



DIVINE MERCY PARISH

SACRED HEART CHURCH • ST. PHILIP THE APOSTLE CHURCH

NOVEMBER 24, 2019

THE SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST,
THE KING OF THE UNIVERSE



"JESUS, remember me
when you come into your KINGDOM."

Luke 23: 42

FROM THE PASTOR'S PEN

HAPPY NEW YEAR

No, I haven't lost it. Next weekend, the First Sunday of the Advent season will be celebrated. This marks the start of the Church year, the year of grace.

A number of things happen with this new liturgical year. As with every Advent, we prepare for the celebration of the nativity of the Lord, Christmas. That preparation looks back in time to the Incarnation of Christ. It also looks forward in time to the Second Coming of Christ. Happy new year!

Also with the start of the new Church year we leave Luke's gospel behind, for the most part. Having heard almost every passage from Luke in the previous Church year on Sundays, we now turn our attention to Matthew's gospel which predominates in this year. Each of the Advent gospel passages will be taken from Matthew's gospel. A number of the Christmas season gospel passages are also taken from Matthew. Once we arrive in Ordinary Time, we will pretty much consistently hear from Matthew's gospel. Happy new year!

Raymond E. Brown, in his work *Introduction to the New Testament*, has this to say about the Gospel of Matthew. It runs to about 18,300 words in the original Greek text. It's more than 50% longer than Mark, with its greater length explained by the two chapters of the infancy narrative of Jesus and the long preaching or sermon material from Jesus found in chapters five through seven. Matthew stands first in all of the ancient biblical codices and has been the Church's gospel par excellence. It is a foundational document of the community of faith, grounding us in the teaching of Jesus, a church built on the rock against which the gates of hell will not prevail. "Matthew's Sermon on the Mount, the eight beatitudes and the Lord's Prayer are among the most widely

known treasures in the Christian heritage," says Brown in his book. We will hear all of this in the liturgical year which is about to begin. Happy new year!

As we step off into the new Church year we will be lighting the four candles of the Advent wreath as we move through the season and get closer to Christmas. May the light of the Advent wreath illuminate our hearts with the warmth of God's grace! Happy new year!



THANKSGIVING DAY MASS

9:30am

Sacred Heart Church



LECTOR WORKBOOKS AVAILABLE

Current lectors for Divine Mercy can pick up their 2020 Lector workbooks for the coming year in the vestibule of St. Philip or the Gathering Space of Sacred Heart. Thank you for your service!

STEWARDSHIP GIVING

FINANCES AT A GLANCE AS OF November 17, 2019

(Combined SPA / SH Church Sites)

YTD 2019-2020 Sunday Collection \$307,206

YTD 2018-2019 Sunday Collection \$370,534

If you are not an online donor and wish to sign up, please contact Cindy Atsaves in the parish office.

Thank you for your generosity to Divine Mercy Parish!

Please note we are now posting combined actuals from both church sites.

PRAYER AND WORSHIP

RESPECT LIFE

That Christ the King may lead all public servants to place the dignity of human life at the center of all their policies, programs, and decisions, we pray to the Lord.

RESPECT LIFE AND THE WOMEN'S CENTER

The Women's Center of Greater Chicagoland serves women during pregnancy and after. Their mission is to love, support, and empower a woman, giving them the tools to choose life for herself and for her child. The Women's Center is in need of diapers in all sizes, especially 5 and 6. If you would like to contribute, please drop packages of diapers off in the vestibule of St. Philip the Apostle Church and they will be delivered and appreciated.

WEEKLY SCRIPTURE REFLECTION GROUP

A scripture reflection group meets every Monday morning in the Sacred Heart offices after the 8:30am Mass.

We gather for one hour to read and reflect on the coming Sunday readings. We share what is in our hearts and on our minds. No experience in scripture necessary. All are welcome!

ADVENT & CHRISTMAS REFLECTION BOOKLETS

Pick up the seasonal reflection booklets at all the exits of the Church this weekend.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

NOVEMBER 27th 8am—Noon
SERVICE OPPORTUNITY
St. Columbanus Food Pantry
331 E. 71st Street in Chicago
Packing and distribution of food

NOVEMBER 28th 9:30am
THANKSGIVING DAY MASS
at Sacred Heart Church

DECEMBER 3rd 7:00pm
ADVENT BY CANDLELIGHT
at Sacred Heart School Gym

DECEMBER 8th 8:00am-NOON
PANCAKE BREAKFAST
St. Philip the Apostle Gym

POPE FRANCIS ON TWITTER



Christ is the hope of the world: His Gospel is the most powerful leaven of brotherhood, freedom, justice and peace for all peoples.



