

~ LAST SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME ~

SOLEMNITY of  
OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST,  
KING OF THE UNIVERSE

~ November 25, 2018 ~

*Christ's Glory ... How worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and divinity, and wisdom and strength and honor. To him belong glory and power forever and ever. Rev 5: 12; 1: 6*

Mass Intentions

Monday

40 Hours (Philadelphia) Bishop Joseph Cistone

Tuesday

7:45 AM Andy Kalata by Jack and Jean

Wednesday

7:45 AM Fr. Michael Arensfield

Thursday

No Mass

Friday

7:45 AM Olga Giudice by Lois and Jim Fowler

Saturday

8:00 AM Catherine Nemith by Family

5:00 PM In Loving Memory of Mike and Woody

Witcoskie by Family

Sunday

8:00 AM John and Irene Kalata by son John and Family

9:30 AM Egon Dezubay by Al and Laura Dezubay

11:00 AM Julia Podhayny by Family

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**First Reading:** Dn 7: 13-14... (Everlasting Kingship)

Daniel foresees the coming of the Son of Man. He receives all honor and glory. All peoples of every nation serve him. His kingship shall last forever.

**Responsorial Psalm:** Ps 93... (The Lord is King)

"The Lord is king; he is robed in majesty."

**Second Reading:** Rv 1: 5-8... (The Alpha and the Omega)

By the shedding of his blood, Jesus has made us a royal nation of priests to serve God. The Lord God is the Alpha and Omega—the beginning and the end. He is Almighty!

**Gospel:** Jn 18: 33b-37... (Christ's Kingdom)

Before Pilate, Jesus admits that he is a king but that his kingdom is not of this world. Jesus says that he came into the world to testify to the truth.

**Monday:** Weekday

Rv 14: 1-3, 4b-5; Ps 24: 1-6; Lk 21: 1-4

**Tuesday:** Weekday

Rv 14: 14-19; Ps 96: 10-13; Lk 21: 5-11

**Wednesday:** Weekday

Rv 15: 1-4; Ps 98: 1-3, 7-9; Lk 21: 12-19

**Thursday:** Weekday

Rv 18: 1-2, 21-23; 19: 1-3, 9a; Ps 100: 1b-5; Lk 21: 20-28

**Friday:** St. Andrew, Apostle

Rom 10: 9-18; Ps 19: 2-5; Mt 4: 18-22

**Saturday:** Weekday; BVM on Saturday

Rv 22: 1-7; Ps 95: 1-7; Lk 21: 34-36



~ Saturday, Sunday: December 1, December 2 ~

~ ALTAR SERVER ~

5:00 PM J. Herman - A. Guth  
8:00 AM V. Dadlani - J. Doncsecz  
9:30 AM A. Acevedo - A. Harper  
11:00 AM J. Guzzo - D. Guzzo

~ CANTOR ~

5:00 PM E. Gilkeson  
8:00 AM S. Berdux  
9:30 AM A. Devaney (Choir Mass)  
11:00 AM M. Krupka

~ LECTOR ~

(Jer 33: 1)4-16; Ps 25: 4-5, 8-10, 14; 1Thes 3: 12-4: 2)

5:00 PM M. Hartman  
8:00 AM C. Bachman  
9:30 AM B. Sletvold  
11:00 AM S. Stofanak

~ EXTRA-ORDINARY MINISTERS of COMMUNION ~

5:00 PM E. and S. Faccineto  
8:00 AM S. Gordon - E. Lee - M. Hudak  
9:30 AM D. Baranowski - J. Skrincoosky  
11:00 AM B. Kincaid - L. Schoenauer

~ GREETER ~

5:00 PM M. Forte  
8:00 AM L. Sherman  
9:30 AM Sieto Family  
11:00 AM M. Miranda

~ FOOD/GIFT CARD ~

5:00 PM C. Benner  
8:00 AM E. Lee  
9:30 AM L. Scott - B. Kern  
11:00 AM J. Salabsky

~ MONEY COUNTER ~

J. Kalata - E. Lee  
P. Pavuk - J. Ruane

Prayer for Our Priests

*Eternal God, please bless our priests, who represent you on this earth. Make them more greatly aware of the grace that you pour out through them when they minister the sacraments and help them to fall more deeply in love with you after each and every Mass that they celebrate. Please strengthen our priests, who shepherd your flock, when they are in doubt of their faith, that they may be examples of your Truth and guide us always on the path to you. We ask these things of you our Eternal Priest. Amen.*



