

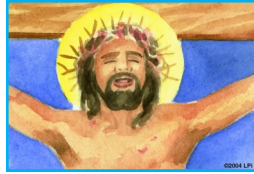
November 23, 2025



OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST
KING OF THE UNIVERSE

Scripture Reflection

The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, invites us to reflect on the sovereignty and lordship of Christ over all creation and his history. In 2 Samuel 5:1-3, we see the anointing of David as king, foreshadowing Christ's eternal kingship, rooted in divine authority and covenant. Colossians 1:12-20 emphasizes Christ's supremacy, highlighting that through Him all things were created and that He holds all power to reconcile and restore creation to its original harmony. The passage underscores Christ's role as the Head of the Church and the one through whom God's fullness dwells bodily.



Luke 23:35-43 presents the crucifixion of Jesus, where He reigns from the Cross, embodying true kingship through sacrifice and humility. The thief's plea, "Remember me when you come into your kingdom," recognizes Jesus' kingship not in worldly power, but in divine authority, exercised in love and salvation.

This feast reminds us that Christ's kingship is rooted in service, humility, and love, calling us to submit our lives to His reign, seeking His justice and mercy. As followers, we are called to recognize His sovereignty not only in Heaven but also in our daily lives, trusting in His eternal rule and the promise of eternal life in His kingdom.

Jesus is King

Dear Jesus,
I see the kingdom you love, the one full of the broken and forgotten.
I see the crown you wear — thorns out of love for me.
I pick you as my King.
Mold my heart to be a worthy member of your kingdom.
Amen.

Ministry Schedule — Nov. 27, 2025 –Thanksgiving

	Lector	Eucharistic Minister	Altar Server
9:00 AM	M. Melvin	T. Todd A. Punturiero Volunteer	T. Gigliotti

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LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, November 22 — Vigil

4:00 PM † Jackie Zelinsky by Carol Sepesky

Sunday, November 23 — Christ the King

8:30 AM † Joesph Gallo by Randall Marino

10:30 AM † Deceased Members of the Tristani Family
by Rosina Volpe

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Monday, November 24

8:00 AM † James Sepesky by Family

Tuesday, November 25

8:00 AM Mass at St. Sebastian

Wednesday, November 26

9:00 AM Mass at St. John the Baptist

Thursday, November 27 — Thanksgiving Day

9:00 AM For the Parish Family

Friday, November 28

8:00 AM Mass at St. Sebastian

Saturday, November 29 — Vigil

4:00 PM † John B. Harhai by Family

Sunday, November 30 — 1st Week of Advent

8:30 AM Pro Populo by Fr Mike

10:30 AM † Ed Monaghan by Ginny and family

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OFFICE HOURS :

Monday –Thursday: 8:30 a.m. –12; 1 p.m.– 3 p.m.

Friday: 8:30 a.m.—12:00 p.m.

Ministry Schedule — Nov. 29 & 30, 2025

	Lector	Eucharistic Minister	Altar Server
4:00 p.m.	D. Harkins	L. Henry W. White A. Punturiero	Volunteer
8:30 a.m.	K. Miller	T. Todd L. DeFelices J. Todd	Volunteer
10:30 a.m.	W. Vlasic	P. Francowic E. Yatchyshyn K. Byron	S. Yatchyshyn G. Yatchyshyn

Money Counters

Monday, November 24 — Team #1 — B. Geis

Stewardship

Weekly Collection Nov. 16	Children & Adult	3,876
Votive Candles: 106	End of Year:	375
Utility & Energy: 50	Online :	1,433
Accent: 21	Total Collection:	\$5,986
All Souls: 30	Retired Religious:	25
All Saints: 35	CRS:	25
Advent Folder: 60	Total Collection:	\$6,036

Breakfast with Santa

All children are invited to have **Breakfast with Santa** on **Sunday, December 14** in the Epiphany Church Hall. The event is sponsored by the Holy Name Society and the Epiphany Ladies. Breakfast begins at 9:30 a.m., and will be served until 11:30 a.m. Breakfast cost is \$5.00 for adults while all children eat for free. Santa will be available to hear Christmas wishes from the children. FCSLA will provide treat bags for all kids.



Cookie Walk

Save the date for the **“Holiday Cookie Walk”** on **Saturday, December 13** from 12 Noon-3 p.m. in the Epiphany Church Hall. Sponsored by the Epiphany Ladies, the Walk will feature a wide variety of ‘cookie jar cookies’ home-baked by our Epiphany bakers and friends. Participants will choose either a \$5 bag (approx. ½ pound) or a \$10 bag (approx. 1 pound) and walk the display selecting the cookies of their choice. The Walk is open to the public so share the news with family, neighbors and friends!

