

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

November 22, 2020

"I was hungry and you gave me food,

I was thirsty and you gave me drink."

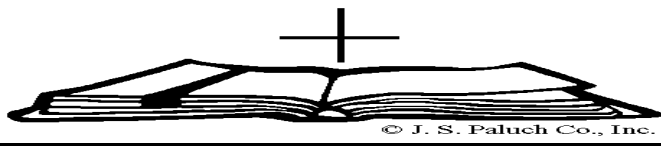
— Matthew 25:35

THE SHEPHERD KING

The job of shepherd and the job of king couldn't be more different from each other. Shepherds are on the lowest rung of society, kings are at the top. But God says, through the prophet Ezekiel, that the Messiah will lead in a way very different from earthly authorities who lord it over their people and cause harm with their poor leadership.

Our King takes on the job himself. Christ, like a shepherd, will give rest, seek out the lost, bring back the strayed and scattered ones. He will heal the wounded and bind up the injured. He does not delegate, but will "shepherd them rightly." We have a king who cares for us and who is not afraid to "judge between one sheep and another" (Ezekiel 34:17).

Mass Intentions



Sat., Nov. 21, 4:30 p.m. Dennis McCloskey, Huval Family, Louis Perschall Sr., Willo Lindsey Crawford, Jack Sharp, Larry Kass Sr., Thanksgiving for Prayers Answered and for the living: Special Intention, Karge Family

Sun. Nov. 22, 7:30 a.m. Carol Pieri

Sun., Nov. 22, 9:15 a.m. Yvonne Morel, Max Jones, Ruthi Olson, Bridget Mizell Miller, Normie Miller, Noel Labourette, and for the living: Ken Tassin, Roy Beattie, and Gene and Mary Helen Grabbe.

Sun., Nov. 22, 11:00 a.m. Parishioners

Mon., Nov. 23, 8:00 a.m. Pat Delaune

Tues., Nov. 24 NO MASS

Wed., Nov. 25, 8:00 a.m. Gene and Mary Helen Grabbe

Thurs., Nov. 26, 8:00 a.m. Nick Sita

Fri., Nov. 27, 8:00 a.m. Special Intention

Gene and Mary Helen Grabbe would like to thank all who sent Mass Intentions for Gene and everyone for the constant prayers and encouraging words. Gene is in therapy. The medical staff is wonderful. GOD HEALS!

PRAYER LIST

Rosalind Baham

Fred Kopfler

Kenneth Vicari

Roy M. Piazza

Pam Strander

Debra Vandendorre

Scott St. Romaine

Louise Cashmere

Yolanda Bourgeois

LeLe Kopfler

Roxanne Troxclair



Envelopes	\$ 2,307.00
Loose	\$ 1,979.00
Bldg. and Pres. Fund	\$ 50.00
E-giving	\$ 255.00

Thank you to all for the continued contributions. If you wish to give online, please go to:

<https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/stjohnfolsom>.

THE CANDLES BURN IN HONOR OF:

Sanctuary: Gene Grabbe

Blessed Mother: Dennis McCloskey

St. Joseph: Walter Henry and Family

St. Ann: Lorraine Agnes Campbell

If you would like to honor your intention by burning a 7-day candle please call 796-3806.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS ARE IN MEMORY OF

Dennis McCloskey

POPE FRANCIS'S NOVEMBER PRAYER INTENTION

"We pray that the progress of robotics and artificial intelligence may always serve humankind."

The office will be closed November 26th and 27th for Thanksgiving. We will reopen on Monday, November 30th.

**PRAYER FOR PROTECTION FROM CORONAVIRUS
LET US PRAY,**

Loving and faithful God, the coronavirus reminds us that we have no power, and we are dependent on you. We place ourselves in your loving hands. Give eternal rest to all who have died from the virus. Place your healing hand on those who are ill and give your protection to us in this time of fear and uncertainty. Calm our fears and help us to trust you as our faithful God. Enlighten our government and Church leaders as they are faced with important decisions. Give blessing to those in health care and protect them. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Our Lady of Prompt Succor hasten to help us. Blessed Francis Seelos, pray for us. **AMEN**

MASS JOURNAL

The Mass Journal is designed to enrich your experience at Sunday Mass, teach you how to listen to the voice of God, and deepen your daily spirituality. The Mass Journal is a spiritual tool that urges us to ask the question, "God, what is one way that I can become a-better-version-of-myself this week?" Please take a complimentary Mass Journal for each adult as you leave Mass today.

MISSALETTES

We will hand out a 2021 Missal to each adult after Masses this weekend. We will begin using them on November 28th and 29th. It will be your **PERSONAL MISSAL**. Please write your name in your missal and bring it with you to Mass.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

The 2021 Sanctuary Flowers Book is now open for reservations. If you would like to memorialize or honor a loved one in 2021 with sanctuary flowers, please stop by the Church Office, or call, to make a reservation. The cost of a flower arrangement continues to be \$50.00. Thank you for your continued support of the Altar Society in its efforts to beautify our church and weekend place of worship.

ADVENT TALKS:

WHAT:	Sacred and Profane
WHERE:	The Church at Most Holy Trinity in Covington
WHEN:	Thursdays, Dec. 3 rd , 10 th & 17 th , 7 p.m.
WHO:	Fr. Rodney Bourg

Held in the Assembly Room of the Family Life Building! No fees! No sign-ups

Please join the Knights of Columbus in praying the Rosary on Sunday, November 29th following the 7:30 a.m. Mass.

SAINT OF THE WEEK

**Saint Andrew Dũng-Lạc and Companions, Martyrs
November 24—Memorial - Patron Saints of Vietnam**

Father Andrew Dũng-Lạc alone is named on this feast, not because his sufferings were more depraved than those of his co-martyrs, but because they were so similar. Andrew's name is a touchstone for the entire group. Father Andrew was born to pagan parents but fell under the holy influence of a lay catechist, was baptized, became a catechist himself, entered seminary, and was ordained a diocesan priest. He was a model parish priest in every respect, and thus an ideal target once a new wave of persecution broke out. When he was first imprisoned, his parishioners raised enough money to ransom him. But about four years later, he was arrested again, tortured, and beheaded, along with another priest, Peter Thi.

Vietnam's communist government sent not a single representative to the canonization Mass for today's martyrs in 1988, but thousands of Vietnamese faithful attended nonetheless, mostly from Vietnamese diaspora communities. Today Vietnam has over two thousand parishes and almost three thousand priests. Its population is about eight percent Catholic. The faith survived, even thrived, due to the exemplary witness of so many staunch disciples who did not bend to the powerful gusts that blew against them. Today's victims bowed their heads to receive only two things—the waters of Baptism and the sword.

Martyrs of Vietnam, by your constancy and courage, help all Christians who struggle and doubt in any way to persevere in their vocations, to win the small battles over self every day, so that they can enjoy life with God and His saints one day in heaven. Amen

REMINDERS

First Saturday Mass at 8:00 a.m.

Weekly Wednesday Adoration, 8:30 – 9:30 a.m.

First Friday Adoration Benediction, 8:30 – 9:30 a.m.

Men's Study Group in Odilo Hall, Thurs. 7 p.m.

Knights of Columbus Christmas Social Thurs., Dec. 10th, 6 p.m.

NO PSR NEXT WEDNESDAY FOR THANKSGIVING

Our Church History class will not meet on Monday, November 23rd because of observance of the Thanksgiving holidays. We will resume on Monday, November 30th with a study of St. Francis of Assisi.