SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2021 OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, November 21st: Christ the King

Second Collection for Campaign for Human Development Private (SA) Leonard Kowalski by Friend

8:30 am (SC) Confessions

9:00 am (SC) *Latin Mass* ~ Mary Weschler, Birthday by Mr. and Mrs. Vic Kowalski

10:30 am (SC) Confessions

11:00 am (SC) Halina Roman by Michael and Jean Boston

Monday, November 22nd: St. Cecilia

(SC) No Public Mass or Confessions

11:30am (SA) Confessions

12:05pm (SA) In Memory of Mary Lou Wieczorek by Maryann Laurnoff

Tuesday, November 23rd: St. Clement I, St. Columban, and Blessed Miguel Agustin Pro

(SC) No Public Mass or Confessions

11:30am (SA) Confessions

12:05pm (SA) Donald C. Schneidmiller by John and Bridget Barber

Wednesday, November 24th: St. Andrew Düng-Lac

(SC) No Public Mass or Confessions

11:30am (SA) Confessions

12:05pm (SA) Galla and Walach Families by Paul and Lisa Galla

5:30pm (SC) *Latin Mass*: Nancy Wauthier, Birthday by Vento Family

Thursday, November 25th: St. Catherine of Alexandria Thanksgiving Day

(SC) No Public Mass or Confessions

→9:30am (SA) Confessions

→10:00am (SA) Agnes Ruza Priscaro by Donna Turbaczewski

Friday, November 26th: Weekday

(SC) No Public Mass or Confessions

11:30am (SA) Confessions

12:05pm (SA) In Memory of Mary Lou Wieczorek by Patrick and Marilyn Fuhrman

Saturday, November 27th: Weekday

Private (SA) John Palmer by Family

(SC) No Public Saturday Vigil Mass or Confessions

Sunday, November 28th: First Sunday of Advent

Private (SA) Anna L. Winschel by Ed & Sue Winschel 8:30 am (SC) Confessions

9:00 am (SC) Latin Mass ~ Souls in Purgatory by

10:30 am (SC) Confessions

11:00 am (SC) Michael Lucas by Ann and Greg Badach

John A. McNamara

The information in this bulletin is Accurate as of the Publication Date, Saturday, November 20, 2021

THE SANCTUARY LIGHTS

Holy Family

- 1) Galla & Walach Families by Paul & Lisa Galla
- 2) Dorothy Oldach by Edward Stachewicz and Family Our Mother of Sorrows: Robert Merski, Sr. and Mildred Merski by The Merski Family

St. Ann's

- 1) Family of John and Josephine Hartman
- 2) Our Families by Charlotte and Beverly

St. Casimir's

- 1) Richard Burke by Dave & Colleen Dombkowski
- 2) Fr. Daniel Prez by John and Judy Stanek

FINANCIAL REPORT

Offertory November 14, 2021: \$4,555.18

CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL

2021 Goal: \$20,164.00

Pledged:\$13,710.00 Paid:\$13,090.00

Please note: The cut off date for the Christmas Flower donation list is Sunday, December 5, 2021.



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From the Desk of Deacon Jerry

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe – Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost in Latin Mass

Please remember to take time to complete the **Pastoral Planning survey** that is online and was attached to last week's bulletin. Additional copies are available in the back of the church. While it is preferred the survey is completed online, you are welcome to complete the hard copy and place it in the collection basket. You may also mail or drop it in the mail slot the parish office at 913 Fulton Street. Your participation is extremely important as the planning process continues.

Changes to the Communion Rite: Since 2003, the posture of the people during the Communion Rite in the Diocese of Erie has differed from the practice of most dioceses in the United States. Since that time, much has changed. After much reflection, Bishop Lawrence Persico has determined that the time is opportune for us to return to the practice of kneeling after the singing of the Lamb of God. Once the people return after receiving Holy Communion, they may kneel or be seated. All will stand at the "Let us pray" for the prayer after Communion. This restored practice is intended to help to unify posture and assist those parishioners who are unable to stand for long periods of time, as well as bring our practice into union with our neighboring dioceses. Those who are unable to kneel should feel free to sit instead. This directive goes into effect the First Sunday of Advent, 4:00 p.m. on Saturday, November 27, 2021.

The Our Mother of Sorrows Legion of Mary Praesidium will be leading a Christmas Anticipation Prayer Service at St. Casimir Church on Tuesday, December 7, 2021 at 6:00 pm. Take a step back from the pressing concerns of the season to slow down, and in prayer, silence, song, and reflection, anticipate and celebrate the coming of the Lord.

Please pray for the repose of the souls of **Joyce Mueck** and **Elizabeth Vargo** who recently went home to the Lord. Eternal Rest grant unto them O Lord.

The diocese has given us permission to use **missalettes and hymnals** and they will be available for everyone beginning next Sunday, November 28.

A second collection will be taken up today for the **Catholic Campaign for Human Development** (CCHD). The CCHD is the national anti-poverty program of the U.S. Catholic Bishops which works to break the cycle of poverty by helping people with low income participate in decisions that affect their lives, families, and communities. Half of the funds from this collection remain in the Diocese of Erie to fight poverty in our local communities.

A very **Happy and Blessed Thanksgiving** to everyone. As we celebrate, please take time to thank God for the blessings he has bestowed on each of us. Our Thanksgiving Day mass is at 10:00 am at St. Ann Church.

Christ is Our King!

The feast of Christ the King is a relatively new feast. When it was created by Pope Pius XI in 1925 the world was in turmoil - Mussolini was head of Italy, the Nazi party was growing in popularity, the entire world was in the Great Depression, and secularism and atheism were rearing their heads.

In spite of all those dictators and false values, Pius wanted the world to know that Christ is King of the universe. The feast therefore, addressed a very fundamental question that existed in those broken times: Who exercises dominion over us and what rules our lives? We can safely say that the world is still in turmoil as it was in 1925 when this feast was created and many leaders who have dominion of parts of the world offer us a poor example of kingship and leadership. That is why we need this feast today more than ever.

So, how is Christ our King? Not by sitting on a throne but rather by hanging on a cross. Not by amassing territory and great wealth but by establishing a kingdom of mercy and forgiveness. Not by wielding power but rather by welcoming and forgiveness. What makes Christ our King is that he gave his life for others and he asks each of us to serve his kingdom by serving others. We are to imitate our King serving others such as helping the homeless, visiting the sick, consoling those in distress, and to putting aside any bitterness, anger, envy or anything else that divides us. It is through this self-giving, by making Christ our King, that we overcome the things that want to exercise dominion over our lives.

The sad scene in today's Gospel, aside from Jesus being condemned to death is the reaction of Pilate. He asked Jesus "what is truth" while he stared right into the eyes of the one who is all truth. He could have had a conversion of heart and yet he turned the other way. May it not be so with us. As we enter next week into the season of Advent let's pause and look back over the past year and revisit the question that Pope Pius stirred when he created this feast: what is ruling our lives?

May we resolve to cast aside false values, guilt, or anything that is ruling our lives as we stare into the eyes of truth and let Christ our King have dominion over our hearts.