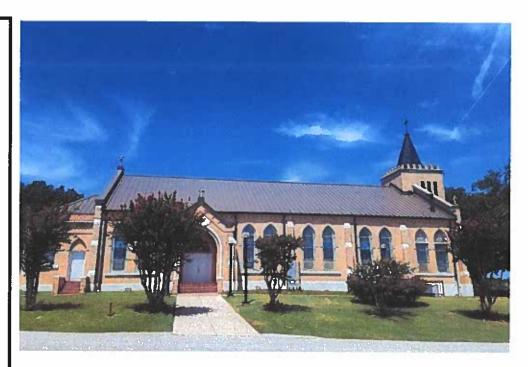
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November 22, 2020

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#### Mass Schedule

Tuesday Noon
Wednesday Noon
Thursday 9:00 am
Friday No mass
Saturday 4:15 pm

Sunday 8:00 am & 10:00 am

#### November 22, 2020

"Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him, says the Lord." John 6:56

> Jesus is the mighty King who reigns in our hearts.

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In the first reading, the Lord speaks through Ezekiel, telling the people that he is the shepherd caring for his sheep. He provides for all their needs, and will judge between sheep, and between rams and goats. Paul writes to the Corinthians, telling them that as Christ has been raised from the dead, then so too in Christ shall all be brought to life. In Matthew's Gospel, Jesus tells his disciples of the time when the Son of Man shall come in glory and sit upon his throne, separating the sheep from the goats.

#### Mass Intentions

Tuesday November 24th noon Raymond Pasket, John & Maggie Pasket Wednesday November 25th noon Margaret Hoffart Thursday November 26th 9:00 am

Willie, Christine & Frank Sechelski Friday November 27th NO MASS Saturday November 28th 4:15

Living & deceased member of the Mike & Agnes Smith family, Connie & Amelia Moriarty Sunday November 29th 8:00 am Arch & Kenneth Walkoviak Sunday November 29th 10:00 am

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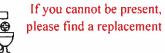
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Ushers:

#### **Liturgical Ministers Schedule**

Saturday November 28th 4:15 pm

Susan Wisnoski & Shirley Hesse Lectors: Allison Wisnoski & Wyatt Marek Altar Servers:

Michael Wisnoski, Danny Pasket, Stephen Pasket, Johnny Pasket Jr.

