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Our Lord Jesus Christ-King of the Universe
(English)

Twenty-Fourth and Last Sunday after the Pentecost
(Latin)

November 23, 2025

Welcome! We are glad you are here!

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RECONCILIATION / SACRAMENT of PENANCE

Tues **after** 6:30 pm Latin Mass
during Rosary

Thurs **after** All-Day Adoration **10:00 am – 6:00 pm**
Followed by *Benediction*

WEEKDAY LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Tues **6:30 pm** Latin Mass-Rosary-Benediction

CONFESSION **after** Mass during Rosary

Thurs Eucharistic Adoration **10:00 am – 6:00 pm**

followed by Exposition and *Benediction*

CONFESSION **after** *Benediction*

Fri English Mass **9:00 am**

Latin Mass **Every 1st Friday of the Month**

WELCOME TO ST CATHERINE OF SIENA

If you are visiting or new to our parish community, we are blessed that you are here to worship with us, and we welcome you. Our pastor, associate priest, staff and Parish Family extend the hospitality of Jesus Christ to you.

If you would like more information about our Parish, please call: 541-935-3933

WEEKEND SCHEDULE

Sundays 9:00 am (English - livestreamed)

Sundays 11:00 am (*Latin - livestreamed*)

Mass Intentions for the week. Loving God, we lift these intentions into your hands.

Nov 23 9:00 am For the People
11:00 am Altar Society

For these whose anniversary of death occurs this week.

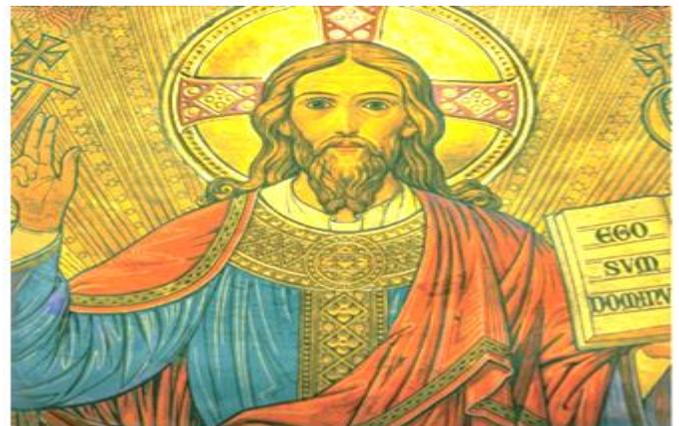
Nov 25 Bob Bettencourt, Carl Puchacz

Nov 26 Karen Rowe, Fr. Jim Conyard

Nov 28 Ben Seibold, Santos Alayo-Saavedra

Nov 29 Fred Banks

Nov 30 Grace Anita Tork, Anne Recca



OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST,
KING OF THE UNIVERSE

He said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." He replied to him, "Amen, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise." - Lk 23:42-43

Let us go rejoicing to the house of
THE LORD. Psalm 122

WEEKLY FINANCIAL INFORMATION

11/16/2025			
WEEK 20	Income*	Budget**	Difference*
WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP REPORTING			
Offertory+Online Giving	\$4,544	\$3,897	\$647
Special Donation			
YEARLY STEWARDSHIP REPORTING			
Total to Date	\$74,176	\$77,940	\$3,764
* BLACK number means: Collected More than Planned			
* RED number means: Did not Collect Enough			
NOTE	Total to Date Income includes Special Donations. * Total Donations does not include Altar Society & Restricted funds.		

Please Pray with Us For . . .
 Our parishioners, family, and friends.
 Those who are sick and who have asked for our prayers:
 ↔Barb Puryear↔Cayson Livingston↔Paul Tovey↔
 Dave Cramsey Family↔Renee Bake↔Celeste Isaac
 ↔Joel Woods↔Marissa Campbell↔Jim Simpkins
 Those who have recently died.
 The members of our parish family who are in the military; a hospital; a nursing home; who are first responders; shut-ins; and All who have No One to Prayfor Them, including the Poor Souls in Purgatory.

REFLECT & RESPOND TO SCRIPTURE

First Reading:
 The people of Israel recognized that David was a natural leader, and with the Lord's blessing anointed him king of Israel. *What do you think makes someone a good leader?*

TODAY'S READINGS

2 Samuel 5:1-3;
 Psalm 122;
 Colossians 1:12-20;
 Luke 23:35-43

Second Reading:
 Paul offers to the Colossians a beautiful piece of poetry reflecting on how Jesus reconciled all things in heaven and on earth. *Can you share a time when you were reconciled with a family member or friend?*

Gospel:
 Jesus assured the repentant criminal crucified next to him that he would be with him in paradise. *Who might you offer words of comfort to this week?*

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**LIVE THE LITURGY
 INSPIRATION OF THE WEEK**

Our king wears a crown of thorns, not a crown of gold. His glory is not in riches but in suffering. His law is written in his own blood, shed for the love of us. Do we understand the gift that it is to be subject to such a king? ©LPI



CALENDAR SNAPSHOT

PLEASE double-check the 'CALENDAR' on the WEBSITE for most current schedule: stcveneta.com

