

SAINT MARGARET PARISH WEEKLY BULLETIN

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OFFICE HOURS ARE MON-FRI. 8:30AM-4:30PM
WITH AN HR. OF LUNCH AT 12PM

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Christ's One and Eternal Sacrifice was and is for all humanity. With each Mass offered at the Altar, we give thanks that Christ offers His Sacrifice, keeping close to His Sacred Heart the following:

SUNDAY, NOV. 22, PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
MONDAY, NOV. 23, MARK AND MARY BAILEY
TUESDAY, NOV. 24, SANDRA RAMIREZ +
WEDNESDAY, NOV. 25, AGUSTINA DE JESUS +
THURSDAY, NOV. 26, THANKSGIVING DAY
FRIDAY, NOV. 27, STEPHANIE AND NICK BRIZENO
SATURDAY, NOV. 28, PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

MASS TIMES

Monday, Wednesday and Friday at **6pm**
Tuesday and Thursday at **8am**
Saturday at **6pm**

Sunday **7:30am** (Latin), **9:30am**, **11:30am**

Those receiving Holy Communion are asked to do so directly on the palm of your hand. Approach the Sacrament with humility.

OUTSIDE CONFESSIONS WILL BEGIN 30 MINS BEFORE EACH WEEKDAY MASS

Saturday at **5:15pm**

2021 ST. JOSEPH MISSAL & THE LATIN MASS COMPANION WITH PROPER

Books will be available before the Sunday Masses in the piazza. We are accepting checks and exact cash only.
St. Joseph Missal: \$5 Latin Mass Companion: \$10

THIS WEEK'S GOSPEL MEDITATION

GOSPEL: MATTHEW 25: 31-46

CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

Almighty ever-living God, whose will is to restore all things in your beloved Son, the King of the universe, grant, we pray, that the whole creation, set free from slavery, may render your majesty service and ceaselessly proclaim your praise. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

THANKSGIVING MASS

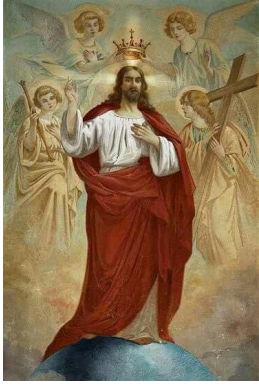
Thanksgiving Mass will be held on **Thursday, November 26, 2020 at 9am**. The office will be closed on Thursday and Friday in observance of the holiday.

THANKSGIVING PRAYER

Father in Heaven, Creator of all and source of all goodness and love, please look kindly upon us and receive our heartfelt gratitude in this time of giving thanks. Thank you for all the graces and blessings. You have bestowed upon us, spiritual and temporal: our faith and religious heritage. Our food and shelter, our health, the loves we have for one another, our family and friends. Dear Father, in Your infinite generosity, please grant us continued graces and blessing throughout the coming year. This we ask in the Name of Jesus, Your Son and our Brother. Amen.



SUNDAY REFLECTION, "THE KING OF CONTROVERSY"



"There was an inscription over his head: 'This is the King of the Jews.'" - Luke 23:38

In 1926, between the two world wars, Pope Pius XI instituted this feast of Christ the King. In so doing, the Church was making a statement that its members were to give their absolute allegiance to no government or person but only to Christ, the King of kings. Thus, we can see why this feast and Jesus' claim to be the King of kings may be controversial.

For example, when the wise men asked Herod: "Where is the newborn king of the Jews?" (Mt. 2:2), King Herod became greatly disturbed" (Mt. 2:3). Before long, the village of Bethlehem was traumatized by Herod's murders (Mt. 2:16). The mere mention of Jesus Kingship resulted in all hell breaking loose.

On the morning of Jesus' crucifixion, Pontius Pilate broached the subject of Jesus' kingship. He asked Jesus: "Are You the King of the Jews?" (Jn. 18:33) Jesus claimed to be the King of a kingdom not belonging to this world (Jn. 18:36) Jesus knew that Pilate knew He was the King (Jn. 18:27), but Pilate refused to admit it and even questioned whether there was objective truth at all (Jn 18:38).

While Jesus was hanging on the cross, the controversy about his Kingship continued. "The soldiers also made fun of Him," and said, "If you are the king of the Jews, save Yourself" (Lk 23:36, 37). The other criminal repented (Lk 23:40) and made the act of faith: "Jesus, remember me when You enter upon Your reign" (Lk 23:42).

Let us not be like Herod, Pontius Pilate and the bad thief. Rather, let us be like the good thief and the wise men and women of the ages, who accept Jesus as their King on His terms.

THE SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

The Feast of Christ the King was established by Pope Pius XI in 1925 as an antidote to secularism, a way of life which leaves God out of man's thinking and living and organizes his life as if God did not exist. The feast is intended to proclaim in a striking and effective manner Christ's royalty over individuals, families, society, governments and nations.

PRAYER FOR THE GOVERNMENT

By Archbishop John Carroll, SJ

We pray you, O God of might, wisdom, and justice, through whom authority is rightly administered, laws are enacted, and judgment decreed, assist with your Holy Spirit of counsel and fortitude the President of these United States, that his administration may be conducted in righteousness, and be eminently useful to your people, over whom he presides; by encouraging due respect for virtue and religion; by a faithful execution of the laws in justice and mercy; and by restraining vice and immorality. Let the light of your divine wisdom direct the deliberations of Congress, and shine forth in all the proceedings and laws framed for our rule and government, so that they may tend to the preservation of peace, the promotion of national happiness, the increase of industry, sobriety, and useful knowledge; and may perpetuate to us the blessing of equal liberty. We recommend likewise, to your unbounded mercy, all our fellow citizens throughout the United States, that we may be blessed in the knowledge and sanctified in the observance of your most holy law; that we may be preserved in union, and in that peace which the world cannot give; and after enjoying the blessings of this life, be admitted to those which are eternal. Amen.

PREPARING FOR ADVENT NOV. 29 - DEC. 24



Beginning the Church's liturgical year, Advent (from, "ad-venire" in Latin or "to come to") is the season encompassing the four Sundays (and weekdays) leading up to the celebration of **Christmas**. The Advent season is a time of preparation that directs our hearts and minds to Christ's second coming at the end of time and also to the anniversary of the Lord's birth on Christmas. The final days of Advent, from December 17 to December 24, focus particularly on our preparation for the celebrations of the Nativity of our Lord (Christmas)