

Did you know that the month of November is dedicated to the Holy Souls?
 "Precious in the sight of the LORD is the death of his faithful ones" -Psalms 116:15

The teachings of the Catholic Church as documented in the Catechism of the Catholic Church says "Each man receives his eternal retribution in his immortal soul at the very moment of his death, in a particular judgement that refers his life to Christ: either entrance into the blessedness of heaven- through purification or immediately, or immediate and everlasting damnation." (CCC:1022). Hence those who have lived in God's grace and friendship and are perfectly purified enter into Heaven immediately on death whilst those who die in God's grace and friendship but still are imperfectly purified will eventually enter Heaven but will have to undergo purification prior to that. The Church gives the name 'Purgatory' to this final purification of the elect.

This month is dedicated to these holy souls who are in Purgatory and are being purified. We who are on earth can help these holy souls in their purification by praying for them. The Church from very beginning has always honored the memory of the dead by offering Holy Masses and prayers, through almsgiving, indulgences and works of penances undertaken for the dead.

Let us dedicate ourselves to praying for the souls of all our departed loved ones as well as those who have no one to pray for them on earth.

Second Harvest Food Bank

will be held on Friday,
 December 19th, at St.
 Anthony Parish Hall,
 8:00a.m.



Mass Intention

Envelopes are located for your convenience at the entrance of the church. The cost is \$5 per mass intention.

Simply drop the envelope in the collection basket, mailbox or the office located at the parish hall.

The Second Collection for the weekend of, **December 8th** will be for the **Retirement Fund for Religious Appeal**. Please, let's be reminded.



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OUR MISSION STATEMENT

As a Catholic Church Family, we respond to Christ's call, evangelize, and welcome all generations to the Holy Eucharist

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday - Friday: 8:00 a.m.
 Saturday Vigil Mass: 4:00 p.m.
 Sunday Masses: 9:00a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
 First Saturday Mass: 8:00 a.m.

Eucharistic Adoration:

Tuesdays in St. Anthony Church Chapel following Mass and the rosary @ 8:00 a.m.

RCIA: Parish Hall - Wednesdays @ 7:00 p.m.

Confessions:

30 minutes before each of the Sunday Weekend Masses (Sat. 4pm Vigil, Sun. 9am and 11am) or by appointment.

Baptism:

Second Sunday of the month. The Seminar is the first Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. Please contact the rectory for forms prior to seminar.

Marriage:

Please contact Fr. Jude six months prior to desired ceremony date.

Funeral:

Please contact Fr. Jude before final arrangements of funeral.

Anointing of the Sick:

Call the rectory in case of emergency.

C.C.D. Classes:

Grades K - 11 Tuesdays at 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. at Parish Hall.

Ministry to the Sick and Shut In:

Parishioners unable to attend mass and receive communion, please call the rectory.

Scripture Outline & Reflection

*Daniel 7:13-14;
 Psalm 93: 1, 1-2, 5;
 Revelation 1:5-8 ;
 John 18:33b-37*

To Jesus Christ be glory and power forever and ever (2)! His are majesty and spender (Ps), and his kingdom everlasting (1), a kingdom of cosmic dimensions (3).



The Lord is king, robed in majesty
 -Psalm 93

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Reflection for the Solemnity of Christ the Universal King, Year B

WELCOMING THE REIGN OF CHRIST IN OUR LIVES – LIVING AS KINGDOM PEOPLE

As we gather to celebrate the Solemnity of Christ the Universal King, we are invited to reflect on the profound implications of Christ's kingship in our lives and the world around us. This feast challenges us to understand the nature of Christ's rule—not as a monarch of earthly power, but as a sovereign who embodies love, justice, and mercy. The readings for this solemnity offer rich insights. In the Gospel of John (18:33-37), we witness Jesus before Pilate, where He declares that His kingdom is not of this world. This statement forces us to confront the ways we often associate power and authority with worldly standards. Jesus' kingship redefines what it means to reign; it is not about domination but service, sacrifice, and humility.

As we reflect on this, we might ask ourselves: In what ways do we acknowledge Christ as our King in our daily lives? Do we recognize His authority in our decisions, relationships, and communities? Jesus calls us to participate in His reign by living out the values of His kingdom. This means promoting peace, justice, and compassion in a world often filled with conflict and division.

