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November 20, 2022—Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe



OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

He said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." He replied to him, "Amen, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise."
- Lk 23:42-43

Illustration of the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Jesus Christ—The Once and Future King

Today we celebrate Christ as King of the Universe. This ancient title was acknowledged liturgically in 1925 by Pope Pius IX. The horrors of WWI and of the Mexican Cristero War showed how all humanity needs Christ to reign not merely in a future eschatological sense (reigning at the end of time after the Second Coming of Christ), but also *reigning in the hearts and minds of all people even today.*

This kingship is won, as St. Paul tells us, by Christ's willingness to empty himself to take on "the form of a slave" (cf. Phil 2:8-9). The Son emptied Himself to step down among humanity and take on human nature; then He allowed Himself to be obedient to the Father even to ascending His throne of the Cross. For all this, St. Paul says, the Father exalted Him and gave Him a name above all names. He reigns at the Father's right hand from the time of His Ascension—including this era of the Church.

If we wish to have peace, we are called to embrace His rule in all things—even those things that are unpopular in our society. Today we both witness to and consecrate humanity to Christ so that those who govern and those who are governed recognize that in obedience to Him, we find the cause of true peace.

¡Viva Cristo Rey! — Long Live Christ the King!

This Week at Church of the Good Shepherd

- This Weekend** 2nd Collection — DPRF/CRS
- Monday** Adult Bible Study, 7-8:30, Parish Hall
CGS I, II : 5-7PM
- Tuesday** CGS III, 6-8 PM
- Wednesday** Choir Practice, 6:30 PM, Church
- Thursday** Thanksgiving Day Mass
- Next Weekend** Advent Begins
- Next Sunday** Rosary, 9AM



Thanksgiving Day Mass 9:00 AM

Start your Thanksgiving Day with the banquet of the Eucharist.

Thanksgiving Offertory Collection will be given to Love Basket to provide food for those in need (envelope in packet). We will be collecting non-perishable foods for Love Basket.

There will also be Mass on Friday, Nov. 25 at 8:30 AM

The Parish Office will be CLOSED Thursday, Nov. 24 and Friday Nov. 25 for the Thanksgiving Holiday.

Office Hours:

Mon—Thu: 10 AM—4 PM
Friday: 10 AM—12:30 PM

Mass Schedule:

Saturday Vigil: 4:30 PM
Sunday: 9:30 AM
Weekdays: See schedule inside

Reconciliation:

Saturday 3:30 PM,
Monday 5—6 PM during Holy Hour,
and by appointment.

Masses and Candles — Week of 11/20

Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe (Wh)

2 Sm 5:1-3/Col 1:12-20/Lk 23:35-43

Saturday, November 19

4:30 PM | Julia Mlinarich by Gary & Dana Mlinarich

Sunday, November 20

9:30 AM | All the Deceased of Good Shepherd Parish

Monday, November 21, The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Gr)

Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5/Lk 21:1-4

5:00 PM | Holy Hour (Adoration); Confessions

6:00 PM | Scott Rickert by Theresa & William Mueller

Tuesday, November 22, St. Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr (Wh)

Rv 14:14-19/Lk 21:5-11

8:30 AM | James Bernard by Joseph & Brenda Arone

Wednesday, November 23, St. Clement I, Pope and Martyr; St. Columban, Abbot; USA: Bl. Miguel Agustín Pro, Priest and Martyr (Rd/Wh/Rd)

Rv 15:1-4/Lk 21:12-19

NO MASS

Thursday, November 24, USA: Thanksgiving Day; St. Andrew Dũng-Lạc, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs (Wh/Rd)

Rv 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9a/Lk 21:20-28
(or readings for Mass "In Thanksgiving to God")

9:00 AM | Special Intention

Friday, November 25, St. Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin and Martyr (Rd)

Rv 20:1-4, 11—21:2/Lk 21:29-33

8:30 AM | Veronica Painter by Good Shepherd Choir

Saturday, November 26, Weekday (Gr)

Rv 22:1-7/Lk 21:34-36

3:30 PM | Confessions

First Sunday of Advent

Is 2:1-5/Rom 13:11-14/Mt 24:37-44

4:30 PM | Julia Mlinarich by Daughter

Sunday, November 27

9:30 AM | All the Deceased of Good Shepherd Parish



Good Shepherd Candle is lit in memory of **Julia Mlinarich** by Gary and Dana Mlinarich

Blessed Mother Candle is lit in memory of **Bertha Bodnar** by Marty & Mary Tressler

From Fr. Matthew's Desk

K of C "Coats for Kids" Project—As

we near the holiday season, it is important for us to remember those most in need. The Knights of Columbus provide new coats for children and teens in need. **If you know of any child who needs a coat this winter, please contact Norb Rayko, Jim Pencola, or Fr. Matthew with a coat size.** The Knights can either purchase a coat or reimburse you for purchasing a coat.



