

# CHRIST THE KING OF THE UNIVERSE

## NOVEMBER 23, 2025

### FROM OUR PRIESTS' DESKS:

Dear Friends,

Even though we have the image of power and majesty given us about kings (and queens) by way of art, sculpture and literature, we disagree with life under a monarch that is not of our choosing. Freedom seems shackled.

That is hardly the picture given us by God of our true King as found in the Holy Gospels. In fact, nearly all the depictions of the King of kings, Christ Jesus Our Lord are those of a humble poor man wearing a seamless robe most likely made by His mother. His most significant decision was to accept the cruel death of a Roman crucifixion.

Admittedly, we have other memorable images. The calm beauty of the "Good Shepherd" for example. Or the Leonardo Da Vinci masterpiece of a loving Master at the Last Supper. Not to forget what Michelangelo painted for us of Christ as the supreme Judge at the end of the world visible behind the altar on the wall of the Sistine chapel.

But the image we find most available; the one we pray before most often, and the one that graces all our churches and makes them so easily identifiable is that of the crucified Lord. After all, even before He came among us, in those glorious days "when Jesus walked" He was named at His very presentation the Temple as a "Sign of Contradiction." Yet, when this Sunday rolls around, the last of the current Liturgical Year, we always celebrate Jesus as "the King of the Universe."

When you step back from all the usual constructs about royalty, you begin to understand that Jesus Christ is royalty in its highest form. It is one of having devoted followers, of minds and hearts swept up in a bond of love strong enough to outlast centuries of counting. His steadfast love for us is the main reason why we can wake up each morning, believing ourselves so loved that we can handle whatever life throws our way with confidence. If that does not qualify as a component of true royalty, then I do not know another. May this King give you His peace, now and always.

"Then Pilate said to Him, 'So you are a king?' Jesus answered, 'For this purpose I was born and for this purpose I have come into the world—to bear witness to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth listens to my voice.'" **John 18**  
(Jppc)

**Fr. Eric Crelencia, OAR**  
Fr. Michael Rafferty, OAR  
Fr. John Gruben, OAR

### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

How worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and divinity, and wisdom and strength and honor. To him belong glory and power for ever and ever.

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

**Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.**

I rejoiced because they said to me, "We will go up to the house of the Lord." And now we have set foot within your gates, O Jerusalem.

**Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.**

According to the decree for Israel, to give thanks to the name of the Lord, in it are set up judgment seats, seats for the house of David.



## Happy Thanksgiving

### SCHEDULE

**Wednesday, November 26-** Office Closes at 2pm

**Thursday, November 27 Thanksgiving Day**

7am, 9am Mass

**Friday, November 29 -7am, 9am Mass**

(Office Closed)

### PARISH CALENDAR

**Sunday, November 23**

**Monday, November 24**

Novena Our Lady of Miraculous Medal after 9am Mass

Grupo Carismático-Cafeteria 7:30pm

**Rel Ed. Gr 6 4:30 to 6**

CYO – 5 to 9 gym

**Tuesday, November 25**

**Rel Ed. – Grs 3-5 – 4:30pm**

**Rel Ed. Grs 7 & 8 – 7:00pm-**

CYO –5 to 9

**Wednesday, November 26**

Immaculate Heart Prayer Group – 7:30pm Church

**NO** Grupo Estudio Biblico – 8pm in the cafeteria

**Thursday, November 27 Thanksgiving**

**Closed - NO** CYO – 5 to 9 gym

**Friday, November 28**

CYO – 5 to 9 gym

**Saturday, November 29**

**NO CLASS - Ed. Grs 1 & 2 – 9:30am**

7:30am – St. Joseph's men's Bible Discussion- pre-k

### SHARING WHAT WE HAVE IN JESUS' NAME

**33<sup>RD</sup> Sunday – \$12,756.**

**Last Year's – \$10,636.**

## OUR LADY'S GUILD

"Our Lady's Guild Christmas Luncheon will be held on Sunday, December 7, 2025, at 2:30 pm in the gym. There will be catered food; however, feel free to bring a special holiday dish. Prizes awarded for the ugliest holiday sweater and Christmas bingo winners. We ask that you please bring unwrapped baby gifts and or diapers for Birthright. And a contribution of food for the St. Vincent de Paul food pantry if you are able. We look forward to sharing a special afternoon with our members."

