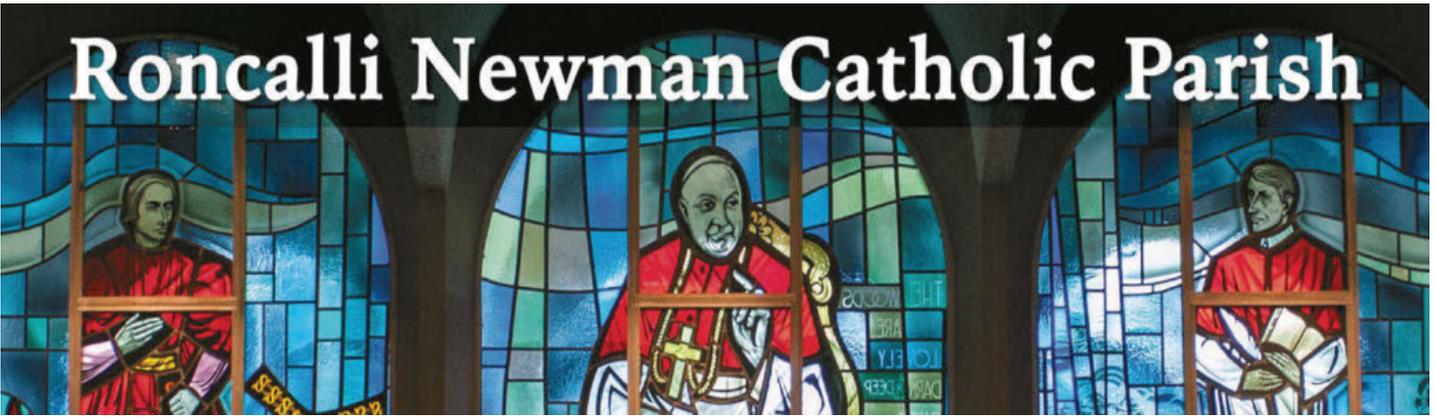
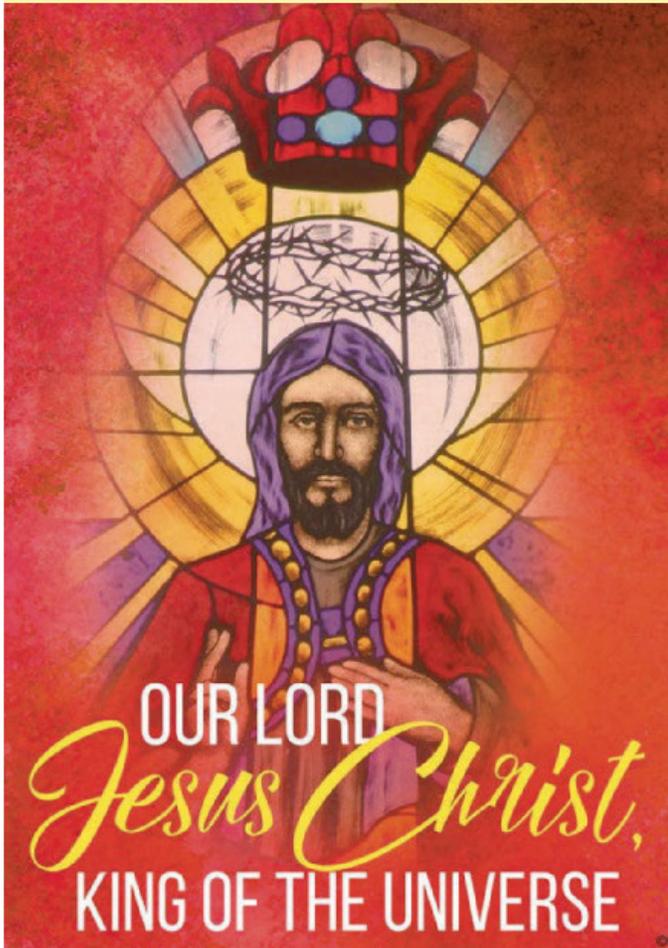


