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November 26, 2023

CHRIST THE KING

THE JUDGMENT
OF THE NATIONS

"Come, you who are blessed by my Father. Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world." Matthew 25:34

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Saturday-,5p.m.-Sunday, 8:30 & 11a.m.

CONFESSIONS

Saturday, 4:00-4:30 p.m. or Upon Request

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday, 12:00 p.m.

Wednesday, 8:30 a.m.

Thursday, 8:30 a.m.

Friday, 7:00 p.m.

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Sunday 9:45 a.m.-10:45 a.m.

BULLETIN DEADLINE

We welcome your contributions to the
bulletin. Deadline is Wednesday, by 12:00 p.m.

Christ the King

THAT HE WOULD REIGN IN OUR HEARTS

In 1925, Pope Pius XI instituted the Feast of Christ the King in his encyclical letter *Quas Primas*, in response to growing nationalism and secularism around the world. He had the foresight to realize that secularism could soon wage awful wars against the Church.

During the early twentieth century, in Mexico, Russia, and in many parts of Europe, atheistic regimes threatened not just the Catholic Church and its faithful but civilization itself. Pope Pius XI's encyclical gave Catholics hope and—while governments of men around them crumbled—the assurance that Christ the King shall reign forever. Pope Pius XI said that Christ “reign[s] ‘in the hearts of men,’ both by reason of the keenness of his intellect and the extent of his knowledge, and also because he is very truth, and it is from him that truth must be obediently received by all mankind.”

While we hope and pray that the dark times of almost a century ago remain in the past, a troubling recent Pew Forum report shows that religious intolerance is on the rise worldwide, including in the United States. Therefore, we must remain vigilant when our first American freedom protected under the First Amendment to the U.S. Constitution is threatened.

Religious liberty gives us the ability not just to worship at Mass but the freedom to feed the hungry, serve the needy, and tend to the sick. During this time when we come together as a nation in thanksgiving for our many blessings, let us thank God for the gift of religious liberty and ask that it not be taken for granted.

Prayer for the Protection of Religious Liberty

O God our Creator,
from your provident hand we have received our right to life,
liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.
You have called us as your people and given us the right and
the duty to worship you, the only true God, and your Son,
Jesus Christ.



Through the power and working of your Holy Spirit, you call us to live out our faith in the midst of the world, bringing the light and the saving truth of the Gospel to every corner of society. We ask you to bless us in our vigilance for the gift of religious liberty. Give us the strength of mind and heart to readily defend our freedoms when they are threatened; give us courage in making our voices heard on behalf of the rights of your Church and the freedom of conscience of all people of faith.

Grant, we pray, O heavenly Father,
a clear and united voice to all your sons and daughters
gathered in your Church
in this decisive hour in the history of our nation,
so that, with every trial withstood
and every danger overcome—
for the sake of our children, our grandchildren,
and all who come after us—
this great land will always be “one nation, under God,
indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.”

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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What can you do to ensure the protection of religious liberty at home and abroad?

Please visit www.usccb.org/freedom for updates from the bishops on current threats to religious liberty and more information on how you can take action to protect religious liberty!

When the End Comes

Solemnity of Christ the King (Year A)

The Church year ends today with a vision of the end of time. The scene in the Gospel is stark and resounds with Old Testament echoes.

The Son of Man is enthroned over all nations and peoples of every language (see Daniel 7:13-14). The nations have been gathered to see His glory and receive His judgment (see Isaiah 66:18; Zephaniah 3:8). The King is the divine shepherd Ezekiel foresees in today's First Reading, judging as a shepherd separates sheep from goats.

Each of us will be judged upon our performance of the simple works of mercy we hear in the Gospel today.

These works, as Jesus explains today, are reflections or measures of our love for Him, our faithfulness to His commandment that we love God with all our might and our neighbor as ourselves (see Matthew 22:36-40).

Our faith is dead, lifeless, unless it be expressed in works of love (see James 2:20; Galatians 5:6). And we cannot say we truly love God, whom we cannot see, if we don't love our neighbor, whom we can (see 1 John 4:20).

The Lord is our shepherd, as we sing in today's Psalm. And we are to follow His lead, to imitate His example (see 1 Corinthians 1;11; Ephesians 5:1).

