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Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

November 24, 2024



May you find Christ here...may you take Christ to the world!

Mass Schedule:

Saturday, 4:00 p.m.

Sunday, 8:30 a.m.

Wednesday, 5:00 p.m.

Thursday, 12 noon

Friday, 9:00 a.m.

Confessions:

Saturdays, 3:00-3:45 p.m.

Weekdays, 30 mins. prior to Mass

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Bulletin Deadline:

Wednesday, 12 noon

Sunday Reflection: Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, is the one who rules over all creation with love and peace. Unlike earthly kings who often rule with power, Jesus reigns from His cross, offering us forgiveness and mercy. His kingdom is not about wealth or armies; it is about bringing love, justice, and hope to all people. Jesus shows us a different kind of leadership—one that puts others first and serves with humility. The title "King of the Universe" means that Jesus is above all things. All creation—everything in heaven and on earth—is under His care. As King, He knows our needs, our worries, and our pains. He walks with us in our struggles and celebrates with us in our joys. His love reaches every part of our lives, from the smallest moments to the biggest challenges.

On this special feast day, we are reminded to make Jesus the center of our lives. When we follow Christ as our King, we choose to live with kindness, forgiveness, and faithfulness. We are called to bring His love into the world by helping those in need, standing up for what is right, and being a source of comfort to others. As we honor Christ as King of the Universe, we also look forward to His promise of a kingdom of peace and joy. One day, He will return, and His love will bring a new heaven and a new earth. Until then, we trust in His guidance and live as people of His kingdom. May Jesus Christ, our King, always reign in our hearts and lead us closer to God.

Readings for Next Sunday,

December 1, 2024

Jeremiah 33:14-16

1 Thessalonians 3:12-4:2

Luke 21:25-36

THE "COMMUNION OF SAINTS"

The "Communion of Saints" is a Catholic teaching that connects all members of the Church — those in heaven, those on earth, and those in purgatory. The Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC) explains that the Church is like one family, with all its members united in Christ (CCC 946-948). We believe that through Jesus, we are connected with everyone who believes in Him, whether they are alive, in heaven, or awaiting heaven.

The Communion of Saints has three main parts:

1. **The Church Triumphant** – These are the saints in heaven. They lived holy lives and now see God face to face. We honor them, and they inspire us to live faithful lives. We also ask for their prayers, believing they can help us, as James 5:16 says, "The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective."
2. **The Church Militant** – This includes Catholics on earth who are still working to follow Jesus and grow in holiness. We pray for each other and support each other on our journey to heaven, as Saint Paul encouraged in 1 Thessalonians 5:11: "Encourage one another and build each other up."
3. **The Church Suffering** – These are souls in purgatory. They are being purified so they can enter heaven. We pray for them, offering Masses and prayers, asking God to have mercy on them. In 2 Maccabees 12:45, the practice of praying for the dead is praised as "holy and pious."

In this way, the Communion of Saints reminds us that we are part of a great family, supporting each other in faith and love across time and space. We believe that all of us — the living, the dead, and the saints in heaven — are united in Christ, helping each other on the journey to eternal life.



Tina Blank, Jennifer Boling, Leslie Bosley, Angela Bowers, Mickey Brooks, Darlene "Bitsy" Brown, Sue Burns, Raymond Clark, Hailey Claire, Linda Davis-Kyle, Palma Devic, Cam Duncan, Bill Fazzalore*, Scott Furey, Barbara Gratto, Sue Greco, Donna Hanlin, Shawn Hartman,

Kathy Jenkins, Sarah Jones, Margie Keister, Sueann Keller-Schwille, Wanda Kinnie, Joanne Knott*, Jeffrey Labonte, Jim Lambert, Pam Launi, Lance Lupis, Betty McAvoy, Paul & Connie Murray, Randy Nairn, Debbie Pappas, Crystal Pollet, Susie Radcliffe, Katherine Revell, Carla Riggleman, Jeff Roth, Margie Roy, Graydon Shade, Helen Shallis, Sparrow Shannon, Esther Shockey, Fran Sommers, Barbara Stanislawczyk, Melissa Stanislawczyk, John Stephen Jr., Michaela Stickley, Bill Stine, Patsy Summers, Stefanie Swanger, Jeremy Taylor, Maleigha Taylor, Courtney Whiteman.

*Resident of Keyser Healthcare Center (135 Southern Drive, Keyser WV 26726)

K of C Holiday Giving Projects Continue



Build your Operation Christmas Child shoebox online! Use the link or QR code below to get started...it's easy!



<https://sampur.se/45Supad>



The Knights will continue to accept donations of new winter coats for Warm the Children through early December. They can be dropped in the Vestibule or the Parish Office.

If any parishioner knows of a local child in need of a winter coat please contact the Parish Office!

Advent Prayer Exchange

You are invited to participate in our Advent Prayer Exchange! The steps are simple:

- 1) **Today**, fill out the card you received from the greeters with your own information and drop it in the offertory basket as you leave.
- 2) **Next weekend**, you will receive a card with someone else's name on it when you come to Mass.
- 3) **Throughout Advent**, pray for the special intentions of the person or family whose card you receive.
- 4) **Just before December 25**, send a Christmas card to the person or family you've been praying for to let them know who their prayer warrior has been!