Sunday November 29th 8:00 am

Volunteers

Rosary: Delores Posinski

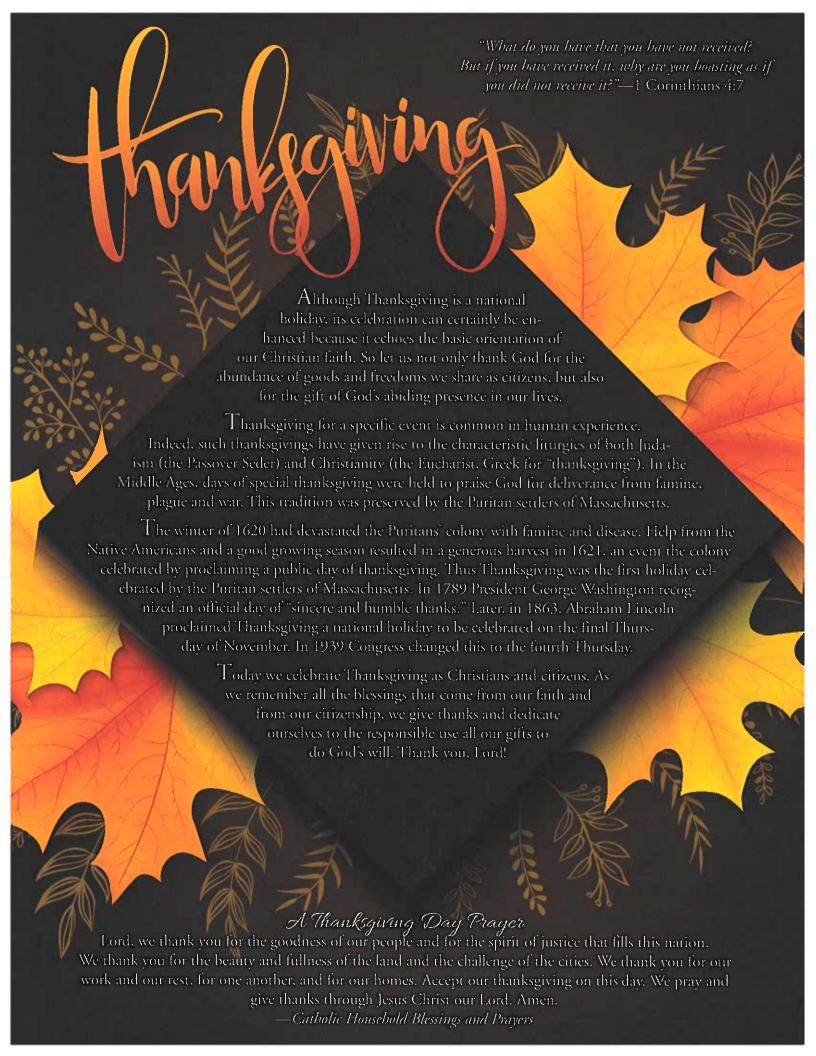
**Rosary:** Barbara Dibello

Sunday November 29th 10:00 am

Lectors: Margaret McClosky & Christi Leman Rosary: Eugene Yanchak

Altar Servers: Tyler Abraham, Hannah Abraham, William Abraham

Ushers: Carl Schroeder, Lance Schroeder, Ed Marek, Mike Wrobleski



## A Grateful Heart THANKSGIVING & SERVICE

"Joy springs from a grateful heart. Truly, we have received much, so many graces, so many blessings, and we rejoice in this. Let us think back on our lives remembering when we were first called, remembering the road travelled, remembering graces received and, above all, remembering our encounters with Jesus Christ along the way. Let us grow in the spirit of gratitude and ask ourselves: Are we good at counting our blessings, or have we forgotten them?

A grateful heart is spontaneously impelled to serve the Lord and to find expression in a life of service. Once we come to realize how much God has given us, a life of self-sacrifice, of working for God and for others, becomes a privileged way of responding to his great love."

—Pope Francis Homily at St. Patrick's Cathedral, New York City (September 24, 2015)

# Grateful Service A HOUSEHOLD ACTIVITY

Pope Francis says that "a grateful heart is spontaneously impelled to serve the Lord and to find expression in a life of service." Pope John Paul II also encouraged us to bring "into people's lives the love of Christ received at the Eucharistic table" (*Dies Domini*, #73) and suggested that some ways to do this might be:

- Look around in your neighborhood to find people who may need your help the most, for example, the sick, the elderly, children or immigrants who might feel their isolation, their needs and sufferings more intensely on this holiday.
- Invite those who are alone to share a meal.
- Visit the sick.
- Provide food or necessities for needy families.
- Spend some hours in voluntary work.

# Grateful "Thanks"

#### A HOUSEHOLD ACTIVITY

"To be able to offer thanks and to praise the Lord for what God has done for us is important. So we can ask ourselves: Are we capable of saying "thank you"? How many times do we say "thank you" in our family, our community, and in the church? How many times do we say "thank you" to those who help us, to those close to us, to those who accompany us through life? Often we take everything for granted. This also happens with God. Only those who know how to say "Thank you" will experience the fullness of joy."

—Pope Francis

Marian Jubilee (October 9, 2016)

As you gather together for your house-hold's Thanksgiving meal, recall that praising and thanking God go together. Praising God means telling God what we think is wonderful about God. When we know who God is and what God has done for us, we find it easy to say "thanks." First for praise, invite each member of the household to share something about God that is wonderful. You might start each suggestion with the statement: "O God you are wonderful because..."

After everyone has had a chance to share, then go around the table again this time inviting each member to share something for which we ought to thank God. You might start each suggestion with the statement, "O God, for..." and then after each person's sharing, the rest of the household members can respond, "We thank you." When everyone has finished, continue with your usual grace before the meal.



