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Church Doors are open from 7:30am.-7pm daily.

Sunday, November 24, 2024 Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe



Pastoral Staff and Extensions

Rev. Thomas Diaz, Pastor, #4, Day off-Mondays

Chris Giacometti, Office Manager, #1

Mass times: Extension, #2

Jennifer Bedoka, Faith Formation, #3

Sacraments and Devotions

Reconciliation: Sundays 9:45-10:15am. and by app.

Marriage: One year notice to the pastor.

Infant Baptism: Two-month notice. Next class TBA

Adult Baptism: "The Welcoming Church" Sundays at noon in the hall mtg. room.

Anointing of the Sick: Please call Fr. Tom.

Exposition and Benediction: Not this week.

The Rosary: ½ hr. before weekday Masses.

The Divine Chaplet: Tues. after noon Mass

Bible Study: Not this week.

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Sat. Nov. 23, 4pm. +Evelyn Sterner-Betts

Sun. Nov. 24, 8:30am. People of the Parish
10:30am. +Jeffrey Farinha

Tue. Nov. 26, 12:15pm. All Souls

Wed. Nov. 27, 8:15am. All Souls

Thu. Nov. 28, 9:00am. Thanksgiving Mass

Fri. Nov. 29, 8:15am. All Souls

Sat. Nov. 30, 4 pm. +Margaret Sterner-Mc Cleaf

Sun. Dec. 1, 8:30am. People of the Parish
10:30am. +Msgr. Brady

Events for the Week

Sun. Nov. 24, 10:30am.- Liturgy of the Word for Children

- Anniversary Blessing at Mass and Cake later...

11:30am. Women's Guild Raffle

-Club Hispano/CI

Noon Welcoming Church/Hall

Sun. Dec. 1, 10:30am. Advent Celebration

Readings

1st Reading: Daniel 7:13-14 2nd Reading

Revelation 1:5-8 Gospel: John 18:33b-37

Scriptural Reflection

That Was Then, This Is Now In the Gospel Reading, Christ is being held by Pilate, who holds him in his power. In the next part of the story, as we know, Christ is on the cross: poor, dishonored, in pain, and dying.

There is a time for suffering, when all worldly values and all earthly desires are turned upside down.

Christ's willingness to accept these afflictions sets the standard for all Christians, and it turns all worldly standards upside down. What most people reject as the worst things in life turns out in Christ's crucifixion to be the prize-winning goods. On the cross Christ makes manifest that real winning is what looks to the world like losing. And vice versa too, of course. There is something small and unworthy about a life lived totally at ease.

That is why Paul says that all things work together for good for those who love God—all things (Rom. 8:28). Our sins are included in that "all things," not just our suffering. When Paul pleaded with God to right then take away a sin of Paul's that Paul was impatient with, God told him, "My grace is sufficient for you." (2 Cor. 12:9)

But now notice in the Second Reading the very different picture of Christ and of the standard of excellence for Christ's people.

The Second Reading shows us Christ not as poor, dishonored, and suffering but as the king of kings, the most powerful and honored of all rulers. And it shows us Christ's people in the same way: not as afflicted with Christ-like suffering, but glorious in Christ's kingdom. In that picture, all Christ's people are honored priests for God, and they are also freed from their sin— not some of their sins, but all of them.

So, which of these two pictures—of Christ, of Christ's people—should set the standard for us, the goal at which we aim?

The answer, of course, is "Both of them!"

There is a time for suffering, when all worldly values and all earthly desires are turned upside down, a time when we struggle with sin and suffering. But there is also a time when things turn right-side up again and then all struggle ends.

At that time, each one of Christ's people will say of every affliction, "That was then; this is now!" Only that "now," when all sin and suffering falls away, is an everlasting now.

And the cross is the way to it. Eleonore Stump

Discussion Question: Jesus says, "everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice." What does Pope Francis say it can look like when we awaken courage born of truth?

