# A Place to Share God's Word, Faith, Family Life & Fellowship St. Peter Claver St. Pius V Catholic Church – "One in the Spirit"



# The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

November 26, 2023

### **WEEKEND MASSES**

Saturday Vigil 4:00 p.m. Sunday 9:30 a.m.

### **DAILY MASSES**

Mondays 8:00 a.m.
Tuesdays 8:00 a.m.
Thursdays 8:00 a.m.
Fridays 8:00 a.m.

HOLY DAYS TBA

### Religious Education

Elementary & First Communion Sundays: Immediately following Mass

High School & Confirmation  $2^{nd}$ ,  $4^{th}$ , &  $5^{th}$  Sundays -11:00 a.m.

RCIA  $-1^{st}$  &  $3^{rd}$  Wednesdays -7 p.m.  $1^{st}$  &  $3^{rd}$  Sundays -11 a.m.

**Baptism & Marriage Preparation**By Appointment





For visiting our church. We would love to see you again soon!

"Therefore, humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, so that at the proper time he may exalt you. Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares about you.

### PASTOR'S CORNER

"Life on earth is a short trip!! Being conscious of its ephemeral/transitory nature purges us of arrogance, pride, and pomposity!! Enjoy it while it lasts!!"

# **Upcoming Events/Meetings**

November 30 - Health & Wellness Exercise

**December 2** – Hats & Hot Lunches/Extraordinary Minsters Meeting

**December 3** – St. Nicholas Visit/Elementary PREP Class/ Blessed Virgin Mary Sodality Meeting

**December 7** - Health & Wellness Exercise

**December 10** – Holiday Happenings

**December 14** – Health Wellness Exercise

**December 16** – Pastoral Council Meeting/Health & Wellness Meeting

## Weekly Readings

**Sunday:** Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17/ Psalm 23:1-3, 5-6/ 1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28/Matthew 25:31-46

**Monday:** Daniel 1:1-6, 8-20/ Daniel 3:52-56/Luke 21:1-4 **Tuesday:** Daniel 2:31-45/ Dn 3:57-61/ Luke 21:5-11

**Wednesday:** Daniel 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28/ Daniel 3:62-67/ Luke 21:12-19 **Thursday:** Romans 10:9-18/ Psalm 19:8-11/ Matthew 4:18-22/Luke 17:11-19

**Friday:** Daniel 7:2-14/ Daniel 3:75-81/Luke 21:29-33 **Saturday:** Daniel 7:15-27/ Daniel 3:82-87/ Luke 21:34-36

### PRAY FOR THE SICK & SHUT-IN OF OUR PARISH

Alfreda Butler Catherine Case Bridget Chase Ellen Dutton
Sylvia Ford Debbie Holly Melvinda Jones Mary Malachi
Warren Nixon Shirley Payne Cecelia Price Romaine Price
Anthony Scales Norma Shaw Bessie Wilson

Today as we celebrate Christ the King, we hear Jesus say: "...whatever you did for one of the least brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me." Your gift to St. Vincent de Paul in needed food and toys for The Angel Tree will help the poor to celebrate the grace of God's love this Christmas.

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## Feast of Christ the King....

Christ the King Sunday, also known as "the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe," is a feast day honoring Christ's entire reign as the universe's ruler. Today, Christians of various denominations celebrate this feast, which was once exclusively honored by Roman Catholics, as a way to acknowledge and honor Jesus Christ as the "King of Kings."

The New Testament is filled with passages where Jesus is referred to as "King." Matthew 27:11, for example, states that after Jesus appeared before the governor, the latter questioned him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" "You have said so," declared Jesus. First Timothy 1:17 is another text that states, "Honor and glory be to the King of ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, for ever and ever." Indeed. "On his robe and on his thigh he has a name inscribed King of kings and Lord of lords," according to Revelation 19:6. These scriptures demonstrate that one of the early names bestowed upon Jesus Christ was "King."

This title is not the title of an earthly king, although many Jews were hoping for someone to become the earthly king of Israel and overturn Roman control. This was the title of a spiritual king. Heaven is home to Christ's Kingdom.

As followers of Christ, we are called to recognize Jesus Christ as King of Kings, the Messiah, Emmanuel, Lord and Savior, and the Bread of Life, among other names. According to John 8:12, Jesus is the world's light. Those who walk in His light will have the light of life and not walk in the dark. On this day, we should acknowledge that many people are lost in a world of darkness even as we celebrate Jesus and the ways in which He has been a light in our lives.

**Mark your calendar**. Holiday Happenings will be Sunday, December 10, immediately following mass. Again this year we will have family fun activities. Lunch will be provided. FREE BINGO will be one of the activities.

**Moved? New phone number?** Help keep parish records up-to-date by using the "Change of Address" form on the church's website.

### **November 18 & 19**

Total Attendance - 125 Total Collections - \$3,735.00 Year-to-date Collections - \$233,843.71

### **OUTREACH & EVANGELIZATION**

As of April 2023, the parish now enters your contribution data into Ministry Platform, a different Archdiocesan database. It is recommended that you use your church envelopes (or another envelope) with your name and the amount of your contribution on it to make data input and the compilation of accurate records easier for you and the church. Make sure the right address is supplied in case a loose check is utilized. *Note*: More instructions will be supplied for their use when the 2024 envelopes are distributed. Your contribution to the church is much valued.

**December 2nd** from 11-3pm in Triangle Square (just across the street) a family event including food, caroling, clothing, give away and more will be held! We are most in need of parishioners to volunteer to sing Christmas Carols. Please consider signing up. Lyrics will be provided so you don't have to memorize songs.

**Lessons and Carols** - On December 3, starting at 3:00 p.m., as a celebration for the 175th Anniversary of St. Charles Borromeo Church, 112 Sudbrook Lane in Pikesville, a concert of Lessons and Carols will be presented by the Music Ministry. Lessons and Carols tells the story of the promise of the Messiah and the birth of Jesus through Bible readings or lessons from the Gospels, interspersed with the singing of Christmas carols, hymns and other songs.

**Families with children** of all ages are invited to Family Adoration at the Basilica of the Assumption on Saturday, December 9 at 10 a.m. This is a kid-friendly introduction to the beauty of adoration. Following adoration, fellowship with crafts, games, music, and food in Borders Hall across the street from the Basilica. Please register at https://bit.ly/3MXpyvT

You have three (3) ways to submit bulletin items/church announcements: email to saintpeterpius@gmail.com; contact form on the church's website; or text to (443)527-5478. All announcements must be received no later than 5 p.m. on Wednesday.

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