Christ the Redeemer

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"For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord." LUKE 2:11



Sacred Heart Church 119 North Route 73 Cedar Brook, NJ 08018



Assumption Church 318 Carl Hasselhan Drive Atco, NJ 08004



St. Anthony's Church 436 Pennington Avenue Waterford, NJ 08089

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Epiphany of the Lord January 3, 2021



Masses

Daily Mass and Reconciliation

Saturday Vigil

4:00 pm: Assumption

Sunday

8:00 am:	St. Anthony
9:00 am:	Assumption
10:00 am:	Sacred Heart
11:00 am:	Assumption
5:30 pm:	Assumption

Visit *christtheredeemer.us* for current Mass times due to COVID-19 changes.

Daily Mass

Assumption Church - 8:00 am Monday through Friday

Holy Day Mass

Assumption Church Vigil: 7:00 pm. Holy Day: 8:00 am & 7:00 pm.

Reconciliation

Call the Parish Office for an appointment

St. Lucy's Chapel

Prayer: Monday through Thursday 8:30 am to 4:30 pm

Eucharistic Adoration

Daily Monday Thursday 3:00pm - 4:00pm

Friday following the 8:00am Mass until 7:00pm

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Mass Intentions

Epiphany of the Lord - (Jan 2nd – Jan 3rd)

Saturday	4:00pm	Adin Mickle r/b Clare Mickle-Ciconte
	6:00pm	For the People of the Parish
Sunday	8:00am	Deceased Members of the lannaco Family r/b Martin & Joyce Blaskey
	10:00am	Anthony & Rita Manna r/b Tim & Kathy Manna
	12:00pm	Elizabeth Silvestro r/b Ron & Family
		Penny Muriel Klein r/b Vi DeSorte

Daily Mass

Monday	8:00am	Michael D. Mann r/b Ralph & Patricia Mauro
Tuesday	8:00am	Jason Rooney (Living) r/b the Peyerl Family
Wednesday	8:00am	Alfio Gaglianese r/b Michele & Erin Gravlin
Thursday	8:00am	Mary C. Smith r/b Michael & Jacqueline Smith
Friday	8:00am	Michael D. Mann r/b Kim & John Bekisz

Baptism of the Lord- (Jan 9th – Jan 10th)

Saturday	4:00pm	Angelina Severino r/b Joe Severino	
		James Hodgins r/b Thomas & Christine Conway	
		Thomas DelRossi r/b Michael & Rita McFadden	
		Elsie & Clem Simone & Robert McCracken r/b Amelia McCracken	
	6:00pm	Charles George Walton Jr. r/b John Markowski & Family	
Sunday	8:00am	Dominic & Rosaria DiBlasi r/b the Family	
	10:00am	Michael D. Mann r/b the Sainato Family	
	12:00pm	Eda L. Whitworth r/b Emerson Drew Tomlin	
		Frederick Krall r/b daughters Pat Bohn & Angela Finnegan	

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IMPORTANT PARISH INFORMATION

Emergency Care for the Sick

In case of emergency illness or accident, call the 24 hour emergency hotline as follows: (856) 753-4161. Call the parish office during regular hours to schedule non-emergency anointings.

The only way priests can know that a person is hospitalized is by family notification due to HIPPA laws.

To Become Catholic

Should you or someone you know be interested in learning more about becoming Catholic, please call the office at (856) 767 0719 for an appointment with Fr. Mann.

Marriage Prep

Need to make arrangements for your wedding?

Please call the office at (856) 767-0719 for an appointment with Fr. Mann.

Welcome New Parishioners!

Please register at the parish office. **Office hours: Monday through Wednesday, 8:30-4:30; Thursday & Friday, 10-4:30.)** Registration is the only way we can get to know you as a member of our parish. It is also important for testimonial letters regarding sponsorship for the Sacraments. Those who are 22 and have finished studies should register individually.