If you know of anyone else in need of a coat, please also contact us—we will always help to ensure they have one.

Socks for Veterans—After speaking with Fr. Willie, I feel confident about reemphasizing our collection of socks for homeless veterans. He has reconnected with the shelter in Clearfield County, so all socks collected will make their way to the veterans who need them. This shelter serves homeless veterans from all over Western PA, giving them a place to live and essentials to help them transition back into normal life; since socks are such an important necessity, the shelter seeks to have at least 7 pairs of socks for each resident veteran.

The collection basket is in the Narthex under Bishop Kulick's photo.

Parish Annual Report—Please keep an eye out for our Parish Annual Report called "Uplift our Faith Community." This report will detail how we as a community of faith are answering God's call through our ministries and outreach. It also provides an update on our capital improvements, latest parish statistics, and financial information. Our Parish Annual Report demonstrates how your weekly gift supports our work to help all encounter Christ.

Pierogi Available—We have bags of pierogi available for the upcoming holidays. They are always available during regular office hours—be sure to get them for Thanksgiving and Christmas!

Sarris Candy—If you missed ordering your candy, it can still be ordered online using the instructions in the letter included with the order form. Online orders are shipped to your home

Candy ordered using paper forms will be available at the Church on December 11; Money Due Dec. 18.

Parish Staff and Directory

- Rev. Matthew J. Morelli, *Pastor*,
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- Mr. Paul Romanchick, *Director of Maintenance*

Faith Formation News:

Women’s Bible Study: You can still join our Thursday Evening Women’s Bible Study. Contact Denise Pencola so books can be purchased.

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) Schedule:

Sundays: November 20, 27
Tuesdays: November 29

Items Needed—We are still looking for TV tables to be used in our 3rd level CGS Atrium. If anyone has these and would be willing to donate them, it would be greatly appreciated.

Holly Berry Fair Dec. 2-3 at

St. Mary, Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish, Kittanning

St. Mary, Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish, Kittanning, will hold a Holly Berry Fair Friday and Saturday, Dec. 2 and 3, from 9 a.m. -6 p.m. in the parish hall. The event will include theme basket and cash raffles, a bake sale, and sales of Christmas greens, used Christmas items, and soup and bread. Bingo will be played both days from noon-2 p.m. with lunch available. On Dec. 3, breakfast with Santa will be served from 9-11 a.m. (RSVP only, dine-in or takeout) and a rigatoni dinner (\$11) will be served from 3-6 p.m. (no preorder required). Information: www.stmarykittanning.org or 724-548-7649.

Grandparents Raising Grandchildren hosts monthly meetings

An increasing number of grandparents are unexpectedly thrust into the role of being the primary caregiver for children in need of family members (other than their parents) to provide a home due to opioid abuse, alcoholism, incarceration, divorce, child abuse or other reasons. One in 10 grandparents (often on fixed incomes) have been the primary support of a grandchild at some time in their lives. Our churches are concerned and are putting our faith into action through Grandparents Raising Grandchildren, an ecumenical social outreach mission of St. Cecilia Parish, Whitney, Sacred Heart Parish, Youngstown, and Trinity Lutheran Church, Latrobe. Monthly meetings offer grandparents useful information and time to interact with one another, which can serve as a form of venting or therapy. A hot dinner and child care are provided. For information, call 724-423-3777 or 724-537-7358.



St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store, 4th St., Indiana



Christmas clothing is BOGO this week at the St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store in Indiana. Located in the BiLo Plaza on N. 4th Street, store hours are Monday thru Saturday from 10am to 2pm with donations accepted at the back door from 10am to 1pm (as space permits).

Please continue to watch for further information in the bulletin and on Facebook (@SVDPIndianaPa).