A Tri-Parish Event Brought to you by Divine Mercy,

Ss. Faith Hope & Charity, & Ss. Joseph & Francis Xavier

Saturday, December 14

Ss. Faith Hope & Charity Parish Center

*A Christmas Canvas:
Paintings of the Nativity Story*

with art historian Jeff Mishur

2:00 – 4:00 pm

Festive Refreshments and Fellowship from 2:00 – 3:00; Talk at 3:00 pm

Around the holidays, the images that surround us promote holiday hours and doorbusters.

This program emphasizes images that are central to the meaning of the season.

There is no fee to attend but we ask that you register as space is limited. Registration opens Sunday, Nov. 10. To register, contact Marilyn Valko on mjvalko@yahoo.com or 847-256-3834.

IT'S ONLY TWO WEEKS AWAY!!
DIVINE MERCY PANCAKE BREAKFAST!
DECEMBER 8TH, 8AM – 11:30 A.M.

St. Philip the Apostle Gym

Join us for the most exciting event of the holiday season!

Come enjoy delicious pancakes & sausage,
along with Santa,
for the sharing of Christmas lists!
There's also a raffle full of fantastic items
for kids and parents, too!
This family friendly event is a wonderful
opportunity to see old friends
and meet new ones alike.



Come one and all!

Tickets: \$7 per person. Kids age 5 & under = FREE.

There's a fantastic raffle, too! Tickets: \$1 each or 6 for \$5.

BRING THE KIDS TO SEE SANTA!



Advent by Candlelight

Tuesday, December 3rd, 7:00 to 9:30 pm

Sacred Heart School Gym

\$5 per person.

Last Chance! Call to see if there is room!

Contact Cindy Leveille at cynthia.levaille@comcast.net

or (847) 501-4939.

OUTREACH

ST. COLUMBANUS FOOD PANTRY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

THIS WEEK!

**THE DAY BEFORE THANKSGIVING:
NOVEMBER 27**



St. Columbanus, the sharing parish of Sacred Heart Church, will have its regular food and turkey distribution on Wednesday, November 27th, the day before Thanksgiving.

Help is needed — make it a family outing! You can pack perishables at 8am AND/OR distribute food at 10am. Come for the entire morning or just for the distribution.

St. Columbanus is located at 331 E. 71st Street in Chicago, just east of the Dan Ryan. **Volunteers meet AT St. Columbanus.**

Dress for the weather as everything takes place outside. Parking is available in the lot behind the school (enter off of S. Calumet Ave.), on 71st Street or Calumet.

Questions? Contact Maureen Valvassori at mvalvassori@divinemercynorthshore.org or 847-446-0856.



CHRISTMAS SHARING WITH OUR SHARING PARISHES ST. COLUMBANUS AND ST. BENEDICT THE AFRICAN



This year we are trying to be more consistent in our Christmas Sharing efforts since we now have two sharing parishes.

SACRED HEART CHURCH

Stop by the Christmas Sharing bulletin board this weekend in the back of Church to select a St. Columbanus family to adopt. Instead of purchasing the actual gifts this year, Divine Mercy families will be asked to donate gift cards to each St. Columbanus family so they can shop for their own family members. Please drop off your gifts cards in the provided envelope, to the Parish Office at Sacred Heart, any time before December 6th - the feast day of St. Nicholas!

Why the change? To enable the St. Columbanus families to select their own gifts and to be more consistent in our Christmas Sharing efforts across the entire parish.

You can still make donations to Divine Mercy Parish towards the purchase of Jewel Foods Gift Cards for each of the families. We ask that your donation be in increments of \$25, as always.



ST. PHILIP THE APOSTLE CHURCH

Beginning in Advent, take a tag off of the Christmas Tree in the Church vestibule that indicates a particular gift card needed for the St. Benedict the African community. Gift cards in any denomination are welcome, though smaller denominations work better for the people of their community. Christmas Sharing at St. Philip will run through the feast of the Epiphany.