Care for the Homebound

If you know of a person who is homebound and would like to receive Communion and/or a visit from a priest, please call the parish office during regular hours at 856-767-0719.



Parish Religious Education Religious education is a lifelong process

Baptisms: To have a child Baptized contact the parish office at (856) 767-0719.

Religious Education: To enroll a child in our sacramental prep programs, contact the RE office at (856) 767-3414.

Adult RE: Various opportunities for Adult Religious Education will be announced throughout the year.

Adoration

"The Church and the world have a great need for Eucharistic worship. Jesus awaits us in this Sacrament of love. Let us not refuse the time to go meet Him in Adoration, in contemplation full of faith, and open to making amends for the serious offenses and crimes of the world. Let our Adoration never cease." Catechism of the Catholic Church Paragraph 1380.

What to Do in Adoration?

1. Pray the Psalms or the Liturgy of the Hours. Whether you are praising, giving thanks, asking for forgiveness or seeking an answer, you'll find an appropriate psalm. The ancient prayer of the Church, called the Liturgy of the Hours, presents an excellent way to pray through the book of Psalms throughout the year.

2. Recite the "Jesus Prayer." Say "Lord Jesus Christ, have mercy on me a sinner," repeatedly as you quiet your heart and mind.

Christ the Redeemer PRAYER PAGE

Please Pray For...

David Lupe, Louise Collins, Marian Stevens, Robert B., Ralph Britton, Joseph Benton Jr.*, Dennis Williams*, Angelina Racano*, Cindy Feasler* Miabella Snell*, Zoli LaChapelle-LaPolla*, Brian Feasler*, Finn Bicher*, Liz Concepcion*, Reed Costello*, Richard Rudley*, Madyson Johnson*

To add a name to the parish prayer chain, email Kim Bekisz at: rumarmed@comcast.net Please note that new additions will remain on the list for one month. To request a perpetual addition (noted with a *) contact Father Mann.

Holy Family Corner Heidi Kemp

Please call the parish office if you are expecting a child so our parish family can pray for the health & well-being of the mother, father & baby. The names will remain in the Bulletin until the child is born.

Congratulations to: Nicole Petro & Michael Peterson on the birth of their son Michael John and Laura & Ken Romano on the birth of their daughter Claire Laura

Congratulations to: Emmy Kelly Gordon baptized on December 27th, 2020

Wedding Congratulations to: Jorge A. Vergara & Ashley Rose Sunday, December 20, 2020

We Pray For Those Who Serve!

Please pray for all victims of war, for those in harm's way & for our military, at home or overseas. Contact the office to add a name.

> Airman 1st Class Connor Sigloch **QSN Sasha Ortiz PVT Domenico Pleskonko** Sqt. Caleb Wasnidge, USMC Airman 1st Class Michael Werner **Specialist Angelo Torres** Sr. AK. Mark Barlow W. H. Dube AET USCG **Cpt. Andrew Grubb** LTC. Thomas R. Monaghan, Jr Sgt. Jason Concepcion Staff Sgt. Nick Goetschius Pt 1st C Kevin Matthew Leggett Lt. Col. Timothy Cleighton Staff Sgt. Taylor Purvis Sr. Airman Keith Dauder Spc. Peter Rohloff M.Sgt. Matthew D. Torre LT. Allyson Franchi Lt. Col. Dave Zielinski Cpt. Sam Stader **Cpt. Thomas Baldridge**

Altar Memorials:

The Sanctuary Candle will burn for Eda L. Whitworth r/b Emerson Drew Tomlin.

The **Bread and Wine** are for **The Epiphany of the Lord**.

The Tabernacle Flowers are for The Epiphany of the Lord.





Your support of the 2020 House of Charity Bishop's Annual Appeal provides assistance to thousands of our brothers and sisters in the Diocese by offering many healing and teaching services. Please continue to be as generous as you can so we can achieve our goal.

