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MEETINGS

Baptism
Instruction is required for all parents seeking baptism of their child. Please contact the Rectory.

Care of the Sick
Please advise us of parishioners who are sick that we may keep them in prayer. We would also like to bring the Eucharist to those who cannot celebrate Mass with us in church.

Confidential Prayer Line
To add intentions call Ellen Calamari at 978-660-3818 or the Rectory at 978-464-2871.

Marriage
Interviews, instruction and Pre-Cana are required. Please contact the Rectory at least one year in advance.

Programs

- Adult Bible Study
Please contact the Rectory for class schedule.

- Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting
Wednesdays at 8:00 pm in the Parish Hall.

- Reconciliation/Confession
Saturday 3:45 pm at the church , or by appointment.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Development Committee
978-464-2871

Finance Council
Chairperson: Gerald Gates (978) 464-5636

Education Committee
(978) 464-2871

Liturgical Committee
(978) 464-2871

Evangelization & Outreach Committee
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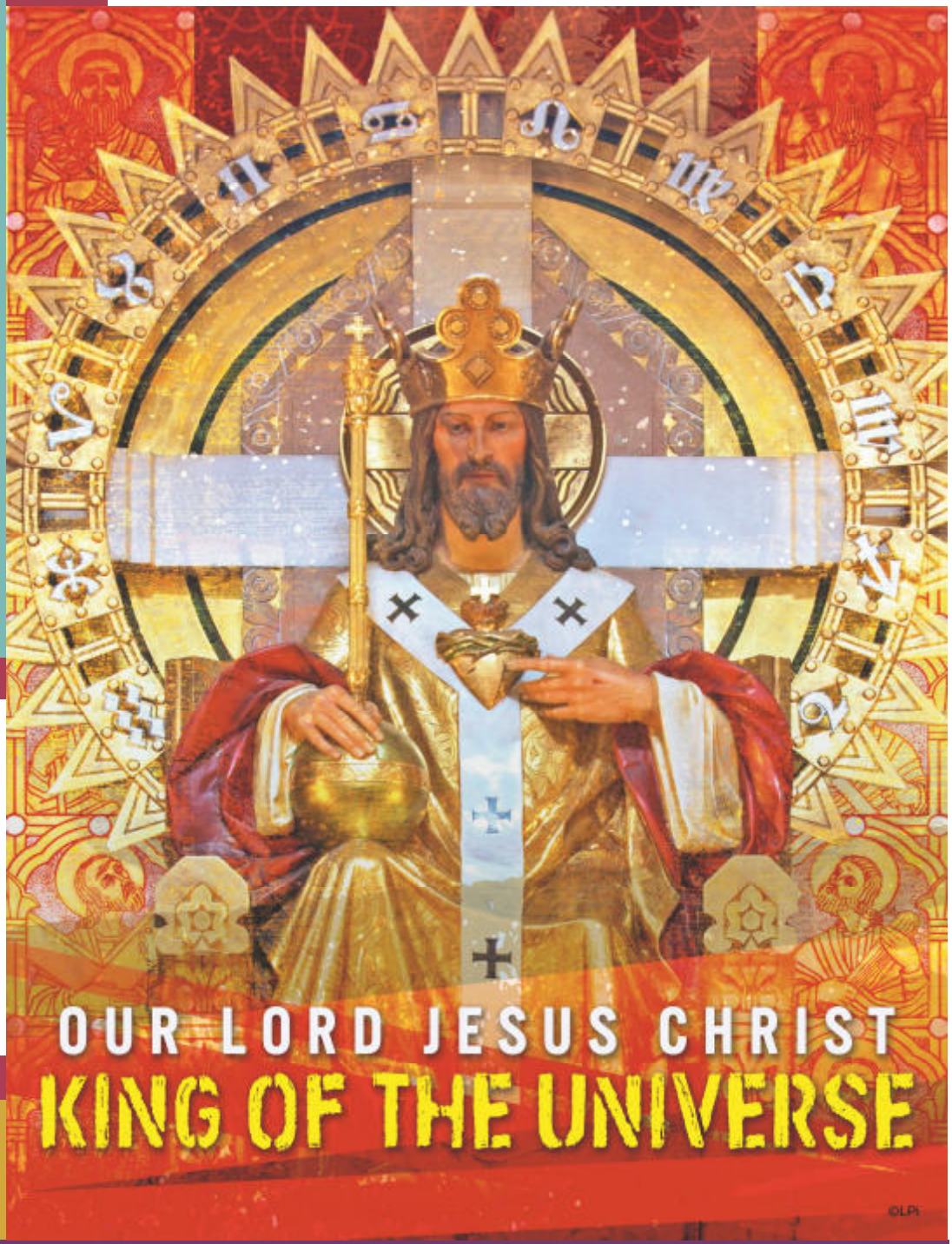
SCHEDULE/MASSES

