



# CHRIST THE KING PARISH

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OUR LORD *Jesus Christ,*  
KING OF THE UNIVERSE



“Amen, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise.”

—LUKE 23:43—

November 23, 2025

# OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

## REJOICE, THE LORD IS KING

DARWALL'S 148TH



1. Re - joice, the Lord is King: Your Lord and King a - dore! Re -
2. Our Lord and Sav - ior reigns, The God of truth and love; When
3. His king - dom can - not fail, He rules o'er earth and heav'n; The
4. Re - joice in glo - rious hope! Our Lord and judge shall come And



1. joice, give thanks and sing, And tri - umph ev - er - more:
  2. he had purged our stains, He took his seat a - bove:
  3. keys of death and hell Are to our Je - sus giv'n:
  4. take his ser - vants up To their e - ter - nal home:
- } Lift up your



1-4. heart, lift up your voice! Re - joice, a - gain I say, re - joice!

Text: 66 66 44 44; *Hymns For Our Lord's Resurrection*, 1746; Charles Wesley, 1707–1788.

Music: John Darwall, 1731–1789.

## LITURGY OF THE WORD

### First Reading: 2 Samuel 5:1-3

In those days, all the tribes of Israel came to David in Hebron and said: “Here we are, your bone and your flesh. In days past, when Saul was our king, it was you who led the Israelites out and brought them back. And the LORD said to you, ‘You shall shepherd my people Israel and shall be commander of Israel.’” When all the elders of Israel came to David in Hebron, King David made an agreement with them there before the LORD, and they anointed him king of Israel.

The word of the Lord. *Thanks be to God.*

### Responsorial Psalm 122:



R. Let us go re - joic - ing to the house of the Lord.

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### Second Reading: Colossians 1:12-20

Brothers and sisters: Let us give thanks to the Father, who has made you fit to share in the inheritance of the holy ones in light. He delivered us from the power of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. For in him were created all things in heaven and on earth, the visible and the invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers; all things were created through him and for him. He is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in all things he himself might be preeminent. For in him all the fullness was pleased to dwell, and through him to reconcile all things for him, making peace by the blood of his cross through him, whether those on earth or those in heaven.

The word of the Lord. *Thanks be to God.*

### The Gloria

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only-begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. You take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. You are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in the glory of God the Father. Amen.





## Gospel: Luke 23:35-43

The rulers sneered at Jesus and said, "He saved others, let him save himself if he is the chosen one, the Christ of God." Even the soldiers jeered at him. As they approached to offer him wine they called out, "If you are King of the Jews, save yourself." Above him there was an inscription that read, "This is the King of the Jews."

Now one of the criminals hanging there reviled Jesus, saying, "Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us." The other, however, rebuking him, said in reply, "Have you no fear of God, for you are subject to the same condemnation? And indeed, we have been condemned justly, for the sentence we received corresponds to our crimes, but this man has done nothing criminal." Then 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."

The Gospel of the Lord.

*Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.*

## The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven,

[Bow] *and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.*

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## THE KING OF LOVE MY SHEPHERD IS

ST. COLUMBA



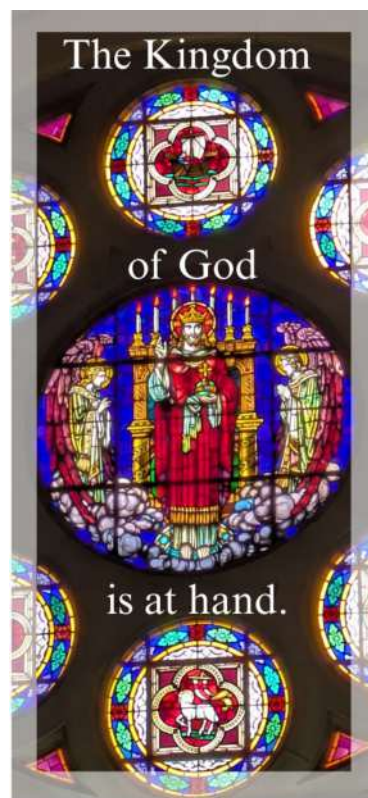
1. The King of love my shep - herd is, Whose
2. Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow With
3. Per - verse and fool - ish I have strayed, But
4. In death's dark vale I fear no ill With
5. You spread a ta - ble in my sight, Your
6. And so through all the length of days Your