*A time of war, and a time of peace: We pray for those that serve in our military: Michael O'Donnell; Jarrett Buchanan; Blair Holva; Nick Massari; John Flannigan; Joe Owens; Rob McGuire; Joseph Salmento; David Principato; David Colarusso, Jr.;*

*Paul K. Browne, II; Anthony T. Browne; LCpl Timothy F. Cassidy; Mark McNulty, Jr.; Josh Brueningsen; Sgt. Jared Steirer; Senior Chief Ian Hudak*

God Bless Our Men and Women in Uniform ... Protect and guide our men and women in uniform, strengthen them in their trials. Give them courage to face the perils which beset them; and grant them a sense of your abiding presence wherever they may be, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

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▶▶▶ **Bulletin Announcements** ◀◀◀

Deliver to the Rectory office or email to [sacredheartrectory1936@gmail.com](mailto:sacredheartrectory1936@gmail.com) by 12 noon on Thursday (that is, ten days prior to the publication of the bulletin).

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**Project Keep Warm...** We, as a Church community, will be participating once gain in **Project Keep Warm** by becoming a drop-off location. Collection will be held until December 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018. There will be a drop box in the main vestibule for your donations.

Please note that we are only accepting **NEW** or **GENTLY USED WINTER ITEMS**...Coats (adult and children); Gloves; Hats; Scarves; Heavy Socks; Blankets; Tarps; Sleeping Bags; Hand and Feet Warmers; Thermal Underwear; Winter Boots

Donate and make a difference! You can keep posted on **Project Keep Warm** at [www.projectkeepwarm.org](http://www.projectkeepwarm.org).

Thank you in advance for your support of this worthy project!

▶ **NO OTHER CLOTHING** will be accepted at this time ◀

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▶▶ You are invited to a special event "**The Master Craftsman: God's Amazing Plan for Teens (and their Parents)**" co-sponsored by the Office of Youth, Young Adult and Family Ministry and St. Thomas More Roman Catholic Church. Join us for a faith-filled evening with nationally-recognized speaker Scott Anthony, as he helps us see the Truth of God's guiding hand in our lives. We encourage teens in grades 9-12 and their parents to attend! After this evening, you and your youth will look toward the future with a newfound sense of hope. The event will take place on Friday, January 11, 2019 at 7:00 PM, at St. Thomas More Church Family Center (1040 Flexer Ave, Allentown, PA 18103).

This event is free of charge. Light refreshments will be provided. To register for this event, please visit [www.allentowndiocese.org/craftsman](http://www.allentowndiocese.org/craftsman). For questions call (610) 289-8900, ext. 2021 or email Francesca Frias at [Frias@allentowndiocese.org](mailto:Frias@allentowndiocese.org).

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**Stations of the Nativity...** Sacred Heart will be offering, once again during our Advent Season, a special **Stations of the Cross**, told through the story of the Nativity, on Tuesday, December 11<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 6:30 PM with Benediction to follow. All are invited to attend as we prepare ourselves for the coming of our Savior through the **Holy Season of Christmas**.



*Please pray for our sick, for all those homebound, in the hospital or nursing homes and especially those who care for them. We also ask prayers for those not listed and those we are not aware of that are ill.*

Donna Miller, Joan Szemenyei, Joseph Ludrof, Susan G. Tinschmidt, David Cap, Lisa Dreher, A.J. Shuck, M. and D. Shuck, Anthony Viera, Bev Russell, Hank Straub, Albina DaSilva, Andrew Filbert, Christopher Brennan, Bill White, Jessica Hewitt, Joan Raymond, John and Charlotte Rzepiela, Lori Watts, Jacob Jarvis, James and Janet DeVaney, Beth Coleman, Mary Saraceno-Wright, Dorothea Saraceno-Atherholt, Alice Bennett, Mary Lou Schuler, Joe Field, Louis A. Gray, Gail Schneider, Molly Weidemoyer, James Lankford, Karen Hegedus, Patrick McBride, Betty McNulty, Jane Schreiber, Ron and Irene Rutkowski, Jamie Heston, Terry Macripo, Patrice Schwartzman, Leona Oberholtzer, Colleen Pinzon, Ronald Mitch, Sanford Kravett, Jack Sharkey, Jack Herczeg, Grandson, Pat Moulton, Sheri Radzelovage, Anne Ardinger, Janet Zambo, Geza Vegh, William Duane, Neal Lamana, Loretta Scurato, Theresa Mitchell, Joseph Forte, Sr., Jean Field, Emerson Davenport, Kaitlyn Whitebread, Gina Teel, Nonna Frances, Charlotte Gazzana, Russell Gazzana, Rebecca Wasniewski, Larry Muzyka, Heather Mowery, Corporal Seth Kelly, Teresa Yatko, Fritz and Pat Warminsky, Betty Balogh, Carmela Azzolina, Walter Fry, JoAnn Connors, Mary Hasenecz, Frank Donchez, Carol Jacob, Manny and Dorothy Martinez, Ann Lester, Kathleen Angelozzi, Dorothy Fekula, Emma Fogel, Irene Nagy, Jackie Swartley, Bobby Ricks, George Treisner, Paul Micci, Gina Teel