#### November 22, 2020

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe (A)
Ez 34:11-12, 15-17
1 Cor 15:20-26, 28
Mt 25:31-46

## The Lord Is My Shepherd

The prominent image for God in today's readings is the shepherd. This might be an unfamiliar image for city dwellers, but it is a very rich religious image. The Bible tells us that early Israelites were herders, so they know a lot about shepherds. They knew that shepherds follow the wandering of their sheep and attended to their needs—not the other way around. They knew that shepherds lived with their sheep in the hills for long periods, away from family, friends, and the comforts of life. They knew that shepherds helped birthing and dying. They knew that all of this is a messy, smelly business, and no job for the fastidious.

Many nations of the ancient world, Israel included, thought of their kings as shepherds of the people—leaders who should be willing to do for their people what the shepherd does for the sheep. This explains why, on the feast of Christ the King, we represent our king as a shepherd rather than a victorious military commander, as many kings are. But more than this, throughout his life—at his passion and death, and now in his risen glory—Christ cares for us and leads us as a shepherd does. He embraces the messy, smelly reality of life. He is a shepherd-king, intent on our needs, searching for us when we seem to be lost. How comforting it is to know he carries us on his shoulders.

-Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

#### FOR Reflection

- Recite today's responsorial psalm slowly and thoughtfully.
- Which images of Psalm 23 touch you the most? Why?



# Dear Padre,

Today we celebrate Christ the King. Why isn't this changed to "Christ the Lord"? The notion of "king" seems outdated.

hrist the King is not the easiest concept to get close to and celebrate. ▶ Kings, queens, and monarchies aren't part of our cultural heritage. With the current penchant for cutting celebrities and politicians down to size, a king or queen wouldn't fare well. With the turmoil of England's royal family, we frequently witness the demythologizing of the world's monarchies.

Christ's kingship obviously cannot fall into any of these woeful categories. Christ came to establish a different kind of kingdom, the kingdom of God, and that in itself puts Jesus on a different plane than all other concepts of earthly monarchies. Jesus came to proclaim God's reign, God's rule, in the manner in which God the Creator and Maker of all wants things to be.

We, however, are fiercely independent and freedom-conscious people. We don't want anyone telling us what to do. We want to participate in all decisions. We resent being pushed around by anyone. And that's fine. But in

this case of God's kingdom, we have nothing to fear. God's power is to serve and give life, not to exploit or corrupt.

God's kingdom is the redemptive presence of God. Whenever people love one another, forgive one another, bear one another's burdens, and work to build a just and peaceful community, God's redemptive and liberating presence is being manifested. That is the kingdom and kinship we celebrate.

> -Fr. Joseph Morin, CSsR Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org

#### A WORD FROM Pope Francis



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The kingdoms of this world at times are sustained by arrogance, rivalries, and oppression; the reign of Christ is a "kingdom of justice, love and peace." For a Christian, speaking of power and strength means referring to the power of the cross, and the strength of Jesus' love: a love which remains steadfast and complete.

> -ANGELUS, SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING, **NOVEMBER 22, 2015**

#### Calendar

Monday **NOVEMBER 23** Weekday Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5

Lk 21:1-4

Tuesday

**NOVEMBER 24** St. Andrew Düng-Lac, Priest, and Companion, Martyrs Rv 14:14-19 Lk 21:5-11

Wednesday

**NOVEMBER 25** Weekday Rv 15:1-4 Lk 21:12-19

Thursday

**NOVEMBER 26** Weekday Rv 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9a Lk 21:20-28

Friday **NOVEMBER 27** 

Weekday Rv 20:1-4, 11-21:2 Lk 21:29-33

Saturday

**NOVEMBER 28** Weekday Rv 22:1-7 Lk 21:34-36

Sunday **NOVEMBER 29** First Sunday of Advent Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7 1 Cor 1:3-9 Mk 13:33-37





#### Welcome to St. Stanislaus Kostka

Please contact the parish office if you wish to register or know someone who would like to become a member of our parish.

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#### **Our Holy Father's Prayer Intentions November**

Artificial Intelligence

We pray that the progress of robotics and artificial intelligence may always serve humankind.

#### **Announcements**

Knights of Columbus Briskets orders dates
November 21st & 22nd and 28th & 29th

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The office will be closed Thanksgiving week.

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2021 church calendars are now available.



