



CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY ✕ NOVEMBER 24, 2024

Weekly Calendar

11/23	Saturday – 5:00pm Mass Intentions: John James Lewis
11/24	Sunday – 1100am Mass Intentions: Sarah DeLuca
11/29	Friday – NO MORNING MASS Intentions:
11/30	Saturday – 5:00pm Mass Intentions: People of the Parish
12/1	Sunday – 11:00am Intentions: Natalie Fortuna Lewis

Ministry Schedule

DATE	TIME	PEOPLE
SAT 11/23	5PM	Lec: M Poole
		EuM: B Hering
		D Hering
		J Hallett
SUN 11/24	11AM	Lec: J Cranor
		EuM: R Price
		B Rumbley
		M Loscomb



Offertory Collection for 11/17

General Offertory	1538.00
2nd Collection	233.00
Mass Stipends	10.00
Paint Night	.00
All Souls Intentions	.00
Campaign for Human Dev.	98.00
All Saints Day	.00
Total	1879.00



Monday

Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5; Lk 21:1-4

Tuesday

Rv 14:14-19; Lk 21:5-11

Wednesday

Rv 15:1-4; Lk 21:12-19

Thursday

Rv 18:1-2, 21-23, 19:1-3, 9a; Lk 21:20-28 or, for Thanksgiving Day, any readings from the Mass
“In Thanksgiving to God”

Friday

Rv 20:1-4, 11—21:2; Lk 21:29-33

Saturday

Rom 10:9-18; Mt 4:18-22



“Those who do not love their neighbor abhor God.”

St. John of the Cross

PARISH NEWS

Sunday, December 8th at 12:00n, LUNCH WITH SANTA in the Parish Hall. Sign up sheets are in the back of church. Please RSVP by December 1st. All attendees are asked to bring ziti or cookies to share.

Monday, December 9th is a Holy Day of Obligation for the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Masses will be 9:00am at Refuge of Sinners and 7:00pm at Our Lady of Good Counsel.

Sunday – December 15th @ 3:00pm – joint Parish Christmas Party at Refuge of Sinners Parish Hall. Information flyer with all the details is located on the tables in the back of church. Please RSVP by December 8th.

The Office will be closed the week of Thanksgiving.

On behalf and Fr. Lonek and the Parish Staff, we would like to wish all parishioners a Blessed and Happy Thanksgiving!

CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY

On the last Sunday of each liturgical year, the Church celebrates the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, or Christ the King.

Pope Pius XI instituted this feast in 1925 with his encyclical *Quas primas* (“In the first”) to respond to growing secularism and atheism. He recognized that attempting to “thrust Jesus Christ and his holy law” out of public life would result in continuing discord among people and nations. This solemnity reminds us that while governments come and go, Christ reigns as King forever.

During the early twentieth century, in Mexico, Russia, and some parts of Europe, militantly secularistic regimes threatened not just the Catholic Church and its faithful but civilization itself. Pope Pius XI’s encyclical gave Catholics hope and—while governments around them crumbled—the assurance that Christ the King shall reign forever. **Jesus Christ “is very truth, and it is from him that truth must be obediently received by all mankind”** (*Quas primas*, 7).

Today, religious freedom for many people means that we can believe whatever we want in private, but when we enter the public square or the marketplace, we may not speak of anything that relates to our faith. However, the Church acknowledges the reign of Christ, not only privately, but publicly. **This solemnity encourages us the celebrate and live out our faith in public.** “Thus by sermons preached at meetings and in churches, by public adoration of the Blessed Sacrament exposed and by solemn processions, men unite in paying homage to Christ, whom God has given them for their King” (*Quas primas*, 26).

For Christians, when our faith is repeatedly marginalized in public life, we can fall into the habit of compartmentalizing our lives. We love Jesus in our private lives, but we shrink from acknowledging the kingship of Christ in social life. When we celebrate the Solemnity of Christ the King, we declare to the world and remind ourselves that Jesus is the Lord of the Church and of the entire universe.