



Mass Intentions for the Week

- 11-27 Mon 9:00 AM For the souls of victims of suicide
By Charles & Jean McKilligan
- 11-28 Tues 9:00 AM All deceased parishioners
- 11-29 Wed 9:00 AM Carl Griffith
By Pete & Ellie Robinson
- 11-30 Thurs 9:00 AM For the souls of priests & religious
By Charles & Jean McKilligan
- 12-1 Fri 9:00 AM Communion Service
- 12-2 Sat 4:00 PM Joseph H. Pete III
By Bettye Pete
- 12-3 Sun 10:30 AM Mark Granan
By Lorraine Porter & Jeanne Partaglia

Giving Tree

Giving Tree- St Francis reminds us that “it is in giving that we receive.” Share the joy of giving with a child this Christmas. Please return your gift in a **gift bag or shopping bag** with the **tag attached**. This will ensure that the gift will be distributed to the correct child. Please DO NOT wrap your gift. **ALL GIFT AND DONATIONS MUST BE RETURNED NO LATER THAN SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3.** If you have any questions or for pick up call Pat Smith 607-563-3118.

Little Blue Books

There are Little Blue Books with daily prayers for the Advent and Christmas seasons at each of the exits. Please take one as you leave Mass today.

2024 Calendars



Calendars are available to be picked up at each of the exits after Mass. Thank you to C.H. Landers and Mirabito Energy Products for generously sponsoring our 2024 calendars.

The 2024 Mass Intention book has arrived. If you have specific dates that you would like to schedule Masses, please either call the Parish Office or stop by during office hours. Weekend Masses fill up quickly now that we have one Sunday Mass, please plan ahead!

Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

This Sunday we conclude the liturgical year with the beautiful feast of Christ the King. We climax the church year by reaffirming our belief in the eternal kingship of Jesus Christ and his supremacy over all of creation. We renew our loyalty to Jesus Christ and acclaim him as the Lord of Lords and the King of Kings.

The readings for today’s feast focus on the final judgment scene of a shepherd separating the sheep from the goats. The readings teach us to seek the Lord and his eternal kingdom of holiness, grace, justice, love, and peace in our lives.

In the first reading, the prophet Ezekiel spoke words of hope and consolation to his Jewish brothers and sisters who were exiled to Babylon due to their infidelity to the Lord. While in exile the Israelites were like a flock of sheep scattered and without a shepherd. They felt abandoned by God. The Lord spoke through the prophet Ezekiel to assure his people that he would rescue them from their foes and return them to their homeland. God promised to be their shepherd, to pasture them, to heal their wounds, and restore them to his peace.

The responsorial psalm echoes the message of hope and comfort presented in the first reading. The psalmist says that God is our shepherd and there is nothing we shall want. In verdant pastures, the Lord gives us repose.

In the gospel, Saint Mathew gives us some idea of what the last judgment will be like at the end of time. He tells us that Jesus Christ, the Son of Man, will sit on his glorious throne and all nations and peoples will assemble before him. And Christ the King will judge all of us based on our deeds, on how each one of us brought God’s love and compassion to others.

We are told that Christ the King will separate us like as a shepherd does with the sheep and goats. He will place the righteous “sheep” on his right and the wicked ones “goats” on his left.

The sheep and the goats are metaphors and they depict different kinds of attitude. The sheep represents those who are humble, obedient, calm and sober while the goats stand for those who are stubborn, disobedient, rebellious, and violent.

Jesus Christ wants all of us to be the sheep of his flock. He calls us to live and to love like him, to show compassion and care for others, especially the poor and the less privileged.

He makes it clear to us that whatsoever we do to the least of our sisters and brothers we do it for him.

As disciples, our mission is to be the hands and feet of Christ the King. You and I fulfill this Christian duty when we do well to feed the hungry, to give drink to the thirsty, to clothe the naked, to visit the sick and those in prison, and to shelter the homeless.