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Saturday 4:00-4:30 pm

(and **Thursday** 6:00 pm & **Sunday** after the 8:30 pm Mass during academic year)

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Monday, Wednesday, Friday | 1:00 am

Tuesday 4:15 pm

Thursday 6:00 pm

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Roncalli Newman Parish is a Roman Catholic community of students of the University of Wisconsin La Crosse and Western Technical College, with their faculty and staff and stationary members from the greater La Crosse area. Our primary mission is to invite the student community at UW-L and WTC to know God in Christ, to enrich their lives through prayer, to promote Christian virtues, and to educate for justice and peace.

New Office Email
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November 21, 2021
34th Sunday

Campus Ministry

If you would like to help with Tuesday, 6 pm dinners, By bringing an entrée, side dish, or dessert, please contact Adele at campusmin@newmanlc.org

Thank you.

Religious Ed

Bulletin November 20/21

No Edge or Life Teen This Week

There will be no Edge or Life Teen on **Wednesday November 24th**. Have a great Thanksgiving!

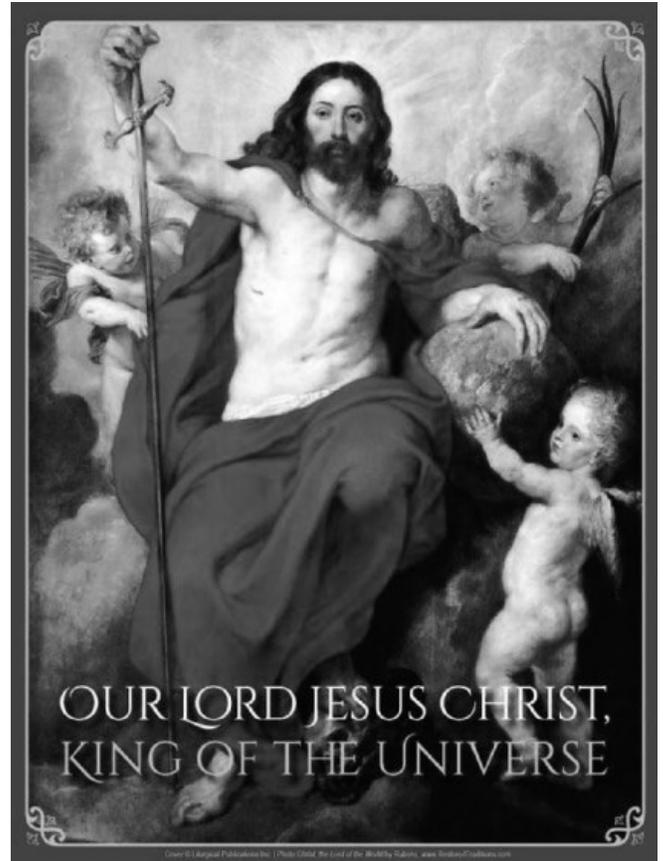
Confirmation Preparation

Out next session for all high school students preparing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation is **THIS Sunday November 21st from 5:00pm-8:00pm at Blessed Sacrament**. Dinner will be provided.

Family Faith Formation

This week families should plan to complete the third (purple) at home lesson, Hope. Also take a look at the Advent activities provided in your packet as Advent starts next Sunday, which also means the start of the new Liturgical Year. Our next Family Faith Formation Sunday will be **December 5th from 12:45pm-2:00pm**.

Message for the 34th Sunday



To Jesus Christ be glory and power forever and Ever! His are majesty and splendor, and his kingdom is everlasting, a kingdom of cosmic dimensions.

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, November 21, 2021

Music & Liturgy

SOLEMNITY of CHRIST THE KING

Roncalli Newman Parish has traditionally celebrated the Solemnity of Christ the King with full brass and choir. We won't have brass this year (because my high brass UW-L players have graduated) but we will have a return of choral singing. A small band of RNP choristers have been rehearsing the past few weeks to sing for the morning Masses! Special thanks to them for making this feast special!!