Please pray for our infirmed: Aubrey Adams, Tony & Lisa Crisafulli, Andrea Davis, Patrick Dempsey, Marlene Dentoni, John Diaz, Marcella Dorado, Rosita Faltado, Bill Gardon, Jeanette Guidry, Regina Hill, Frank Manhoso, Marcelina Morales, Pat O'Brien, Cavan O'Connell, Sione Palu, Nicholas Patrick, The Rivas Family, Lora Sansom, Robert Scarpone, Suad Shami, Cecilia Tarrant, Dominique Tarrant, Jim Turegano, Orinia Vanderlind, Malik Whitehorse, and Marilyn Wills.

Pray for the Soul of John Calhoun. Kindly remember his family in your prayers.

Parish Stewardship for November 17th.
Plate: \$ 3,516, **Liability Insurance** \$2,007.
Thank you for your generosity There is a collection on Thanksgiving Day for adult & Youth Faith Formation.
Annual Ministry Appeal
Goal: \$18,700, **Money received:** \$56,758
Participants: 172=26% of parish
Rebate so far: \$38,058

Faith Formation Ministry
Quote of the Week
"It's not how much we give, but how much love we put into giving." (Mother Teresa)
Sunday, November 24th
9:30 am 1st Year Confirmation/cl
10:30 am Children's Liturgy of the Word
5-6:30 pm Atrium Level 3
5-6:30 pm 2nd Year Confirmation/cl
Tuesday, November 26th
Enjoy your break-No Atrium
Wednesday, November 27th
Enjoy your break-No Sacrament Prep
Sunday, December 1st
9:30 am 1st Year Confirmation/cl
10:30 am Children's Liturgy of the Word
After 10:30am Mass join us in the hall
Advent Celebration!
5-6:30 pm Atrium Level 3
5-7 pm Youth Group
This Advent season create moments that connect us to each other and to God's great goodness as we build traditions of hope!
Families don't miss our Jubilee of Hope meeting. Sat., December 7th at 5pm in the hall



cards for each child with a \$10 per child limit. The card would help the parents toward the purchase of gifts of their choice for their child..

We are requesting only **\$10 Target or Walmart cards from SCRIP**. If we get more than enough for the children on our list we can double up on their cards and/or offer a gift card to our seniors.

If you would like to donate to this beginning today, please purchase \$10 SCRIP after Mass at the SCRIP table and leave them with the SCRIP seller or buy the gift cards at the office and leave them there. The office will get them to SVDP.

The last day to donate is Sunday December 15th.

Our families in need appreciate every little bit of help and hope they receive. Let us show them the love of Jesus this Christmas! SVDP

The Solemnity of The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a holy day of obligation, normally on Dec 8th has been moved to Monday, December 9th, because Sunday is the 2nd Sunday of Advent and it takes preference over the Solemnity of Mary. So, Monday, Dec 9th is not a day to be obligated to go to Mass this year but we should want to go to Mass. We will have two **Masses: 12:15 and 5pm.**

It will be interesting to see how many people show up when it is not mandatory. Even if it was mandatory look at All Saints Day, only 1/2 of a Sunday attendance showed up.

Remember that anyone who sought her help was never left unaided.

The Immaculate Conception is the belief that the Virgin Mary was free of original sin from the moment of her conception. It is one of the four Marian dogmas of the Catholic Church. Debated by medieval theologians, it was not defined as a dogma until 1854, by Pope Pius IX in the papal bull *Ineffabilis Deus*. While the Immaculate Conception asserts Mary's freedom from original sin, the Council of Trent, held between 1545 and 1563, had previously affirmed her freedom from personal sin.[5]

The Immaculate Conception became a popular subject in literature,[6] but its abstract nature meant it was late in appearing as a subject in works of art. The iconography of Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception shows Mary standing, with arms outstretched or hands clasped in prayer.

Many Protestant churches rejected the doctrine of the Immaculate Conception as unscriptural, though some Anglicans accept it as a pious devotion.