To request assistance from SVdP, please call the SVdP hotline at 724-471-2210

Stedry Vecer Dec. 4 at Christ Our Shepherd Center, Greensburg

The George Onda District of the First Catholic Slovak Union invites you to its beautiful annual Stedry Vecer Sunday, Dec. 4, beginning with Mass at 2 p.m. in Christ Our Shepherd Center’s St. Joseph Chapel, Greensburg, celebrated by Bishop Larry J. Kulick. The Pittsburgh Slovaks will perform a Christmas pageant, and a typical Slovak Christmas Eve dinner will follow at 4:30 p.m. with door prizes. Cost is \$30 for adults, \$10 for ages 6-11 and free for ages 5 and under.

For tickets, call Darlene Patty, 724-493-8712, before Nov. 23.

All-day Eucharistic Adoration Nov. 21 at St. James Parish, New Alexandria

St. James Parish, New Alexandria will hold an all-day Eucharistic Adoration Monday, Nov. 21, for the memorial of the presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Mass will be celebrated at 8 a.m. and adoration will begin at 8:30 a.m. Catlyn Baily, Religious Education Director, will host a children’s Holy Hour from 4:30-5:30 p.m. for children of all ages (parents may attend). Benediction will be held at 6 p.m. Everyone is welcome. For information, call 724-668-2829.

Matters of Sexual Misconduct Information

If you have any suspicion about the sexual abuse (or any other type of abuse) of a minor child by anyone — please contact PA ChildLine immediately at 1-800-932-0313. If the alleged abuser is functioning in a parish, school or diocesan position as clergy, religious, paid staff or volunteer you are also requested to contact the Bishop’s Delegate for Matters of Sexual Misconduct after you have called the ChildLine number and made the report. The Bishop’s Delegate may be reached at 724-837-0901, ext. 1221.



Ode to Saint Cecilia by Augustine Institute Radio Theatre

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Parish Stewardship—Weekend of Nov. 12/13

Weekly:	\$ 1,693.00
Monthly:	\$ 532.00
Loose:	\$ 70.00
Children:	\$ 3.00
Catholic Accent	—
Votive Candles:	\$ 79.00
For Improvements to Parish:	\$ 188.00
All Souls	\$ 20.00
Total Income:	\$ 2,585.00
Needed Weekly to Meet Budget:	\$ 4,242.83
Variance Over or (Under):	(\$ 1,657.83)
Fiscal Year-to-Date:	
Collected:	\$ 52,856.54
Needed to Meet Budget:	\$ 84,856.60
Variance Over or (Under):	(\$ 32,000.06)
Diocesan/Other Collections:	
Archdiocese for Military Services	\$ 417.00
Retired Religious	\$ 63.00
Diocesan Seminary/Clergy	\$ 100.00

The Miraculous Story of the Forgotten Catholic Hero of the First Thanksgiving

Most people know the basic story of the first Thanksgiving: the Pilgrims arrived at Plymouth rock, the Native Americans helped them grow food, and they all gathered together in a feast of thanksgiving.

But what most tellings of the story leave out is the crucial role played by **Squanto, the English-speaking Catholic Native American hero.**

Wait, what? Why was there an English-speaking Catholic Native American near Plymouth when the Pilgrims landed? Here's the amazing story.

In the early 17th century, Squanto's tribe came in contact with some of the earliest English colonist in the Americas. He was captured and taught English so he could serve as an interpreter. But in 1614, as he was being transported by John Smith (of *Pocahontas* fame), one of Smith's lieutenants, Thomas Hunt, kidnapped him.

Hunt took Squanto to Spain to sell him as a slave. But some Franciscan friars saw what was happening and saved Squanto. The Franciscans taught Squanto the Catholic faith and he was apparently baptized.

A free man, Squanto wanted to return home, so he went to London to try to get a place aboard a ship going back to the Massachusetts colony. In the mean time, he worked as a shipbuilder and greatly improved his English.

In 1619, Squanto was finally able to return home on a ship led by John Smith. Tragically, upon arrival he discovered that most of his tribe had died of a plague the year before.

It was almost as though God had prepared him perfectly for what happened next: just a year later in 1620, the Pilgrims arrived. They were English Calvinists who were seeking to build a new religious community apart from the Church of England. Little did they know that they would end up being saved by a Catholic!