REFLECTION on WHAT IT MEANS TO BE KING OF THE UNIVERSE

Pope Pius XI instituted the feast in 1925, and it was relegated to the last Sunday in Ordinary Time in 1970. The Church wants to remind us that even in the worst of our circumstances, Jesus Christ remains our ultimate savior.

Fr. John Kavanaugh, SJ, wrote the following piece for the St. Louis University Center for Liturgy. His writing describes the sort of king that the world needs:

Not every image of kingliness is pleasant. Even in better times for royalty, kings have been associated with opulence, money, and reckless appetite. They were distant and unapproachable, high and mighty surrounded by sycophant and jester. Most strutted through time, decked in finery, decorated with trappings and trimmings of grand lordliness. It was the uncommon king who did otherwise.

King imagery is more problematic today, not only because of widespread suspicion of hierarchy and masculine dominance (a lordly word, that). We are also not likely to be drawn to chivalrous virtues. Notions like honor, obedience, duty, and loyalty vex anyone whose highest value is individualism. We love our autonomy. We celebrate choice because it is ours. Doing the will of someone else is another matter.

The godly realm we celebrate on the feast of Christ the King is heavenly, majestic, and worthy of trust. Service? To serve? Servant? Servitude? The words insinuate dominance: dominion, Dominus, Lord.

Grand associations of kingship preoccupy Daniel's dream of the ancient one riding the heavens. The prophet imagines an eternal lord receiving dominion, glory, and service. The psalms, too, sing of regal splendor, a great immovable throne for one majestic and mighty, whose decrees are worthy of trust. Even the words of the Book of Revelation, another dream, portray an absolute ruler, a faithful witness of glory and power, who is "the Alpha and the Omega, the One who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty." This king, however, is a liberator and lover. The lord of history who stands before the throne of God is not a lion. He is a lamb.

A strange king, to be sure. In the fourth gospel's account of the Passion, all of our expectations of kingliness are reversed. The king-servant, who washed his followers' feet, is strangely grand and noble, yet only in his quiet vulnerability and the utter truth of his being. He does not muster armies or amass territories. He just invites, relying on nothing other than our hearts' response.

In answering Pilate, Jesus says that his kingdom is not of this world. It is a kingdom not fought for with old means of warfare. Rather, it testifies to truth. It will not kill for the truth; it will die for it. If Jesus is king, he will be a suffering king. He will not demand ransom. He will be ransom. He will win, not by spilling the blood of others, but by offering up his own.

Over the centuries Christians have had trouble with this new kind of king, so much have we hungered for the earthly assurances of conquest and control. But it is equally true that the centuries have seen men and women who recognized in Jesus a kingliness that summoned nothing less than the loyalty of a free human heart. Something was unlocked in them when they discovered a "lord of life" whose ambition was not to dominate humanity but to save and serve it.

In the meditation on the Two Standards in Ignatius Loyola's *Spiritual Exercises*, we are first presented with the picture of a false king, mounted on a throne of fire and smoke, inciting terror, mustering forces of tyranny to snare all peoples in chains of riches and massive pride.

Christ, on the other hand, standing in a lowly place on the great open plains, is a sovereign, beautiful and bright, who draws men and women into a life of liberation. They will be freed of all false securities, whether spiritual or material. They will be a legion of humility, armed only with truth.

It is this king who in Ignatius's Exercises, before the great meditations on Advent and Christmas, asks of us not quivering fright, but union of hearts. He wants us to enter into his life, as he desires to enter ours. He has come to be with us so that we might be with him. Rather than obsequiousness, this king demands love, the "earnest desire and choice" to be together with him, no matter what.