## THE GIVING TREE is HERE

The Giving Tree is an Advent fixture here at Sacred Heart and many other parishes. This effort highlights the generosity of our parishioners towards those who can use some help. Please take one (or more) of the *ornaments* (Tags) and give them a gift from your heart. Your thoughtfulness will bring great joy to our brothers and sisters in Christ. The Giving Tree donations go to Good Counsel Homes, Sister of Life Homes, The Willows, the Seminarians and needy and in our community. Please look for the Giving Tree set up in the back of the Church beginning Sunday, November 30<sup>th</sup>. **Gifts are due by Sunday, December 14<sup>th</sup>**. P.S. We are putting the tree out a week early.

## CHRISTMAS PARADE WITH THE VILLAGE OF SUFFERN DECEMBER 6 AT 6:30PM

Once again, this year Sacred Heart will be a part of the parade with 2 floats. We are looking for Volunteers to get the floats up and making them beautiful. If you would like to help and or if you would like to march with the Sacred Heart Floats, please know you are welcome and give us a call at the rectory office at 845-357-0035 to let us know you would like to join us whether helping or marching.

## SACRED HEART CHURCH \$10,000.00 RAFFLE

OUR BIGGEST MOST IMPORTANT FUNDRAISER  
OF THE YEAR!

TICKETS \$100 EACH (1 IN 250 CHANCE TO WIN)  
**PLEASE CONSIDER PURCHASING A TICKET  
WE NEED YOUR PARTICIPATION**

Available at the Rectory  
Monday to Friday - 9am to 4pm

1<sup>ST</sup> PRIZE - \$10,000.00  
2<sup>ND</sup> PRIZE - \$1,000.00  
3<sup>RD</sup> PRIZE - \$500.00

Winning tickets will be drawn at 1:00pm in the school gymnasium on Sunday, November 30.

## Our Annual Christmas Boutique Fundraiser

NOVEMBER 30<sup>TH</sup>, 2025  
(In The Gym)

**THE \$10,000 RAFFLE DRAWING AT 1PM  
BLESSED ADVENT TO ALL**

## CHRISTMAS ORNAMENT FUNDRAISER

Each donation of \$25 dollars or more will be honored with a family ornament displayed on the property. The ornament will be on display beginning on Sunday, November 30<sup>th</sup>, for the Vigil Mass for the First Sunday of Advent **and stay up for the Christmas Season.**

## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY THANKSGIVING BASKETS

The baskets will be distributed on Monday, **November 24 from 10am until 12:00pm** in the parking lot (drive through). Please contribute if possible. This is St. Vincent DePaul Society's Annual Thanksgiving event to help the needy in our midst and this year with the help and support of the Suffern Community Foundation. Thank you for your help!

## SISTERS OF LIFE

**Providing Life-affirming choices for women:** If you know someone who is struggling, please urge them to contact: [www.visitationcenterus.org](http://www.visitationcenterus.org) or call (877)777-1277. **Have you suffered an abortion?** Experience God's love and mercy and begin the journey of healing. Please call the Sisters of Life: 866-575-0075 or e-mail: [hopeandhealing@sistersoflife.org](mailto:hopeandhealing@sistersoflife.org).

## CRISIS PREGNANCY HOTLINE GOOD COUNSEL HOMES

For Pregnancy emergencies call  
Any time of day: 1-800-723-8331  
[www.goodcounselhomes.org](http://www.goodcounselhomes.org)

**BOOSTER CLUB  
WEEK 10  
SUSAN CONKLIN**

## SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

We welcome into the Roman Catholic Church and our Parish Community the following children who were recently baptized at Sacred Heart:

### TRACE IRVIN WONGKITTIROCH

Child of Evan and Deirdre

### HAZEL GRACE PALMER

Child of Bryan and Amanda



*Please pray for those who are ill and have asked us to pray for them:* Helene Marie Biby, Andrew