A Prayer for all those Affected by the Coronavirus

Lord Jesus, you heal the sick. We pray that the coronavirus that has affected so many in our world can be contained, controlled, and cured. We lift up to your mercy all those affected, all those working hard to study and cure this illness, and all health care professionals and emergency management teams that are working day and night to keep us safe. Help us, Lord, to trust in your merciful care. Our Blessed Mother, pray for us. Saint Joseph, pray for us. Lord Jesus, hear our prayer.

Amen

"If we approach with faith, we too will see Jesus....; for the Eucharistic table takes the place of the crib. Here the Body of the Lord is present, wrapped not in swaddling clothes but in the rays of the Holy Spirit."

St John Chrysostom

Father & Doctor of the Church

WHAT THE CARES ACT MEANS FOR CHARITABLE GIVING

The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act creates two temporary changes to the tax treatment of such donations. One is a universal deduction targeted primarily at the 90+% of standard deduction taxpayers, and the other is meant to incentivize the remaining high-income givers and corporations.

\$300 Universal Deduction for Donations Up to \$300

For the 9 out of 10 people who no longer itemize their charitable giving, the CARES Act will allow these individual taxpayers to deduct donations to charity of up to \$300 on their 2020 federal tax return, even though they take the standard deduction.

60% ³

For those donors who are still able to itemize their deductions, and therefore directly write off gifts to charity, the current deduction cap is 60% of adjusted gross income. Corporations are able to deduct charitable donations up to 10% of taxable income.

*The 60% of AGI limit is for giving to 501(c)(3) public charities. The deductibility of gifts to 501(c)(3) private foundations is capped at 30%, and was not included in this legislation.

WHAT ABOUT THE IRA QUALIFIED CHARITABLE DISTRIBUTION (QCD)?

The CARES Act did not change the rules around the QCD, which allows individuals over 70½ years old to donate up to \$100,000 in IRA assets directly to charity annually, without taking the distribution into taxable income.

However, remember that under the CARES Act an individual can elect to deduct 100 percent of their AGI for cash charitable contributions. This effectively affords individuals over 59½ years old the benefits similar to a QCD; they can take a cash distribution from their IRA, contribute the cash to charity, and may completely offset tax attributable to the distribution by taking a charitable deduction in an amount up to 100 percent of their AGI for the tax year.

Source: Fidelity Charitable





Daily Eucharistic Adoration Schedule in Assumption Church

Eucharistic Adoration will be available Monday - Thursday **between 3:00pm - 4:00pm and Friday after the 8:00 Mass until 7:00pm**. It is a wonderful opportunity to spend quiet time with Jesus in prayer and devotion. For information,



THANK YOU FROM CHRIST THE REDEEMER WOMEN'S & MERCY MINISTRY

In spite of the challenges we faced during the **Covid-19 Pandemic**, and our inability to have our yearly Christmas (TAG) Giving Trees, the parishioners of Christ the Redeemer responded by donating hundreds of dollars of various gift cards from Wal-Mart, WAWA, Shop-Rite, Dollar General, Target, etc.

In addition, the Mercy Ministry was able to support 33 families with turkeys, groceries and gift cards. Your generosity and support by sharing and bringing the spirit of Christmas to these families is greatly appreciated.

BINGO AT CHRIST THE REDEEMER

The Knights of Columbus host Bingo at Christ the Redeemer on Sunday's between 2:00pm to 4:00pm in the Parish Hall. Seating is limited to 100 in compliance with Covid-19 regulations. Food and beverages are now permitted to be brought into the building.

For information, please feel free to contact **Joe Bednar** at: **609-929-9720**.

Christ the Redeemer Super 50/50

Many of our parishioners have asked about the 50/50 Super Raffle that was supposed to take place on Saturday, April 25th, 2020. We had to postpone the drawing due to the Covid-19 Pandemic.

Since the delay has been more than short-lived, and realizing the effect the virus has had on all of us, please let me know if you wish to be reimbursed or if you would consider making a donation to the parish to help recoup our lost revenue, which is down about 1/3 from the budgeted amount. Father Mann will call you to follow up. *Thank You*.

