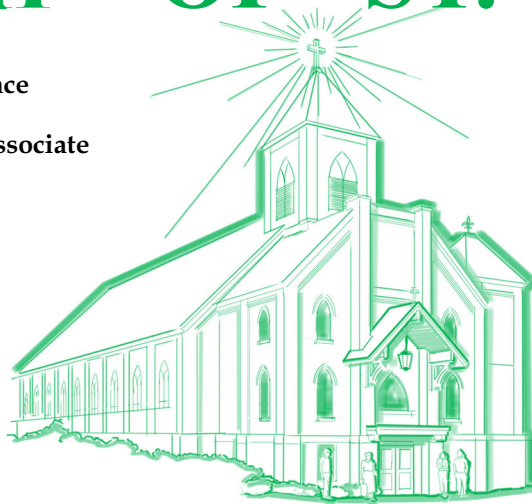


# CHURCH OF ST. JEROME

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November 22, 2020



## Thanksgiving Day Liturgy

On **Thursday, November 26th**, we observe one of our most meaningful holidays: **Thanksgiving**. This is a very special time of year to pause and give thanks to God for all God's blessings to us. What better way to begin the day than to gather around the Lord's table to celebrate the Eucharist (which means Thanksgiving). There will be a special **Mass of Thanksgiving at 9:00 a.m. Prior sign up for Mass is required** for entry. To sign up, go to the Church website: [stjeromerochester.org](http://stjeromerochester.org) or call the Rectory Office. If you are unable to reach a person in the office, please leave a message and your call will be returned. Due to Covid-19 restrictions, we will not be blessing food items this year.



## Advent Tree Lighting

The Advent Tree Lighting Service, which is sponsored by the Association of Churches and the Village of East Rochester, will take place on **Sunday, November 29th, at 5:00 p.m.** at Edmond Lyon Park. The location may change due to inclement weather.



## Prayer for Christ the King

O Christ Jesus, I acknowledge You King of the Universe. All that has been created has been made for You. Exercise upon me all Your rights. I renew my baptismal promises renouncing Satan and all his works and pomps. I promise to lead a good Christian life and to do all in my power to procure the triumph of the rights of God and Your Church. Divine Heart of Jesus, I offer You my poor actions in order to obtain that all hearts may acknowledge Your sacred royalty and that thus the reign of Your peace may be established throughout the universe. Amen.

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## Second Collection

Next weekend, **November 28th & 29th**, is the National Collection for The Catholic University of America.

The CUA is the national university of the Catholic Church in the United States, located in Washington, D.C. The CUA provides an academically rigorous education guided by Catholic intellectual tradition to nearly 7,000 students every year. You can learn more at: [collection.cua.edu](http://collection.cua.edu) Please be generous!



## The 2020 Giving Tree

This year in place of gift tags on the tree, we are asking for gift cards to Wegmans, Tops and Walmart. The suggested amount is \$25, but can be an amount of your choosing. Teresa Quinzi Willette will maintain the list of clients and knowing them as she does, will match the cards and clients perfectly. As in the past, there have been requests from parishioners for names of entire families. If you wish to sponsor a family, please contact Teresa Quinzi Willette at 586-0525. We ask that cards be returned to Church in the collection box or to the Rectory Office on or before Sunday, December 13th.

