

November 21st - Solemnity of Christ the King



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, November 20

9:00am
4:30pm

Sunday, November 21

8:00am
10:00am † *Maurice Brennan*
12:00pm

Monday, November 22

9:00am † *Marie Picetti*

Tuesday, November 23

9:00am

Wednesday, November 24

9:00am *Poor Souls in Purgatory*

Thursday, November 25

9:00am *Thanksgiving*

Friday, November 26

9:00am

Saturday, November 27

9:00am
4:30pm *Cami Cayabyab (bday)*

Prayer to Christ the King

O Lord our God, You alone are the Most Holy King and Ruler of all nations. We pray to You, O Divine King, for mercy, peace, justice, and all good things. O Sovereign King, our sins against you are many but we ask for your loving compassion and forgiveness. We trust in Your Great Mercy, and we bow before You and acknowledge You as the one true King. Amen



Second Collection

Today's second collection is for **The Campaign of Human Development**. The Catholic Campaign for Human Development is dedicated to breaking the cycle of poverty by funding community programs that encourage independence. Thank you for your generous support.

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

COLECTA DE LA SEMANA PASADA
November 8th - November 14th, 2021
Weekend Offering.....\$ 2,530.60
AAA.....\$ 1,157.50

From the Desk of the Pastor

Today we honor Christ as our King. This Feast was introduced by Pope Pius XI in 1925. It was a time of great stress in the world. In Europe, many nations were still badly wounded by the First World War. In Russia, atheistic Communism was already persecuting the Church. In Italy and Germany the unrest which led to ideas such as fascism and Nazism was growing.

The Pope reminded the world that there is ultimately only one ruler: God. God made His rule most clear in the life, death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ, Universal King. As Pope Pius XI said, when we all recognize "both in private and in public life, that Christ is King, society will at last receive the great blessings of His governance; true real liberty, well-ordered discipline, peace and harmony.

Jesus exercises his kingship through his sacrificial and loving death. The incarnate word of God goes through humiliation, suffering, and death. Jesus challenges all our notions of power. His kingly robe is the blood pouring down his body, his crown is a crown of thorns, and his throne is the cross. His kingdom is not of this world.

From the wood of the Cross even at the moment of His death on the Cross, he finds an opportunity to exercise his kingship and forgives the repentant thief, granting him sovereign freedom, and healing of his sins: "Indeed, I promise you, today you will be with me in paradise."

PARISH COMMUNITY NEWS

The Church is open for Masses

Weekday masses at 9:00am Monday through Saturday

Saturday Vigil Mass at 4:30pm and Sunday Masses at 8am & 10am in English and 12 noon en español

The church is open for personal prayer and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Sundays from 7:30am to 1:00pm. We pray the rosary at 9:30am in English and at 11:30am in Spanish. Come and join us in praying the rosary.

The Parish thanks the Knights of Columbus, Council 615 and our liturgical ministers who generously offer their time, talent and treasure in faithful stewardship every weekend, keeping watch in the church and taking care of the church.

THANKSGIVING DAY MASS

On Thanksgiving Day, November 25, 2021, our Parish will celebrate a multilingual (English-Spanish-Tagalog) **Mass at 10:00am in our Church**. We invite you to make a special effort to come, join and celebrate this Mass with us.

Our Parish joins our fellow sisters and brothers, as a grateful nation to give thanks to God for so many gifts, favors and blessings we have received from Him all through this past year.

St. Vincent de Paul Food Drive

The St. Vincent de Paul Conference of St. John the Evangelist will hold its annual Thanksgiving food drive at the 10am mass on Thanksgiving Day. On behalf of the parish of St. John the Evangelist, all collected food will be donated to the San Francisco Food Bank. Suggested donation items are canned tuna, rice, pasta, ramen, beans, soup, oatmeal, and canned fruits and vegetables. Please no perishable or expired food. All donations can be brought before the mass and left in bins located in the vestibule of the church.

St. Vincent de Paul and The Riley Center

The St. Vincent de Paul Conference of St. John the Evangelist and the Riley Center are partnering for their annual "Adopt A Family" program. The Riley Center shelters battered women and their children. You are invited to take an envelope from the Christmas Giving Tree, which will be set up on the weekend of November 20th and 21st in the back of the church. Please place your donation of any amount in an envelope and place it in the box by the giving tree. All funds collected will go towards a \$75.00 Target gift card to help needy families at Christmas. You may also purchase a \$75.00 gift card if you so wish and place it in an envelope. Thank you for your generosity.

Parish Office Closed

In observance of Thanksgiving weekend the Parish Office will be closed on **Thursday, November 25th and Friday, November 26th**. We will re-open on Monday, November 29th. Have a blessed and happy Thanksgiving

Today we celebrate the Solemnity of Christ the King as the culmination of the Church's liturgical year before we begin a new liturgical year with Advent. There are two themes resonating through the readings for this great feast: 1) the end of time and the final judgment; and 2) the emergence of the reign of Jesus Christ as king of the universe. In the first reading, we see God portrayed as a shepherd with the people who faithfully follow as sheep of his flock. God gathers together His scattered "sheep" and tends to His people. As His sheep, we are called to follow Him, with Him, we have security and love.