1. good - ness fails me nev - er; I noth - ing lack if
2. gen - tle care he leads me, And where the ver - dant
3. yet in love he sought me, And on his shoul - der
4. you, dear Lord, be - side me; Your rod and staff my
5. sav - ing grace be - stow - ing; And O what joy and
6. good - ness fails me nev - er: Good Shep - herd, may I



1. I am his, And he is mine for - ev - er.
2. pas - tures grow, With heav'n - ly food he feeds me.
3. gent - ly laid, And home, re - joic - ing, brought me.
4. com - fort still, Your cross be - fore to guide me.
5. true de - light From your pure chal - ice flow - ing!
6. sing your praise With - in your house for - ev - er.



Text: 87 87; based on Psalm 23; Matthew 18; John 10; Henry Williams Baker, 1821–1877, alt. Music: Trad. Irish Melody.

# SAVE US, SAVIOR

Mass of Renewal  
Curtis Stephan



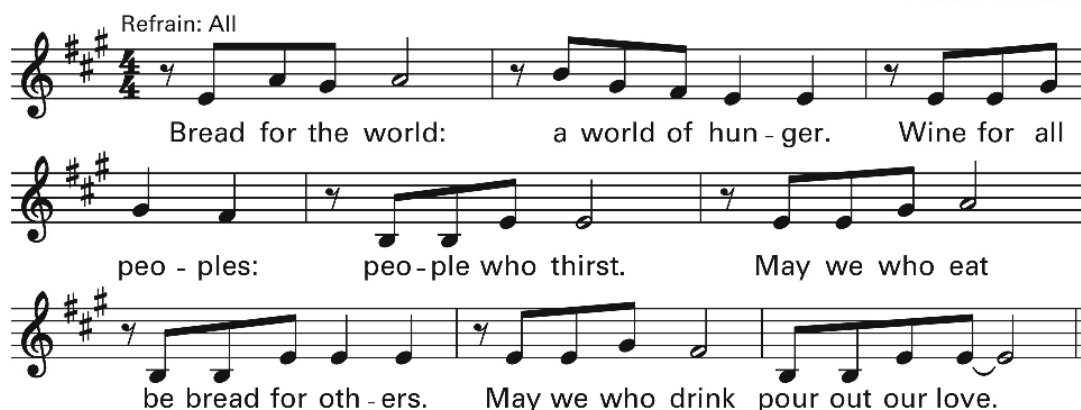
Save us, Sav - ior of the world, for by your Cross and Res - ur -  
-rec - tion you have set us free, you have set us free.



