

THE MESSENGER

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Holy Sacrifice of The Mass Saturday: 5:30 pm Sunday: 8:00 am & 10:30 am

Daily Mass Tuesday-Friday: 8:00 am

Rosary Monday-Friday: 7:30 am



Mary, Queen of Angels, Pray for Us!

Church is Handicapped Accessible

First Saturday to Honor the Immaculate Heart of Mary Mass 9:00 am

First Friday to Adore the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Exposition/Adoration 10:30-11:15 am (Benediction follows) Confessions 10:35-11:15 am, Mass 11:30 am

<u>Confession</u> Tuesday-Friday: 7:15-7:45 am, Saturday: 4:00-5:00 pm, or by appointment

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<u>The Mission of Queen of Angels Church is to:</u> Grow in our relationship with God through Jesus Christ. Strengthen our faith by living and teaching the Gospel. Serve God's People in our parish, our community, and our world.

If you're worried about an unplanned pregnancy, you may be experiencing a personal crisis full of concerns about your future. Pregnancy Care Clinic can assist you. www.unplannedparenthood.org, 619.442.4357

Reporting Sexual Abuse

Complaints about sexual abuse by a member of the clergy or by a parish or Catholic school employee or volunteer can be made by calling Mary Acosta at the Child and Youth Protection Office, Victims Assistance Coordinator, at 858.490.8353.

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Dn 7:13-14/Ps 93:1, 1-2, 5/Rv 1:5-





READINGS & MASS INTENTIONS NOVEMBER 20-28, 2021

	8/Jn 18:33b-37				
Monday:	Dn 1:1-6, 8-20/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/Lk 21:1-4	DATI		TIME	INTENTION
Tuesday:	Dn 2:31-45/Dn 3:57, 58, 59, 60, 61/Lk 21:5-11	Saturday, Sunday,	Nov 20 Nov 21	5:30 pm 8:00 am	For the People Michael Figueroa
Wednesday:	Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28/ Dn 3:62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67/ Lk 21:12-19	Sunday, Monday, Tuesday,	Nov 21 Nov 22 Nov 23	10:30 am 7:30 am 8:00 am	Edward Provencio <i>Rosary</i> †Harold & Marie Bispham
Thursday:	Dn 6:12-28/Dn 3:68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74/Lk 21:20-28	Wednesday, Thursday,	Nov 24 Nov 25	8:00 am 9:00 am	Jeffery Silva †April Williams
Friday:	Dn 7:2-14/Dn 3:75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81/Lk 21:29-33	Friday,	Nov 26	8:00 am	Marion Montgomery
Saturday:	Dn 7:15-27/Dn 3:82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87/Lk 21:34-36	Saturday, Sunday,	Nov 27 Nov 28	5:30 pm 8:00 am	†Doris Woehl Selder
Next Sunday:	Jer 33:14-16/1 Thes 3:12—4:2/ Ps 25:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14/Lk 21:25-28, 34-36	Sunday,	Nov 28	10:30 am	For the People
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Continue to Keep in Your Prayers and Hearts those on our Healing and Deployed Military Lists.



Prayer Requests Sister Astrid

Sunday:

Luise Barrett Toshiko Brown Vita Cano John Costello Jackie Eis Jeff Fellows, Sr. Jim Hill Chik Hylton Carmen Holt Estela Lopez Rick McCullough Connie Maguire Jacqueline Meyer Evelyn Peoples Joseph Queja Darren Smith Jackie Smith Joan Smith Steven Thrift Victoria Thrift Robert Craig Wiederkehr Kailyn & Charis Whaley Jane Yamamoto



Names remain listed for four weeks and can be renewed by contacting Darlene Ames at bulletin@queenofangels.org. Deployed Military Meagan Abad, LT Matthew D. Fuller,PV2 William W. Fuller II, PFC Rebekah Meyer, BMSN(sw) Jacob Tweed, HM3 Mattison Underhill, USN



If you have a friend or relative who is serving in our military and is deployed or will be deployed, please contact Darlene at bulletin@queenofangels.org.

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Advent Wreaths Stop by the Multi-purpose/Donut Thanksgiving Liturgy Please join us for this special up supplies to make a new wreath, (suggested donation

of \$10), or get new candles and decorations, (suggested donation of \$5) to freshen up your already purchased wreath.