Christmas Gift Program

This year, in addition to food for Christmas we would like to supplement the families with \$10 gift

Office Update

Correction to last week's bulletin. The Men's Club Pancake Breakfast will be held on Sunday December 8th after the 8:30 and 10:30 Masses.

The Office will be closed on Friday, November 29th for the Thanksgiving Holiday.

Bulletin info must be in by Tues, noon of this week.

Pastor's Corner

Thursday is our day to give **Thanks to God** for all our blessings with Mass at 9am. **The collection will be taken up** to defray the costs for Youth and Adult Faith Formation.

You should take the following prayer and ask the people at your Thanksgiving table their three top subjects from above in which they give thanks. **Today, the weekend of the 23-24th** I am asking you to carefully pull off the covers of the missalettes after the masses and put them in a box in the vestibule and return the missalettes to the bookshelves.

This Friday the 29th we will need help at 12 noon with the changing of the missalettes, the decorations coming out for Advent (the large Xmas trees, the Advent candles, two banners, and some greenery work for the sanctuary and the vestibule.

A special **"Thank You"** to Linda, Jo and Larry for coordinating the Monthly Potluck.

Bible study returns next Tues the 10th. Please read John, chapters 4 & 5.

Welcoming Church. Today we will be talking about the God the Father in the Old Testament and the Prophecies of Jesus in the Old Testament in preparation for Advent next weekend.

You should take the following prayer and ask the people at your Thanksgiving table their three top subjects from below in which they give thanks.

A Prayer of Thanksgiving

by Msgr. Gerard Fahey

For Creating us, we thank you Lord

For Redeeming us, we thank you Lord

For Loving us, we thank you Lord

For Calling us by name, we thank you Lord

For our Baptism, we thank you Lord

For our Faith, we thank you Lord

For our Holy Communion, we thank you Lord

For the Gift we are to each other, we thank you
Lord

For our Families, we thank you Lord

For the Children in our lives, we thank you Lord

For the sound of Laughter, we thank you Lord

For the beauty of Song, we thank you Lord

For the magnificence of our Surroundings, we
thank you Lord

For the Air we breathe, we thank you Lord

For the Water we drink, we thank you Lord

For the Health we enjoy, we thank you Lord

For Sunshine and Rain, we thank you Lord

For changing Seasons, we thank you Lord

For our own Resurrection, we thank you Lord

For all our Benefactors, we thank you Lord

For our Parents, living and dead, we thank you
Lord

For all your Gifts, we thank you Lord.

Coming Events



Advent Celebration

Sunday December 1st
10am-1pm



Join us in celebrating the **HOPE, LOVE, JOY and PEACE** of the
Advent Season!



Come sing Christmas carols and enjoy
hot chocolate, coffee and holiday
treats! Free hosted by our parish
ministries with craft activities and
ornament making!



1. **Thu. Nov 28th 9am.** Thanksgiving Day Mass
2. **Sun. Dec 1st 10-1pm.** Advent Celebration/Hall
3. **Mon. Dec 9th 12:15 & 7** The Immaculate Conception
4. **Thu. Dec 12th 6:30pm.** Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass in Spanish

- 5. **Tue. Dec 17th 7 pm.**
- 6. **Sat. Dec 21st 5:15pm.**
- 7. **Tue. Dec 24th**
- 8. **Wed. Dec 25th**

Misa de la Señora de Guadalupe en español. Simbang Gabi Ch/Hall Posada/Hall
 Christmas Eve 5 & 8pm Masses
 Christmas Masses 8:30 & 10:30

Men's Club Breakfast

Please come and join us and fellow parishioners for



a hearty breakfast next **Sunday, December 8th** after the 8:30 and 10:30 Masses. Breakfast will include scrambled eggs, pancakes, sausages, coffee, water, and

orange drink. As always, there is no charge but donations are accepted and appreciated. Come and enjoy a good meal and friendly conversation.