Happy Thanksgiving

Join us for Mass on Thanksgiving
November 28 † 9 a.m.

There will be no Mass on Friday, Nov. 29.



Doris J. Tetrick

Born into Life
April 1, 1933

Born into Eternal Life
November 16, 2024

Mrs. Tetrick was the mother of parishioners Jane Placka and Kathy Taylor. Please keep them, and all of the Tetrick family, in your prayers.

Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord, and let the perpetual light shine upon her. May Doris' soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

WORKSHOP REMINDER!

Serving the People of God as Ministers and Catechists: what is your role in the liturgy?

Facilitated by Rodica Stoicoiu, Ph.D.

Sunday, November 24, 6-7:30 p.m.
St. Mary's Hall

All parishioners are welcome!



Fr. Thomas will give the Anointing of the Sick to those dealing with chronic illness or impending surgery following both Masses this weekend.

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Date	Time	Intention	Offered by
Saturday, November 23	4:00 pm	The Harber Family	Jean Harber
		Intentions of Dean & Kathy Alt	Mike & Joanne Stickley
Sunday, November 24	8:30 am	Soul of Paula Nield.....	Mary Andrews
Monday, November 25	No Mass		
Tuesday, November 26	No Mass		
Wednesday, November 27	5:00 pm	Intentions of Fr. Thomas and His Family	Sue & Jean Harber
		Living & Deceased Members of the Demasi & Turner Families	Sue & Jean Harber
<i>Thanksgiving</i>			
Thursday, November 28	9:00 a.m.	Souls of Alice & John Kazlo	René & Kevin Trezise
		The Alt, Cobb & Kuh Families	Dean & Kathy Alt
Friday, November 29	No Mass		
Saturday, November 30	4:00 pm	Soul of Mary Balassone	The Regina Kelley Family
		Souls of Gwen & Gina DeMasi	Their Loving Family
Sunday, December 1	8:30 am	Soul of Doris Tetrick	Kelli & Kerri Wittman

Note: There will be no Mass on Friday, November 29.

Join us to pray the Rosary 30 minutes prior to each weekday Mass.



Save the Date!

Parish Christmas Brunch

Sunday, December 15

More details will be shared
in next week's bulletin!
Hosted by the Assumption Ladies Guild

ATTENTION LECTORS

The 2025 Workbooks for Lectors have arrived. Be sure to pick up your copy in the Vestibule. Our continued thanks to each of you for proclaiming God's Word in our parish!

Advent Candle Lighters Needed

Next Sunday, December 1 is the First Sunday of Advent! As you know, we invite families to light the Advent candles at the beginning of each weekend Mass during the season. We will be reaching out to schedule families this week.

Your Faithful Stewardship

November 16-17, 2024

Offertory

Offertory Envelopes	\$2,200
Loose Donations.....	\$253
Repairs & Maintenance	\$10
Total.....	\$2,463

Attendance

Saturday, November 16.....	64
Sunday, November 17.....	130
Total.....	194



Shown here are the Knights of Columbus members who participated in the Keyser Primary School celebration

honoring our local veterans on Veterans Day! (left to right) Mike Landis, Doug Minnich, Dave Dunn, Marion Dorsey and Michael Stanislawczyk. Not pictured but also attending was Denny Dolechek.

Memorial Candles

Those parishioners who have had memorial candles displayed this month can pick those up in the back of the church this weekend so that you can include them in your Thanksgiving celebrations.

VIRTUS Monthly Bulletin

Copies of the VIRTUS (Safe Environment) November bulletin is available in the vestibule. Many of you receive these by email, but we are required to provide paper copies as part of our Safe Environment compliance.

Liturgical Minister Schedule

Saturday, November 30

Lector: Cathy Pardee
Servers: Sue Harber & Paul Bogdan
EMs: Bob Yowler, Karen Yowler (c) & Mere Barrick (c)
Cantor: Julie Alt
Greeters: Kelli & Kerri Wittman

Sunday, December 1

Lector: Pam Williams
Servers: Mike & Rosie Landis, Remy Kuhn, Lucas Dupuis
EMs: Nancy Starcher, Tina Stephen (c), Rosie Landis (c)
Cantor: Linda Marsh

Saturday, December 7 (Knight's Mass)

Lector: Logan Stanislawczyk
Servers: Mike Landis & Paul Bogdan
EMs: Alan Taylor, Jean Harber (c), Janet Corley (c)
Cantor: Linda Marsh
Greeters: Larry & Tammy Dale

Sunday, December 8

Lector: Geoff Newlin
Servers: Tucker Newlin & Jude Barrick
EMs: Mike Landis, Jane Placka (c), Kelley Kuhn (c)
Cantor: Patrick George
Greeters: Michael & Sonja Stanislawczyk

Keyser Healthcare Center EM

November 28 Stacey Rhodes
December 5 Dave Dunn