He healed our sickness (see Luke 6:19), freed us from the prison of sin and death (see Romans 8:2, 21), welcomed us who were once strangers to His covenant (see Ephesians 2:12, 19). He clothed us in baptism (see Revelation 3:5; 2 Corinthians 5:3-4), and feeds us with the food and drink of His own body and blood.

At "the end," He will come again to hand over His kingdom to His Father, as Paul says in today's Epistle.

Let us strive to be following Him in right paths, that this kingdom might be our inheritance, that we might enter into the eternal rest promised for the people of God (see Hebrews 4:1, 9-11).

*A service of the St. Paul Center for Biblical Theology
www.SalvationHistory.com*



Sunday's Readings

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe Sunday, Nov. 26, 2023

First Reading – Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17: “The lost I will seek out, the strayed I will bring back, the injured I will bind up, the sick I will heal, but the sleek and the strong I will destroy, shepherding them rightly.”

Responsorial Psalm – Psalm 23: “The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.”

Second Reading – I Corinthians 15:20-26, 28: “For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death.”

Gospel – Matthew 25:31-46: “When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit upon his glorious throne, and all the nations will be assembled before him.”

November 19, 2023

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time *“Well done, my good and faithful servant. Since you have been faithful in small matters, I will give you great responsibilities.” - MATTHEW 25:21*

God calls us to nurture and develop the gifts He has given us and then generously return a portion with increase. He doesn't want us to waste or hoard the gifts He has given us. He expects us to grow our gifts, to use them wisely, and to be generous with them. Unfortunately, many of us are not generous in proportion to all that God has given us. God asks us to be generous with all our gifts, especially the one that means the most to you.

19 de noviembre de 2023-Domingo 33o del Tiempo Ordinario - *“Bien hecho, mi buen y fiel sirviente. Porque has sido fiel en lo poco, te daré grandes responsabilidades.” - MATEO 25:21*

Dios nos llama a cultivar y desarrollar los dones que Él nos ha dado, y entonces devolver generosamente una parte con aumento. Él no quiere que desperdiciemos o acumulemos los dones que nos ha dado. Él espera que hagamos crecer nuestros dones, que los utilicemos sabiamente, y que seamos generosos con ellos. Lamentablemente, muchos de nosotros no somos generosos en proporción a todo lo que Dios nos ha dado. Dios nos pide que seamos generosos con todos nuestros dones, especialmente con aquellos que significan más para nosotros.

Weekly Collection with YTD Figures

Weekend of November 19, 2023

Offertory/Online Collection	\$6,636.39
YTD Offertory Collection	\$132,915.42
Bills Paid this Week:	\$6,165.05
Bills Paid to Date:	\$134,174.24
Building Fund Collection	\$1,212.00
YTD Building Fund Collection	\$26,689.00
YTD Special Projects Donations	\$2,607.00
Air Conditioning Donations	\$9,250.00

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Commitment Card

Thank you to those who have completed and returned your commitment card. For those who have not, please prayerfully consider doing so.

Total Families: 289

Total Family returned: 164

Pray for the Sick

Howard App, Nilda Arrietta, Owen Austin, Mr. Bear, Kaitlin Blakewood, Amelia Boyd, Mark Branham, Tony Branham, Denise & Joe Burdick, Mona Burnham, Fernanco Carreras, CJ & Mary Kay, Andy & Kathy Chester, Tina Cieslowski, Brent Cornwell, Crystal Christensen, Joan Cosgrove, Richard Culberson, Catherine Dagon, Dana Dart, Bill Edwards, Mark Erickson, Cindy Forte, Oma Ann Furmeister, Dorothy Green, Lee Gobrogge, Marty Haloda, Chip Harris, Leah Harrison, Ruthann Hein, Jordan Hill, Kailey Honeycutt, Sutton Hotard, Marvin Hughes, Josh & Jess, Trent Jones, Pat Jordan, Khris Jorge, Wendy Karpowicz, Rachel Kavanaugh, Billy Kelley, Matt Kieffer, Kaycee Kessler, Nick Knight, Nicole Knight, Janice Kosek, Sandra Kowalski, Jean Lafond, Josette Lafond, Yvan Lafond, Rosa Lewis, Mary Susan McAndrews, Corinne McCumber, Bryan Milne Sr., Zach Mitchell, Jaxon Morales, Jon & Linda Morgan, Millie Morris, Lorraine Nessar, Rick Nettles, Roy & Mildred O'Connor, Gloria O'Sako, Ken Otto, Larry Page, Mary Lou Paulson, Matthew Pickett, Susie Pinckney, Melanie Pitingamy, Ron & Eileen Proveaux, Kate Radonovich, Loretta Riley, Susanne Sears, Anna Seymour, Joann Skorich, Ann Shuman, Roger Shearouse, Angel Smith, Lynn Smith, Tim Strickland, Tommy Strickland, Ann Sweatt, Lisa Taube, Aimee Taylor, Ken & Joyce Tyson, Christa Ward, Sheila Whitehead, Tripp Whitten, Callie Wiggins, Russell Woods, Schanecy Wilmot, Jon Zinck