**Diocesan Victim Assistance Co-ordinator:** Ms. Wendy S. Krisak M.A., NCC, LPC; Direct Telephone (NOT CONFIDENTIAL): 1-800-791-9209  
**Diocesan Safe Environment Co-ordinator:** Sister Meg Cole, S.S.J., MS, LMFT; Telephone: 610-332-0442 ext 2019  
**Diocese of Allentown Protection of Youth Policy:**  
[www.allentowndiocese.org](http://www.allentowndiocese.org)

▶▶ **Come and See weekend November 30-December 2, 2018.** Young men, ages 14 years of age and older, of the Diocese of Allentown are invited to visit St. Charles Borromeo Seminary in Philadelphia. Registration is free but required. Deadline for registration is Friday, November 23. For more information please call the Office for Vocations Promotions at 610-437-0755 or [mserales@allentowndiocese.org](mailto:mserales@allentowndiocese.org).

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**The Lord sits as King forever.  
The Lord will bless his people with peace.**  
Ps 29 (28): 10-11

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The Diocese of Allentown Commission for Women is sponsoring a **Christmas Novena for Bishop Schlert** and his intentions. The novena begins on December 8<sup>th</sup> and concludes on December 16<sup>th</sup>, 2018. Anyone can participate. A card

will be presented to the Bishop, including the names of all those who enroll. To sign up to receive the daily prayer in your email in-box, go to <http://allentowndiocese.org/BishopNovena>. For questions, contact 610-289-8900 ext. 2021 or e-mail [cfw@allentowndiocese.org](mailto:cfw@allentowndiocese.org)

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**Behold, he is coming amid the clouds,  
and every eye will see him,  
even those who pierced him.  
All the peoples of the earth will lament him.**  
Yes. Amen. Rv 1: 7



**The Lighting of the Advent Candle:**  
 Volunteer families will be needed for all weekend Masses during the Advent Season. The volunteer family would come forward during the blessing of the Advent wreath (done in the beginning of Mass) and light the Advent candle for that particular weekend. If interested in having your family participate, a sign-up board is in the main vestibule of Church. For more information, please

contact Mr. Patrick Sandt at [SacredHeartMusicMinistry@gmail.com](mailto:SacredHeartMusicMinistry@gmail.com) or call the Rectory at 610-865-5042 ext 4.

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**Gospel Alleluia Verse...** Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the kingdom of our father David that is to come! Mk 11: 9, 10

The **Gospel Alleluia Verse** repeats the words proclaimed by the crowd in Jerusalem on Palm Sunday. They acknowledge Jesus as one who is sent by God and who is to be king of the nation and of our hearts.

**Prayer for More Vocations:** O Holy Spirit, Spirit of wisdom and divine love, impart Your knowledge, understanding, and counsel to youth that they may know the vocation wherein they can best serve God. Give them courage and strength to follow God's holy will. Guide their uncertain steps, strengthen their resolutions, shield their chastity, fashion their minds, conquer their hearts, and lead them to the vineyards where they will labor in God's holy service. Amen.

• The **"Prime Time" Christmas Party** will be on Wednesday, December 19<sup>th</sup>, at the Green Pond Country Club.