# BREAD FOR THE WORLD

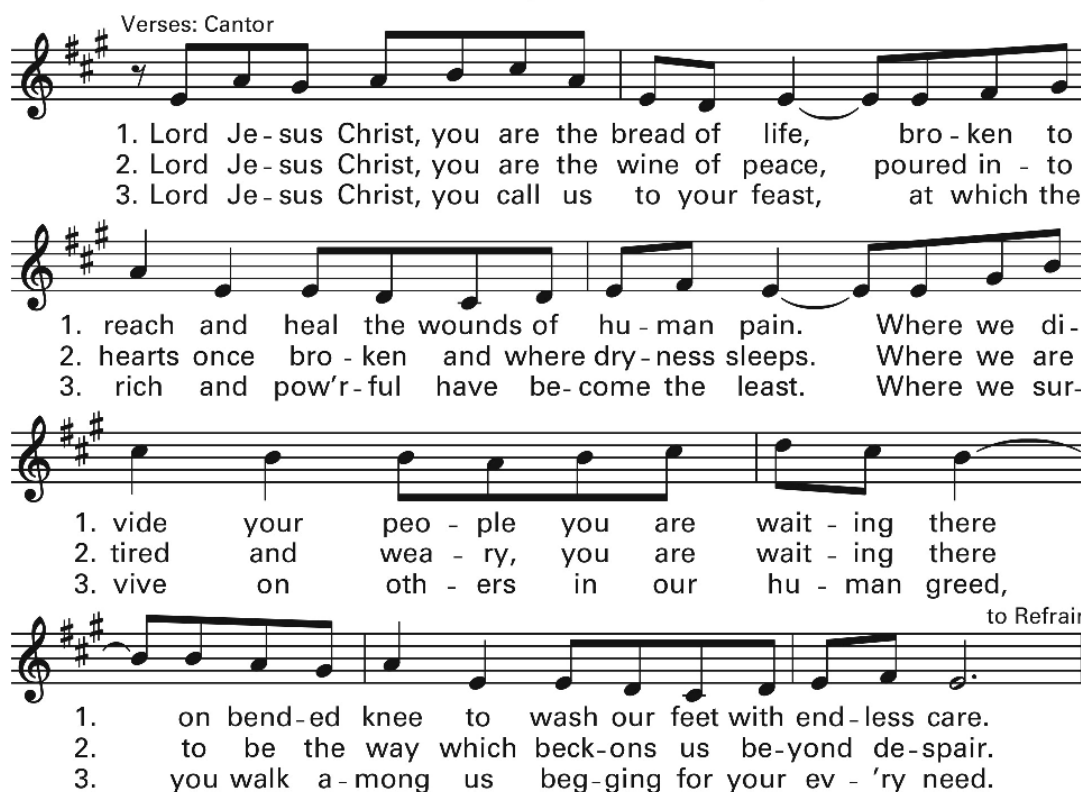
Bernadette Farrell

Refrain: All



Bread for the world: a world of hun - ger. Wine for all  
peo - ples: peo - ple who thirst. May we who eat  
be bread for oth - ers. May we who drink pour out our love.

Verses: Cantor



1. Lord Je - sus Christ, you are the bread of life, bro - ken to  
2. Lord Je - sus Christ, you are the wine of peace, poured in - to  
3. Lord Je - sus Christ, you call us to your feast, at which the  
1. reach and heal the wounds of hu - man pain. Where we di -  
2. hearts once bro - ken and where dry - ness sleeps. Where we are  
3. rich and pow'r - ful have be - come the least. Where we sur -  
1. vide your peo - ple you are wait - ing there  
2. tired and wea - ry, you are wait - ing there  
3. vive on oth - ers in our hu - man greed,  
to Refrain  
1. on bend - ed knee to wash our feet with end - less care.  
2. to be the way which beck - ons us be - yond de - spair.  
3. you walk a - mong us beg - ging for your ev - 'ry need.

# BEHOLD THE LAMB

Martin Willett

Verses

1. Those who were in the dark are thank-ful for the  
 2. Peace-ful now, those whose hearts are blessed with un-der-  
 3. Gen-tle one, Child of God, join with us at this  
 4. Lord of all, give us light. De-liv-er us from

sun-light; we who live, we who die are  
 stand-ing of the wheat, of the wine u-  
 ta-ble. Bless our lives; nour-ish all who  
 e-vil. Make us one; be our shield. Make

grate-ful for his gift, thank-ful for his love.  
 -nit-ed with his word and the love we share.  
 hun-ger for this feast; shel-ter them with peace.  
 still the winds that blow; cra-dle us with love.

Refrain

Be hold, be hold the Lamb of God. All who eat, all who drink shall  
 live; and all, all who dwell in God shall come to know his glo-ry.

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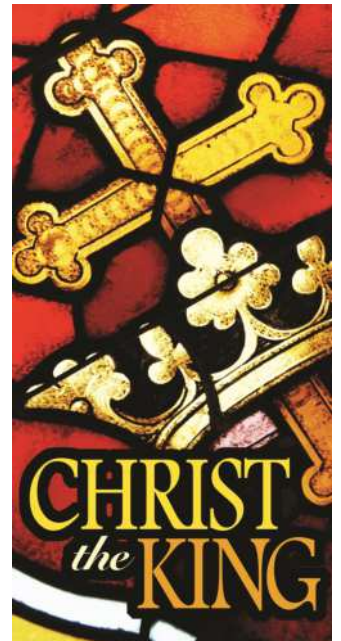
## To Jesus Christ, Our Sovereign King

1. To Je-sus Christ, our sov-'reign King, Who is the  
 2. Your reign ex-tend, O King be-nign, To ev-'ry  
 3. To you, and to your church, great King, We pledge our

world's sal-va-tion, All praise and hom-age do we bring And  
 land and na-tion; For in your King-dom, Lord di-vine, A-  
 heart's ob-la-tion; Un-til be-fore your throne we sing In

thanks and ad-o-ra-tion.  
 lone we find sal-va-tion. Christ Je-sus, Vic-tor!  
 end-less ju-bi-la-tion.