Reminder: all **sausage orders** must be in by, Nov. 23. Anything received after the date may not be fulfilled.

HOMEMADE SAUSAGE SALE

The **Knights of Columbus** will hold a sausage sale on December 9 & 10. All orders must be in by **Sunday, November 23**. Put in your order now to make sure you get it! The **sausage will be sold at \$6.00 /lb. Minimum order is 2 lb. per item. All orders MUST be made on the order form.**

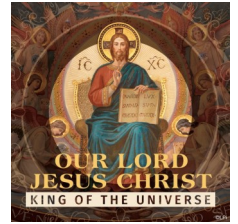
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_____ lbs.	_____ lbs.	Sweet Sausage
_____ lbs.	_____ lbs.	Hot Sausage
_____ lbs.	_____ lbs.	Hot Hot Sausage

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Orders may be placed by filling out the order form above, placing it in an envelope marked “Sausage Order” and depositing it in the collection basket. To call in your order, or for info, contact Jason at 724-454-8688. Please make checks payable to the **Knights of Columbus 954**

Faith



Today, as we celebrate the **Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe**, we mark the end of the Church year. This year also marks the 100th anniversary of this feast day, established by Pope Pius XI in 1925. The feast emphasizes the true kingship of Christ after the upheavals from the First World War. It was meant to respond to the rise of atheism and secularization.

As the last Sunday in the liturgical year, it’s also our reminder that the following week begins Advent and the beginning of the new Church Year. In the three year cycle, we will be using readings from Cycle A.

Thanksgiving Mass

This week, Americans celebrate **Thanksgiving**. Traditionally, it is a holiday to give thanks for a successful harvest. It is also time to give thanks for the many gifts God has bestowed on us in our lives and through the year. **Thanksgiving Day Mass will be at 9:00 a.m.** Make it part of your tradition and join us. We wish you all a blessed Thanksgiving Day.

Inspiration for the Week

Our king wears a crown of thorns, not a crown of gold. His glory is not in riches but in suffering. His law is written in his own blood, shed for the love of us. Do we understand the gift that it is, to be subject to such a king?

Questions of the Week

1st Reading Question:

The people of Israel recognized that David was a natural leader, and with the Lord’s blessing anointed him king of Israel.

What do you think makes someone a good leader?

2nd Reading Question:

Paul offers to the Colossians a beautiful piece of poetry reflecting on how Jesus reconciled all things in heaven and on earth.

Can you share a time when you were reconciled with a family member or friend?

Gospel Question:

Jesus assured the repentant criminal crucified next to him that he would be with him in paradise.

Who might you offer words of comfort to this week?

Lectors: If you have not picked up your new workbook, please do so. They are in the sacristy.

The office will be closed Thursday, November 27 for Thanksgiving and reopen on Monday, Dec.1.

Around the Diocese

Advent Day of Prayer

The Greensburg Diocesan Council of Catholic Women (DCCW) will host an Advent day of prayer **Saturday, Dec. 6, at Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish.** The day begins with the rosary at 8 a.m., followed by an anointing Mass at 8:30 a.m., confessions at 9:30 a.m., registration, fellowship, brunch at 11 a.m. and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Advent reflection at noon, ending with repose of the Blessed Sacrament at 1 p.m. Celebrant is Father James B. Morley. Cost is \$25 (make checks payable to Greensburg DCCW and note “Advent prayer day” on memo line). Reservations can be sent to the parish at 200 Leger Road, North Huntingdon, Pa. 15642. Deadline is Monday, Nov. 24. For information, call 724-787-2415.

Rorate Mass

A solemn candlelight Rorate Mass in honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary will be held Friday, **Dec. 12, at 7:30 p.m., at Christ, Prince of Peace Parish,** Ford City, featuring Father Thomas Skamai as guest homilist, plus the Saint Gregory Institute of Sacred Music.

Rummage Sale

A rummage sale will be held at **Our Lady, Queen of Peace Parish, East Vandergrift** on Friday and Saturday, Dec. 5 and 6, from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. and Sunday, Dec. 7, from noon-1 p.m. There will be many new items and monthly specials, as well as a full Christmas room. For information, call 724-478-4958.

Holiday Craft Show

A holiday craft show will be held at Mother of Sorrows Parish, **Murrysville on Saturday, Dec. 6, from 11 a.m.-7 p.m. and Sunday, Dec. 7, from 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m.** The show will feature 40 crafters, Chinese auction gift baskets and door prizes. Admission is free and refreshments will be sold.