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**Parish Upcoming Events:**

**November:**

- 24: K of C "5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Rosary": Before 5:00 PM Mass
- 25: K of C "5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Rosary": Before every Mass
- 26: No CCD
- 27: Choir Practice: 7:00 PM ~ Church
- 29: Choir Practice: 7:00 PM ~ Church

**December:**

- 1: "Tricky Tray": 11:00 AM – 7:00 PM  
~ Father King Memorial Hall ~
- 2: "Tricky Tray": 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM  
~ Father King Memorial Hall ~
- 3: CCD: 5:00 – 6:00 PM ~ School
- 4: "Tricky Tray" Winners ~ Pick-up  
~ Father King Memorial Hall: 12 Noon – 6:00 PM ~  
(use door in lower parking lot by dumpster)
- 4: Choir Practice: 7:00 PM ~ Church
- 6: Choir Practice: 7:00 PM ~ Church

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**Saint Nicholas Day...** All children of the parish are invited to bring a shoe to Mass on December 1/December 2 and place it by the altar rail. Hopefully, Saint Nicholas will stop here on his Feast Day on December 6<sup>th</sup> and fill the shoes with a few surprises!



**Tricky Tray 2018** will be held in the Father King Memorial Hall on Saturday, December 1<sup>st</sup>, from 11:00 AM to 7:00 PM and on Sunday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>, from 9:00 AM to 1:50 PM. Drawings begin at 2:00 PM on Sunday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>. You need not be present to win!

Winners will be notified by phone on Monday to come to the Father King Memorial Hall to pick up your winning **Tricky Tray** on Tuesday, December 4<sup>th</sup>, between 12 Noon and 6:00 PM. (use door by dumpster in lower parking lot)

**Come out and enjoy:**

**GOOD FOOD and GOOD CAMARADERIE!**

Tickets are available for purchase on day of event:

- **"Regular Table"** : 1 Sheet of 25 tickets: \$5
- **"Big Table"**: 1 Ticket-\$3; 3 Tickets-\$7; 7 Tickets-\$15  
 >> You must put name and phone number on ALL "BigTable" Tickets, including pre-ordered tickets..... bring your address labels ☺
- **"Super Big Table"** : 1 Ticket-\$5; 3 Tickets-\$12; 7 Tickets-\$25  
 >> You must put name and phone number on ALL "Super Big Table" Tickets, including pre-ordered tickets..... bring your address labels ☺

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▶▶ **Sunday, November 11<sup>th</sup>, Weekly Envelope: \$6,800** ◀◀

God Bless You and Thank You for your generosity!  
 Your contributions are deeply appreciated!

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**Service of the Nativity: A journey from Advent to Christmas...** On Sunday, December 16<sup>th</sup>, at 6:00 PM, our parish community will be holding the 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Service of the Nativity. This is a beautiful service to help us prepare spiritually for the coming of the Christ Child

on Christmas. The focus of the service is our parish nativity scene which is prepared throughout the service as we participate through song and reflection of readings.

- ALL families are invited to bring a piece of your own personal manger to have blessed.
- A blest ornament will be given to everyone in attendance to take home and place on your own Christmas Tree to help make the connection between your family and the parish family.
- Light refreshments will be served afterwards in the Father King Memorial Hall.
- All are invited to attend this beautiful service as we journey from darkness to the light of Christmas in the birth of our Savior, Jesus Christ.
- Volunteers needed to help assist in this service:
  - carrying one of the statues of the manger
  - lighting one of the candles from the advent wreath
  - serving as a narrator
  - assisting with lights
  - handing out programs
- A total of 20 volunteers are needed to make this possible.

• For those wanting to be a part of this beautiful event, contact Patrick Sandt through email [SacredHeartMusicMinistry@gmail.com](mailto:SacredHeartMusicMinistry@gmail.com) or the Rectory Office 610-865-5042 ext 4.





**Sanctuary Lights...** Candles can be lit for 7 days (Saturday to Saturday) on the High Altar of the Tabernacle, Blessed Mother Altar, St. Joseph Altar, St. Anthony, St. Jude, and Sacred Heart of Jesus. The Sanctuary Candles can be lit for any intention, death remembrance or anniversary, birthday, wedding anniversary, thanksgiving for blessings from God, for those who are ill or having surgery, or any special intentions which someone would like special prayers for.

To have one of these Sanctuary Lights lit, drop a little note in the collection basket marked "Sanctuary Lights". A donation of \$12.00 is asked. The intention will appear in bulletin, unless directed not to.