The Pilgrims had little food and were unprepared for survival in the Americas. Squanto, who spoke great English and had a lot of



Prayer Chain Updates

Gratitude for Improvement:
Denver Kovalcik; Christine Zwald

Please remember all who are on the Prayer Chain in your prayers. Please contact the Parish Office to add anyone new, to notify us that someone should be removed because they have improved, or to notify us they have passed away.

Online Giving Coming to Good Shepherd

Many parishes have online giving options for those who wish to give donations electronically. We have recently set up online giving through Our Sunday Visitor (the same company that prints our envelopes). Look for more information soon!

Don't Forget DLA Late Year Gifts

Although we have reached our Parish Goal for this year's Diocesan Lenten Appeal, please remember that you are still able to give toward the collection until the end of the year. **100% of what is collected for DLA at this phase of the campaign remains in the Parish with no further assessment by the Diocese.**



experience with English culture, reached out to help, teaching them how to grow food in the new landscape. It must have seemed like a miracle to the Pilgrims!

He befriended the Pilgrims and became an important part of their community. At one point, Squanto was kidnapped by another tribe and a team of Pilgrims saved him.

Unfortunately, less than two years after the landing of the Pilgrims, Squanto became sick and died suddenly. Governor William Bradford, one of the pilgrims' leaders, wrote this about him:

“Here [Monomoyick Bay] Squanto fell ill of Indian fever, bleeding much at the nose, which the Indians take as a symptom of death, and within a few days he died. He begged the Governor to pray for him, that he might go to the Englishman's God in heaven, and bequeathed several of his things to his English friends, as remembrances. His death was a great loss.”

This Thanksgiving, say a prayer for the great hero Squanto!

(Original Article from ChurchPop.com; 21 November 2016)

JOIN US FOR OUR 2ND ANNUAL LIVE NATIVITY!

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16 AND SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17 — 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM

Join Parishioners Good Shepherd and Holy Family Parish, Seward,
as we meditate on the Incarnation of Christ through our Live Nativity.

Drive-through, or park and join us for the Live Nativity, Bonfire,
Music by our Parish Choirs, and Hot Chocolate/other refreshments.

See our Website (www.GoodShepherdKent.org),
or Facebook Page (@GoodShepherdKent)
for more information.

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Community and Diocesan Announcements

Indiana Wreath-Laying Ceremonies to Take Place Dec. 5

On Monday, December 5, Knights of Columbus Fr. McNelis Assembly 968 (Indiana 4th Degree Assembly) will conduct wreath-laying ceremonies to honor and remember our veterans. The first ceremony will be at Noon at the Doughboy Statue in Memorial Park, Indiana. Immediately following that ceremony, the Knights will travel to the Veterans' Memorial Wall on the lawn of the Indiana County Courthouse (at approximately 12:30 PM).

Brother Knights are encouraged to attend if possible, and the ceremony is open to the public. Senator Pittman, Representative Struzzi, the County Commissioners, and other dignitaries will be in attendance.

Public Rosary Rally – Saturday, 17 December

Join local-area Catholics in praying a public Rosary on the sidewalk in front of the Indiana County Courthouse, 825 Philadelphia Street, on December 17th at 10 a.m. During the month of December, we will honor the Immaculate Conception of Our Lady and the gift of Our Savior during Christmas.

“He came down into the Virgin’s womb, a womb unstained, unspotted, hallowed by the touch of divine unction.” ~ St Amadeus of Lausanne

The Rally will occur rain or shine, so please come prepared for the weather in modest attire and bring a friend! It will last approximately 45 minutes to an hour. Call/text Marianne 724-717-3278 with any questions. O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to Thee!

Diocesan News: Women’s and Men’s Conferences



Thank you to all who made our first Diocesan Women’s Conference, “Spirited” a great success. Continue to pray for the women who grew in discipleship through this experience.

The next Diocesan Men’s Conference, “The Well: Be Not Afraid” will take place March 25, 2023 at the Christ Our Shepherd Center. For more information visit www.dioceseofgreensburg.org/TheWell

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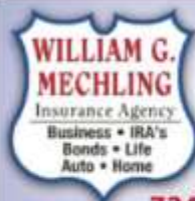


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