

November 23, 2014

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe



GOD LEADS HIS FLOCK: Today is the end of the church year and we hear about the second coming of the Lord Jesus. As the shepherd gathers his flock, Jesus gathers his covenanted people. His flock recognizes its ruler, and he chooses those who have been faithful. He leads his flock through the valley of death to share God's own life. Are we ready for this adventure?

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Pastor's Note(s):

Perhaps some people are already thinking of 'Black Friday'! I am looking forward to the day preceding it instead, the day we call Thanksgiving! For me Thanksgiving has always echoed the celebration of Christmas in Ireland, with the result that both events have merged together as one. I am grateful for both the bounty of God's earth at Thanksgiving and the gift of salvation begun in the Savior's Birth.

The American Thomas Merton said that "to be grateful is to recognize the love of God in everything He has given us, and He has given us everything. Every breath we draw is a gift of His love, every moment of existence is a grace, for it brings with it immense graces from Him!" We have much to be grateful for! Have a blessed Thanksgiving! *Fr. Michael*

Please note that we will not have Mass on Thanksgiving Day as I will be away for a few days. Mass will be offered by Fr. Paquette in Silver Bay at 8.15 am if you wish to attend. Thank You!

A Heartfelt Thanks:

To Steve Uremovich as outgoing Trustee of the Parish. Steve has served in this capacity and as a member of the Finance Council for the past forty years! I am grateful for his generous service and wish him a long and happy retirement. I am also grateful to Gary Aleff who has served in the same capacity for over twenty years. He has, among other things, always provided wise advice in the financial management of our parish. May the Lord richly bless them both! Replacing them as Trustees are Scott Veitenheimer (Treasurer) and Laura Lien (Secretary). I welcome their willingness to serve and as members of the Finance Council also. (Fr. Michael)

United Catholic Appeal: With a little over \$5400 to raise, I am hopeful that we will meet our UCA obligation by the end of the year. Only you can make it happen. Please help us do so!

CCHD: The Collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) provides funding for groups that make lasting change and uplift the poor in the United States. CCHD grants improve education, support economic development, and help communities provide housing in low-income neighborhoods. Help us continue to defend human dignity and aid those living on the margins of society. Please give to the CCHD Collection.

Little Blue Books: The Advent Season Little Blue Books will be available, in the back of Church, starting the first Sat/Sun of Advent. Please take one for your spiritual enrichment, to prepare for the Holy Christmas Season. In addition to the books, we will be having a Blue Book Discussion Group. We will meet, downstairs, after Mass on Friday mornings to discuss the reflections of the week from the Little Blue Books. Breakfast and coffee provided. Come and enjoy, feeding your mind and body. See you there, starting Friday, 12/5, after Mass. All are welcome!!

Holy Spirit Library: Are you aware that our Church library is available for all of us to use? The library is located downstairs. It has been recently organized, and is ready for YOU. A great opportunity to learn and grow, to energize your mind, heart, and soul. Come and enjoy this great resource.

Dynamic Catholic Books: At the back of Church, you will find wonderful books to enliven your FAITH. We HOPE you will enjoy them, and find some that you LOVE.

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| Saturday | SAINT CECILIA | 11/22/14 |
| 3:30 p.m. | Reconciliation | |
| 4:30 p.m. | Mass—Intention † Peggy Kubizewski Reader: Gloria Uremovich Chalice: Deacon Tim & Beth Egan Servers: Kate & Miles Thomasen | |
| Sunday | OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE | 11/23/14 |
| 9:30 a.m. | Religious Education—Pre, K-4 | |
| 11:00 a.m. | Mass —Intention for All Parishioners Reader: Michelle Thewis Plate: Deacon Tim Egan Chalice: Dave & Shari Hendren Servers: Hayley & Megan Larson | |
| Monday | SAINT ANDREW DUNG-LAC & COMPANIONS | 11/24/14 |
| Tuesday | SAINT CATHERINE OF ALEXANDRIA | 11/25/14 |
| 8:15 a.m. | Mass —Intention † Msgr. O’Shea | |
| 5:45 p.m. | Choir Practice | |
| Wednesday | WEEKDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | 11/26/14 |
| 8:15 a.m. | Mass—Intention † Bill Merhar | |
| Thursday | THANKSGIVING | 11/27/14 |
| Friday | WEEKDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | 11/28/14 |
| Saturday | SAINT CECILIA | 11/29/14 |
| 3:30 p.m. | Reconciliation | |
| 4:30 p.m. | Mass—Intention † Steve Cavallin Reader: Nadine Uremovich Chalice: Beth Egan & Liz Scheidt Servers: Mary Uremovich & to be assigned | |
| Sunday | OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE | 11/30/14 |
| 11:00 a.m. | Mass —Intention for All Parishioners Reader: Louis Button Plate: Joanne Button Chalice: Laura Lien & to be assigned Servers: Nathan Campbell & Kaitlyn Underdale | |

† **PARISHIONERS:** Please pray for Arthur Barthman, Patty Broadbent, Pat Harrison, Toni Johnson, Joanne Ostendorf and Ron Kor.



† **FRIENDS & RELATIVES:** Please pray for Lily Brown, Bill Carlson, Patty Harrison-Isakson and Ray Weeks.

† **MILITARY PERSONNEL:** Please pray for Garrett Aho, Nate Berger, Keith Dahl, James Mickle, Craig Moe, Ryan Ray and Christopher Uremovich.

Please call the church office if you'd like to submit a prayer request; these requests will run for 3 weeks. If continued prayers are needed after that time, prayer requests can always be renewed – just call the church office to let us know that you would like to renew the request.

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Youth Happenings

Check out our Youth Bulletin Board
'Like' us on Facebook: Holy Spirit Youth Group

Pies for Charity: We will be baking pumpkin pies for local charities. Pies will be available for purchase after Mass on Saturday, November 22nd and also after Mass on Sunday, November 23rd if still available. Cost is \$10 per pie.

Heavenly Scent Cookbooks: We still have cookbooks available for purchase. Look for them before and after Mass. Great gift idea!

Winter Clothing Drive: This is the last weekend to drop off new or gently used winter clothing/boots for the clothing drive. Thank you so much to those who have donated!

THERE ARE MANY WAYS FOR OUR YOUTH TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE...

United Catholic Appeal

Total to date
79%
\$19,765.07 of \$25,172.74
\$5,407.00 still owed

Last Week's Contributions

Weekend Collection\$2,455.97
Bldg. Fund\$165.00
UCA\$70.00