Let us ask the Lord to grant us the grace to witness to his eternal kingdom through our good deeds and bring all others to know him and to surrender their lives to his divine majesty.

And may the name of Christ our King be praised and adored in our hearts and lives, both now and forever, Amen!

God bless.

Rev. Dr. Ben

Weekend of December 2nd & 3rd, 2023

First Reading- Isaiah 63:16-17, 19; 64:2-7

Second Reading- 1 Corinthians 1:3-9

Saturday 4:00 PM

- Celebrant:** Fr. Ben
- Lector:** Pat Elbrecht
- Eucharistic Ministers:** Bill Babbage
- Altar Servers** Jack, Henry & Ella Grigoli

First Sunday of Advent

Gospel- Mark 13:33-37

Sunday 10:30AM

- Fr. Ben
- Phyllis Blincoe
- Kathy Saludo
- Quinn & Ayla Gronwall

Offerings of November 18th & 19th, 2023 Regular, \$1,659.00; Fuel, \$185.00; Evangelist, \$33.00; FORMED, \$25.00; All Souls, \$25.00; Immaculate Conception, \$5.00; Campaign for Human Development, \$190.00



November 26th - **NO CLASSES**
 December 3rd - 9:00-10:15 AM PreK-10th grade classes
 4:00 PM Family Advent Reflection Evening

The weekend of November 18th & 19th, 2023 the regular, All Souls and Immaculate Conception collection was \$1,689.00. The budget for the regular collection is \$2,395.00. To date we have collected \$45,419.00 which is \$646.00 above budget.



Diocesan Appeal 2023-2024

Mail solicitations from the Diocese for the Diocesan Appeal have been sent to most parishioners. If you have not received your envelope in the mail or are new to the parish, there are now envelopes at each of the exits. Our assessment for this year is \$14,576.00 which is \$368.00 less than our 2022-2023 assessment. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the Diocesan Appeal and help Sacred Heart to reach our assessment once again!

12 Signs of a Christian in Name Only vs. One Who Lives the Faith

For a nominal Christian prayer is an afterthought, used only in times of crisis. Conversely, a true believer practices constant communication with God, as encouraged in 1 Thessalonians 5:17.
 To be continued next week
 ~provided by guide2Free

Thank You for your prayers, calls and cards supporting me as I navigated a bump in the road of life. God certainly heard and answered all of our prayers. God Bless You, Bob Smith.

Annual Seminarian Fund Collection

The annual Knights of Columbus collection for the Seminarian Fund will be after weekend Masses on December 2nd & 3rd. 100% of the monies collected will go directly to seminarians to help with their personal expenses. Please give generously so that the Knights can continue to sponsor these young men as they strive to become priests.

Rosary Society

We are looking for new members and new ideas for the Rosary Society. We meet the second Tuesday of each month after morning Mass. On December 12th at 12:30 PM, we are gathering for our Christmas brunch. Miguel Dumay will be preparing our meal. We will need your response by December 5th if you plan to join us. Call the parish Office or RaeAnne Lakin at 607-287-6489.

November Bulletin Quotes

“Having received the gift of the Gospel of Life, we are the people of life and a people for life. It is our duty to proclaim the Gospel of Life to the world. To proclaim Jesus is to proclaim life itself. Gratitude and joy at the incomparable dignity of the human person impel us to bring the Gospel of life to the hearts of all people and make it penetrate every part of society.”
 USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities
 “The Gospel of Life: A Brief Summary”

Catholic Campaign for Human Development

Please be generous in this week’s special collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. In the United States more than 11% of the population lives in poverty. Through this collection you support programs that address the root causes of poverty and provide a sustainable future for those struggling across the country. In addition, 25% of the funds we collect remain in our Diocese to fund local anti-poverty projects. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this collection and support those working on the margins. More information about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development can be found at www.usccb.org/cchd.

“Zoom” With Us Into Advent

On Tuesday December 5th, 12th, and 19th from 10:00 AM to noon join us as we take an Advent journey into the New Testament to uncover the portrait(s) of John the Baptist. See the flyer on the bulletin boards for more information.