Volunteers are Needed

Tech Ministers: To operate power point presentations during Masses.

Martha Ministry: To join our team of volunteers who clean, vacuum and sanitize the Church, Sacristy and St. Lucy's Chapel.

Ushers: To greet parishioners attending Mass and assist them during communion or whenever needed.

Please contact the Parish Office at **856-767-0719**. Thank You.



A NOTE TO ALL RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PARENTS

Per Diocesan regulations, it is important to note that If your child attends Catholic school, or if you are homeschooling your child, they should receive their sacraments in their home parish. Children in 2nd, 6th, 7th or 8th grade need to be included in the various retreats and practices to prepare in receiving the sacraments. Please contact the Religious Education Office at 856-767-3414.

Religious Education Classes Grades 1 through Grade 8

Registration for Grades 1 to Grade 8 is now open. For information please contact **Cathy Jacoby** at: **cjacoby@christtheredeemer.us** or visit the Parish website at **www.christtheredeemer.us/ religious-education**. Registration is electronic this year and on a first come - first serve basis.

Children Ages 4 to 5

The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Sunday morning classes for children ages 4 to 5 will take place in the Atrium on the lower level of the Pope Benedict Center between 9:30am to 10:45am.

For information and to register please contact Laurie Power at 856-767-0547 or **laurie**. **power@christtheredeemer.us**.



NEXT WEEKEND'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

In order to help you prepare for Mass next Sunday, we are offering the upcoming readings:

First Reading: Isaiah 42:1-4,6-7

Psalm: 29:1-2,3-4,3,9-10(11b)

Second Reading: Acts of the Apostles

10:34-38 **Gospel**: Mark 1:7-11



On behalf of the entire staff of Christ the Redeemer Parish we wish you a Happy and Healthy New Year filled with many blessings



Epiphany marks the occasion of a time-honored Christian tradition of "chalking the doors." The formula for the ritual is simple: Take chalk of any color and write the following above the entrance of your home: 20 + C + M + B + 21.

The letters have two meanings. First, they represent the initials of the Magi – Caspar, Malchior, and Balthazar – who came to visit Jesus in His first home. They also abbreviate the Latin phrase, *Christus mansionem benedicat*: "May Christ bless the house." The "+" signs represent the cross, and the "20" at the beginning and the "21" at the end mark the year. Taken together, this inscription is performed as a request for Christ to bless those homes so marked and that He stay with those who dwell therein throughout the year.

The chalking of the doors is a centuries-old practice throughout the world, though less well-known in the United States. It is, however, an easy tradition to adopt, and a great practice whereby we dedicate our year to God from its very outset, asking His blessing on our homes and on all who live, work or visit them there.

Traditionally the blessing is done by either a priest or the father of the family. This blessing can be performed by simply writing the inscription and offering a short prayer and the sprinkling of holy water. A sample is provided as a bulletin insert this week for your home use.

Practicing traditions like the chalking of the doors helps us to live our faith more concretely and serve as an outward sign of our dedication to Our Lord. Our homes are also the place where many of us will make the greatest strides in our spiritual growth, through observance of daily prayer, spiritual reading, and work offered as an oblation to God.

The chalking of the doors of a home encourages Christians to dedicate their life at home to God and to others. Seeing the symbols over our doors can help to remind us, while passing in and out on our daily routines, that our homes and all those who dwell there belong to Christ. It also serves as a reminder of welcoming the Magi gave to Jesus. We should strive to be as welcoming to all who come to our homes to visit us!

REPORT SEXUAL ABUSE - An independent, toll-free number has been established by the Diocese of Camden to help callers report cases of sexual abuse by priests, deacons, religious, employees and/or volunteers. Calls are handled by a licensed clinical social worker. In accord with state law, cases of child sexual abuse are reported to the New Jersey Division of Child Protection & Permanency and Law Enforcement. For information or to inquire about counseling and support services, call 1-800-964-6588.