Vendor/Craft Show

The Christian Mothers will hold a vendor/craft show and bake sale at **St. Anne Church, Rostraver on Saturday, Dec. 6, from 10 a.m.-3 p.m.** The Holy Name Society will sell homemade ravioli, sauce and meatballs. Lunch and snacks will be sold.

Christmas Retreat

A Christmas retreat will be held at Mt. St. Macrina House of Prayer on Saturday, Dec. 13, from 9:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Cost is \$45 and includes lunch. Registration is due by Dec. 3 by calling 724-438-7149 or emailing hpmsm@verizon.net.

Faith

Confirmation Preparation

In addition to our **Called** Sessions, those preparing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation **MUST** attend Sacramental Preparation Sessions, including a Diocesan Retreat. Schedules are available by email and distributed at **CALLED**. If you need information, contact Adelle at aslebodnik@dioceseofgreensburg.org or 724-244-9434.

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

A way of formation that is hands on and experiential. Opening the Word of God in beautiful ways. Children come to learn of Jesus, our Good Shepherd and his love for us through Scripture, the Mass and life skills. Sessions are held on Mondays at St. John the Baptist in Perryopolis. Questions, contact Adelle at aslebodnik@dioceseofgreensburg.org or 724-244-9434.

Why DO We Do That?

Q. What is Eucharistic Adoration?

A. The practice of Eucharistic Adoration is a centuries old ritual and falls within a broader category of devotions and rituals that are associated with the Sacrament of the Eucharist. In a particular way, Eucharistic Adoration is an extension of the worship and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament that occurs in every Mass.

In a long-standing practice, a period of Eucharistic Adoration often ends with “benediction,” the blessing of the faith with the Blessed Sacrament.

Several parishes throughout the United States have introduced the practice of perpetual Eucharistic Adoration, while other communities have the custom of shorter periods of Eucharistic Adoration. Care should always be taken that these periods of adoration respect the instructions outlined in *Holy Communion and Worship of the Eucharist Outside of Mass*, the liturgical book that gives the instructions for the proper celebration of Eucharistic Adoration.

Although adoration of the Blessed Sacrament can never take the place of Eucharistic Communion, many Catholics find great comfort and consolation in their prayers before the Eucharist enshrined in the tabernacle or when it is exposed in the monstrance (both are equally valid, as the Christ is not more present in one than in the other). But when we consider our Eucharistic devotions, it is always important to remember the fundamental connection these acts of devotion have the celebration of the Eucharist in the Mass and reception of Christ in Communion.

Readings for the Week

Readings for the week of November 23

Sunday: 2 Sm 5:1-3/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5 (see 1)/Col 1:12-20/Lk 23:35-43

Monday: Dn 1:1-6, 8-20/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/Lk 21:1-4

Tuesday: Dn 2:31-45/Dn 3:57, 58, 59, 60, 61/Lk 21:5-11

Wednesday: Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28/Dn 3:62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67/Lk 21:12-19

Thursday: Dn 6:12-28/Dn 3:68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74/Lk 21:20-28

Friday: Dn 7:2-14/Dn 3:75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81/Lk 21:29-33

Saturday: Dn 7:15-27/Dn 3:82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87/Lk 21:34-36

Next Sunday: Is 2:1-5/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Rom 13:11-14/Mt 24:37-44



St. Bruno Parish Invites You To:

HOLIDAY BINGO

Ticket includes: Bingo Packet, Bagged Lunch, Dessert Table, Beverage.

15+ Games \$50-\$100 Payout | \$1,500 Jackpot Series | Basket Raffle | Strip Tickets | Door Prizes

Sunday, December 7, 2025
1729 Poplar St. Greensburg, Pa 15601

Doors Open at 12:30 PM | Lunch at 1:00 PM | Bingo Begins at 1:30 PM

TICKET \$25

Tickets will be available in the Church Office beginning November 5. Please call the Office to purchase your ticket: 724-836-0690

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HAPPY
Thanksgiving

GIVE THANKS
TO GOD
FOR HE IS GOOD!

Thanksgiving Blessing

Heavenly Father, we gather together today with hearts filled with gratitude. This meal we share reminds us of the endless blessings You've bestowed upon us. We pray in thanksgiving not only for this food we share, but in all the ways You've shown us Your love. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Annual Diocesan Celebration of Lessons & Carols

Bishop Larry J. Kulick invites you to join him on **Friday, Dec. 5, at 7 p.m. at Blessed Sacrament Cathedral, Greensburg**, for the annual Diocesan celebration of Lessons & Carols. This special evening includes musicians from local parishes. Come and be nourished with sacred Scripture and holy song as we prepare ourselves to celebrate the birth of Christ on the feast of Christmas. A light reception will follow in the social hall. Admission is free and all are welcome.

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