There are compelling images of Christ on this solemn feast today. One is of the shepherd who lovingly and humbly cares for his sheep. The other is of a mighty king, ruler of the universe, and heaven and earth. In this image, he judges on how well we cared for one another, saying, Whatever you did for one of the least brothers of mine, you did for me.



November 22, 2020

#### Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Ez 34:11-12, 15-17 | 1 Cor 15:20-26, 28 | Mt 25:31-46

#### GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

Today, we acknowledge and celebrate Christ the King. It's hard to put this royal image together with today's Gospel passage, where Jesus is not asking to be treated like a king, but rather instructing us to perform merciful deeds for the least of his brothers and sisters. Yet it is the perfect follow-on to the previous three Sundays' Scriptures, where Jesus tells us what it means to live a life of holiness, preparation, and faithful investment in the Kingdom. Now we see what awaits those of us who turn over our lives to him, seeing the face of Jesus in the least among us – the poor, the imprisoned, the thirsty, the stranger. "Come, you who are blessed by my Father. Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world."

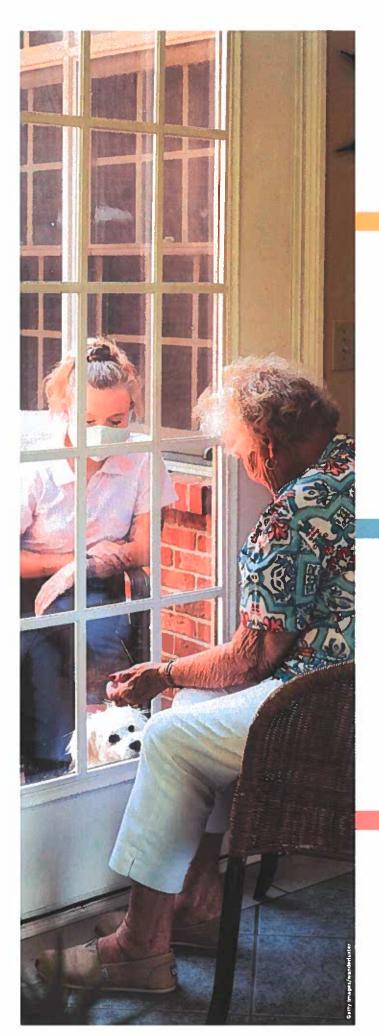
#### GO EVANGELIZE

#### PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

I confess that judgment day readings scare me a little. Some days I behave more like a "goat" than a "sheep." Side note: After a deep dive into the Internet (did you know that sheep have 54 chromosomes and goats have 60?), I've concluded that Jesus isn't talking about farm animals here. He's talking about us humans and the choices we make or don't make through sins of omission. The list seems endless if I focus on all the things I could be doing to help others each and every day. Yet, rather than getting caught up in fear or guilt, today's readings encourage me, and remind me, that Jesus has told us what we need to do to be counted as "sheep" on the last day.

#### ACTIONS:

- Choose one corporal work of mercy today and act on it.
   What does it look like to "visit the sick"? Donate blood;
   make food for someone who isn't feeling well; check in on an elderly neighbor.
- Do you know some "sheep" people who radiate faith and kindness to others? Just as you might network with a professional in your field, invite that person out for coffee. Ask them about their faith and how it inspires them in their daily lives.



