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OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE NOVEMBER 22, 2020

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21

Mass of Anticipation for Christ the King 4:00PM Carol A Aiello—Memorial

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

7:30 AM Louise Carr—Memorial

9:00AM Joan Montaquila—20th Anniversary

10:30AM The Parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 23

Weekday; St. Clement, Pope & Martyr; St. Columban, Abbot; Blessed Miquel Augustin Pro, Priest & Martyr

7:30AM Edward V. Healey, Jr.—-Birthday Remembrance

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 24

St. Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest & Companions, Martyrs 7:30AM Souls in Purgatory

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 25

Weekday; St. Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin & Martyr 7:30AM Special Intention

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 26-THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY

Thanksgiving Day

9:00AM The Parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 27

Weekday

7:30AM Dr. Jeremiah O'Connell—21st Anniversary

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 28

Weekday; BVM

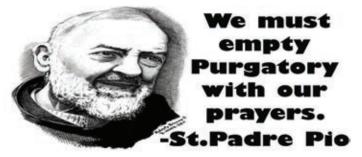
8:30AM John T. Cole—2nd Anniversary

Mass of Anticipation for the 1st Sunday of Advent
4:00PM Teresa Romano—1st Anniversary

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 29

The First Sunday of Advent

7:30 AM Teresa Romano—1st Anniversary
9:00AM The Parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy
10:30AM Francis X. Ferris—1st Anniversary



Mercy Musings



Dear Parishioners:

This Sunday is the last Sunday of the liturgical year and the celebration of the Solemnity of Christ the King. Pope Pius XI instituted this feast in 1925 with his encyclical *Quas Primas* ("In the first") to respond to growing nationalism and secularism.

Pope Pius recognized that these related societal ills would breed increasing hostility against the Church. His encyclical reminds the faithful that while regimes and philosophies come and go. Christ reigns as King forever.

Secularism divides our public selves from our private selves. When governments limit the rights to freely minister according to our faith and restrict our religious liberty, secularists claim that religious freedom is unharmed because we still have freedom of worship. However, while we are free in private, we are restricted in the public square.

Yet the Kingdom of God calls us to a whole life of worship and service in the public square. We cannot worship on Sunday and then deny Christ, and His teaching, as we provide ministry throughout the week.

Nationalism, on the other hand, divides our loyalties. It is good to love one's country, but ultimate loyalty is due only to Christ and His Kingdom. Ideologies that ask us to put our nation above Christ and his Church are incompatible with service to the kingdom.

With the help of the Holy Spirit, we must work every day to draw closer to Jesus. In our increasingly "post-Christian" society, we cannot be complacent in our spiritual lives and acknowledge Christ's Kingship only in Church.

To recognize the Kingship of Christ means that we should dedicate ourselves to prayer and worship, building up our families and our parish, proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ, and bring healing to a broken world.

Jesus inaugurates a Kingdom that grows through humble acts of service. Even as the Church's freedom to carry out Her ministries with authenticity are under threat, the Church must patiently continue to serve the poor, educate the young, care for the elderly, welcome the migrant, visit the prisoner, heal the sick, bury the dead, and love others.

In Quas Primas, Pope Pius XI states: "Once men recognize, both in private and in public life, that Christ is King, society will at last receive the great blessings of real liberty, well-ordered discipline, peace That and harmony. these blessings may be abundant and lasting in Christian society, it is necessary that the kingship of our Savior should be as widely as possible recognized and understood."

As I write this column. it's looking more like Thanksgiving Day celebrations might be small and very muted this year. The COVID-19 infections continue to rise, as do hospitalizations across country. The Governor is likely to issue directives that people stay home on Thanksgiving Day.

Some may ask, what do you have to give thanks for in 2020? We are suffering through a pandemic, witnessing social unrest and violence, and

bitterness and political divisions, along with lockdowns and isolation, further eroding community bonds and national unity. Who can give thanks?

President Abraham Lincoln declared Thanksgiving Day a national holiday in 1863. At that time, our nation was bitterly divided, and in a Civil War. where thousands Americans were dying. African-Americans remained shamefully enslaved in the southern states. It would be another two years before the war's end and the restoration of peace and freedom.

Even with the nation divided and at war, Lincoln understood that the country should give thanks to God for the blessings and bounty it enjoyed despite the state of the union. He declared it a day of "Thanksgiving and Praise to our beneficent Father."

As President, he urged all Americans to "fervently implore the interposition of the Almighty Hand to heal the wounds of the nation and to restore it as soon as may be consistent with the Divine purposes to the full enjoyment of peace, harmony, tranquility, and Union."

Bishop Evans is to celebrate our Thanksgiving Day Mass at 9:00 AM on Thursday. Join us as we give thanks to God and pray for peace and harmony, tranquility, and unity in our nation. Happy Thanksgiving! Stay safe. Be Well. Do Good. God Bless. God Bless America!

