



Our Lady of Sorrows Church
November 20, 2016

From the Pastor's Desk

My Dear People:

How fitting that the last day of the liturgical year is the celebration of Christ, the King. At the end of the birth, life, death and resurrection, we finalize the year of seeing Jesus as the eternal KING. Jesus is our Savior, our Redeemer, our God and our absolute KING!

Two billion people on this earth see Him as the absolute KING AND RULER OF ALL CREATION. On this feast we ask ourselves whether He is truly our personal KING. Does our life pivot around Jesus? Are we willing to obey Him as KING? Do we make more sacrifices for Him than we do for anyone else? Is he our personal KING?

Though many people first saw Him as possibly the great earthly KING of the Jews, with some day leading an army of triumph, Jesus explained that His kingdom was not of this world. When Jesus was on trial, Pilate asked Him, "ARE YOU A KING?" Jesus answered, "Yes, I am a King, but my kingdom is not of this world." Jesus told His followers over and over that He would lay down His life for them. At His last earthly meal, before they "captured" Him, He mysteriously gave them His Flesh and Blood to consume, reminding them that His body would be given up for them and His blood would be shed for the forgiveness of their and our sins.

We have a King who, rather than sitting on an earthly throne, hangs on a cross dying for our sins. He wears no royal robe, but a blood soaked loin cloth; no jeweled crown, but a crown of thorns; no scepter in His hands, but His hands are nailed to the cross.

There were two thieves crucified with Jesus. The one dishonored Him. The other took up for Him and with a great gust of faith, said, "Lord, remember me when you enter into your

kingdom." It is a wonder he didn't say "your majesty", but he said LORD. The loving, forgiving Jesus promised him heaven that very day – a paradise with Jesus who has a paradise of heaven waiting for anyone who professes Him as King and treats Him as their personal King.

No earthly king was ever seen, coming back to life after death, but Jesus was seen by so many – 500 on the hillside in Galilee - and by someone who hated Jesus, Saul, as he was knocked to the ground by the King of Kings who, with love for Saul, convinced him of the eternal kingdom of which Christ is the King. Saul became Paul, the apostle of the Eternal King, Jesus.

This Thursday is THANKSGIVING, a national and a RELIGIOUS holiday. How can we have Thanksgiving without God? Thankful to Whom, if we don't direct these thoughts to God? The Pilgrims invited the Indians for a grand meal to thank the Almighty for this great and fertile land, which is so vast, and with freedom from any religious persecution, which existed for them in Europe.

There is such a tendency today to center Thanksgiving around the food, family and football, and to de-emphasize thanking God for this great country.

I never tire of reading the passage where Jesus cures ten lepers, but only one comes back to say thanks. It simply says to us, emphatically, that Jesus deserves and wants to be thanked! He asked, bluntly, where were the other nine lepers that He cured? Only one came back to say THANKS?

Thank you, God, for the feast of Thanksgiving, which reminds us of our lifelong obligation to be grateful. Help us to be constantly grateful for the many blessings of life and the promise of eternal life.

Thank you, wonderful people of OLS, for the enormous response to the food drive for the Catholic Center of Concern. How could one be in the church and not notice the 525 bags

of groceries in front of the altar, offered to God and then sent to the hungry at the Catholic Center? Thanks to those who delivered all that food to the Center: John Tombrello, Eddie Trant, Bob Henger, and the eighth graders. This Sunday, those who left the groceries in the trunk of the car or who have not yet brought them will give us another load of groceries.

Many, many thanks to all who sent me cards and gifts, and especially prayers, this past Wednesday for my birthday. You are such loving people! With the School, PSR, CCLC, Sodality, MDO, staff, and friends, I received many hundreds of cards and prayers. Why me, Lord? Answer: These are holy people who love their priests!

With prayers and blessings,
Father Muller

The Thanksgiving Day Mass Schedule is:

6:30, 7:30, and 10:00 a.m.



Vita D'Amico, Mary Ann Huie,
Kenneth Huie, Melanie Gilchrist,
Charlie Kai Wadsworth

CHAPEL OF OUR SAVIOR

The Chapel needs permanent Committed Adorers for:

Tuesday at Noon (With Partner)

Tuesday at 1 PM (With Partner)

Tuesday at 4 PM (With Partner)

Wednesday at 5 PM

Thursday at 2 AM (With Partner) Sacrificial Hour

Sunday at 11 AM

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Our goal is to have at least 2 people on each hour. These are the hours needed, but do select an hour that best fits your schedule.