Monday—Friday..... 8:30 am
Saturday ..... 4:30 pm
Sunday ..... 8:30 & 10:30 am

Holy Days/Feast Day 8:30 am & 7:00 pm

Rev. H. Edward Chalmers, Pastor

STAFF Parish Secretary, Paula Greeley Religious Education Coordinator, Sharon Bushway



Your talents are welcome. We encourage you to call a ministry chairperson to find out more about our on-going programs.

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Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, November 20th
3:45 PM Confessions
4:30 PM Unrequested
Sunday, November 21st
8:30 AM Cecilia & Anthony Laconte and Family
10:30 AM Unrequested
Monday, November 22nd
8:30 AM Unrequested
Tuesday, November 23rd
8:30 AM Unrequested
Wednesday, November 24th
8:30 AM Unrequested
Thursday, November 25th
8:30 AM Mass of Thanksgiving
Friday, November 26th
8:30 AM Petruney Family
Saturday, November 27th
3:45 PM Confessions
4:30 PM Robert Marsh, 1st Anniversary
Sunday, November 28th
8:30 AM Bobby Ovian
10:30 AM Unrequested

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Sunday, November 21st:

Grades 1-6 will meet for class from **9:30 am to 10:15 am** in the Church hall.

Grades 7-10 will meet for class from **7:00 pm to 8:00 pm** at the Rectory.

Confirmation candidates will meet for class from **5:00 pm to 6:00 pm** on the Rectory porch.

CHRISTMAS WREATHS

Princeton's Troop 1 Boy Scouts will be selling Christmas Wreaths at all Masses next weekend, November 27/28.

FINANCE REPORT

Due to the publishing deadlines, the finance report for the weekend of November 13-14 will be published in a future bulletin.

If anyone is interested in serving as a **Eucharistic Minister, or Lector,** please contact Fr. Ed or email the office at princeofpeace@verizon.net.

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

November 21, 2021

Dear Friends,

With this solemnity that we celebrate this weekend, we honor Jesus Christ as our King. May we continue to believe that Jesus graciously offered Himself for our salvation. Through the Lord's passion, death, and resurrection, "we have life in His name" (John 20:30).

The Second Reading for the solemnity of Jesus Christ the King of the Universe begins with an inspiring description of Jesus' role as Lord and Savior. It says, "Jesus Christ is the faithful witness, the first born of the dead and ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood, who has made us into a kingdom, priests for his God and Father, to him be glory and power forever and ever, Amen."

Let us be spiritually inspired by our belief that Jesus is our Lord and Savior. This is our greatest blessing. May we accept the Lord's call to serve Him by being His faithful disciple. In a profound way, may we make the choice for Jesus and His merciful love. Again, with compassion may we share the love of God with all placed in our lives.

I hope everyone has a wonderful Thanksgiving Day. As we celebrate the holidays, may we pray in thanksgiving for the many blessings that God has bestowed upon us. May the love and peace of Jesus fill our hearts. Be well and be safe!