Mass Intentions

Sunday 11/26	♥People of the Parish
Tuesday 11/28	+Burr Tolles Sr.
Wednesday 11/29	+Louis Hoat
Thursday 11/30	+Frederick Bismark
Friday 12/01	+Souls in Purgatory
Saturday 12/02	+Roy & Genie Whiddon

Pray for Our Troops

MSGT Brian Lafond, A1C Aubriana Butchko, SFC Steven Liebl, PVT Dylan Dickerson, SR Christopher Meinert, SSGT Patrick Gleaton, PFC William Bland, PFC, Dalen Baldwin, ENS Sean Garrett, LTJG Riley Garrett, TSGT David Van Buren



Ministry Schedule

Dec. 02

5:00 p.m.

AS D Ankrom, C Behnke, & R Burton
EM A & G Bazemore & C Reynolds
L D DeRoia
U G Hixenbaugh & R O'Sako

Dec. 03

8:30 a.m.

AS C Cordeiro, R Oliveira, & S Limardo
EM L Ortiz, V Singley, & M Heyman
L P Miranda
U Y Carr & J Richtman

11:00 a.m.

AS B Fogarty, S Moreno, & M Adams
EM J & j McIntosh
L E Pazos
U T Hood & Volunteer

Saints & Special Observances

Sunday	Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
Monday	34th (last) week in Ordinary Time, Year A
Thursday	Saint Andrew, Apostle
Sunday	1st Sunday of Advent, Year B

Almighty and merciful God,
you break the power of evil and

make all things new in
your Son Jesus Christ, the
King of the universe.

May all in heaven and earth
acclaim your glory
and never cease to praise you.

- Roman Rite -

The WORD & DEED

Christ the King

During Advent and Lent, Pope John Paul II would put on a simple black cassock and sneak into a confessional at St. Peter's Basilica to help hear the confessions of the thousands of tourists who came there. Although he was the Pope, JP II never forgot that he was a servant-leader, and the needs of the people came first. He was a priest first, and his actions reflected his belief.

Jesus reminds us that those who wish to be great in the Kingdom of God must serve the needs of others. There is no room for greed or selfishness, or for oppression or indifference. If we are all members of the same Body of Christ, then the suffering of one member becomes the suffering of all members, the needs of one become the needs of all. Want and suffering demand a response so that each person lives with human dignity intact and human destiny in mind.

We honor Christ as King, the servant-leader whose throne is a cross and whose crown is made of thorns. Follow His example of sacrifice and love. Practice the Spiritual and Corporal Works of Mercy in the Gospel today. Meet the needs of others and you will meet the King.

~James Gaffney © Pilot Bulletins

Reading for the Week of Nov 19

Monday	Dn 1:1-6, 8-20/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/Lk 21:1-4
Tuesday	Dn 2:31-45/Dn 3:57, 58, 59, 60, 61/Lk 21:5-11
Wednesday	Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28/Dn 3:62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67/Lk 21:12-19
Thursday	Rom 10:9-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/Mt 4:18-22
Friday	Dn 7:2-14/Dn 3:75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81/Lk 21:29-33
Saturday	Dn 7:15-27/Dn 3:82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87/Lk 21:34-36

Faith Formation-November

Sunday, November 26 - no class, Thanksgiving break

Tuesday, November 28 - Confirmation rehearsal at 6 p.m.

Wednesday, November 29 - Confirmation Mass - 6 p.m.