Father Healey



What is the meaning of the word "Eucharist"?

Very shortly we will celebrate Thanksgiving Day and so this is an appropriate time to ask this question. "Eucharist" is actually a Greek word which means "to give thanks." As the Catechism of the Catholic Church tells us: "The inexhaustible richness of this sacrament is expressed in the different names we give it. Each name evokes certain aspects of it. It is called: Eucharist, because it is an action of thanksgiving to God. The Greek words eucharistein and eulogein recall the Jewish blessings that proclaim - especially during a meal - God's works: creation, redemption, and sanctification." (CCC 1328).

In the Gospel of Luke we read: "Then he took the bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them, saying, 'This is my body, which will be given for you; do this in memory of me." The English portion, "said the blessing" can also be translated as "and giving thanks." The Greek word is the same: eucharistesas. The key here that the word means thanksgiving directed toward God, as opposed to thanksgiving directed elsewhere.

The word itself used to refer to the entire celebration of the Mass. The Didache is an early Christian text written in the first century. It is an important source because it details practices and beliefs of the early Christians. We find a reference to such a use in the Didache: Celebrate the Eucharist as follows: Say over the cup: "we give you thanks, Father, for the holy vine of David, your servant, which you made known to us through Jesus your servant. To you be glory for ever."

Over the broken bread say: "We give you thanks, Father, for the life and the knowledge which you have revealed to us through Jesus your servant. To you be glory for ever" ... Do not let anyone eat or drink of your Eucharist except those who have been baptized in the name of the Lord.

One of the most important acts we can do in this life is to give thanks to God. The supreme and most exalted way to do this is in our participation and attendance at Mass. This Thanksgiving Day, let us unite ourselves to Christ's great act of thanks to his heavenly father.



November 15, 2020

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Weekly	\$13,363.00	

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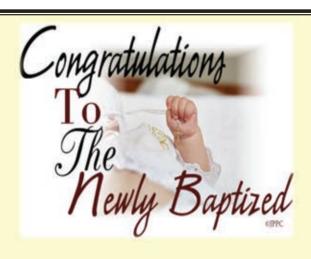
Please remember Our Lady of Mercy Church in your will or estate.



The Parish Office is closed for the Thanksgiving Holiday from Noon, Wednesday, November 25 until Monday, November 30 at 8:00AM.



In your charity please pray for the repose of the souls of **Lois Ise and Kathleen Hardiman**, whose Masses of Christian Burial were celebrated at OLM last week.



MacKenzie Leigh Curran, Kyle and Brittany.

"Dear brothers and sisters: this child, reborn through Baptism, is now called a child of God, for so indeed she is. Through Confirmation she will receive the fullness of the Holy Spirit and, approaching the altar of the Lord, she will share at the table of her Sacrifice, and will call upon God as Father in the midst of the Church."

—The Rite of Baptism



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- November 25,26 & 27: No School. Thanksgiving Break!
- Friday, December 4: First Friday Mass 9:00AM (livestreamed)

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- <u>First Communion Class (2020-21)</u>: Family Mass & Class on Sunday, December 6th at 5:00PM. *Only First Communion students & families may attend Mass*, followed by brief Family Catechesis Class.
- •Confirmation Class (2020-21): Next Family Mass & Class on Sunday, December 13th at 5:00PM. *Only Confirmation students & families may attend Mass*, followed by brief Family Catechesis Class.

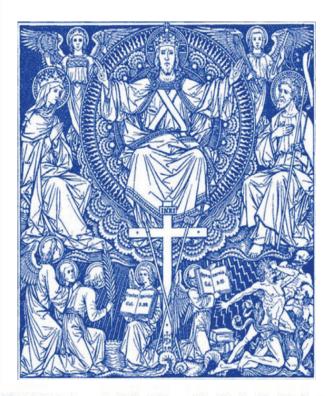
Christ the King



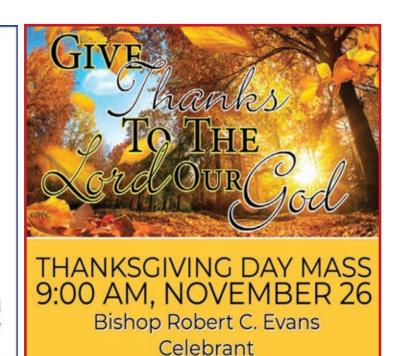
ow celebrated on the last Sunday of the liturgical year, the solemnity of Christ the King was originally observed on the last Sunday of October.

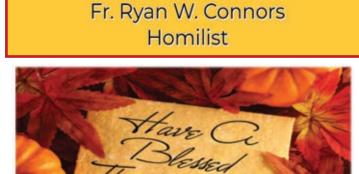
Established by Pope Pius XI in 1925, it was one factor in the church's response to the political turmoil leading up to World War II.

This feast with its emphasis on Christ's second coming and final sovereignty over all creation is the perfect note on which to end one year and look forward to the next.



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