



OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST,  
 KING OF THE UNIVERSE  
 SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2022



Dear Friends in Christ,

This Sunday, the Thirty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time, is the last Sunday in the Liturgical Year of the Church. The Church always uses this Sunday to solemnly celebrate the Kingship of our Lord Jesus Christ - Christ the King. This solemnity reminds us that Christ is the King of kings, the Lord of lords. Christ must be our King and we must belong to this King.

Jesus Christ is the King of love, peace, forgiveness, unity, mercy, justice....He is also the King of glory, humility, obedience. He is the King of Heaven and Earth and we wish to be His subjects.

Nonetheless, we often want to be the subjects of other kings: hatred, jealousy, pride, disobedience, anger, un-forgiveness, revenge, lust, adultery (thought or action), drugs, alcohol.....

If we continue to follow these "BAD and DANGEROUS" kings, we surely place ourselves, our eternal life, in the hands of the king of deceivers, Satan. The King of kings, Jesus Christ, does not want us to belong to Satan.

The Gospel actually tells us of the mercy of the King Jesus. At the last minute, with a contrite and humble heart (which was given by God's mercy) plus the right use of freewill, the "good thief" received forgiveness

and the promise of eternal life with the King Jesus Christ. The other thief was deceived by the King of Deceivers and so lost his hope and became disrespectful to the King Jesus who could save him from eternal damnation.

Being in the same situation, only one thief realized the kings whom he followed in the past were bad kings; only one thief acknowledged the real King. It was not because God did not want to save the other thief. It was because of the misuse of FREE WILL - a very special gift to human beings from the King of kings.

Today we thank God for giving and showing us the King of kings, Jesus Christ, who has already shown us how much He has loved us: being crucified while we are still sinners.

May we follow this King Jesus and follow Him to the end with sincere love and lively hope and trust.

In the Love of our King,

Fr. Tien

Next Sunday, November 27<sup>th</sup>, will be the First Sunday of Advent and the beginning of the new Church liturgical year.



There will be a funeral Mass here for long time parishioner, Bob Mast, this Monday at 11:00 a.m.





Our Parish Office will be closed on Monday, Thursday, and Friday this week. There will be Mass on Monday and Thursday, but not on Friday.

Catholic Adult Education on Monday night Nov. 21<sup>st</sup> at 7 PM is **The Indispensable Men-Paul**; Paul-Prophetic, missionary, and teacher. A 'zealot' for Christ after being a zealot against Christians. The truth of the resurrection was his testimony. Come join your fellow parishioners in the spirit of fellowship. Snacks provided. Deacon David & Education team



### Eucharistic Adoration

Eucharistic Adoration is adoring or honoring the Eucharistic presence of Christ. During Eucharistic Adoration we watch and wait, we remain in his presence and open ourselves to his graces which flow from the Eucharist. The Eucharist is Jesus' truly present Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity! During Adoration we are intimately in Communion with God. We experience a taste of heaven, a foreshadowing of what it will be like when, by God's grace, we enter into everlasting life. Here at Saint Francis of Assisi we have Eucharistic Adoration Fridays at 9:30 am - Noon and again at 8pm - 9:30 pm. First Fridays 9:30 am - Noon then 8 pm - overnight till Saturday at 8:45 am followed by Benediction. Come, won't you watch and pray with Jesus.

A sincere "THANK YOU" to everyone who donated turkeys, hams and other food items to our Food Pantry and those who helped set up and distribute food on Wednesday! Because of your generosity and the many workers involved we were able to provide Thanksgiving dinner to 94 families which consisted of 218 family members!!!!



Thank You



CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

There is a second collection this weekend. For more than 50 years, the Catholic Campaign for Human

Development (CCHD) has supported organizations that combat poverty and improve the lives of people in communities across the United States. From empowering immigrants in towns along the southern border to advocating for improved housing and educational opportunities in northern and midwestern cities, CCHD-funded groups tackle a wide range of economic and social justice challenges that affect local communities in rural and urban areas.

**Pray for healing:** Shirley Allegretti, Rita Bader, Joan Barnum, Ray Behr, Dean Birchard, Junior Boggs, Parker Burkhart, John Wayne Crunkleton, Mary Cude, Lillianne Duong Davis, Carol Fox, Tony Frede, Morgan Hagen & baby, Shannon Halpin, Brandon Hatch, Dariel Hellerer, Donna Hogsed, Jim Holloran, Barry and Guyla Ivers, Aaron Ivey, Ty Kimsey, Chris Marinari, Matthew Marinari, Millard Michaels, Bill, Dee and Germaine Moflitt, Dolores Molter, Monica Moya, Freeman Robinson, Josette Roisin, Bill Shaw, Linda Smith, Catherine Holten Snider, Irene Tisdale, John Turner, Charlene Yudell, Alice Yuzzi



**Please pray for our parishioners and all men and women in the armed forces:**

Stephen Fox, Kyle McCormick, Lauren Richards, Christopher Richards, Elizabeth Scoon



## Mass Schedule and Intentions

### Saturday, November 19

4:00 P.M. John T. Mielnik by Stanislava Michalik  
Beth Peters by Ray Peters

### Sunday, November 20

#### Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

9:00 A.M. † Justino Soriano by his family  
† Clyde, Kerry and Michael Blue by Helen Blue  
† Jeanette Peters by Ray and Beth Peters  
11:30 A.M. † Holy Souls in Purgatory by the Diaz family

### Monday, November 21

#### The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

9:00 A.M. † Angela Harvey by Lori Harvey  
† Holy Souls in Purgatory by Pam Brady  
† Christine Voutlsides by Pam Brady  
Josette Roisin by Pam Brady

### Tuesday, November 22

Saint Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr  
NO MASS

### Wednesday, November 23

Saint Clement I, Pope and Martyr; Saint Columban, Abbot,  
Blessed Miguel Agustin Pro, Priest and Martyr

5:30 P.M. John T. Mielnik by Stanislava Michalik

### Thursday, November 24

Saint Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest and Companions, Martyrs

9:00 A.M. John and Luiz D'Souza by Lilly Moore

### Friday, November 25

Saint Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin and Martyr  
NO MASS

### Saturday, November 26

4:00 P.M. † Holy Souls in Purgatory

### Sunday, November 27

#### First Sunday of Advent

9:00 A.M. † Justino Soriano by his family  
11:30 A.M. † Holy Souls in Purgatory by the Diaz family

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 3:00 p.m.  
Wednesday 6:15 p.m.

### The Rosary

The Rosary is recited one-half hour before Mass.