Thank you,  
The Social Ministry



**Mass Intentions**

**Monday, November 23, 2020**

**Saint Clement I, Pope & Martyr**

7:30 a.m. *Lucia Youngers* by Jean Dana

**Tuesday, November 24, 2020**

**Saint Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest & Companions, Martyrs**

7:30 a.m. *Rebecca Brotzman* by Mark Brotzman

*Deceased Members of The Gefell Family* by Addison & Glenna Steven

**Wednesday, November 25, 2020**

**Saint Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin & Martyr**

7:30 a.m. *Joseph Constantino* by Larry & Julie Weise

*Cosmo Goodman* by Son, Dan

**Thursday, November 26, 2020**

**Thanksgiving Day**

9:00 a.m. *Jamie Magee Lesnick* by Frank & Mary Ann Torchio

**Friday, November 27, 2020**

**Weekday**

7:30 a.m. *Joseph Nghi Quang Tran* by Mrs. Hoc Nguyen

*Joseph Russo, Birthday Remembrance* by Dolores & Family

**Saturday, November 28, 2020**

**Weekday**

4:30 p.m. *Robert White* by Wife & Family

*Evelyn Botticelli* by Sally & John Connors

*William & Mary Crysel* by Son & Daughter

**Sunday, November 29, 2020**

**First Sunday of Advent**

8:00 a.m. *Marjorie Reed* by Catherine Reed

*Catherine Acciari* by Kathy & Dave Young

*Alphonse Fantauzzo* by Elaine & Guy DeLong

10:00 a.m. *For the People of the Parish*



**Desert Days In Advent**

Notre Dame Retreat House is offering "Desert Days in Advent" (5151 Foster Rd. Canandaigua, NY 14424)

Preparing the Way . . . Come, Lord Jesus. Enlighten our minds. Strengthen our wills. Renew our hearts. Live in us, so that we might live in you. This Advent, Notre Dame Retreat House will be offering single days in silence, reflection and prayer entitled "Desert Days in Advent". ALL are invited to join us -- men and women. There will be four dates available to spend time alone with God in order to prepare our hearts and mind for the Birth of Christ in us. Space is limited, so registration is required. (In order to address social distancing requirements and needs, at this time we are limiting attendance on each Advent Day to fifteen (15) people.)

For specifics on dates, retreat format, cost and how to register, please visit: [www.notredamere retreat.org](http://www.notredamere retreat.org). Other inquiries, please contact us at 585-394-5700 or [ndretreat@rochester.rr.com](mailto:ndretreat@rochester.rr.com)



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**  
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**Knights of Columbus C&B**

The Knights of Columbus, Saint John Fisher Council is holding our annual Charitable and Benevolent (C&B) raffle ticket sale through Thanksgiving. Proceeds go to fund local and regional Catholic based charities. Top cash prizes are \$25K, \$10K and \$5K. Please support the Knights by buying a book or two. Books are \$10 each and are available at the church exits in individual envelopes. If you still attend mass virtually, call Bill Stewart and he'll be happy to mail you your ticket books - 585-406-3717. Thanks for your support!!!

**Please Pray for Those in the Military:**



*Lord, hold our troops in Your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. We ask this in the name of Jesus, our Lord and Savior. Amen.*

1st Lt. Alex V. Alfieri  
PVT. Kyle Anderson  
Brandon Beauchamp USAF  
USMA Matthew Blejwas  
Specialist Aaron Brochu  
Airman Rachel Brock  
BM3 Mary Carr USN  
Captain Craig Carlisle  
Chief Master Sgt. Matt Clancy  
Sgt. Robert DeMaria US Army  
1st LT Matthew J. Dunn USMC  
AO2 Timothy Fennell USN  
Captain Brian Findlay  
Lt. Kurt Findlay  
Sgt. Daniel Frate  
CW5 Thomas Grove  
Cpl. Kevin Harte  
LT. Bart Hicklin USN  
CPT. Jeffrey Huddle US Army  
Sgt. Ryan Jackson  
HM1 Christian R. Kissel USN  
Ryan LaFountain  
PVT. Jack Leonardo US Army  
HM3 Marcella Levato USN  
Bryan McAuliff USN  
PVT. Brett McCarthy US Army  
HM3 John Ross McCarthy USN  
Staff Sgt. Nathaniel McAvoy  
CPT. Richard R. McPhee  
CPT. Shannon McPhee  
Sgt. Joseph Merritt Jr.  
PVT. Megan Rossi USMC  
Airman Alesa Whelehan  
Sgt. Christopher Whelehan

**Let Us Pray**

Please remember in your prayers those members of our parish in the hospital, the sick at home, and those in nursing homes.