Please call Mary Claire Brouillette at 871-2909 or Trudy Carpri at 643-0248.

“Through Perpetual Adoration a Parish gives Christ the King all the love He truly deserves. Perpetual Adoration is the Divine romance between Jesus and His people!”

Fr. John Hardon

Everyone is welcome to attend *Adult Education: Encounter and Evangelize*

on Sunday, December 4. Our speaker will be Dolores Milazzo Hicks. Her topic is *Life in the Spirit*. The gathering begins in the Parish Hall at 9:45 a.m. with fellowship and light refreshments and the class begins at 10 a.m. All are welcome.

Adult Ed. will not meet on November 27.

Members of any groups who meet at Our Lady of Sorrows and celebrate Mass at their meetings are encouraged to attend a class on Thursday, December 1. John Tombrello, Head Sacristan, will teach individuals the proper set-up for Mass and Adoration. Groups are strongly advised to send a representative to learn the proper set-up, as the responsibility will fall to them. Please join us in the Church at 6:30 p.m.



Mass Intentions

Monday, Nov. 21	Special Intention Pat McNamee Sp. Int. Joe Farmer & Brandi Durkac
Tuesday, Nov. 22	Special Intention Darrell Blevins Jackie Milazzo
Wednesday, Nov. 23	Special Intention Tony Lamoureux Sp. Int. Vic & Marianne DeJohn
Thursday, Nov. 24	Special Intention John Wehby Elizabeth Saia
Friday, Nov. 25	John Holt Jannie Russo Kitty LaSusa
Saturday, Nov. 26	Donors to OLS School Foundation Carlos Julio Gaitan Mary Minor
Sunday, Nov. 27	Joaquin Rodriguez/People of Parish Henri Busuttill Special Intention

**Here's the Scoop
on MID Youth Group!**

Nov. 20: We will be joined by the High School Youth Group for a Thanksgiving Dinner at 7 p.m. in the Assembly Hall.

Dec. 4: We are hosting a Stop Hunger Now event in the Assembly Hall. Edge will meet in the Parish Hall for dinner at 7 p.m. and then move to the FLC at 7:30 to package dinners. We need lots of volunteers to meet our goal. Please sign up for the third session at <http://events.stophungernow.org/OLS2016>

**What's Goin on
In High School Youth Group?**

Nov. 20: Faith Formation at 10 a.m. in the youth room using Matthew Kelly's "Decision Point" video series!

Thanksgiving Appreciation Dinner at 7 p.m. in the Assembly Hall. We are SO thankful for your involvement in our ministry; come enjoy a wonderful Thanksgiving meal prepared by volunteers, just for you!

No youth group on Sunday, November 27 – have a blessed Thanksgiving!

Learn how you can get involved at www.olsyouth.com.

Dementia Caregivers Support Group

Are you a caregiver for someone who has dementia (there are many kinds, including Alzheimer's disease)? A new caregiver's support group meets on Monday's from 1-2:30 p.m. in the Family Life Center Library. We will take some time, weekly, to be with friends and remind ourselves that Christ is with us through all the difficulties and blessings we encounter. We will share our experiences, get helpful information about this disease from experts in the field, and learn about resources available for caregivers and their affected loved ones. For more

information, please contact Lanell Carroll at 427-6391.

Do you like to play Bridge? Please join us every 3rd Wednesday of the month in the Sodality Room of the Family Life Center. Contact Jean Holt at 979-0259 for more information.

November Bridge Winners:

1st Pat Rupinski
2nd Bill Kelly
3rd Pug Conaway



**OUR LADY OF SORROWS
IS LOOKING FOR 300 VOLUNTEERS TO
HELP PACKAGE MEALS FOR THOSE IN
NEED!**

**Sunday, December 4th
in the Family Life Center**

Shift 1 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.
Shift 2 3:30 – 5:30 p.m.
**Shift 3 7:30 p.m. – Middle School
Youth**

**We invite anyone 4+ to participate; this is
a great way to give back during Advent.**

**To register, go to
www.ourladyofsorrows.com.**

**You can also call Angie Dunston at 871-
3253 or Suzanne Corso at 871-1431.**