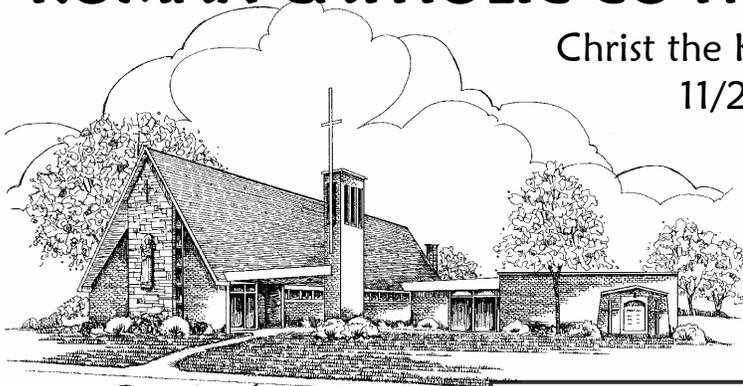
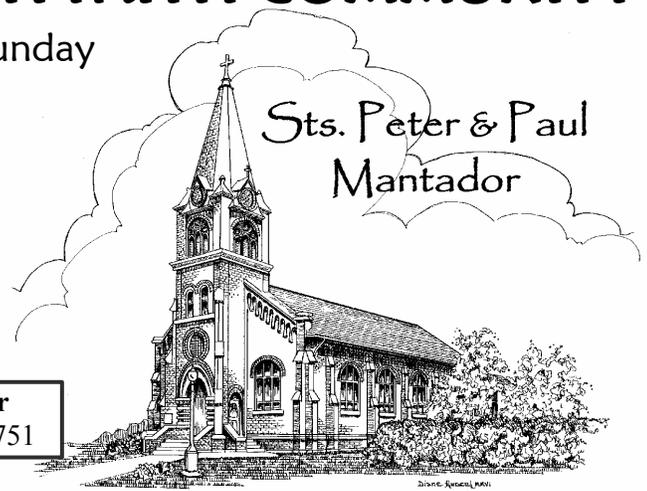


# ROMAN CATHOLIC CO-PARISH FAITH COMMUNITY

Christ the King Sunday  
11/24/19



St. Anthony  
Mooreton



Sts. Peter & Paul  
Mantador

**Fr. Kurt Gunwall, Pastor**  
701-274-8259 or 701-540-8751

**St Anthony 11/30 5:00 pm**

**Lector** Jody Lingen  
**EMHC** Jane Althoff, Yvonne Ward  
**Usher** Jim Griffith  
**Servers** Paulys

**St Anthony 12/1 8:30 am**

**Lector** Chance Pausch  
**EMHC** Chance Pausch, Janice Ward  
**Usher** Chance Pausch  
**Servers** A&D Onchuck  
**Gifts** CM-Laura Boyle&Ashley Nelson

**Sts Peter & Paul 12/1 10:30 am**

**Lector** Memory Mauch  
**EMHC** JoAnne Jentz, Craig Pausch  
**Usher** Joel Lingen  
**Servers** Kaths

**Mass Intentions Changes in Bold**

Mon, 25 No Mass - (m) St Catherine of Alexandria  
Tue, 26 StsPP 8:30 am Leo Pellman (†)  
Wed, 27 StA 5:45 pm Mary Daniels  
Thu, 28 StsPP 8:00 am Alver Hermes (†)  
Thu, 28 StA 9:30 am In Thanks to God  
Fri, 29 StA 9:30 am Phyllis Woinarowicz (†)  
Sat, 30 St A 5:00 pm All Parishioners - (F) St Andrew  
Sun, 1 St A 8:30 am Christian Mothers  
Sun, 1 Sts PP 10:30 am Christian Mothers

**Pray for the Sick/Elderly:** Leo Althoff, Vernon Althoff, Jerome Birchem, Kate Boll, Wayne Foertsch, Sr Ann Marie Friederichs, Jacinta Goerger, Dennis Iverson, Jim Krump, Erwin Lugert, Dennis Mauch, Kathy (Randy's) Mauch, Macy Mauch, Kassie Pauly, Alice Pausch, Alice Pellman, Patrick Sawyer, Greg Stephens, Tim Sundby, Wayne Ward, Frances Zajac, Carol Zietz. - Send prayer requests to Fr Gunwall.