Christ Je-sus, Rul-er! Christ Je-sus, Lord and Re-deem-er!





# LITURGICAL LIFE

## SAINT JOSEPH CHURCH

<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>November 22—Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe</b> † Dan Delaney (Robin & Ulrich Mauser)
4:00 pm	
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>November 23—Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe</b> † Freiland & Fay Families (Carol Freiland) † Emilio Posa (Posa Family)
9:00 am	
11:00 am	
<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>November 24—Saint Andrew Dung-Lac and Companions</b> † Dave Oshansky (Trudy)
8:00 am	
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>November 26—Weekday in Ordinary Time</b> † Angelo Cilenti (Dr. & Mrs. George Wehrle)
8:00 am	
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>November 27—Thanksgiving Day</b> † Sam DiGregory (Mom)
10:00 am	
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>November 28—Weekday in Ordinary Time</b> † Theresa A. Capone (Carroll Mackey)
8:00 am	
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>November 29—First Sunday of Advent</b> The people of Christ the King Parish
4:00 pm	
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>November 30—First Sunday of Advent</b> † Joe Kizior, birthday (Family) † Helen Diskevich (Ross & Carol Nese)
9:00 am	
11:00 am	

## SAINT MARY CHURCH

<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>November 23—Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe</b> The people of Christ the King Parish
11:30 am	
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>November 30—First Sunday of Advent</b> † Josephine Clark (Sister, Rita, and family)
11:30 am	

### SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

<b>Sunday—November 23</b>		
2 Samuel 5:1-3	Colossians 1:12-20	Luke 23:35-43
<b>Monday—November 24</b>		
Daniel 1:1-6, 8-20		Luke 21:1-4
<b>Tuesday—November 25</b>		
Daniel 2:31-45		Luke 21:5-11
<b>Wednesday—November 26</b>		
Daniel 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28		Luke 21:12-19
<b>Thursday—November 27</b>		
Daniel 6:12-28		Luke 21:20-28
<b>Friday—November 28</b>		
Daniel 7:2-14		Luke 21:29-33
<b>Saturday—November 29</b>		
Daniel 7:15-27		Luke 21:34-36
<b>Sunday—November 30</b>		
Isaiah 2:1-5	Romans 13:11-14	Matthew 24:37-44

## SAINT SCHOLASTICA CHURCH

<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>November 22—Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe</b> † Donna Mullins (Trout Cousins)
5:00 pm	
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>November 23—Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe</b> † Angelo Cilenti (John & Lisa Kolonich)
9:30 am	
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>November 25—Weekday in Ordinary Time</b> † Catherine Mahardy (Cathy Bellinger)
10:00 am	
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>November 26—Weekday in Ordinary Time</b> † Deceased Members of Swaiko Family (Renee Davidson)
10:00 am	
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>November 29—First Sunday of Advent</b> † Sam DiGregory (Mom)
5:00 pm	
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>November 30—First Sunday of Advent</b> † Jeremy Charles Myers (Sylvia Maurin)
9:30 am	

## SAINT EDWARD CHURCH

<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>November 23—Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe</b> † Ted & Helen Bukowski (Family)
8:00 am	
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>November 28—Weekday in Ordinary Time</b> † Wanda Eibel (Family)
9:00 am	
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>November 30—First Sunday of Advent</b> † Johnny Haus (Sis Wachter)
8:00 am	

## MADONNA OF JERUSALEM CHURCH

<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>November 25—Weekday in Ordinary Time</b> † James Pfeifer (Family)
9:00 am	

### Prayer for Thanksgiving

Dear Lord, We raise our thanks to You,  
the giver of every good gift.  
Thank You for the ways  
You have blessed, guarded,  
and guided us this past year and always.  
Keep us in Your hands,  
and close to Your heart.  
Amen.

# A LETTER FROM OUR PASTOR

Dear Parishioners,

*"Count your blessings."* How often have you heard those words? How often have you spoken them? It is with good reason that we remember our blessings because they connect us to God, the One who bestows them.

In celebrating today the **Feast of Christ the King**, I am particularly mindful that our parish is uniquely blessed. The Lower Allegheny Valley grouping of parishes came together in October of 2018. It was not an appellation that pleased anyone. Fortunately, it was short-lived. On July 1, 2021 a canonical merger gave birth to a new way of being a parish. With that a sacred name was given by which we are identified . . . and a new blessing became an ongoing blessing. We are Christ the King Parish. We are the people of God who recognize Jesus as the King and center of our lives.

