and meaning of the day and at the same time allow us to share personally in its joy and happiness.

In giving gifts, though, we can share in the meaning of Christmas in a significant way. We imitate God in sharing with others. We give a bit of ourselves to others in the gifts we give, just as God gives us the gift of his Son. No wonder we often say that the best gifts are those that come from the heart. Given in love, these presents are wrapped in the best covering of all.

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up-to-date information, schedules, church bulletins, pictures from parish events and much more...

Be sure to check out our video reflections on the Sunday Readings each week. This week Dolores Finlan will be presenting the reflections and in two weeks Shane Honkisz will be the presenter.