

## PRAYER INTENTIONS

We remember in our prayers Tom Milos, Jen Fry, Dave Sauter, Jay Geffert, Annette Krietler, Nancy Sirois, Wendell Barry, Helen Reynolds, Linda Chehy, Donald Squezzello, Nancy Anzalone, Jane Pelland, Irene Smith, Florence Rasmussen, Judy DiLorenzo, and Robin Lupinski.

We pray for the safety and wellbeing of all those affected by the Coronavirus.

## NEWS

### Lordship Community Church is offering a takeout Turkey Dinner on Saturday, 11/21/2020

The dinner includes turkey, stuffing, mashed potatoes, beans, & a roll. \$12 per takeout dinner. Prepaid orders required by 11/20/2020. You can order online at: <https://lordshipchurch.square.site/> You can also submit orders with check/cash payments (mailed or left in the outside locked mailbox). Please make checks payable to LCC/Lordship Community Church. All orders, with payments, need to be received by Friday, 11/20. Pick-up will take place at LCC on 11/21 from 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Contact the church office, 203-377-6568/office@thelordshipchurch.org, with any questions.

## A SURVEY OF THE BIBLE – THE BOOK OF HAGGAI

When the remnant of the Jewish people returns from the Babylonian exile under Zerubbabel, they begin to rebuild the Temple of the Lord. However, the work soon stops, and the people find excuses to ignore it as the years pass. They have no problem in building well-built houses for themselves (1:4), while they claim that the time for building the Temple has not yet come (1:2). Because of their misplaced priorities, their labor is no longer blessed by God. Only when the people put the Lord first by completing the task he has set before them will his hand of blessing once again be upon them.

The four terse sermons of Haggai are: the completion of the latter Temple (1:1-15), the glory of the latter Temple (2:1-9), the present blessings of obedience (2:10-19), and the future blessings of promise (2:20-23).

## PARISH CALENDAR

**By the Week: All activities suspended until further notice.**

**Saturdays:** Stepping Class with Mercy Tabernacle  
10:00 am-12:00 pm

**Sundays:** Mercy Tabernacle Church  
12:30 - 2:30 pm  
Cub Scouts 5:45-7:30 pm

**Mondays:** Scouts 7:00-8:30 pm

**Tuesdays:** Mercy Tabernacle Church  
6:00 - 8:00 pm

**Wednesdays:** Mass for Healing, 9:00am  
AA Meeting 12:00 pm

**Thursdays:** AA Men's Meeting 7:30 pm

### Readers Roster:

The roster will be updated when services resume.

We celebrate the Contemporary Rite of the Mass, which begins on page 63 of the pew missal.

Not what we have But what we enjoy,  
constitutes our abundance.

Epicurus



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**November 22, 2020 – Solemnity of Christ the King**

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**Dear Parishioners,**

Today's second reading (1 Cor 15:20-26, 28) forms the basis of soteriology, the branch of theology dealing with salvation. In this reading we learn what to expect regarding our salvation. At Christ's coming all those belonging to Christ shall be brought to life. Then the end comes when Christ reigns until he has put all those who oppose him under his feet. The choice is clear. Do we choose to belong to Christ, or do we choose to oppose Christ?

Grace and peace,  
Fr. Tom

**Mass Times**

Mass is celebrated every Sunday, Outdoors at 10:30am.

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