Annual Christmas Cantata

A Gospel Christmas celebration by a choir of voices from many local churches will be presented at the Sidney United Methodist Church on Friday, December 15th and Saturday, December 16th at 7:00 PM under the direction of Jack Doyle. Please join us for an uplifting celebration of the “Love” of Jesus.

Family Advent Reflection Evening

All Parishioners are invited to a potluck supper followed by a reflection on the season of Advent. We will gather Sunday, December 3rd at 4:00 PM in the parish center.



Please pray for the following people, who have requested our prayers: Gussie Shifflett, Steve Pickwick, Joe LaFave, Ginni Roe, Gabi Bakeman, Bettye Pete, George Mertz, Kimberlee Roe, Grady Charles Weigand, Kevin, Michael Bell, Barbara Bennett, Daniel Rickard, Andre’ Lundstrom, Mark & Andrea, Kim Sumski, Dorothy Kashuda, Alyson Sabillon, Linda Falk, Debra Barnard, Diane, Bonnie La Voie, Doug Williams, Faith Williams, Don Butler, Debra Patterson, Ed Nicol, Dawn Maruszewski, Carey, Madlyn Sumski, Alex Roberts, Paul J. Hamilton, Sr., Ray & Mary Munetz, Jazmers Moore, Bruce Allen, Kimberly Bosket, David Rivera, Jackie Bargher, Matthew Baxter, Darline Smith, Daniel, Joseph Dermody, Alice Anderson, Sandy Kemp, George Walters, Lorraine Keckeisen, Maria LaBar, Kathryn Wickham, Patrick, John McCann, Natalie Stone, Marian Heeps, Mary Kolermous, Clare Sterchak, Terri Cristofaro, Liliana, Nancy Daugherty, Mark Morotwe, Sharon Guenther, Kira Cronk, Terry Yackel, Fr. Hearn, Jack Yackel, Jim Mylotte, Alice Walters, Mariah Pierce, Rev. Steve Deckard, Terry Nicolini, Tammy Byrnes, Nick Gibson, Andy Woods, Bob Jenks, Jane, Dolores Storzinger, Alexis Spencer, Susan Chidester, Ines Warlock, Alyce Hopkins, Bob Oliver, Rose LoCasci, Eugene & Yvonne Cutler, Timothy Bell, Barb Doyle, Ruth Glaum, Tom DeMulder, Holly North, Dixy Pflug, Tony & Lila Donnolo, Stefanie Smith, Celeste Hartman, Aidan Burns, Bill, Alicen Knapp Feroletto, Assunta Siniscalchi, James Jennings, Marge Suriano, Marlena Keath, Marian Agyemang, Frank Holley, Nicholas Gaedeke, Pat Hamilton, Gary Maraia, Rachel Feyh, Mike Andersen, Marge LaFave, Denise Dinato, Joe Maggio, Olivia Ross & family, Anne Terzo, Eric Roll, Barbara Haynes, Jess Johansen, Renee Joseph, Susan Pondolfino, Charlie Washburn, Sean Granan, Marge Ramsey, Beverly Pierce, Fran Groshans, Marion Kiselica, a dear friend, Anne Powell, Father Peter, John Miller, Pat Nabinger, James Stanley, Chris Smith, Marlena, Pat Elbrecht, Dorothy Cronin, Anthony Barber, Jr., Bonnie De Salvo, Lori White, James Rattrie, Danielle Guglielmo, Ellen Reuter, Francis & Alfredine Duguay, Chelsi Byrne, Jaxson Beadle, Joan Rice, Joe Santorelli, Jaime Mathewson, Theo Williams, Joan Barber, Stephanie Saldinger, Eileen Donohue, Rowan DeCocker, Bonnie Tabone, Nancy Peck
Please Note: All names will remain on our list and will be prayed for unless our office is notified to remove an individual.