Bylec, Elantoniette Camagong, Ronald Carlucci, Siobhan Casey, Ramon Noel Creencia, Angie Clifford, Joseph Collins Jr., Robert Conly, Comerford Family, Gina Conklin, Teresa & Tom Consolo, Laudelina Crowley, Eileen Caulin, Janet Curcione, Joe Davey, William Daniels, Alice Diebner, Carol Deery, Anthony DeFrancesco III, Cledha Desir, Phyllis Domino, Marge Diebner, Karen DeJoie, Mary Discini, John Duffy, Jacqui Elder, Doris Fina, Ginny & Sonny Figula, , Teddy Girvan, Joseph Gilson, Spiros Grmmenos, Gail Griggs, Mary Guarnieri, Senan Halpin, Maureen Hayes, Catherine Howard, John Hughes, Rev. Charles Huse OAR, Domenic & Anthony Iannaccone, Rob Incognoli, Yvonne Gangone Ingui, Bob Janson, Fran Janson, Thomas Kelly, Eileen Kennedy, Rick Konrad, Steven C. Klumpp, Fred Lemoine, Elizabeth Lempka, Robert Liggio, Ginger Listwan, Vasily Lockhart, Laura Mack, Matthew Luludis, Thomas Mathai, Jeanne Matera, Chris Mayorga, Richard McCarthy, Thomas McGrath, Catherine McMenamin, John McLoughlin, Leonor Medranda, Jacob Mendelsohn, Joyce Miller, Iraida Molina, Aida Morales, Vanessa Morales, John Murphy, Thomas O'Connor, Jennifer O'Hara, Nancy Overend, Leona Overend, Nolita Padilla, Joseph Payne, Shace Paljusevic, Noreen Pidgeon, Barbara Procopio, James Procopio, Danny Ranke, Tony Ramos, Milton Ramos, Jerry Reilly Sr., Rose Romeo, Della Russell, Claudia Spallanzani, Joseph Pasculli, Abdul Shakur, Michael Shumway, Jean Simons, Thomas Sullivan, Grace & Patrick Sullivan, Rose Stark, Maureen Starke, Lindsey Sterling, Shaun Stein, Patricia Steiper, Barbara Veraldo Strano, Lisette Taylor, Gary W., Elisa Greco Wegman, Phyllis Varacalli, Kali Villela, and Yolanda Yarleque.

## ALTAR MEMORIALS

NOVEMBER 23, 2025

Altar Wines In Memory of

JOHN BUKOWSKI, II

Altar Breads In Memory of

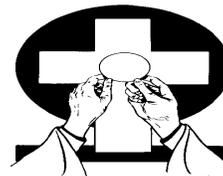
HENRY & JEANNE BUKOWSKI

Altar Candles In Memory of

ANTHONY & THERESA GRAFF

The Sanctuary Lamp In Memory of

CLAIRE HORSKEY



## SCHEDULE OF MASSES

7AM & 9:00AM DAILY – (MONDAY – FRIDAY)

SATURDAY – 9AM (FOLLOWED BY THE ROSARY)

SATURDAY VIGILS – 5:30PM AND 7:15PM SUNDAYS

8:30AM, 10:00AM, 11:30AM 4:00PM (S) AND 5:30PM

### SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 22

9:00am – † Alfred Dolce

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5:30pm – † Patricia & Louis Diamond

7:15pm – Andrea Pacheco – Accion de Gracias

### SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23

8:30am – † Pat Grillo

10:00am – † Joseph Weis Sr.

11:30am – † Knights of Columbus

4:00pm – Matthew Pacheco - Cumpleaños)

5:30pm – All Parishioners / Parish Memorial

### MONDAY, NOVEMBER 24

7:00am – † Isabel Doris Towers

9:00am – † Bernard & Bonnie Wysocki

### TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 25

7:00am – † Fr. Javier Esquirez Azpiroz, OAR

9:00am – † Mario Scaglione

### WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 26

7:00am – † Blanca Rubidia Palacios de Ponce

9:00am – † Lucy & Rex Russillo

### THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 27

#### HAPPY THANKSGIVING

7:00am – † Greeley, Statham & McGovern Families

9:00am – † Ingui, Miele, Mastropolo Families

### FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 28

7:00am – †

9:00am – † Andrew Haggerty, Jr.

### SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 29

9:00am – † Wanda & Stanley Kowalski

### SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 29

5:30pm – † John Clemente

7:15pm – † Crecencio Lopez Criollo

### SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 30

8:30am – † Carl Schembri

10:00am – † Marc Pierre Thevenot

11:30am – † Robert Holodak, Sr.

4:00pm – † Cresencio Casas / Gladis B. Amaya

5:30pm – All Parishioners / Parish Memorial



Let us pray for our deceased parishioners, and family members and loved ones, especially: