



**NOVEMBER 21, 2021**

**THIRTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**MASS TIMES**

Saturday: 5:30 pm  
Sunday: 8:30 am  
Weekday Masses at St. Matthew:  
Tuesday and Friday: 7:45 am  
1st Friday: 6:30 pm

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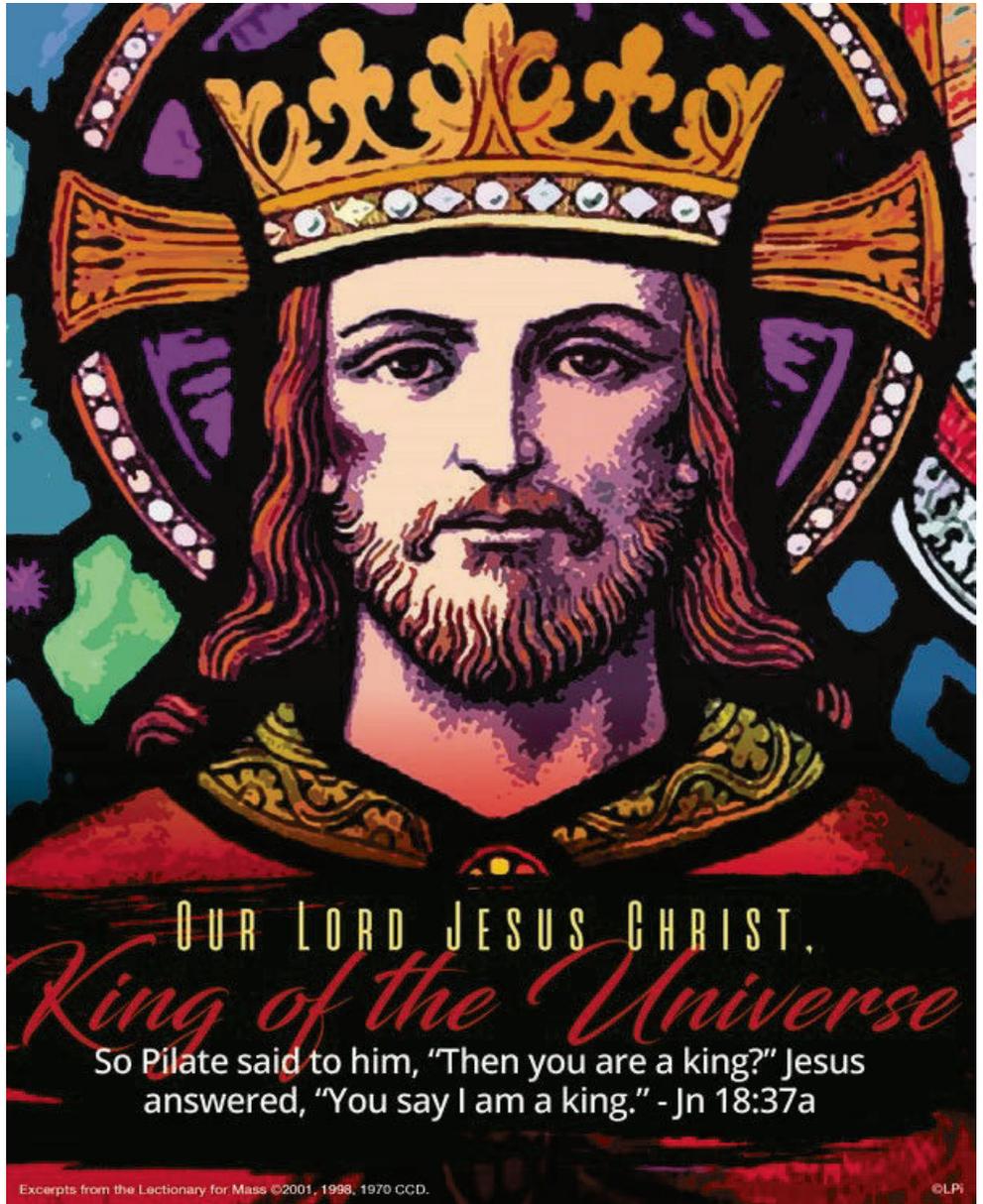
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**BAPTISMS:** A class for both parents is required before the baptism of a child. Call the parish office.