Please note that there will no longer be a toy collection for Catholic Charities. The parish has decided to focus all energies on the needs of the St. Benedict the African community.

COMMUNITY

COLD WEATHER CLOTHING AND WINTER BOOTS NEEDED

It is cold out there!! What to do with those scarves, hats, mittens, gloves, jackets, coats and winter boots that you no longer need, but are still in good condition? Well, our dear friends at St. Columbanus Parish are always extremely grateful for any of these items. Any size of these items (women, men, infants and children) will be put to good use in the community. Any or all cold weather gear, bagged and tied please, may be placed in the first closet on the left as you enter the outside door from the Sacred Heart campus parking lot. If you have any questions, please email Kathleen Clarke at clarkekathleen63@aol.com. THANK YOU!



Christmas Raffle



Genuine Hand Crafted 12 Piece HOLY LAND OLIVE WOOD NATIVITY SET (12"by 9"by8") from BETHLEHEM Value: \$800
each Ticket: \$10 or \$25 for 3 tickets
Tickets Available after Masses, at THE PANCAKE BREAKFAST Dec 8th (draw date) or Call: Rima Abraham at 8474418481 or Text: 847 7361326

PRAYER AND WORSHIP

THE SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING OF THE UNIVERSE

On the last Sunday of each liturgical year, the Church celebrates the Solemnity of Christ the King. Pope Pius XI instituted this feast in 1925 with his encyclical *Quas Primas* ("In the First") to respond to growing nationalism and secularism. He recognized that these related societal ills would breed increasing hostility against the Church. His encyclical reminds the faithful that while governments and philosophies come and go, Christ reigns as king forever.

The following are some quotes from Pope Francis on this Solemnity.

The Kingdom Demands Discipleship
Jesus is the center of creation; and so the attitude demanded of us as true believers is that of recognizing and

accepting in our lives the centrality of Jesus Christ, in our thoughts, in our words and in our works. (Homily of Pope Francis, Solemnity of Christ the King, November 24, 2013)

We must work every day, with the help of the Holy Spirit, to draw closer to Jesus. In our own increasingly "post-Christian" society, we cannot be complacent in our spiritual lives. To acknowledge the kingship of Christ means that we should dedicate ourselves to prayer, to building up our families and our parish communities, and to bringing healing to a broken world.

The Kingdom is Humble

Jesus inaugurates a kingdom that grows through humble acts of service. Even as her freedom to carry out her ministries is threatened, the

Church must patiently continue to serve the poor, educate the young, welcome the migrant, visit the prisoner, heal the sick, bury the dead, and love others.

The kingdoms of this world at times are sustained by arrogance, rivalries and oppression; the reign of Christ is a 'kingdom of justice, love and peace.' For a Christian, speaking of power and strength means referring to the power of the Cross, and the strength of Jesus' love: a love which remains steadfast and complete, even when faced with rejection, and it is shown as the fulfillment of a life expended in the total surrender of oneself for the benefit of humanity. (Angelus Address of Pope Francis, Solemnity of Christ the King, November 22, 2015)

From: www.usccb.org

A Meaningful Day of Service —

We filled 300 Blessing Bags and made 200 healthy lunches that will be handed out to people who are homeless, all thanks to the incredible donations we received from our families and parishioners. We made ornaments for the sick and homebound. We worked hard, had fun and filled the hearts of our new friends from Connections for the Homeless. They were truly thankful for your amazing generosity.



Hail Khalaf of Connect2Homeless and Catechist Peter Spinner.



Children's Ministry Prayer Fair

Sunday, November 24, 9-10:15 a.m., Sacred Heart School Gym

Join us as we enjoy hands-on activities and pray. We will focus on practical ways that families can deepen their relationship with God through prayer. This session is optional for Children's Ministry families since it is the Sunday before Thanksgiving.

Please RSVP to let us know you will be joining us:
dm.shre@divinemercynorthshore.org



**LOOK WHAT'S HAPPENING AT
SACRED HEART SCHOOL!**



We are wrapping up our Viking Fun Run with lots of excitement and great success! Thank you to all who helped to support our wonderful Sacred Heart School!