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# Advent 2020

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Friday	7	Dick one habit that is keeping you from holiness. Resolve to conquer it during Advent.	The presence of Jesus in our lives speaks of our hope in God's mercy. Today, list your reasons for hope in the future.	18	Dray for the men and women in the armed services who won't be able to spend Christmas with their families.	Rejoice! Read the story Coffesus' birth in Luke 2:1-20. Think about how joyful it will be to finally meet Jesus when he comes.
Thursday	3	the gift of your the gift of your time, talent, or treasure. Describe it in a Christmas card and send it to your pastor.	Today, try to go the whole day without complaining.	17	Dut a lamp or candle in a window to welcome the Christ child. Light it each night until Christmas.	Set up your Nativity scene. Picture yourself in the scene and think about how you would act if you were there.
Wednesday	2	Christmas cards a note about the blessings you have received this year as a witness to God's love.	St. Juan Diego and loving man. In his honor, pray a Rosary to recognize his devotion to Our Blessed Mother.	16	examination of conscience today. Then attend Confession, if you can, to ready your soul to greet the Savior.	Take a drive or a walk around your home to look at the Christmas decorations. Let yourself get swept up in the excitement of the season.
Tuesday	1	Let your Bible fall open and contemplate the reading the Holy Spirit puts before you.	Poday is the feast of the Immaculate Conception celebrating Mary's birth without Original Sin. In her honor, pray a Rosary.	15	Light a candle and sit in silence for 15 minutes. Remember for whom it is you are waiting.	Choose a candle as your 'Jesus Candle." Light it every night until Christmas to remind you of the light Jesus brings.
Monday	30	A dvent is about Savior to come. Offer a prayer anytime you have to wait during Advent.	7  Today, try to remember stories from the Bible of God's merciful treatment of sinners.	14	In honor of St. John of the Cross, offer any suffering or difficulty you experience today to our Savior, Jesus.	Make time today to feed the hungry. Look for someone who is physically hungry or one who is hungry for kindness, too.
Sunday	29	Make and bless an Advent wreath with three purple candles and one pink one. Light the first purple candle tonight.	ight two purple candles in the Advent wreath each night this week. Sit in silence and enjoy the quiet.	13	Sunday - the halfway point of Advent. Light two purple candles and the pink one for joy.	Light all four candles in the Advent Wreath tonight and all week. Reread today's Gospel reading. Luke 1:26-38.

Altar Society: Meets the first Thursday of every month. The next meeting will be Thursday December 3rd at 6:00 in the rectory. All Catholic ladies are welcome.

<u>Baptism:</u> Classes are necessary for baptism. Please contact the parish office to make needed arrangements.

Birthdays & Anniversaries: On the 1st weekend of every month Fr. Eli will bless anyone with a birthday or wedding anniversary during that month following each Mass.

<u>Cemetery Guidelines:</u> If you have any questions of concerns pertaining to the cemetery, please contract Charles Posinski at 936-873-2113. If work needs to be done you must call Charles Posinski first.

**Choir Practice**: Do to COVID-19, No practice at this time.

Counseling: Gratia Plena is a nonprofit organization that provides mental and spiritual health services for mental illnesses, addictions, and marriage/family problems. All counselors are Catholic and provide services in a way that is faithful to the teachings, values and traditions of the Church. Their closest office is near The Woodlands, but counselors are also available by video session. For more information, see their website at <a href="www.gratiaplenacounseling.org">www.gratiaplenacounseling.org</a> or call (832) 532-0129, or email <a href="mailto:info@gratiaplenacounseling.org">info@gratiaplenacounseling.org</a>

Divine Mercy: Every Friday after the noon Mass. Everyone is welcome to join us.

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Knights of Columbus: KC Council #4054 meets at the KC Hall every 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday at 7pm. Please join us. All Catholic men are welcome.

Contact Deen Miller 936-524-1700 for membership information.

And James Moran 936-825-7866 for rental information.

<u>Marriage:</u> There is a required preparation process that must be completed prior to one being married in the Catholic Church. Please call the office for more information.

RCIA & RCIC: Anyone seeking the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults / Children or adult confirmation. Please call the church office at 936-873-2291

<u>Reconciliation:</u> 30 Minutes before Wednesday & Friday Masses (Please call ahead to let the Priest know) and 3:00 to 4:00 on Saturdays

12 Hour Adoration: Our church is open every Monday 8 am to 8 pm. Everyone is welcome to join in the worship with the scheduled persons.

#### **Weekly Collections:**

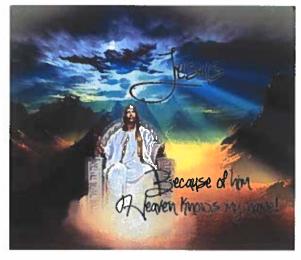
November 14th & 15th

#### **Upcoming 2<sup>nd</sup> Collections:**

December 13th

**Retirement Fund for Religious** 







Our Church is open for daily prayer during office hours.

Office hours are Tuesday-Friday 8 to 4

#### Please pray for our parish family who are ill and/or homebound:

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