Outreach Assistance -THANK YOU!

Saint Boniface parishioners have answered the call once again! Thank you to all who generously donated their time, talent and treasure in making our Thanksgiving food distribution a success. Wednesday we gave out over 7,600 lbs of food and fed 176 families in our own county! A recipient called to thank us saying, "If not for St Boniface, we would not have had a thanksgiving meal. I'm blessed that I found a place so caring and giving" AMEN!

The following is needed to help with our Christmas food baskets: Green beans, corn, Yams, instant potatoes, canned fruit, any soups, apple sauce, canned spaghetti sauce and noodles.

Christmas Eve 5pm Mass Raffle

Outreach Assistance ministry will be raffling two rows (9 seats each) for Christmas Eve Mass which means you have TWO chances to win! Picture this... walking into church, immediately finding your RESERVED seating and not having to arrive early to find a seat! Tickets will be \$10 each and will be sold in the narthex after the masses, just look for the sign. Proceeds will help support St Boniface Outreach.

Washing Machine Needed

The washing machine in the cottage is no longer working and we are in need of a used washer for Sister Anna and Sister Theresa who live in the cottage. If you have a good, used washer, than can be donated, please contact Pattie in the office.



Knights of Columbus are selling tickets for the annual Boston Butt fundraiser through Dec. 03, 2023.

Tickets are \$30 a piece. Pick up date will be December 9, from 11 am to 4pm.

St. Nicholas Breakfast

EVERYONE is invited to celebrate the Christmas season at the Annual St. Nicholas Parish Breakfast! Come and enjoy delicious pancakes, sausage, snowman soup (hot cocoa), and coffee for the adults. We will have a visit from St. Nicholas! During the breakfast we invite each new family/single or those who missed it in previous years, to pick up a "Chrismon" to take home and decorate. A Chrismon is a Christmas decoration that uses Christian symbols to represent our Lord Jesus Christ. We ask that you return it to the church no later than Sunday, Dec. 17. They will adorn our parish family Christmas trees. In the tradition of St. Nicholas of showing love and kindness by caring for others and God's creatures, we will be accepting donations for Parish Outreach Pantry and Effingham Humane Society. Sign up sheets in the Narthex.

Prayer & Play

We would like to invite Mothers and Caregivers to bring their little ones for snacks, prayer and fellowship every other Wednesday in the nursery, at 9:30 am. our next meeting is December 06, we will not be meeting the week of Thanksgiving. Hope you can join us!

Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

A Holy Day of Obligation, Mass will be held at 12pm & 7pm.

Virtus Training Session

A VIRTUS "Protecting God's Children for Adults" training has been scheduled at the Catholic Pastoral Center, Saturday, January 06, 2024 from 10am to 1pm. Seating is limited and pre-registration is required online. Registration Instructions can be found at <https://diosav.org/how-do-i/register-for-virtus-training>. A LAPTOP or DESKTOP is recommended for registration. No one under the age of 18 is allowed to be present. Child care is not provided.

We are Here to Listen and Take Action: DIOCESAN 24-HOUR CHILD ABUSE REPORTING HOTLINE

888-357-5330. Abuse hotline for bishops only: <https://reportbishopabuse.org> or call (800) 276-1562.

Men's Conference

St. James Parish in Savannah invites you to participate in a Catholic Men's Conference on Saturday, January 27, 2024. Join them for a day of inspiring speakers, Mass, prayer and fellowship with other men seeking to deepen their faith and better live their calling as Christian men. Registration fee increases after January 12. Register online. Questions? Call the St. James Parish Office at 912-355-1523. www.stjamesav.com/mens-conference/

Gold & Silver Wedding Jubilee

Anniversary Mass for 25th or 50th wedding anniversaries in 2024 will be on February 10, 2024, at 10:00 am in Savannah at the Cathedral Basilica of St. John the Baptist. RSVP by January 2, 2024 by calling 912.201.4068 or register at diosav.org/gold-and-silver. Please email Patrick Tunnell, Director of Fellowship and Life, ptunnell@diosav.org for more information.



Do you want to be more involved in your Catholic faith? Share your time, talent and treasures in fellowship with other women.

For more information, call Yvette Carr 912 657-5423 or email: ydchubby@windstream.net.



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