Our kindergartners really know how to celebrate **50 DAYS OF SCHOOL!**

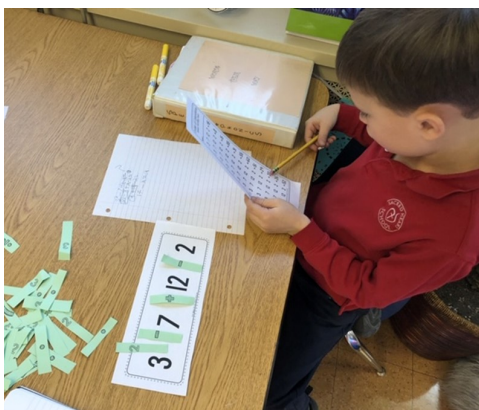


Our 2nd graders participating in their pre Thanksgiving workout in the gym!!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, November 25th
Noon Dismissal – JK-8th
Parent – Teacher Conferences
Tuesday, November 26th
Noon Dismissal – JK-8th
Parent – Teacher Conferences
Wednesday, November 27th
Thanksgiving Break begins

This week the third grade students worked on function tables and order of operations with great concentration. Then it was time to celebrate a birthday with popsicles and a good story!



We are so thankful for our loving Sacred Heart School community!

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE - Weekend of November 30 & December 1, 2019

SACRED HEART CHURCH

Monday, November 25

7:00 am-

8:30 am- Sandra Valvassori

Tuesday, November 26

7:00 am-

8:30 am-

Wednesday, November 27

7:00 am –Nathan Garvey Madden

8:30 am- Julia Huber

Special Intention for Charlotte Hall

Thursday, November 28 Thanksgiving Day

9:30 am-Blessings for all Parishioners
of Divine Mercy Parish

Friday, November 29

7:00 am –

8:30 am-

Saturday, November 30

8:30 am-

5:00 pm-

Sunday, December 1

7:30 am – Frank and Teresa D'Astici

9:00 am –Luciana Butera

10:30 am-Alice Mantoan

Judith Rosauer

4:30 pm- Parishioners of Divine Mercy

ST. PHILIP THE APOSTLE CHURCH

5:30 p.m.

Presider: Fr. Cassidy (Deacon Bob Puhala)

Servers: Volunteers needed

Lector: Gina Dickinson

EMs: Susan Corley Turk, Liz Harvey, Cathy Stegich

Ushers: Gino D'Egidio, Tom Stegich, Rick Turk

7:30 a.m.

Presider: Fr. Lanza (Deacon Keenan)

Servers: Volunteers needed

Lector: Jim Dietz

EMs: Rima Abraham, Stephen Cross, Caroline Duppler

Ushers: Joe Pacini, Greg Clingan

9:30 a.m.

Presider: Fr. Lanza (Deacon Keenan)

Servers: Volunteers needed

Lector: Chris Kaiser

EMs: George Kaiser, Gerry Schroeder, Tom O'Donoghue

Ushers: Tom Andersen, Jason Cravens, Dan Murphy,
Paul Weiss

PLEASE PRAY

For Those Who Are Sick

The following people suffer from illness or chronic conditions.

They have asked for the prayers of our parish family.

Please remember them to the Lord.

Mark Agnew, Jeannie Ambrose, Michael Anderson,
Jim Baisley, Dorothy Banas, Donald Blair, Elaine Boback,
Sande Bolan, Paula Brady, Dennis Braun, Wendy Braun,
Luciana Butera, Milly Calabrese, Kierre Caldwell, Patt Carlson,
Patricia Catarello, Teresa Chapman, Kelly Bolan Chevalier,
Sheila Devlin, Tim Doll, Rick Doucette,
David and Mary Ann Duerwachter, Maureen Dwyer,
Timothy Feeney, Reese Felderman, John Flynn, Lisa Franke,
Lydia Gatton, Benjamin Grillo, Philip Hall, Laura Hendricks,
John Hoerster, Nancy Holihan, Mario Iturino, Cindy Jatis,
Emily Jatis, Sean Jatis, Tom Jatis, Becky Jones, Philip Jones,
Marge Kalsch, Carol O'Leary Kane, Edward Kennedy,
Ginny Kunkel, Gina Quirk Lazicki, Anne Lesniak, John Madden,
Drew Mans, Jackson Mans, Matthew Morgan, Beth O'Brien,
Sally O'Malley, Ennio Rossi, Mary Sabo, Donna Sabido,
Dick Schager, Catherine Scheid, Mary Shepherd, Judy Sokal,
Bob Southwell, Mary Tatro, Linda Walsh, Julie Wright,
Lisa Zitella and Dr. Jerome Zwierzycki