May this day be a day of thanksgiving for all of us who are members of Christ the King Parish and are blessed to worship in the churches of Saint Edward, Saint Joseph, Madonna of Jerusalem, Saint Mary, and Saint Scholastica.

Blessings frequently lead to more blessings, like a multiplication of loaves and fishes. The blessings are so numerous that they are difficult to count. Therefore, we need to stop and take stock. That is what we will do on **Thanksgiving Day**. In whatever way you will spend the day, the focus must be on expressing gratitude to the Giver of all good gifts. In the quiet of being alone, in a small gathering at table, or in the raucous noise of many, lift your heart, mind and voice to the One who has so blessed you. Be it the food you eat, the friends with whom you gather, the family you call your own, and the exuberant fun of life, humble yourself before God in glad thanksgiving.

In my personal litany of thanksgiving, I am grateful to God for the privilege of being part of the wonderful community of Christ the King Parish.

*Father Dale DeNinno*



## **FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING on Sunday, November 23<sup>RD</sup>**

**You are invited  
to spend quiet time in prayer  
before our Eucharistic Lord.**

**Following the 11:30 Mass  
in Saint Mary's Church,  
the Blessed Sacrament  
will be placed in the monstrance  
and remain on the altar  
throughout the afternoon.**

**COME AND PRAY . . .**

**12:30 - 4:00 pm**

**The day will conclude with  
Evening Prayer of the Church  
and Benediction  
at 4:00 o'clock.**

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## **THANKSGIVING DAY Thursday, November 27<sup>TH</sup>**

**Christ the King Parish  
will join in the  
Prayer of Thanksgiving  
during the celebration of Mass  
at 10:00 o'clock  
in Saint Joseph Church.**

**There is every good reason  
to expect that  
many parishioners,  
family members, and friends  
will be in attendance.**

# NEWS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Father Bill Siple will be on vacation** from Sunday, November 23<sup>RD</sup> to Saturday, December 6<sup>TH</sup>. During the two weeks that he is away, and Father Dale is the lone priest, there will only be one weekday Mass. The daily Mass schedule for the two weeks will be as follows:

**The week of November 24<sup>TH</sup>  
and the week of December 1<sup>ST</sup>**

**Monday, Wednesday, and Friday**  
8:00 am Mass in Saint Joseph Church

**Tuesday and Thursday**  
10:00 am Mass in Saint Scholastica

The 9:00 o'clock Mass  
on Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday  
and the Wednesday 10:00 o'clock Mass  
will resume  
the week of December 8<sup>TH</sup>.

**The 2026 Parish Calendar** for Christ the King will be available for distribution, beginning on the weekend of November 29-30 which is the First Sunday of Advent. Our appreciation to the local funeral homes who help to pay the cost of printing: Weddel-Ajak in Aspinwall, Slater in Sharpsburg, and Smith in Blawnox.

**Retirement Fund for Religious:** It is many years since the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) instituted a collection to help Catholics express their gratitude and show their support of women and men who belong to religious congregations. They are the ones who taught in our schools, pastored our parishes, ministered in the hospitals, served as missionaries in foreign lands, counseled us, consoled us, challenged us, and loved us. They are the Franciscans, the Dominicans, the Benedictines, the Felicians, the Jesuits, the Capuchins, and so many more. With little to no compensation in their ministry and now retired from active service, they rely on the kindness and generosity of the Catholic faithful. This annual second collection will be taken **this weekend of November 22-23**. Please be as generous as your means and sacrifice will allow.

**Advent Giving Tree:** The traditional tree will be located in the center aisle of church or in the vestibule on each of the four weeks of Advent. They will have decorative Christmas tags with the request of your generous support to help the good work of:

- the Hope for Haiti Outreach
- the Jubilee Soup Kitchen located on Forbes Avenue in the Lower Hill District,
- the Capuchin Mission and Missionaries in Papua New Guinea.

## A Letter from the Little Sisters of the Poor

Dear Father Dale,

We are extremely touched by the outpouring of support from Christ the King Parish and the enormous amount of food supplies donated by your dear parishioners. This is like the multiplication of loaves—truly, charity begets charity. People always heap praise on us for what we do for the elderly, but we don't deserve it. Without friends like you, we would never be able to accomplish our mission.