The Men's Club would like to thank those parishioners who have participated in our previous breakfasts and dinners. It is through your generosity in donations that has allowed us to continue to offer these events free of charge.



The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, commonly referred to as the Feast of Christ the King, Christ the King

Sunday or Reign of Christ Sunday, is a feast in the liturgical year which emphasizes the true kingship of Christ. The feast is a relatively recent addition to the liturgical calendar, instituted in 1925 by Pope Pius XI for the Roman Rite of the Catholic Church. In 1970, its Roman Rite observance was moved from October to the last Sunday of Ordinary Time and thus to the end of the liturgical year.. It typically marks the end of Ordinary Time, which continues up until Advent Sunday, the first day of Advent. Thus, Christ the King is typically the last calendrical feast of the liturgical year.

Ministry Schedule for Nov 23rd & 24th

4pm. Mass

Readers: Tony Sacramento, Heigi Pillor
EMS: Beth and Tony Turegano, Gloria Bacani
Ushers: Mark and Selina Johnson
Greeters: Ron and Debra Ciarasso

Sunday 8:30am Mass

Readers: Phillip Alvarado, Liz Ritchie
EMS: Milambo Gaudence, Patty Ramos, MaryThayer
Ushers: Remie Alinas, Maureen Sheridan Scott
Greeters: Larry and Jo Ruminson

10:30am Mass

Readers: Scott Morrical, Caroline Stevens
EMS: Bill Yates, Mila Morrical, Nativity Mata
Ushers: Bill Yates, Augustin Gonzalez
Greeters: Fre and Janet Adams

9:00 am, Thanksgiving Mass

Readers: Tony Madia
EMS: Dave Grundman, Mary Thayer, Beth Turegano
Ushers: Janice Dyer, Tony Turegano
Greeters: Luisa Bastillos, Sally Shami

Ministry Schedule Nov. 30th & Dec. 1st

4pm. Mass

Readers: Evelyn Estrella
EMS: Betty Bishop, Luisa Bustillos
Ushers: Beth Turegano, Dianne Foppoli
Greeters: Roxanne Bialkoski, Beatriz Vega

Sunday 8:30am Mass

Readers: Phillip Alvarado, Maureen Sheridan Scott
EMS: Armanbdo Argueto, John Buhagiar, Patty Ramos
Ushers: Gus and Liz Chang
Greeters: Larry and Jo Ruminson

10:30am Mass

Readers: Scott and Mila Morical,
EMS: Evelyn Estrella, Nora John, Nativity Mata
Ushers: Augustin Gonzalez, Sally Shami
Greeters: Fred and Janet Adam

El Rincón Hispano

Espero que los interesados, como lo publique en el pasada, preparar las sueños de Hispana en una domingo, de las 10:30. Señora de Guadalupe y Posadas para preparar para nuestra parroquia. P. Tomas

boletín de la semana comiencen a esperanzas y nuestra Comunidad reunión hoy después de la Misa Tenemos a Nuestra

Señora de Guadalupe y Posadas para preparar para nuestra parroquia. P. Tomas

SPECIAL SAINT THIS COMING WEEK

Saturday, Nov. 30th St. Andrew. St. Andrew died 60/70 AD in Greece. He was one of the Twelve Apostles of Jesus and the brother of St. Peter. He is the patron saint of Scotland and of Russia. A 4th-century account reports his death by crucifixion, and late medieval accretions describe the cross as X-shaped. He is iconographically represented with an X-shaped cross (like that depicted on the Scottish flag).



O Glorious St. Andrew, you were the first to recognize and follow the Lamb of God.

With your friend St. John you remained with Jesus for that first day, for your entire life, and now throughout eternity. As you led your brother St. Peter to Christ and many others after him, draw us also to him.



Teach us to lead others to Christ solely out of love for him and dedication in his service. Help us to learn the lesson of the Cross and to carry our daily crosses without complaint so that they may carry us to Jesus.