**Our Lord Jesus Christ the King**

Jesus is the Christ (the Anointed One). Jesus is the Son of God. Jesus Christ is Lord. Jesus Christ is King. These titles of Jesus tell me who Jesus is, His roles, His authority, and His power. They also tell me what my relationship with Him must be if I claim to know Him, to follow Him, to love Him. He is God; I'm not!

Especially as we celebrate Thanksgiving, I am reminded to give thanks to God for the evident blessings as well as the times of trial that He allows in my life - because He is all good, all knowing, all merciful, loving, and powerful. So if He allows "X" to happen to me, something good can come from it if I give "X" and myself back to him.

As we enter Advent next Sunday, I am also reminded that He "emptied himself, taking the form of a servant/slave, being born in the likeness of men" (*Philippians 2:7*) to save us from sin and death. Jesus then showed His/God's love for us when he freely gave his life for us "while we were yet helpless" in our sin. Jesus gave his life for me, for you, for everyone who will receive him and acknowledge him for who he is, as mentioned above.

Last Advent, every household was given a copy of Dr. Sri's book describing a true disciple of Jesus Christ. If you did not get the book, I have a dozen copies left. If you didn't read it or don't clearly remember it, read it now.

If I am not a disciple of Jesus, I am not likely to be with Him in heaven. If I deny Him here by word or example, God's Word says that He will deny me before God. Yet if I fail to be faithful to Him and His commands because of my fallen, sinful, broken human weakness, he will be merciful and remains faithful to me. Thanks be to God - for I am not perfect. I echo with St. Paul, I do not do the good that I should, the good I want to do. Instead, I act selfishly and sin in ways I do not want to do. God's strength is revealed as these sins choosing evil become less frequent, and hopefully, the good that God has prepared for me is done more often - but it is sometimes slow growth over the months and years.

I mentioned a couple weeks ago that I am here as your pastor, to help you on your journey to holiness, even as I walk with you as a fellow disciple. There are many events coming up during the next month that can help us grow in knowledge and love of Jesus, as Christ, Lord, Savior, and King. Don't put-off growing closer to God this Advent, but intentionally pray, study God's Word, and attend the evening sessions (End of Life, Reconciliation, Suffering Church, etc.) to become a disciple in word and deed.

**News of the Week:**

Sun, 24 StsPP 11:30am Parish Life meeting & Sunday Social  
Wed, 27 StA Holy Hour before Mass 6:15pm No RE  
Thu, 28 Thanksgiving Day  
StsPP 8:00 am / StA 9:30 am  
Fri, 29 StA No Men's group

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### Questions of the Week

Do I truly have a thankful heart? How do I thank others each day? Do I thank God in all circumstances and for every person?

**Verse of the Week:** "Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name which is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father." (Philippians 2:9-11)

**Assignment: Give thanks and celebrate Advent before Christmas** - This week, thank someone every day. Also, get an Advent wreath with the four candles, a daily reflection book or a daily email at [dynamiccatholic.com/best-advent-ever/](http://dynamiccatholic.com/best-advent-ever/) and prepare your heart and home for the Lord's coming - both at the first Christmas and again at the Second Coming to judge the living and the dead.

**Reconciliation with God and neighbor** - It is a command of God to "confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, that you may be healed." (James 5:16) Most Christians ignore this commandment of God and only confess silently to God. That is not God's teaching. We need to speak our sins. We need to go to the person we have sinned against, or to the priest representing the Church, and making Jesus present. If you have not gone to confession in the last year, you should not receive the Eucharist, as St Paul states in his letters. It is a gift of healing, mercy, forgiveness, and strength. Don't put it off any longer.