Your donations filled a good part of our empty storeroom. What hope you instilled in us. We thank God for your generous response as always. May the good Lord who is never outdone in generosity send each one of you an abundance of His blessings.

Sincerely in Jesus & Mary,

*Sister Rosemarie, l.s.p.*

**Calling holiday bakers!** Christ the King Parish will be supplying homemade baked goods to local food pantries and programs in December. Our collection date is Sunday, December 14. Please bring your homemade baked goods to the social hall at Saint Scholastica Church, either after Mass on Saturday evening, or before 10:30 am on Sunday. We are looking to serve over 100 families. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

**Adult Initiation Update:** On Saturday, November 22, at the 4:00 pm Mass at Saint Joseph Church, Richard Koch celebrates the Rite of Entrance into the Catechumenate. Rick now begins a process of deepening his connection to the Catholic Church as he prepares for baptism. His most important teachers during the process will be the members of Christ the King Parish. Please welcome Rick and pray for him as he continues his journey.

**Rediscover the CTK Hope for Haiti Committee!** Our committee was born from the St. Scholastica Parish Centennial celebration in 2007-08, when then-pastor Fr. Robert Duch called the church to extend its faith and discipleship beyond our local region. Parishioner Mary Catherine Scanlon made a connection with the Mortel Charitable Foundation and our parish began its longstanding financial sponsorship of children in the Mortel Catholic schools in St. Marc, Haiti. Over the years our committee has been inspired by the Corporal Works of Mercy in seeking to serve the people of Haiti, the poorest country in the Western Hemisphere. Our focus has been on education to help Haitians help themselves and educating ourselves about the needs of the poor and how to respond. We network with other Pittsburgh organizations supporting Haiti and local Haitians. New committee members are always welcome! Contact [hopeforhaiti@christthekingpgh.org](mailto:hopeforhaiti@christthekingpgh.org) and read more at [ChristtheKingpgh.org/hope-for-haiti](http://ChristtheKingpgh.org/hope-for-haiti).



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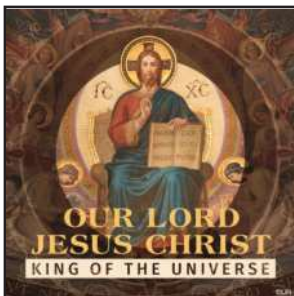


**Families on Mission – Service Project**  
CTK will be collecting toys for Play it Forward Pittsburgh 2025!

**Donate your gently used or new toys, games, electronics, sports equipment, and dvd movies. We will get them to the toy drive and make sure they go to good homes this holiday season.**  
We will NOT be collecting books or stuffed animals this year.

You can also volunteer to help sort the toys at the Play it Forward location between December 8 and 13. We will be going as a group on  
**Wednesday December 10 between 5 and 7 PM.**  
See link below to sign up!

<p><b>WHERE TO DONATE</b></p> <p><b>Drop-off Locations:</b> St. Joseph Church St. Scholastica Church</p> <p><b>Collection Deadline:</b> Sunday, December 7th at noon</p>	<p><b>VOLUNTEER TO SORT</b></p> <p><b>Learn More:</b> <a href="http://www.playitforwardpittsburgh.com">www.playitforwardpittsburgh.com</a></p>
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On the last Sunday of each liturgical year, the Church celebrates the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, or Christ the King.

Pope Pius XI instituted this feast in 1925 with his encyclical *Quas primas* (“In the first”) to respond to growing secularism and atheism. He recognized that attempting to “thrust Jesus Christ and his holy law” out of public life would result in continuing discord among people and nations. This solemnity reminds us that while governments come and go, Christ reigns as King forever. It also encourages us to celebrate and live out our faith in public.

When we celebrate the Solemnity of Christ the King, we declare to the world and remind ourselves that Jesus is the Lord of the Church and of the entire universe.