In your Christian charity, you are asked to pray for those who have died. May the Lord strengthen their families and friends at their time of loss.





# Good News!

November 22, 2020

## Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe (A)

Ez 34:11-12, 15-17; 1 Cor 15:20-26, 28 Mt 25:31-46

The prominent image for God in today’s readings is the shepherd. This might be an unfamiliar image for city dwellers, but it is a very rich religious image. The Bible tells us that early Israelites were herders, so they know a lot about shepherds. They knew that shepherds follow the wandering of their sheep and attended to their needs—not the other way around. They knew that shepherds lived with their sheep in the hills for long periods, away from family, friends, and the comforts of life. They knew that shepherds helped birthing and dying. They knew that all of this is a messy, smelly business, and no job for the fastidious.

Many nations of the ancient world, Israel included, thought of their kings as shepherds of the people—leaders who should be willing to do for their people what the shepherd does for the sheep. This explains why, on the feast of Christ the King, we represent our king as a shepherd rather than a victorious military commander, as many kings are. But more than this, throughout his life—at his passion and death, and now in his risen glory—Christ cares for us and leads us as a shepherd does. He embraces the messy, smelly reality of life. He is a shepherd-king, intent on our needs, searching for us when we seem to be lost. How comforting it is to know he carries us on his shoulders.

—Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

# Dear Padre

November 22, 2020

## Today we celebrate Christ the King. Why isn’t this changed to “Christ the Lord”?

The notion of “king” seems outdated. Christ the King is not the easiest concept to get close to and celebrate. Kings, queens, and monarchies aren’t part of our cultural heritage. With the current penchant for cutting celebrities and politicians down to size, a king or queen wouldn’t fare well. With the turmoil of England’s royal family, we frequently witness the demythologizing of the world’s monarchies.

Christ’s kingship obviously cannot fall into any of these woeful categories. Christ came to establish a different kind of kingdom, the kingdom of God, and that in itself puts Jesus on a different plane than all other concepts of earthly monarchies. Jesus came to proclaim God’s reign, God’s rule, in the manner in which God the Creator and Maker of all wants things to be.

We, however, are fiercely independent and freedom-conscious people. We don’t want anyone telling us what to do. We want to participate in all decisions. We resent being pushed around by anyone. And that’s fine. But in this case of God’s kingdom, we have nothing to fear. God’s power is to serve and give life, not to exploit or corrupt.

God’s kingdom is the redemptive presence of God. Whenever people love one another, forgive one another, bear one another’s burdens, and work to build a just and peaceful community, God’s redemptive and liberating presence is being manifested. That is the kingdom and kinship we celebrate.

—Fr. Joseph Morin, CSsR

### SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday at 4:30 p.m.,  
Sunday at 8:00 & 10:00

### HOLY DAYS

Please consult Bulletin

### DAILY MASSES

Mon.-Fri. - 7:30 a.m.  
Consult bulletin for changes

### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Call Rectory Office 586-3231

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 3:00 to 4:00 p.m.  
(or by appointment)

### PARISH STAFF

Judy Joslin, Religious Education Administrator.  
Kevin & Karin Spears, Youth Ministry  
Denise Peterson, Secretary  
Patrick Vogt, Business Manager  
Teresa Galbier, Music Director

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

John Schroth - Grand Knight, 585-202-1673, more info: www.KofC.org

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### PARISH MEMBERSHIP

We welcome you to worship regularly with us and to join our Parish Community formally, offering your time, talents, and financial support. Newcomers are wholeheartedly received into membership by simply registering at the office at their convenience.

## Parish Office Closed

Please note that all Parish Offices in the Diocese of Rochester remain closed to the public. Although the physical office is closed, please call or email us and we will get back with you as soon as possible.

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If you have a true Pastoral emergency call 585-586-3231 and press 2.

Collection figures for the week of November 15, 2020 Will be published in a future bulletin.

### CMA Update

Goal: \$80,090.00  
Pledged to date: \$31,367.00  
Number of Donors: 96  
Accomplished 39.16% of our goal.