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Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4pm

Sunday: 8am, 10am, 12 noon

Tues: Noon

Wed and Fri: 8am

Thurs: Noon and 5:30pm

Reconciliation

Saturday 3:00—3:45pm

Sunday 7:00-7:45am

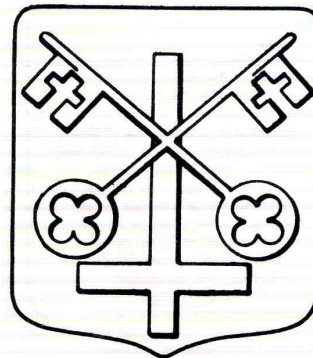
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Save the Date!

Thursday, November 27th

Thanksgiving Mass

8am, church

No noon or 5:30 Mass on Thanksgiving

Sunday, December 7th

Historic Homes tours St Peter's

1-4 pm, Church, Hall, and Rectory

Sunday, December 14th

Angel tree gift return deadline

noon Mass

From Father Jacob

Christ is King!

Today we celebrate the Feast of Christ the King. That Jesus Christ is the King of the Universe, the King of all mankind, the King of the Church, and that He belongs as the King of our hearts as well!

In the readings today we see three titles that Jesus has to be the king.

In the first reading we see David anointed to shepherd God's people Israel. Jesus is the son of David, and so He is the rightful King of Israel, including the new people Israel, the Church. Jesus is king of His Church and the Church does well only when she stays close to Him!

In the second reading we hear about Christ as "the firstborn of all creation" and "the head of the body, the Church". Christ is king of the universe because He is the creator of the universe, and everything that exists finds its purpose and goal in Him. In other words He is "the beginning and the end" and the whole universe does well when it points towards Him!

In the gospel we hear about Jesus being crucified, which does not at first glance seem very kingly. But we remember that it is on the cross also that Jesus is conquering sin and death, that he is in that moment, hidden from the mocking crowds and from all human sight, defeating the devil and is about to descend to Hell to plunder the devil's defeated kingdom. Jesus is the rightful king because He has conquered! We, who like the thief are justly doomed to die, can also call on him in just the same way: "Jesus, remember me, when you come into your kingdom."

Jesus is the rightful King because He is the son of David, because He is the source and goal of all creation, and because He is the conqueror of death and Lord of life. We should want to live in His kingdom, as his subjects, because He is also the king who Shepherds rightly, who reconciles all things, and who gives his own life for his subjects. He is the rightful king, but more than that, He is a very good king!

Jesus, remember me, when you come into your kingdom.

Thanksgiving Mass

Mark your calendars and adjust your cooking schedules and join us for Thanksgiving Mass on Thursday, November 27th at **8am**.

The Mass is **the** act of Thanksgiving, when we give ourselves and all our gifts along with Christ to the glory of God the Father, so it is the perfect start to a Thanksgiving Day. I hope you'll join us!



The first Thanksgiving

The first Thanksgiving in what is now America was held in St Augustine, Florida, in 1565, when the newly-arrived settlers celebrated a Mass of Thanksgiving for their safe journey across the ocean followed by a feast with the Timucua people who lived there. The second Thanksgiving was similar, when in El Paso, Texas, in 1598 the newly arrived settlers had a Mass of Thanksgiving for their safe journey across the desert followed by a feast with the Manso people who lived there.

Advent Materials

Thanks to the Spirituality Committee for choosing our excellent Advent materials for the parish.

Please take home Advent daily devotionals for your family!

NCYC

Many of our youth are traveling to the National Catholic Youth Conference this weekend in Indianapolis, IN. They'll pray, learn, and have fun with over 15,000 other young people. Please pray for a fruitful experience and for safe travels!

November 23, 2025
Solemnity Of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King Of The Universe

	Saturday 4:00pm Mass	Sunday 8:00am Mass	Sunday 10:00am Mass	Sunday 12:00pm Mass
	Nov 29, 2025	Nov 30, 2025	Nov 30, 2025	Nov 30, 2025
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MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday, 11/25

12:00 pm - Linda Schmitt †

Wednesday, 11/26

8:00 am - Bernie Erickson

Thursday, 11/27

9:00 am - in Thanksgiving

Friday, 11/28

8:00 am - for holy marriages

Saturday, 11/29

4:00 pm - Richard Corrin †

Sunday, 11/30

8:00 am - Dorothy Snook †
Brian Rommel †

10:00 am - Deceased Members
of the Knights of Columbus

12:00 pm - St Peter's Parish

READINGS FOR: November 30, 2025

1ST READING: Isaiah 2:1-5

2ND READING: Romas 13:11-14

GOSPEL: Matthew 24:37-44

The World According to Bob

Pilot Notes To Mechanic and Mechanic responses

P: Something loose in cockpit.

M: Something tightened in cockpit.

P: Suspected crack in windshield.

M: Suspect your right.

P: Number 3 engine missing.

M: Engine found on right wing after brief search.

P: Aircraft handles funny.

M: Aircraft warned to straighten up, fly right, and be serious.

P: Target radar hums.

M: Reprogrammed target radar with lyrics.

P: Mouse in Cockpit.

M: Cat installed.

Father's Thought for the Week

As we give thanks to God this week for His many blessings we should remember that material wealth and the goods of the earth are only a blessing if they bring us closer to God and allow us to concretely love our neighbors. If they don't do that then they are not a blessing at all, but a curse. We might ask God's grace so that all of our "blessings" be truly blessings!



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS, ST PETER'S COUNCIL 1045

The Knights of Columbus will meet tomorrow night, Monday, November 24th at 6:00pm in the social hall. Dinner will be at 6:00pm followed by a meeting at 6:30pm.

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CELEBRATIONS
for Our Lady of
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December 12, 2025

5:00AM - Las Mañanitas with Mariachi
8:00AM - Mass in English
6:00PM Solemn Mass in Spanish
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