For Those Who Have Died

May the souls of the faithfully departed,
Through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Robert Zengler

MINISTERS OF CARE

Lake Cook: Frieda Baker

Glen Oaks: Mary Newton

Maryhaven / Lutheran General:

Mary Breen, Mary Claps, Maureen Claps, Marilyn Hielscher,
Marty Kearney, Anna Koberda, Michael Koberda,
Diana Scheeler, Tom Carroll

MASS INTENTIONS

SACRED HEART

5:00 p.m.

Presider: Fr. Solazzo
Greeters: Ludy Mariano, Dan O'Rourke
Servers: Nora Murdock, Lily Hartvigsen
Lector: Julie Hartvigsen
EM's: Barbara Fifer, Samuel Fifer,
Claudia Mann
Cantor: Saturday Choir

7:30 a.m.

Presider: Fr. Solazzo
Greeter: Volunteer needed
Servers: Christopher Nelson,
Lindsay Minogue
Lector: Chris Lane
EMs: Bernadette Broccolo,
Nancy Kehoe,
Volunteer Needed
Cantor: Dan MacDonald

9:00 a.m.

Presider: Fr. Semmer
Greeters: Mary Newton,
Volunteer needed
Servers: Joe Drehkoff, Quinn Drehkoff
Lector: Catherine Lehman
EMs: Robert Maganuco,
Ann Marie Kiener,
Mary Newton
Cantor: Shannon Barker Keys

10:30 a.m.

Presider: Fr. Semmer
Greeters: Jim Harrington, Kay Madden
Servers: Nora Murdock,
Sullivan Pierre
Lector: Tim Cawley
EMs: Kay Madden, Frieda Baker,
A.J. Leonard,
Mary Jo Bushell,
Christine Kengott,
Mark Kengott
Cantor: Sacred Heart Adult Choir

4:30 p.m.

Presider: Fr. Cassidy
Greeter: Lynn Finneke
Servers: Ava Half, Volunteer needed
Lector: Lynn Finneke
EMS: James Collins, Dan Hagedorn,
Chris Hartman
Cantor: Matt Mielsing & Ensemble

ST. PHILIP THE APOSTLE

Monday, November 25

8:00am -Mary Lou Colfer

Tuesday, November 26

8:00am- Holy Souls in Purgatory

Wednesday, November 27

8:00am – Jane and Frank Meade

Thursday, November 28

Thanksgiving Day

9:30am –Mass is being celebrated at
Sacred Heart Church

Friday, November 29

8:00am- Daniel J. McNamara

Saturday, November 30

8:00 am-Michael Kane
(Birthday Blessings)
5:30 pm-John F. Flynn Jr.

Sunday, December 1

7:30 am-Parishioners of Divine Mercy
9:30 am-Jim Prindiville

SACRAMENTS

Sacraments can be scheduled at either church. Arrangements should be made through the main office at Sacred Heart.

RECONCILIATION

Wednesday—3:00-5:00pm (SP)
Saturday—9:00-9:30am (SH)
Saturday—5:00-5:15pm (SP)
or by appointment

BAPTISM

By appointment. Please call the main parish office or visit our website for the requisite forms.

MARRIAGE

Contact the main parish office 6 months prior to the anticipated date of the marriage.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Contact the main parish office to arrange for the sacrament for the seriously ill and homebound.

THIS WEEK AT DIVINE MERCY

Monday, November 25

Scripture Reflection Group 9:00am /
SH PO
Alpha 6:30pm / SH Parish Center

Tuesday, November 26

Crafty Ladies 9:00am / SPA Convent
Prayer Group 9:00am / SHFR

Wednesday, November 27

St. Columbanus Food Pantry Service
Opportunity 8:00am /
St. Columbanus

Thursday, November 28

Thanksgiving Day Mass 9:30am / SH

Friday, November 29

Holy Hour 3:00pm / SPA

Saturday, November 30

Men's International Study Group
7:30am

Sunday, December 1

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