The solemnity also reminds us that Christ's kingship has a communal aspect. As members of His Body, the Church, we are called to extend His reign through acts of love and service. This is especially important in times when many feel marginalized or lost. By embodying the spirit of Christ, we contribute to a kingdom that welcomes all, prioritizes the least, and seeks the common good.

Today, as we reflect on Christ as our Universal King, let us renew our commitment to live as His disciples. May we strive to be instruments of His peace and agents of His love, spreading the Good News of His kingdom in every corner of our lives. Let us celebrate not just His reign, but our role in building a world that reflects His glory. In this season of reflection and prayer, may we be inspired to live out the values of Christ's kingship, bringing His light into the darkness and hope to those who are weary. Amen.

Reflection by:
Rev. Fr. Jude Ochuko Emunemu

A Catholic Thanksgiving

As Catholics, we celebrate Thanksgiving every time we go to Mass. The very word eucharist comes from the Greek word for thanksgiving and is a reminder that as followers of Christ we have so very much to be thankful for. We are thankful for his love and his mercy. We are thankful for the Catholic faith that has been passed on to us by the Communion of Saints. In our gratitude, we find peace and joy



Advent

"In Advent we await an event which occurs in history and at the same time transcends it. As it does every year, this event will take place on the night of the Lord's Birth. The shepherds will hasten to the stable in Bethlehem; later the Magi will arrive from the East. Both the one and the other in a certain sense symbolize the entire human family. The exhortation that rings out in today's liturgy: 'Let us go joyfully to meet the Lord' spreads to all countries, to all continents, among every people and nation."

Pope Saint John Paul II



STEWARDSHIP

We gratefully acknowledge all that God has given to us. In gratitude, we have returned to Him.

Collections for November 16th & 17th

1st Collection	2nd Collection
\$ 1,399.88	\$ 606.09
Children's Collection \$ 26.00	
Online Giving \$ 712.00	
Online Giving Rebuilding Fund \$ 33.00	
Total Weekly Offering \$ 2,776.97	

MASS ATTENDANCE

4:00pm	9:00am	11:00am
37	74	57

ST. ANTHONY	ST. PIUS X
Electric Bill (Nov.)	Electric Bill (Nov.)
\$ 1,884.87	\$ 143.97



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PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED

Parishioners and Father John Ryan, Caleb Favaloro, Simon Hingle, Belvina Kuhn Bundy, Roy Rogers, Arthur Matherne, Clavin Wade, Jr., Marie Sevin, Shirley Prestenbach, Eddie Sapia, Jr., Bobby Hale, Jr., Madeline Rojas, Theresa Wiseman, Raymond Griffin, Sr., Shelby Deselle, Joseph Rogers, Jr., Allyn Rogers, Evan Whipple, Nick Dinet, Jerry Lynch, Keith "Ike" Madison, Judith Ann Verdin, Dwight Rudolph, Faye Rae Guidry, Dale Boudreaux McWhorter, Edward Cantrelle, Sr. Lloyd Kraemer, Sr. Rosebud Kraemer, Gareth Ross Leblanc, Sr., Earline Perrin, and Martha Pizani.

PARISH EVENTS

NOVEMBER 22ND (FRIDAY)
SECOND HARVEST FOOD BANK
ST. ANTHONY PARISH HALL 8:00A.M.

MASS INTENTIONS

4:00 p.m.	John C. Heurtin, Jr. Erica Kay Schieffler Chris Dufrene, Jr. Tommy Robeaux, Jr. Teddy Johanson, Jr. Ulrick Johanson Joseph & Deloris Lombas Curtis Rojas, Sr. Curtis Rojas, Jr. Earline Cheramie Perrin Fr. John Ryan Renella Ledet Mr. & Mrs. Abel Mae Billiot Martha Pizani
9:00 a.m.	All Parishioners
11:00 a.m.	Mae Billiot Joyce Bruce Betty Ortego Florence Knuppel Theresa Comardelle Angelina LeBlanc Steven Hymel Calvin Wade, Jr. Repose of Souls of Unborn Babies

THANKSGIVING DAY

9:00 a.m.	Erica Kay Schieffler LeAnna & Alfred Melancon Celie & Charles Robin Carlotta Arabie Dominick & Cathrine Rodolph Dale & Charles Dehart Dwight Rudolph Daniel Berthelot John Wilde
Friday, Nov. 29th	
8:00 a.m.	Chris Dufrene, Jr. Tommy Robeaux, Jr.