Saturday, November 22

Holiday Bazaar 9 - 5

Sunday, November 23

Rosary 8:30 am

English Mass 9:00 am

Latin Mass 11:00 am

Coffee & Donuts 12:15 pm

Monday, November 24

Tuesday, November 25

Latin Mass 6:30 pm

Followed by Rosary with Exposition and Benediction

Confession during Rosary

Wednesday, November 26

Thursday, November 27

Thanksgiving Mass English 9:00 am

Collection is for the Poor & Needy

NO All-Day Adoration

NO- Women's Bible Study

Friday, November 28

English Mass 9:00 am

Office Hours (Fr. Raj) for pastoral needs 10-1 pm

Saturday, November 29

Sunday, November 30

2nd Collection- Poor & Needy

Rosary 8:30 am

English Mass 9:00 am

Latin Mass 11:00 am

Coffee & Donuts 12:15 pm

A GRATITUDE EXAMEN

Gratitude is one of the greatest spiritual practices. It opens our minds, calms our hearts, and rids bitterness of its power. The "examen" is a spiritual practice to reflect on how we have responded to God's work in our lives. This Thanksgiving, consider your own reasons for thankfulness!

What Gifts have You given me?
 How have I Received love from others?
 How is grace at work in Aspects of my life story?
 Do I Trust You to continue to bless me?
 Where have I Missed Your movements?
 Have I used my Talents at the service of other?
 Do I see a purpose for my life Underway?
 How can I have the Discipline to thank You daily?
 Help me give Everything back to You!



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Wishing you a Blessed and Happy Thanksgiving from Fr. Ron, Fr. Raj, and staff.

Join us for Thanksgiving

English Mass at 9:00 a.m.

Bring a basket of the bread and wine that you will be serving for your Thanksgiving meal to be blessed.

WHY DO WE DO THAT CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED

Question: What is the history behind the Solemnity of Christ the King?

Answer: The Solemnity of our Lord Jesus Christ, King of Universe – often called Christ the King Sunday – is a relatively recent feast in the Catholic Church, but its meaning is deeply rooted in Scripture and tradition.

Here is the history behind it:

Origins of the Feast: The Solemnity of Christ the King was established by Pope Pius XI in 1925 with the encyclical *Quas Primas*. The word at that time was experiencing:

- **The rise of secularism**
- **Growing nationalism and political ideologies**
- **Increasing hostility toward faith, morality, and the Church.**

Pope Pius XI wanted to remind the faithful, and the world, that **true peace and true authority come from Christ**, not from earthly powers.

Purpose of the Feast: Pope Pius instituted this solemnity to:

1. Reaffirm Christ Sovereignty

Christ is king not only spiritually or symbolically, but:

- **Over individuals**
- **Families**
- **Nations**
- **All of Creation**

His kingship is one of **truth, justice, love, and peace**, unlike earthly power.

2. Strengthen the Faithful

At a time when religious practice was declining, the feast was meant to encourage Catholics to place Christ at the center of their lives and to live boldly as His witnesses.

3. Promote Peace

The Church proclaimed that lasting peace on earth can only come when society recognizes and follows the teachings of Christ the King.

Liturgical Development

Originally, the feast was celebrated on the last Sunday of October. After the liturgical renewal of Vatican II, in 1969, it was moved to the **last Sunday of the Liturgical year**, the Sunday before Advent.

This placement is symbolically powerful because it highlights:

- Christ as the **Alpha and the Omega**, the beginning and the end
- His triumph at the end of time
- His eternal kingdom that will never pass away

Hence the full title was given: **“Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe.”**

Biblical Foundations:

The solemnity draws from Scripture that emphasizes Christ's kingship:

- Daniel 7:14 – A Son of Man receiving dominion and glory forever
- Colossians 1:12 – 20 Christ as the image of the invisible God, through whom all things were created
- John 19:33 – 37 – Jesus before Pilate declaring His kingdom is “not of this world”

These passages show that Christ's kingship is rooted in humility, sacrifice, truth, and love.

Meaning for Catholics Today:

Christ the King Sunday invites the faithful to:

- Examine who truly reigns in their hearts
- Place Christ at the center of their decisions, families, and relationships
- Work for justice and peace in the world
- Look with hope toward Christ's second coming

It is a reminder that **no matter how dark or chaotic the world becomes, Christ reigns, and His kingdom will triumph.** ©CA



We welcome Kristi Till-Moore and Colby Jongeward to our OCIA program this year! We ask the St. Catherine parish community to keep Kristi and Colby in your prayers as they make their faith journeys to the sacraments at Easter. They will soon receive the graces and blessings of the Holy Spirit as they participate in the Rite of Acceptance/Welcome on Sunday, November 30, also the first Sunday of Advent.

May our Lord guide their steps and fill their hearts with joy and anticipation as they await, along with all the faithful, the birthday of our Savior!



We are delighted to announce our very first **Parish Christmas Party** on December 21, at 5:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

Please join us for a joyful evening filled with Christmas cheer. Our children will be performing a beautiful Nativity play, Fr. Ron will share his musical talent, and we'll enjoy plenty of festive carols, a visit with St. Nick, and fun on holiday together.

We will also be having a potluck for side dishes. The parish will provide the meat. A sign-up sheet are at both entrances so we can have an accurate head count for food.

We look forward to celebrating this blessed season with you!



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