**Blessed Mother Altar:**

- For Healing of Body, Spirit, Soul, Mind and Heart of my Adult Child
- Special Intentions for my wife Anne Ardinger  
By: John C. Ardinger
- ✠ In Loving Memory of the 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary of Eternal Life for My Beloved Husband Dick  
~ With Love, Betty~
- ✠ In Loving Memory of Richard C. Rutledge, Sr. on the 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary of Eternal Life  
By: Diana, Tim, Justin, Rick, Karin, Nathaniel and Penny
- ✠ In Loving Memory of Andrew and Josephine Zawadzki  
By: Daughters and Families

**St. Jude:**

- Special Intentions for the Spiritual Healing of Mind and Heart of my Granddaughter

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**"Beautiful Savior"...** The Cathedral of Saint Catharine of Siena – 1825 West Turner St. Allentown 18104 will be holding their Annual Cathedral Christmas Concert on Sunday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>, at 6:00 PM. This concert will feature all the choirs of the

Cathedral, including Cathedral Choir, Living Word, Angelorum and our Diocesan Choir. There will be readings, prayers, instrumentalists and voices all raised in worship of *Our Beautiful Savior*. Please begin your Advent enjoying the 'reason for the season'. There will be a free will offering for a family in need in the Lehigh Valley. Carolers will greet you as you enter. We hope to see you there!

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O sing a new song to the Lord;  
sing to the Lord, all the earth.  
O sing to the Lord;  
bless God's name.

Proclaim divine salvation day by day.  
Tell among the nations God's glory,  
Divine wonders among all the peoples.

Ps 96: 1-3

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**Baked Goods Are Needed for TRICKY TRAY 2018...** Please bring your baked goodies to Father King Memorial Hall on Saturday, December 1<sup>st</sup>, before 10:00 AM or Sunday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>, before 8:30 AM.

**YOUR BAKED GOODIES ARE GREATLY APPRECIATED!  
THANK YOU!**



**Sacred Heart Memorial Society...**

Those who are enrolled in the Memorial Society will have their names written in a special book. The Memorial Book will be on display by the St. Joseph Altar. An intention will also be included in the Sunday petitions for those enrolled in the Memorial Society. All donations from the Sacred Heart Memorial Society will be

used for the purchasing of items needed to celebrate the Sacraments. Suggested offering is \$20.00.

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**"Jesus Christ, King of the Universe"**

(Reflection of today's Gospel: Jn 18: 33b- 37... by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson)

Last spring, millions of Americans watched a wedding on TV. Certainly not one at their local parish, but decidedly one not to be missed. On that bright day, at St. George's Chapel at Windsor Castle, Prince Harry of England married Meghan Markle of the United States. Immediately the groom became a husband, and a little later the bride became a duchess. All of this celebrated with the trademark British pomp and ceremony.

Isn't it ironic that we citizens of what the British once called a "colony," and whose ancestors fought the same British to be independent, should even to this day be fascinated by the royals? We Americans would never want a king living in our White House. We would strenuously resist any occupant of said house who would dare to act the monarch.

That said, we should have no problem with a royal title given to Christ our Lord because He is certainly a king of a different order. He wants only to rule our hearts and minds, which is His right as being the Creator who brought us into existence from nothing out of love.

The dramatic scene from John's gospel finds a battered and bruised Jesus standing resolutely before a puzzled Pilate who is caught between his better self and a frenzied faction of truth haters. With no crown but a hideous circle of thorns on His sacred brow, Jesus tells the governor the truth that He is indeed a king. But one whose kingdom is "not here." Jesus' eyes are sunk in dark circles, tired from lack of sleep, hunger and abuse of all kinds. Yet His voice is strong as He answers. John has done a fine job of letting us realize that it is Pilate who is really on trial. Little does the poor pagan know that in due time their roles will be reversed.

For you and me, this King Jesus is many realities. Omnipotence is a major one, except for one small item that He has left under our puny power and control. It is our hearts. There He can rule only if we let Him.

Imagine now if, by some twist of time, we were allowed to stand next to Pilate that day. Not knowing what we do now, but only what we saw and heard by having followed Jesus these last three years, we too would be facing a tough decision. Would we speak up in His defense? Would we let it be known by all that we believe in Him? An interesting question, especially when a few days from now we will gather around festive food tables to thank Him officially as a nation and privately as believers for all that we have received.

Come to think of it, our Church, which we still love despite its faults and weaknesses, does ask us to stand up for Jesus. Not literally of course, unless that too is asked of us. When we do, we are acknowledging that He is the Way, the Truth and the Life. You know, whenever we do that, somehow or other we too become quite royal.

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- ➤ What we honor today – The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, is not some divine version of a golden-crowned, ermine-robed BBC monarch, but Christ in the many impossible roles he took on for love and love's sake alone: *Only Begotten Son, Lamb of God, Wonderful Counselor, Prince of Peace, Savior of the World, Lord of All That Is and Ever Shall Be.*