

**NOVEMBER
23
2025**

ST. JOSEPH AND ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CHURCHES

THE 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

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MASS SCHEDULE

Daily Mass

Monday & Friday | 8:30 am

St. Joseph

Tuesday & Thursday | 8:30

St Francis

Weekend Mass

Saturday | 4 pm St Joseph's

Sunday | 8:30 am St Francis

10:30 am St Joseph's

Confession

Saturday | 3:15 pm St Joseph's

Sunday | 8 am St Francis

Or by appointment

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Our Mission

We, the Roman Catholic community
of St. Francis of Assisi and

St. Joseph's

are called to live the Gospel message
of Jesus through Hospitality, Worship,
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ST. JOSEPH'S MASS INTENTIONS**Saturday (22)**

Linda Traez +Roberta Dombrowski
 Clara Walendziak +Cassidy Vonsteppina

Sunday (23)

Healing of Mary Ann Izzo +St. Joseph Choir

Monday (24)

+ Healing of Nenita Chvilicek

Thursday (27)

Parish Family of SJ Thanksgiving Day

Friday (28)

+ Jean Balmes Serviano

Saturday (29)

Sophie Motyl +Evelyn Motyl

Sunday (30)

Parish Family of SJ

The red Sanctuary Candle burns all week to remind people of the Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. You can memorialize our candle at either parish for a week for a deceased loved one, a living person or a special intention. The Intention and Donor's names will be published in our weekly bulletin.

The suggested donation for the 7-day candle is \$20.

All submissions must be made at least 2 weeks prior to the week you are requesting to accommodate bulletin printing deadlines. Please call the office for scheduling requests.

ST. FRANCIS MASS INTENTIONS**Sunday (23)**

Viola Bucci +David & Yolanda Gifford
 SF Parish Family

Tuesday (25)

Parish Family of SF

Thursday (27)

Tony, Nancy, Jared Adams

Thanksgiving Day

+By Jim & Katy Ryan

Sunday (30)

Lucille Javino Lambreau

By Margaret Howell

Introduction to the Liturgy of the Day

The kingship of Jesus Christ has been affirmed going back to when Jesus was called the Messiah, but the actual feast was only added to the liturgical calendar one hundred years ago, in 1925. In the wake of World War I, history's first truly global war, Pope Pius XI created the feast as the antithesis of the divisive nationalism that led men to take up arms against their brothers, as well as an antidote to the growing secularism that denied the world's unity under God. One hundred years later and nearly two thousand years after Jesus began his public ministry, we still recognize his kingship over all the earth.

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE:

Not long ago, I was called to a hospital to anoint a woman in her early 80s. She was dying, and visibly in pain. But what struck me most wasn't her suffering — it was the atmosphere in the room. She had eight children and 30 foster kids, and many of them were gathered around her. You'd expect sorrow, fear, maybe even despair. But the room was filled with something else entirely — a quiet strength, a kind of sweetness. It was as if she was suffering not just with them, but for them. And they, in love, were suffering for her. The pain was real. But so was the peace. I didn't want to run. I felt as if I was in a little paradise, beeping machines and all.

I think of that moment when I hear today's Gospel. Jesus, hanging on the cross, doesn't look like a king. But one of the crucified, dying men beside him sees through the suffering and says, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom" (Luke 23:42). That word — remember — literally means to make someone a member again. He's asking to be joined to Christ, to become part of his Body. And Jesus says, "Today you will be with me in paradise." He doesn't say, "I'll take your suffering away." He says, "You will be with me."

Readings for the week of November 23, 2025

Sunday: 2 Sm 5:1-3/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5 (see 1)/Col 1:12-20/Lk 23:35-43

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: Dn 6:12-28/Dn 3:68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74/Lk 21:20-28

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

Next Sunday: Is 2:1-5/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Rom 13:11-14/Mt 24:37-44

Observances for the week of Nov. 23, 2025

Sunday: Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Monday: St. Andrew Dũng-Lạc, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs

Tuesday: St. Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin and Martyr

Wednesday:

Thursday: HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

Friday:

Saturday:

Next Sunday: 1st Sunday of Advent —

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St. Joseph

Pastoral Care:

If you know of someone who is ill & needs to have communion at home or in hospital, please call the office, so a pastoral minister knows to visit them.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Each Monday & Friday after SJ 8:30 am Mass - Pray the Rosary
1st Sundays of the Month - SF - 8 am pray the Rosary
1st Mondays - SF 7:30 pm Knights of Columbus meeting
1st Tuesdays - SF (Apr-Dec) 1 pm Rosary Society Meeting
Each Wednesday - SF 2 pm Prayer Group in John Paul II Hall
2nd Wednesdays - SJ 6 pm Knights of Columbus Meeting
November 27 Thanksgiving Service : SF 8:30am; SJ 10:30 AM
Dec. 5, 2025, Feb. 6, 2026—Adoration at SJ Church at 6:00 PM
Jan. 2, 2026, Mar. 6, 2026: Adoration, SF at 6:00 PM
Jan.31 ~ Filipinos Sponsored Gathering: Mass 11am,
pot luck to follow.
July 16, 17, 18 2026 ~ SJ Annual Summer Festival

Fr. Jun will be in Rome for a Jubilee Year Pilgrimage from Nov. 24th to Dec. 4th (there will be no weekday Masses).

St. Francis

Thanksgiving Food Drive

We will be accepting non-perishable food for our Thanksgiving Food Drive from Nov. 2-16. Items for a Thanksgiving dinner are needed for local residents. Canned vegetables, instant mashed potatoes, stuffing, and canned fruit are specially needed. Drop food off in the vestibule.

The Ecumenical Food Pantry is asking Saint Joseph Church to donate 90 cans of cranberry sauce for the Thanksgiving Baskets.

Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service will be on Nov. 25 at 7:00 PM at the United Methodist Church.



Diocesan Appeal

July 1, 2025-June 30, 2026

"With the light and strength of the Holy Spirit, let us build a Church founded on God's love that proclaims the word and becomes a leaven of harmony for humanity.

"Pope Leo XIV, Inaugural Mass May 18, 2025

Youth Ministry Teen Mass will be on Nov. 30, 2025, 6:00 PM at Holy Trinity Church in Johnstown.

Mass Intentions:

Those wishing to honor a loved one during the celebration of Mass may do so by stopping into or calling the office. Mass cards are available for the living, deceased & for healing; Masses provide opportunities for prayerful remembrance of special occasions.

Thanksgiving Prayer

Lord, we thank you for the goodness of our people and for the spirit of justice that fills this nation.
We thank you for the beauty and fullness of the land and the challenge of the cities.

We thank you for our work and our rest, for one another, and for our homes. We thank you, Lord: accept our thanksgiving on this day. We pray and give thanks through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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your heart is also."
Matthew 6:21*

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| 11/8 & 11/9 | SJ 4 / 10:30 | SF 8:30 |
|------------------|---------------------|------------|
| Attendance | 53/ 124 | 126 |
| Contribution | \$ 980.00/ \$886.00 | \$2,530.00 |
| October e-giving | \$972.10 | \$1,132.25 |
| Poor & Votive | NA | \$47.00 |

LENDING LIBRARY NEWS

ADVENT (1st Sunday of Advent: Nov. 30)
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