*USCCB.org*

# PARISH INFORMATION



## DAILY MASSES—WEEK OF NOVEMBER 24

8:00 am Saint Joseph Church Fr. Dale DeNinno  
*Monday, Wednesday, Friday*

10:00 am Saint Scholastica Church Fr. Dale DeNinno  
*Tuesday and Thursday*

## SATURDAY VIGIL MASSES—NOVEMBER 29

4:00 pm Saint Joseph Church Fr. John Marcucci

5:00 pm Saint Scholastica Church Fr. Dale DeNinno

## SUNDAY MASSES—NOVEMBER 30

8:00 am Saint Edward Church Fr. Dale DeNinno

9:00 am Saint Joseph Church Fr. Thomas Kunz

9:30 am Saint Scholastica Church Fr. Dale DeNinno

11:00 am Saint Joseph Church Fr. Thomas Kunz

11:30 am Saint Mary Church Fr. Dale DeNinno

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

*Every Thursday*

6:30-7:00 pm Saint Scholastica Church

*Every Friday*

9:30-10:00 am Saint Edward Church

*Every Saturday*

11:30-Noon Saint Joseph Church

## HOLY HOUR AND BENEDICTION

Thursday, December 4, 6:30 pm Madonna Church



## Our Prayer for Christ the King Parish



Heavenly Father,  
our hearts are open to you  
as we discover the mystery of your love  
at work in our lives.  
Help us to **rediscover** each day  
the power of that same love  
through the sacred gift of our Catholic faith.

Jesus our Lord,  
in baptism we connect our lives with you as disciples.  
Help us to **reconnect** each day and allow our faith life  
to be nourished by your Word and Sacrament  
through the prayer of our weekly attendance at Mass.

Holy Spirit,  
breathe into us faith, hope and love  
as we commit ourselves to a new and bold Pentecost.  
Help us to **recommit** each day  
through our energy and resources  
to the life of our parish community.

Give us the grace  
to **rediscover**, to **reconnect** and to **recommit**  
to all that is good and holy.  
You are God forever and ever. Amen.

## — SACRAMENTS & PASTORAL SERVICES —



For information on **baptisms, weddings, funerals, Anointing of the Sick, and Christian Initiation**, please call the parish office at 412-963-8885 or go to [christthekingpgh.org/sacraments](http://christthekingpgh.org/sacraments).

To **register as a member** of Christ the King Parish, please call the parish office or go to [ChristtheKingpgh.org/join-our-parish](http://ChristtheKingpgh.org/join-our-parish).

To **update your contact information** or let us know if you or a family member is homebound or has moved to a nursing home, please call the parish office or go to [ChristtheKingpgh.org/contact-us](http://ChristtheKingpgh.org/contact-us).

To schedule a **Mass Intention or Tabernacle candle**, please call the parish office or download the form at [ChristtheKingpgh.org/mass-intentions](http://ChristtheKingpgh.org/mass-intentions).

We believe that **faith formation** is a lifelong journey. Go to [ChristtheKingpgh.org/grow](http://ChristtheKingpgh.org/grow) for information on family and adult faith formation as well as our youth ministry program.

**Get involved in parish life!** Go to [Christthekingpgh.org/share](http://Christthekingpgh.org/share) to find out about liturgical ministries, parish organizations, and volunteer opportunities. All staff and volunteers in the Diocese of Pittsburgh are required to obtain clearances and training to comply with the Safe Environment Policy.



# PARISH INFORMATION

DATE	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
Monday, November 24	6:00pm	Middle School Youth Ministry	Saint Joseph, St. Cecilia Hall
Tuesday, November 25	1:00pm	Women's Bible Study	Saint Scholastica Social Hall
Thursday, November 27- Friday, November 28		Parish offices closed for Thanksgiving	
Friday, November 28	6:00am	TMIY Men's Group	Saint Scholastica Social Hall



## Make this a meaningful Advent Season...

**Make this Advent a time of spiritual growth and reflection.** Go to [ChristtheKingpgh.org/Advent](http://ChristtheKingpgh.org/Advent) to find resources and sign up for a Flocknote with inspirational prayers, videos, activities, and commentary for adults and families.

**Text ADVENT2025 to 84576** to receive a text message from the Diocese of Pittsburgh each day of Advent, preparing your heart for Jesus' coming. Find more resources at [diopitt.org/advent](http://diopitt.org/advent).

**Enjoy family Christmas fun at Breakfast with Santa** on Saturday, December 13, at 9 am at Saint Joseph Church. To purchase tickets, go to [ChristtheKingpgh.org/preschool-events](http://ChristtheKingpgh.org/preschool-events).

**Get in the mood for Christmas** with a free concert of seasonal favorites by the Pine Creek Community Band on Sunday, December 14, at 2:00 pm in Saint Mary Church.

