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St. Mary by the Sea Catholic Church

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November 20, 2022 Feast of Christ the King

*We are a loving, supportive, and vibrant Catholic
community committed to being a welcoming
parish family by spreading the Love of Jesus
Christ throughout our community and into the world.*



THIS WEEKS SCHEDULE

ACTIVITY MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday November 19

Confession Available at 4:00 pm

Mass 5:00 pm + Crisastomo Vieira

Sunday November 20

Mass 8:30 am Mike Simpson

Mass 10:30 am People of the Parish

Monday November 21

Mass 9:30 am + Crisastomo Vieira

Tuesday November 22

No Mass and the Office is Closed

Wednesday November 23

Mass 9:30 am Gunnar Monson

Celebrate Recovery 5:30 pm

Thursday November 24

Mass 9:30 am + Gottard Bresser

Thanksgiving Dinner 1pm – 5pm

Friday November 25

Mass 9:30 am + Michael - Wayne
and Roxy's Grandson

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

A TIME FOR HEALING AND

SORROW: Please pray for Harold
Stern, and all those who are sick or
who need healing. Also pray for
Marilou Bowman, Rev. Jim
Graham, Rev. Vincent Cunniff,
Godfried Bresser, Beatriz Leon and
all those who have died recently
and for those who have asked for
our prayers.

A TIME FOR JOY AND

CELEBRATION: We pray for all
those who are celebrating a
Birthday, Anniversary, or other
special occasion this week. Happy
Birthday this week to Liz Schille,
Joan Spiering, Ethel Pierczynski,
Patricia Went, & Reta Labrousse.

**HAPPY
THANKSGIVING!**



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A MESSAGE FROM FATHER AKUTI

“We deserve True Shepherd-King of Peace”

In the modern world the concept of kingly rule evokes authoritarianism, class distinction and a world of unjust, unearned privilege, but this is far from the biblical notion of kingship. The kingship of Christ is non-political, and non-national. It aims at a special kind of justice, not based on fallible human laws, but to help and protect the weak, the poor and the helpless.

The authorities were at a loss in face of the moral power of Christ. Their reaction was to strike out brutally, to violently crush his threat to their power. Human rights and justice for many were trampled underfoot by the imperial power of Rome. To remedy this a fresh start was needed, something that Jesus wanted to bring, ultimately through the complete sacrifice of himself. Although Christ died in apparent powerlessness, his was the greater, spiritual power, to be revealed at the end of time. The repentant thief caught a glimpse of this when he called out, “Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.”

Kingship of Christ consist of random act of kindness, a glass of water given out of goodness, even if this might seem like a very low threshold for a personal friendship with Christ, it matters. Although this Sunday portrays Christ returning in regal splendor, the judgments of Jesus are not like ours. He seeks good among the ordinary and the bad alike; too often we seek bad among the ordinary and the good alike. For Jesus, the sinner who does a single act in kindness can be saved. For many of us, the saint that does something wrong is tarnished forever.

His hands stretched in forgiveness to those who had nailed them down. Ours often point in criticism at the wrongdoer. Just as Jesus told the Pilate and soldiers that his kingdom was not of this world; his standard of judgment is not of this world either. That should be good news, although not everybody sees it that way.

Jesus tells us God’s kingdom comes closer whenever justice is done for the hungry, the thirsty, the naked, and the oppressed. To act in this way is to imitate the Shepherd-King himself who rescues us from situations of alienation, who feeds, gives rest, heals and makes strong.

The best way to honor Christ our King is to work to develop his project of mercy among us. Whatever we do to help the deprived and underprivileged is a service to Christ, who identifies himself personally with people in need. Following Christ, the King is more than passive option of “keeping myself to myself.” To ignore the needs of our neighbor is to close our ears to Christ. To turn aside from the anguish of the dying is to shut our eyes to him. In following Jesus Christ as our Shepherd-king we must be shepherds ourselves, for his sake.

OFFERTORY AND ONLINE GIVING REPORT Week of November 13th

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| Offertory Collection | \$2,248.50 |
| Building Maintenance Fund | \$380.00 |
| Flowers | \$25.00 |
| Needy Fund | \$53.00 |
| Winter Survival Fund | \$1,205.00 |

WINNERS of the Winter Survival Fund Raffle for this week are Phillip Curtis, Leann Hall, Carol Bloom, Luisa Hernandez, Doris Matthews, Marilyn Shipman, and Bubba Benthien. Thank you and congratulations to the winners and good luck this week.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

SOULS OF THE FAITHFUL: We invite you to join in the praying for all the Departed Souls this month. You are invited to put the names of your loved ones who have died on a piece of paper and insert it into the box that is in front of the altar. Your loved ones will be included in our intentions at every Mass in November. Join us all month in reciting this prayer from St. Alphonse De Lougori.

“O God, Author of Mercy, may this novena grant the souls in purgatory swift passage to the fullness of your divine Presence. Through these prayers, permit us solace in the absence of our loved ones and greater hope of reunion one day in heaven. May the intercession of our Blessed Virgin Mary for all departed Souls through the Mercy of God rest in Eternal Peace.” Amen

We pray for parishioners and others who died recently: Marilou Bowman, Louise Kaiser, Patricia Croman Scott, Richard Scott, Kurt Sours, Shirley Casey, Douglas Valpiani, Paul Stanton, Denny Hennessy, Mary Thurber, Jim Hatzenbihler, Jack Graves, Tom Moore, Leslie Goddard, Charles Miller, Felicisimo Jose Jr, Anecita Jose, Carmencita Dagdag, Mariano Jose, and Virgilio Jose.

QUILT RAFFLE: The Circle Of Caring quilt raffle ticket sales will be after weekend masses in the vestibule through November. \$5 each or 5 for \$20! In December the quilt will move to the church hall to be with the Circle Of Caring sale held the first two weekends in December after masses. The quilt tickets and sale will also be available during the upcoming spaghetti dinner on December 3rd in our parish hall. The Quilt winner will be announced after 10:30 Mass on December 11th. Proceeds from the Circle of Caring quilt and sale will be for the parish building maintenance fund.

SUNDAY SOCIALS: The Sunday socials are held the first and third Sunday of every month after the 8:30 and 10:30 mass. If you are interested in helping or donating cakes, please contact Terri Southwick at gtsouthwick@gmail.com.

SPAGHETTI DINNER: Join us for spaghetti, salad, bread and dessert on Saturday, December 3rd from 4 pm - 7 pm in the parish hall. This is our last Winter Survival Fund fundraiser of the year, and donations are gratefully accepted. Bring your friends and family to this fun parish get-together!

NEW MINISTRY “Have you experienced the deep grief of losing a loved one to death? Have you learned valuable lessons and experienced healing from hurt? Would you like to help others to do the same? Then please call or email to learn more about the different volunteer opportunities with our Grief Share ministry.” Contact Marie Hennessy at mariehennessy@msn.com or 503-703-6241

Happy Thanksgiving!