

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CATHOLIC CHURCH

Pastor Fr. Roger Abadano

Deacon Robert Kruse

Our Lord, Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

November 22, 2020

Our Mission Statement: St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Community strives to be an instrument of peace and love in Amherst County through fellowship in the Eucharist and service to the poor, the youth, the stranger and the un-churched, in cooperation with other Christian churches.

Readings

Reading I: Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17/160

Psalm: 23:1-2a, 2b-3, 5-6

Response: "The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want."

Reading II: 1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28

Gospel: Matthew 25:31-46



Mass Intentions

Sat., Nov. 21 +Caroline Vroman req. by Ginger Graffeo

Sun., Nov. 22 +Martin Byrne req. by McFadden Family

Wed., Nov. 25 +Deceased members of Norma's family req. Norma Heinemann

Prayer List

WE PRAY TO THE LORD...Becky Baudaillier, Maria Brabo, Honey Furfaro, Jennifer Furfaro, Carolyn Greaves, Jerry Harambasic, Christine Horwege, Tom Hunnicutt, Brian Miles, Gene Onestinghel, Parker Onestinghel, Pat Onestinghel, Lori Ann Pompie, Marti Sanita, Rick Shoman, Cochise Suarez, Claudia Szarnicki, Angus Topfer, Kevin Williams and Tillie & George Winfield. **LORD HEAR OUR PRAYERS.**

Stewardship: Nov. 14 & Nov. 15: \$1,020.10 Military Service Collection: \$10 All Saints: \$10 Parish Partnership: \$10

Solemnity of Our Lord

The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, formerly referred to as "Christ the King," was established by Pope Pius XI in 1925 as an antidote to secularism, a way of life which leaves God out of man's thinking and living and organizes his life as if God did not exist. The feast is intended to proclaim in a striking and effective manner Christ's royalty over individuals, families, society, governments, and nations.

Today's Mass establishes the titles for Christ's royalty over men: 1) Christ is God, the Creator of the universe and hence wields a supreme power over all things; "All things were created by Him"; 2) Christ is our Redeemer, He purchased us by His precious Blood, and made us His property and possession; 3) Christ is Head of the Church, "holding in all things the primacy"; 4) God bestowed upon Christ the nations of the world as His special possession and dominion.

The Mass also describes the qualities of Christ's kingdom. This kingdom is: 1) supreme, extending not only to all people but also to their princes and kings; 2) universal, extending to all nations and to all places; 3) eternal, for "The Lord shall sit a King forever"; 4) spiritual, Christ's "kingdom is not of this world." — Rt. Rev. Msgr. Rudolph G. Gandas

St. Francis News and Notes

- ⇒ If you wish to purchase a poinsettia in memory or honor a loved one, there is a sign up sheet in the narthex. Cost is \$15 per plant and checks should be made out to St. Francis of Assisi.
- ⇒ Father will bless at Thanksgiving Mass a food item (except for turkeys) that you are serving at your dinner.
- ⇒ **November 26 (Thanksgiving) - Mass will be offered at 12 pm.**
- ⇒ Collection envelopes and Advent booklets are ready for distribution. See the table in the narthex.

Holiday and Holy Day Masses

Nov. 26 (Thurs.) 12 pm-Thanksgiving Mass
Dec. 8 (Tues.) 12 pm Mass-Immaculate Conception
Dec. 16 (Wed.) 1:05 Mass-Advent Reconciliation
Dec. 24 (Thurs.) 4 pm-Christmas Eve Mass
Dec. 25 (Fri.) **8 am**-Christmas Day Mass
Jan. 1 (Fri.) 12 pm-Motherhood of Mary Mass

These masses are **in addition** to our Wed., Sat., and Sunday masses.

Ministry Schedule

11/21 Saturday

Altar Server-Patti Highley
Camera-Karen Baxter
Lector-Shirley Kanthack
Welcome-Cindy Burns

11/22 Sunday

Altar Server-Marlene Swift/Matthew Pietsch
Camera-Patti Highley
Lector-Maureen Chesney
Welcome-Sandy Brown

11/26 Thursday

Altar Server-Patti Highley
Camera-Karen Baxter
Lector-Joann Thompson
Welcome-Cindy Burns

November Birthdays

Tom Simonetti	2
Rebecca Grey	2
Madison Luther	2
Regina Rice	8
Marilyn Gilbert	11
Timothy McGarry	14
Matthew McGarry	16
Niall Furlong	19
Deborah Walker	19
Sharon Simonetti	20
Garold Cockerham	21
Gail Curtin	24
Elizabeth Douthat	28
John McFadden	29



Mass Times: Sat., 5:00 pm; Sunday 8:00 am; Wed. 1:05 pm **Reconciliation:** Sat., 4:30pm –4:50pm

Office Hours: Tues. 11:00-3 pm; Wed. 1:00-3:30 pm; Fri. 11:00-3 pm **Office phone:** 434-946-2053

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