The human heart will never outgrow its longings for such a promised friend and rule. Something deep rises from within us in the face of its beauty. It awakens a long-lost ache to give everything away, if the cause is only good and true enough. As the old Quaker hymn reminds us: "When Love is Lord of heaven and earth, how can I keep from singing?"

We need not appreciate the images of lord and king. But the godly realm we celebrate on the feast of Christ the King is an alternative kingdom—heavenly, majestic, and worthy of trust. It is a kingdom, indeed, not of this earth, yet brought to earth in the Word of God made flesh.

Ignatius Loyola would have us ponder such a kingdom before we imagine the mystery of the Incarnation. We see at a distance our fragile world of broken promises and broken hearts. We behold sin, our own included, amid the manifold glimmers of grace. We hope.

So it was that C.S. Lewis wrote in a fantasy wonderfully true: the word is out, that the King may land.

It is an appropriate time. So long as human flesh survives, the longing for this alternative kingdom of redeeming love will endure. That is why we will always be ready for Advent.

- John Kavanaugh, SJ

THE WEEK OF November 21, 2021

Sunday, November 21-34th Sunday

Dn 7:13-14/Rv 1:5-8/Jn 18:33b37

9:00 am- Mass (+Tom & Clara Gruba)

11:15 am- Mass /830 Mass

Monday, November 22-Weekday

Dn 1:1-6, 8-20/Lk 21:1-4

No Mass

Tuesday, November 23-Weekday

Dn 2:31-45/Lk 21:5-11 (+Robt & Elanore Gebhart)

4:15 Holy Hour/5:15 Mass

Wednesday, November 24-Weekday

Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28/Dn 3:62-67

Noon Mass (+Robert Kreibich)

Thursday, November 25-Weekday

Dn 6:12-28/Dn 3:68-74/Lk 2:1-20-28

Thanksgiving (+Dave Matheny)

Friday, November 26-Weekday

Dn 7:2-14/Dn3:75-81/Lk21:29-33

Noon Mass (+Joseph Gund)

Saturday, November 27-Weekday

Dn 7:15-27/Dn 3:82-87/Lk 21:34-36

5 pm Mass (+George & Mary Skemp)

Sunday, November 28-1st Sunday of Advent

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

I Thes 3:12--4:2/Lk 21:25-28,34-36

9 am Mass (+Brian Nuske)

11:15 Mass

8:30 Mass

MINISTERS OF THE LITURGY 11/21/21

Readers

5 pm Debbie Clarkin/Judy Kabat

9 am Bill Leonard/Erma Hafner

1115 am Louise Sondag/Vince Hatt

Greeters Lisa Ward

5 pm Mike & Becky Kreiling

9 am Pat Abraham/Rita Richmond

Bobbie & Pat Wilson

1115 am Kathryn Barth/Sean O'Flaherty

Seth Polus/Sandy Sieck

Cleaners

5 pm Volunteer

9 am Natalie Schwinn-Weaver

1115 am Volunteer

Advent Women's Bible Study
Opportunities for Busy Moms

Join a small group working with an Advent devotional, once a week on November 15, Monday, 7-8 pm, in the Newman Library. With the "And He Became Holy" from Blessed Is She, we will recognize our place at the manger, look at our newborn King and right-order our lives in honor of the One Who deserves all the glory. This is not another devotional for your to-do list, this is an opportunity to bring peace and invite you into fellowship with other busy moms this Advent season. If you are interested please contact Kelly Diehl, diehl.kell@gmail.com or , Beth Piggush e21byron@gmail.com
Thanks
Beth Piggush 860-371-0130

Social Justice Announcement

Social Justice will hold its annual bread sale next weekend, November 20 & 21 after all Masses. Traditional whole wheat and French loaves will be available along with an assortment of quick breads for \$10/loaf. Following our new tradition, we invite parishioners to help bake. If interested, bring your contributions to Mass November 20 & 21 and place them on one of the bread carts by each entrance. Proceeds support Newman's Bread for the World Covenant Church Membership and provide help to those in need.
Thank you.

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