**End of Life Issues from a Catholic Perspective** - Attend a compassionate and timely Adult Education workshop on Dec 2 at St. Anthony Parish Hall at 7:00 pm, with a light supper at 6:30 pm. Typical questions about end of life issues: Must medical treatment always be continued? Are Catholics allowed to have Living Wills? What is Church teaching about "Death with Dignity"? How do I make my Catholic health care directive? Father Gunwall will address these questions and others, as well as provide steps for putting together a valid Catholic Health Care Directive. Speaker John Tetzloff, Advanced Case Specialist for Catholic United Financial (CUF), will also be on hand to speak about the financial aspects of end of life decisions, including final expenses, estate plans, charitable giving, power of attorney and more. Brenda Klosterman from Vertin-Munson Funeral Home will also be present. Contact Fr. Gunwall for more details: [jellingsberg@catholicunited.org](mailto:jellingsberg@catholicunited.org) or call 701-219-4006.

**Finance & Pastoral Council meetings** will be held soon. Talk to your representatives if you have any issues that you want us to discuss and check out. This will be the last meeting of the current council with new members starting in January. Watch the bulletin for the specific dates, new names, and other related news.

### A Prayer of Thanksgiving

"Than you, Father, for having created us and given us to each other in the human family. Thank you for being with us in all our joys and sorrows, for your comfort in our sadness, your companionship in our loneliness. Thank you for yesterday, today, tomorrow and for the whole of our lives. Thank you for friends, for health and for grace. May we live this and every day conscious of all that has been given to us." - *The Catholic Prayer Book* by Msgr. Michael Buckley

The book, **Letter to a Suffering Church** will be discussed 7 pm, Dec 10 in Mooreton & Dec 12 in Mantador. Come either night.

**Stewardship Moment:** "...giving thanks to the Father, who has made you fit to share in the inheritance of the holy ones in light." (Colossians 1:12)

God wants us to be happy! Instead of looking at the Ten Commandments as being restrictive and telling us what we can't do, look at them as guides for living a joy-filled and peaceful life. Most of our problems arise when we put our own needs first or spend most of our time trying to acquire "things". Try putting God first in all things instead. Ask Him how He wants you to use your gifts.

### Community Announcements

**Bill Ward Benefit at Mooreton Community Center Fri, Dec 6** - You can help the family with the expenses of Bill's illness and funeral while visiting and remembering a life well lived. The benefit begins at 4:00 pm.

We have a **Jessy's Toy Box** in the back of our churches to bring joy to kids going through severe illness or disease. This is another way to give to others this holy time of the year.

**STRIVE: A 21-Day Detox** from porn by Matt Fradd is now being offered at NO COST to you! This is for any man struggling with porn or lust of any kind. Anonymous support materials [www.cardinalstudios.org](http://www.cardinalstudios.org) code: FREEDOM

**Nov. Cleaners: Sts PP:** \*Memory Mauch, Marilyn Lingen, Laura Lugert, Shirley Schultz / **St A:** \*Jen Kjar, Cindie Althoff, Jane Althoff, Renata Fobb, Jennifer Kjar, Naomi Onchuck, Dori Palmer

the Catechism (CCC) helps us read Scripture with the mind of Christ.  
**Solemnity of Christ the King - Paragraph #s (not pages)**

**Christ the origin and goal of history**  
440, 446-451, 668-672, 783, 908, 2105, 2628: Christ as Lord and King  
678-679, 1001, 1038-1041: Christ as Judge  
2816-2821: "Thy Kingdom Come"

**HAPPY Birthday** This week's celebrations: Leah & Mya Lingen, Kristi Wagner, Tamera Althoff, Memory Mauch, Liane Mauch.  
Brett & Michelle Johnson, Jeff & Kirsten Erbes, Todd & Tamera Althoff, Dean & Cindy Reiland.

*Happy Anniversary*