



OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST,
KING OF THE UNIVERSE
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 2025



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, unforgiveness, 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 30th, will be the First Sunday of Advent and the beginning of the new Church liturgical year.



Please remember to keep Saint Francis Parish in your will.

OCIA-Adult Education on Monday night November 24th at 7 :00 p.m. is **Love That Lasts**. What is the word for true, Christian, self-less love? What are the characteristics that true love? What does Church mean that marital acts must be total, free, fruitful, and faithful? Why does it proclaim you cannot separate their unitive and procreative aspects? Come join your fellow parishioners in the spirit of fellowship. Snacks provided. Deacon David and Education team



The Parish Office will be closed on Thursday and Friday of this week for Thanksgiving.



There is a second collection this weekend for Seminarian Education.

Cookies, Cakes, and Pies! Oh, My!!!!

Our Food Pantry will have a Thanksgiving Bake Sale after our Masses this weekend, November 22nd and 23rd.



Because of your generous support our Food Pantry was able to serve 164 families at their Thanksgiving distribution.

Pray for healing: Shirley Allegretti, Donna Barbaro, Dolores Botti, Chad Cook, William Crunkleton, Susan Darby, Lillianne Duong Davis, Tony Frede, Sarah Fricks, Dariel Hellerer, Wayne Hirsch, Sarah Holloran, Bill Holten, Guyla Ivers, Anette ML Jigla, Sandra Kanter, Georgette Lee, Terry McConnell, Michelle Mercer, Dee Moffitt, Delphine Moss, Monica Moya, Benjamin Nemeth, John Ontiveros, Freeman Robinson, Josette Roisin, Kathleen Rogers, Patricia Ruehle, Mike Scarborough, Bill Shaw, Roxanne Lumia Smith, Wanda Stamey, Irene Tisdale, Art Todesco, Alan Tucker, Ruby Christina Tucker, Joe and Charlene Youdell, Rosalie Perreault, David Ramsey, Susie Lopez Pineda



Rosary is prayed ½ hour before every Mass.

Adoration every Friday after our 9:00 a.m. Mass with the Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 11:30 a.m. and benediction till noon.

Reconciliation ½ hour before Vigil Mass and Wednesday at 6:15 p.m.

Please pray for our parishioners and all men and women in the armed forces: Angel Avila, Stephen Fox, Lauren Richards, Christopher Richards, Jesus Rodriquez and Elizabeth Scoon



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Mass Schedule and Intentions

Saturday, November 22

Saint Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr

4:00 P.M. †Mirella Diaz, †Margarita Diaz
†Holy Souls in Purgatory, David Ruiz

Sunday, November 23

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
Thirty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 A.M. †Jackie Chambers, Erin Bock
11:30 A.M. †Ismael Trujillo Nunez
†Evangelina Rodriquez Marez
†Manuel Cardenas, †Francisco Arellano

Monday, November 24

Saint Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest and Companions Martyrs

9:00 A.M. †Jeanette Peters by Ray and Beth Peters
†John Francis Oloughlin
†Christine Soule Oloughlin

Tuesday, November 25

Saint Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin and Martyr
NO MASS

Wednesday, November 26

9:00 A.M. †Donald Trochelman
†John & Luiza DeSouza by Lily Moore
Regina and Klaus Brueckner, Jose Chavez

Thursday, November 27

Thanksgiving Day

9:00 A.M. †Joe and Ella Burns family
†Frank Laux family
†Min Galbrecht by Charlene

Friday, November 28

NO MASS

Saturday, November 29

4:00 P.M. †Eugenio Chang
†Neal Popper by Catherine Grablewski
Peggy Gibson by Irene
Bill Garbinski from his wife

Sunday, November 30

First Sunday of Advent

9:00 A.M. Parish Peoples' Mass
11:30 A.M. †Ismael Trujillo Nunez
†Evangelina Rodriquez Marez
†Holy Souls in Purgatory