**Pause and reflect on the true meaning of Christmas** on Sunday, December 21, at 3 pm at Saint Joseph Church when our parish choir and instrumentalists will offer a concert of carols, anthems, and inspirational readings.

**Help those in need** by making a donation through our Advent Giving Trees located in the vestibules of each of our churches. You may take one of the tags and return it with your gift to the parish office or drop it in the collection basket. Your donations will be divided evenly between the following three ministries:

**Christ the King Parish's Hope for Haiti Committee** continues to work to empower the poor in Haiti and beyond, especially through educational initiatives and grassroots partnerships. Funds contributed by parishioners sponsor Catholic schoolchildren in St. Marc, Haiti (currently 10 children sponsored per year), through the Mortel High Hopes for Haiti Foundation, as well as benefiting other organizations with similar missions supporting Haiti and local Haitians.

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(rent, utility payments, furniture, etc.) to neighbors in need. Volunteers are always welcome to help us complete financial assessments. Contact 412-254-4446 or [svdp@ChristtheKingpgh.org](mailto:svdp@ChristtheKingpgh.org) for further information.

**Our St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry** has seen a significant increase in the number of neighbors needing our services. In September and October, over 115 families per month received food during our two distributions and through deliveries to those who cannot come to the Pantry. Donations of non-perishable food, toiletries, and paper products are accepted year round in the designated collection areas in the entrances of Saint Joseph, Saint Scholastica, and Saint Edward Churches or at the lower level of Saint Mary Church on Tuesdays from 8:30 to 10:30am. *Items for holiday celebrations (stuffing mix, cranberry sauce, baking supplies, etc.) will be especially appreciated over the next few months.* Monetary donations can be made in the monthly SVdP envelope or online at [ChristtheKingpgh.org/parish-ministry](http://ChristtheKingpgh.org/parish-ministry). Our team of amazing volunteers ensures that we are ready to serve and enjoys a wonderful sense of community. New volunteers are always welcome. You can find more information by following us on Facebook at Sharpsburg Food Pantry or on our website [www.sharpsburgfoodpantry.org](http://www.sharpsburgfoodpantry.org). You can also call 412-781-2866 for further information on the Pantry.

**Christ the King Parish provides a hot meal** for the women's shelter at Bethlehem Haven on the first Sunday of each month and the men's shelter at Community House on the fourth Saturday of each month. We are always looking for new volunteers to help by donating a portion of the meal. For details on how you can participate in this ministry, go to [ChristtheKingpgh.org/shelter-meals](http://ChristtheKingpgh.org/shelter-meals).

**The Aspinwall Homeless Ministry** supports numerous homeless individuals and needy families throughout our region and they are always happy to accept donations of non-perishable food. They are particularly in need of cookies, canned vegetables, pudding cups, large bags of chips and other snacks, macaroni and cheese, Ritz crackers, Spam, canned red or black beans, tuna and chicken (foil packets or cans with pull tabs), and powdered or shelf-stable milk. Please leave donations in plastic bags in the gray bin at the Saint Scholastica Church entrance. Donations of Giant Eagle gift cards are also welcome. They can be brought to the Saint Scholastica Church office.

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*There is still time to donate toward the over 100 meals that will be provided for local families. Please bring your donations of frozen turkeys, canned or boxed side dishes (stuffing, gravy, potatoes, cranberries, green beans, etc.) and heavy-duty foil baking pans to the Saint Scholastica social hall on the morning of November 24. Thank you so much for your generosity!*



### Creation Care Corner

As we transition into winter, we witness some of nature's beauty fading. Yet, there is other beauty to be found. Recently, there was a solar flare that allowed most of the country to view the aurora borealis. In mid-December the Geminid meteor shower will dazzle the skies. As most leaves have fallen, we notice the structure of the trees and wonder at they support both soil with their roots and critters in their boughs. We may see different birds and fewer insects, but God works all together for good. Let us be grateful for His marvelous work as we remember all his blessings.

*"O Lord, seize us with your power and light, help us to protect all life, to prepare for a better future, for the coming of your Kingdom of justice, peace, love and beauty. Praise be to you!" Pope Francis*

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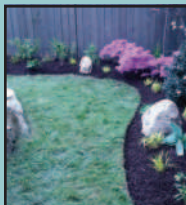
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