**MARRIAGES:** Registered, practicing members, call the pastor at least six months in advance to make arrangements.

**RECONCILIATION:** Anytime by appointment

**PARISH REGISTRATION:** Forms are available in the vestibule or contact the parish office.

# MASS Intentions

## This Week

Saturday 11/20/2021 5:30pm Patrick Janasiak  
 Sunday 11/21/2021 8:30am Scotty Douglass

## Next Week

Saturday 11/27/2021 5:30pm Angie Vallin  
 Sunday 11/28/2021 8:30am Don Wagner

## ATTENTION LECTORS, USHERS AND EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS!



A schedule to sign up for November is available in the Vestibule, or you may call or email Jen in the Parish Office to be put on the schedule. Eucharistic Ministers will only be needed on weeks when Deacons do not preach. All ministers are asked to please arrive at least 20 minutes prior to Mass. Thank you.

## LECTOR WORKBOOKS

The new *Workbook for Lectors 2022* is available for pickup in the Counting Office in Church, or arrangements can be made with Jen or Heather for pickup in the Parish Office. If you are a current Lector, please pick up your new copy. If you are interested in becoming a Lector, please call the Parish Office. Thank you.



## Remember in Your Prayers

*The Lord is my Shepherd, there is nothing I shall want...*

The Parish community would like to express their sympathy to the family and friends of Ruben A. Serrano, who recently passed away.

**May the Lord welcome him into His kingdom and give strength and consolation to his family.**



## FOOD PANTRY

The North Side Food Pantry that we support is in need of supplies. They are humbly asking us to "come thru again" with these specific items:



- Jelly/Jam
- Dry/instant potatoes
- Soup (no cream of)
- Laundry soap
- Dry pasta (shells, elbow, egg noodles)
- **Saltine Crackers**
- Spaghetti O's
- Pork & beans
- Pancake Syrup
- Pancake Mix

Food may be dropped off in the blue barrel at the Parish Office on Tuesdays and Thursdays between 8:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. If you know anyone who needs food, please send them over to the Food Pantry.

**Additional Food Barrel:** In addition to the barrel being out on Tuesdays and Thursdays, there is now a barrel in the vestibule of church. You can now drop off food on weekends when you come to church.

## HOW TO SHARE YOUR FAITH

Join St. Mary by the Lake and St. Matthew Parishes on December 15th at 1:00 pm or 6:00 pm for How To Share Your Faith: Without Losing your Friends and Family. Both sessions will take place at St. Mary by the Lake. Learn the 5 key steps to witness your Catholic Faith to others without starting an argument. There will even be time to practice this new formed skill following the brief presentation. For more information contact Heather Warner at SMBTL at 262-639-3616 or [hwarnar@stmarybythelake.org](mailto:hwarnar@stmarybythelake.org).

## BREAKFAST WITH SANTA IS BACK!

December 4 9:30-11:00am



Featuring a delightful breakfast of pancakes, sausage, eggs, donuts, milk, juice and coffee. Visit with Santa, make holiday crafts and more! **No cost ~ but a Free will offering is most welcome.** Please RSVP by 12/1/21 at [www.stmarybythelake.org](http://www.stmarybythelake.org) or by contacting the Parish Office. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact the Parish Office.

## CHRISTMAS MEMORIALS

It is that time of year again. Remember or honor a loved one this Christmas with a poinsettia memorial. Pick up an envelope in the vestibule and place it in the collection basket or mail it back to church along with your payment of \$15. **Please return envelopes by December 19th to have names included in the Christmas bulletin.**



*Remember or honor a loved one - living or deceased - or in thanksgiving for the blessings in your lives with a beautiful plant this Christmas.*

## THANKSGIVING EVE LITURGY



Thanksgiving Eve Liturgy will take place on Wednesday, November 24th at 6:30 pm.

The Parish Office will be closed on Thursday and Friday, November 25th & 26th.

## GIVING THANKS



Each year we set aside a day for giving thanks. But after Thanksgiving, we often go back to not giving much thought to thanks. But the Bible tells us to give thanks to God every day of the year.