God's love and prayers always,

Fr. Ed

Thanksgiving Prayer

This Thanksgiving, let us remember all the good things, and people, who have come into our lives. We focus on thanking each one who has helped us, and ultimately thank God for the good gifts of this world. Let us pray…

God our Father,
Graciously accept from your humble people
A thankful heart and spirit.
Everything we have and are able to share with others
Ultimately comes from your love of your creations.
Often we think that everything we have
Is our own creation;
We ask you this day to create in us
A spirit of gratitude,
That we may always know
That all good gifts come from you.
We ask this through Christ our brother,
In the power of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Good News!

November 21, 2021
Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe (B)
Dn 7:13-14 / Rv 1:5-8; Jn 18:33b-37

Your Majesty. This is an interesting form of address. It is not really a title like *Queen* or *Lord*. Nor does it identify a function ascribed to royalty, as does *ruler*. It refers to a status of excellence. It belongs to the position of royalty itself rather than the person in that position. Just what is majesty and why do we attribute it to some people? Originally people believed that royal individuals were descendants of the gods. This probably explains the notion of royal majesty. The readings for today's feast show that Jesus turned the ideas of kingship and royal majesty upside down.

The son of man in Daniel was a heavenly being upon whom "dominion, glory, and kingship" (7:14) were bestowed by God. The kingship of this figure is universal and everlasting. In the Gospels, Jesus frequently identifies with this title. When he does so, he is making a claim about his identity. The passage from Revelation depicts Jesus like this son of man, a heavenly being who comes "amid the clouds" (1:7) as "the ruler of the kings of the earth" (1:5).

In the Gospel scene, Jesus is interrogated about his identity. He insists that his kingship springs from love and service, not power and force. It's clear that his royal majesty flows from who he is, not from any political position he might hold. To call him king, as we do with today's responsorial psalm, was a very dangerous political statement for his early followers, for it claimed that Jesus is Lord, not Caesar.

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

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Catholic Campaign for Human Development

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Since 1969, the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) has addressed poverty by attacking its root causes and funding community projects that promote independence as a means of finding a permanent end to poverty. Did you now that 38.1 million Americans live below the poverty line and more than 1.5 million children experience homelessness in a year? Many of these Americans are considered "working poor"—they work but do not make enough money to cover essentials like housing, health care, child care, and food. That's why the CCHD theme is "Help Those on the Margins."

This collection is the primary source of funding for CCHD's anti-poverty grants and education programs. This year, 75% of the collection will stay here in our diocese. *Today I am meeting with our parish and community groups which received 19 local grants from the 2020 campaign, it is always inspiring to see how these small seeds grow into fruitful programs to support the dignity of people who find themselves most often on the margins. During this pandemic, the need has increased dramatically in the many food pantries and emergency assistance programs which receive support from our local CCHD funds.*

Please help the efforts of CCHD to break the cycle of poverty. We are "working on the margins" in Central Massachusetts and across America. ***Support CCHD Collection on Nov. 20 & 21 as a response to the Fifth World Day of the Poor on Nov. 14*** *as called for by our Holy Father, Pope Francis. For more information about CCHD and the scope of poverty in America, please visit www.povertyusa.org.*

With every prayerful best wish, I remain
Sincerely yours in Christ,
Most Reverend Robert J. McManus
Bishop of Worcester

CHRISTMAS FAIRS

St. Joseph's Fitchburg, Christmas Fair, Saturday, **December 4th**, from 9 am to 4 pm, in the church hall.

Mary Queen of the Rosary, Spencer, Saturday, **December 4th,** 8:30 am-2 pm in Church hall.

St. Joseph Parish, Auburn, Saturday, **December 4th,** 9 am—2 pm at Parish Center

St. Christopher Church, Worcester, Saturday, **December 4th,** 9 am—3 pm.

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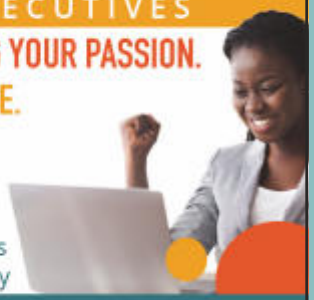

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