Parish Office The parish office will be closed November 23-November 29, in order to celebrate Thanksgiv-ing with our families and friends. We will re-open at 9:00 AM on Tuesday, November 30. Best wishes to all for a blessed mark your calendars to reflect this change. Thanks and memorable Thanksgiving.



PM in the parish hall.

room on Sunday, November 21 after both Masses to pick Mass November 25, at 9:00 AM to express our gratitude to Almighty God for His many blessings. We will bless food during Mass; if you would like food to be blessed, you may place it in front of the altar before Mass begins. You may pick up your food items after Mass.

you.

Adult Confirmation Please take note: There will be Mindfulness of Others In consideration and respect of no class on November 24 due to the Thanksgiving hol-all attending Mass we ask that if you have even a slight International Construction and respect of iday. Normal class will resume on December 1 at 7:00 cough or cold please refrain from attending Mass until your symptoms are gone. Thank you.



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9th & 10th Confirmation Formation:

November 21: Class

November 28: No class

December 5: Class resumes (sponsor sheets due)

IMPORTANT INFORMATON REGARDING MASSES FOR CHRISTMAS 2021

Since Christmas falls on a Saturday this year, we need to pay extra attention to the observance of the liturgical days and the prescribed holy days of obligation.

In order to fulfill the obligation to attend Mass on Christmas, we must either attend Mass on Friday, December 24 after 4 PM, or at any point on Saturday, December 25. This 32 hour period counts as the liturgical day of Christmas.

In order to fulfill the Sunday obligation for the Feast of the Holy Family, which this year falls on December 26, we must go to Mass at some point on Sunday. Attending Mass the prior Saturday cannot be counted towards the Sunday obligation in this case because it is a different feast day.

Christmas Octave Mass Schedule:

Christmas Eve – Friday, December 24: 5:30 PM and 7:00 PM Christmas Day – Saturday, December 25: 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM Feast of the Holy Family – Sunday, December 26: 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God – Saturday, January 1: 9:00 AM (obligation dispensed)

(Please feel free to clip, save and post this friendly reminder.)

PASTOR'S PAGE

Friends,

When I was a boy, one of my favorite books was *The Lord of the Rings* by J.R.R. Tolkien, and one of my many favorite characters in that story was Aragorn, the Ranger of the North who unites the people of Middle Earth and is crowned King of Arnor and Gondor. I have found that he is a favorite character for many other fans of the books and movies alike, and for good reason. He personifies everything we want a king to be, and he possesses every trait we think a king ought to have: courage, compassion, integrity, loyalty, and so on. But hidden in plain sight in *The Return of the King* is a small but incredibly important passage that deals with another aspect of his eventual kingship: **his ability and willingness to heal his people**. The people of Minas Tirith are anxiously awaiting any sign that could herald the return of the king (hence the title), and one such prophecy is actually tucked away in, of all things, an old legend recalled by nurses at the Houses of Healing: "The hands of a king are the hands of a healer, and so shall the rightful king be known."

While it is important to note that Tolkien himself despised allegory and did everything possible to avoid anything in his tales being an exact 1:1 copy of anything outside of the story he was weaving, in places like this we can see the influence of his deep Catholic faith on his approach to storytelling. Because **of course** the king must also be a healer! It is not enough to merely conquer the enemies that face his people; a good king must also be able to bind up the wounds that resulted from the conflict, no matter how deeply they go. As we reflect upon the kingship of Jesus Christ on this great solemnity, one aspect of his rule that we must acknowledge and give thanks for is his ability and willingness to heal us. The hands of Jesus, scarred by the nails that we drove through them, are the hands that reach out to touch us and heal us, strong but gentle hands that are unafraid of the filth that covers us or the sickness of sin that clings to us. The hands of Jesus are truly the hands of a healer, and it is often as he heals us that we experience his love most deeply and intimately, and when we are most likely to realize that he is the only King we want to serve.