Here's how:

- **Pray** - "Continue steadfastly in prayer, being watchful in it with thanksgiving," Colossians 4:2 says. Our petitions to God should be punctuated with thanks. So often our prayers can become self-serving. But when we add thanksgiving to our conversations with God, our requests go beyond ourselves and focus more on God.
- **Serve** - "I thank God whom I serve, as did my ancestors, with a clear conscience," 2 Timothy 1:3 tells us. Thanks and service go hand-in-hand when we serve the Lord by caring for the needs of others. We should never consider our acts of kindness a chore. Giving thanks to God for our ability to serve should be our first action item every day.
- **Worship** - "Therefore let us be grateful for receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, and thus let us offer to God acceptable worship, with reverence and awe," Hebrews 12:28 declares. We think of worship as something that only happens on Sundays, but worship can actually take place any and every day of the week. We are not limited to worship in a church. Above all else, worship should begin with gratitude that we are part of the kingdom of God, which is solid and sure.

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## FAITH FORMATION REMINDER

Reminder: There are no Faith Formation classes on November 24th. Classes resume on December 1st.

## ST. MONICA BINGO THANK YOU

Thank you to the following Bingo helpers: Andy Veselik, Karen Veselik, Samantha, Veselik, Drew Veselik, Cecile Slaughter, and Mary Paul.

Thank you to all you donated quarters. Next bingo is December 5th. If you would like to volunteer of donate quarters, please call Lynn Urban at 262-639-9105. Thank you.

## LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

God is wonderfully and surprisingly creative! He turns the tables on our understanding of what it means to be a king by sending us a king who embraces poverty, insults, suffering, ridicule, rejection, and even death. This is our king. Jesus is not the king of prestige or grandeur but the king who brings light to darkness, hope to despair, sinners to mercy, and new life out of death. God dances on, around, in and through all of the silliness and ugliness of the world bringing all of creation to the eternal dance of new life and hope. Whether we accept it now or hope that we one day do, Christ is king of the universe. Christ is the alpha and the omega, the beginning and the end. Every human being, even those who scorned and rejected him and failed to see him in the least of our brothers and sisters will look upon him. Only those who understand truth will understand that we are on this awesome universal journey to Christ. It is a journey of surprises but also a journey of enlightenment when we will one day see and experience with the deepest joy our being in Christ. We will be restless until we are all one day together united in Christ our King.

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## POST-GAME CHALLENGE

It's time to take The Post-Game Challenge! And invigorate your prayer life! Located in the vestibule are double-sided full color Post Game Challenge prayer cards that are designed to help people see how Jesus is alive and working in their daily lives.

Based on the model of how football teams review post-game films to review highlights and diagnose missed opportunities, these cards are a modern take on the traditional Ignatian Examen to help you connect to Jesus and make a new daily game plan for your life.

Take one for yourself and a couple more for your loved ones!

## PARENT/STUDENT CONFIRMATION MEETING



There will be a meeting on Sunday, November 21st at 11:00 am for students who will be confirmed in 2022 and their parents. If you have any questions, please contact Heather in the Parish Office.

## PARISH BOOK PROGRAM

Are you in need of a spiritual boost.... a "pick me up from the pew"? Check out St. Mary by the Lake READS our new Parish Book Program!

This Parish Book Program is designed to reconnect men, women, and families within our faith community - to help engage Catholics and reinvigorate parish life. According to research, each year only 1% of Catholics in America read a Catholic book.

Located in the vestibule of St. Mary by the Lake, is the St. Mary by the Lake READS cart, featuring complimentary copies of great Catholic books. The featured titles are carefully selected to meet people where they are and lead them to where God is calling them to be. Feel free to take a book, and then share it with a friend once you are done!

## VETERAN'S CHRISTMAS 2021



This year, given the changes brought on by COVID-19 along with the changes at the Veteran's Home in Union Grove, our recognition of Veterans will be to those more underserved. This year we are focusing our attention

on the Veteran's Outreach at the Tiny Homes in Racine. We will be providing a holiday dinner on Wednesday December 15th along with small gifts.

The Christmas tree in the vestibule will be up the weekend of November 20-21 and contain the tags for both prepped dishes for the meal and gift cards to be given as gifts to the Veterans. The tags will specify the type of dish to be cooked along with the servings required of that dish. The gift card tags will specify the monetary amount which we ask that the dollar amount is adhered to along with the type of card requested.

Gift cards will need to be returned to the parish office or dropped off in the collection basket no later than the weekend of December 11-12. Food items will be prepared prior to dropping off at the parish office by noon on December 15th.

Thank You in advance for always showing your generosity to our local Veterans.



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