As we close this liturgical year and begin the next one with Advent, I encourage all of you to avail yourself to the healing that Christ our King wants to give you. In a special way, receive the sacraments often, especially during the season of Advent, which is a season of preparation for... you guessed it, the return of the King. Reconciliation is obviously a sacrament of healing, and this is why there are always penance services offered during Advent and Lent. But frequent and holy reception of the Eucharist is also a means of receiving the healing that Jesus offers. When purifying the vessels after Communion, the priest or deacon prays, "What has passed our lips as food, O Lord, may we possess in purity of heart, that what has been given to us in time may be our healing for eternity." In reconciliation the hands of the King are raised over us as he speaks words of absolution to us through the priest; and through the priest the hands of the King give us the spiritual medicine that we need to heal and grow. "The hands of a king are the hands of a healer, and so shall the rightful king be known." All hail Jesus Christ, the King of the universe, and the rightful King of our hearts!

Until the King shall return,

Fr. David



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Give Thanks to the Lord

THANKSGIVING PRAYER

THIS THANKSGIVING, LET US REMEMBER ALL THE GOOD THINGS, AND PEOPLE, WHO HAVE COME INTO OUR LIVES. WE FOCUS ON THANKING EACH ONE WHO HAS HELPED US, AND ULTI-MATELY THANK GOD FOR THE GOOD GIFTS OF THIS WORLD.

LET US PRAY ...

GOD OUR FATHER, GRACIOUSLY ACCEPT FROM YOUR HUMBLE PEOPLE A THANKFUL HEART AND SPIRIT. EVERYTHING WE HAVE AND ARE ABLE TO SHARE WITH OTHERS ULTIMATELY COMES FROM YOUR LOVE OF YOUR CREATIONS. OFTEN WE THINK THAT EVERYTHING WE HAVE IS OUR OWN CREATION; WE ASK YOU THIS DAY TO CREATE IN US A SPIRIT OF GRATITUDE, THAT WE MAY ALWAYS KNOW THAT ALL GOOD GIFTS COME FROM YOU.

> WE ASK THIS THROUGH CHRIST OUR BROTHER, IN THE POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT. AMEN.

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Changes to Mass

Question:

Why do we make changes in the Mass? Some seem so small and unimportant. Are they really necessary?

Answer:

The celebration of the Eucharist is at the heart of our identity as Catholics. Our purpose as a Church community revolves around the Eucharist. Everything we are and everything we do is measured not only by how well we celebrate, but also by how well we live the sacrament. If that is so, then we as a community will always strive to celebrate the Mass as best we can. The reasons for some changes might seem more obvious than others, but there is a reason behind each one. The General Instruction of the Roman Missal is the introduction to the Missal that contains all the prayers for the celebration of the Mass. The Order of Mass we use now was issued in 1975 and, as often happens over the course of years, some questions have come up about the proper way of doing some things and whether or not other practices are acceptable. These changes clarify some things and make the celebration of the Mass, which in turn should help us deepen our appreciation for its beauty and meaning. We will be a better Church if we have a clearer understanding and knowledge of Who and what we celebrate.

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EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

Long Live the King

Did you know that you can become royalty, for the right price? It's true — for the low, low cost of \$50, you, too, can purchase a 12-square-inch souvenir plot of Scottish land and call yourself "Laird So-and-so." Now, this lordship or ladyship doesn't come with the ability to boss anyone around, but maybe your friends will be impressed enough to bend the knee.

My point is, we've all got our own little fiefdoms — folks or communities for which we have a feeling of responsibility. Maybe we're not their "king," but most of us have those we think of as "our people."

Now, in this world, people lay themselves down for their kings. History is riddled with the bodies of men, young and old — and plenty of women and children, too — who were casualties of wars waged by men in power, men who never had to shed their own blood. But in the next world, the King dies for his people. This is leadership par excellence — the leadership of someone whose love is greater than his ambition.

We are all leaders of a sort. On the parish level, you have the obvious roles — serving on pastoral council, spearheading the capital campaign, leading the Altar Guild. But you also have the quiet ones who lead from the wings — the janitor who can always be relied upon to do his job, or the volunteer librarian who puts in extra hours on the weekends.

There is a saying — find your people. I say, find your people, and find a way to lay yourself down for them, in imitation of the greatest King that ever was.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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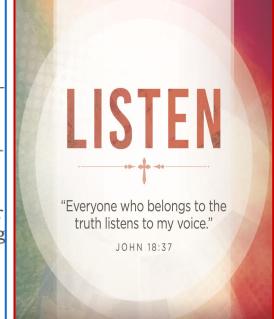
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OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

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