

# Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

## From the Pastor's Desk

Dear Parishioners,

This weekend we celebrate the Solemnity of Christ the King, the last Sunday in the Church's Liturgical Year. We are invited to reflect on the sovereignty of Christ over all creation, including ourselves. The wonderful thing about Christ the King is that He, unlike earthly rulers, does not force His will on anyone. He continues to invite each of His subjects, including all of us, to respond freely to His invitation to allow Him into our lives. By God's Grace, each of us should respond wholeheartedly to that invitation and seek to conform our will to His Divine Will. May we always be loyal and obedient to Christ our King.

This Thursday, November 28<sup>th</sup>, we as a nation celebrate Thanksgiving Day. As Catholics, we celebrate Thanksgiving whenever we celebrate the Eucharist, which means "thanksgiving." This doesn't mean, however, that we can't share in a special national day of Thanksgiving. Indeed, because we are thanksgiving people, we are obligated to set an example to others on how to celebrate Thanksgiving Day. I encourage you to take time on Thanksgiving morning to join your sisters and brothers in Christ to offer the great prayer of thanksgiving, the Eucharist. **This year, the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be celebrated at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter's Church at 9:00 AM on Thanksgiving Day. This celebration is for both the Pompei/St. Peter and the St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity communities.** It is a wonderful opportunity for all of us to come together and thank the Lord for the blessing of the North Side Catholic community. I hope you will join in celebrating Mass that day. Remember: it can't truly be a day of Thanksgiving without taking the time to thank the One who is the origin of all our gifts.

Please note that the rectory offices will be closed Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday in order to allow the staff some needed time for rest and renewal as well as the opportunity for them to celebrate Thanksgiving with their families.

On behalf of Fr. John, Sr. Elizabeth, the staff, Petey and Mary the Wonder-Puppies, and myself, I wish all of you a Happy Thanksgiving. You all remain in my prayers; please keep me in yours



In Christ's Peace,  
Fr. Caruso



## Wedding Banns

3. Maria Scarfino and Leonard DiBello

**Nuptial Mass - November 29 at 3:00 pm  
Maria Scarfino and Leonard DiBello**

## Thank you.... thank you...THANK YOU!!!

I could never, ever, adequately express the gratitude I have for so many people that supported our 70<sup>th</sup> Election Day Spaghetti Supper. The support was there in so many ways, on so many levels. From the guys in the kitchen led by Tino, Joe, Eric, Jim and DJ through our 'thank you God for the clean up crew'!! Combined with our school community...It is truly a family affair...a beautiful parish family affair...OUR PARISH FAMILY!!! We are certain that all those that worked the supper through the years that have gone before us are proud that we are carrying on this wonderful tradition. Thank you for being part of it!!!

Father said it all so well in his column 2 weeks ago. Many thanks go to Father for his wonderful words and his fantastic support. Not only from the pulpit and in the planning, but in the hard core roll up your sleeves part as well. Thank you Father for supporting all that we do with such hard work and enthusiasm.

I wanted to add my piece of gratitude as well to each and everyone of your and mention the incredible generosity of our sponsors with the thought that if you can support their establishments or thank the individuals in person, please do so. Our Major sponsors: Gianelli Sausage, Tops Friendly Markets, The Dennis Nave Law Firm, The Muraca Family, The Cimino, North Salina Car Wash (Mario & Adele Lombardo), Frank & Mary Anne Scarfino, The Sucapani Family, Our Holy Name Society, The Family of Joe & Barb Milazzo, DiLauro Bakery, Joey Nigro Nielsen & husband John, Alexander & Catalano. And the ones that were there with wonderful additional contributions: Thomas J. Pirro Funeral Home, Farone Funeral Home, Nesci Family, F.R. Brice Florist, Dunkin Donuts, Rid-of-Vit, Coca Cola, Café Espresso, Francescas, Mineos, Joe & Charlene Valentine, Blessed Sacrament, Gramma Sue, Peter Penizotto, Victory Temple, Russo Produce, Patty Marco & Mike Wallace. And to everyone who gave of their time, talent and love, thank you from the bottom

of our  's. Lucy

**This Week We Remember...**

**Monday: November 25**  
**St. Catherine of Alexandria**

9:00 am Communion Service at the Convent

**Tuesday: November 26**

9:00 am Mass at the Convent  
 Corrado Solimini/Wife and Kids

**Wednesday: November 27**

9:00 am Mass at the Convent  
 Gus Mancuso, 23 Yr. Ann/Daughter, Rosemarie and Grandchildren

**Thursday: November 28**  
 Thanksgiving Day

9:00 am Mass in Church



For the Parishioners of Our Lady of Pompei/  
 St. Peter and St. John the Baptist / Holy Trinity

**Friday: November 29**

There will NOT be a 9 am Mass

**Saturday: November 30**

4:00 pm  
 Josie Torrillo (B)/Ginnie Lostumbo  
 Benny and Terry Cimino/Son, Joseph  
 John Canale, Ann/Lou and Marilyn  
 Jennie Paratore/Lou and Marilyn Canale  
 Esther Cutrone/Husband  
 Deceased Members of St. John's Golden Agers  
 Nicolangelo & Pasqualina Pallotta/Angela and John Cappuccilli

**Sunday: December 1**  
**First Sunday of Advent**

7:30 am

For the Parishioners of Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter  
 and St. John the Baptist / Holy Trinity

8:45 am Mass in Vietnamese

11:00 am  
 Frances Vigliott Vick/Gloria and Joe Falcone  
 Carmela LaMacchia/Caterina and Joe LaMacchia  
 The Calogero Family/The Calogero Family  
 Antoinette Musolino/The Pennacchia Family  
 John Cannata, Ann/Angelo and Rosita  
 Vito Toia/Sadie and Albert Fabrizi  
 Ann Mancuaao (G)/Daughter, Rosemarie and Grandchildren  
 In Honor of St. Nicholas/M/M N. Mastrogiovanni

Weekend Masses at St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity:  
 5:30 pm Vigil Mass on Saturday as well as 9:00 am  
 Mass on Sunday.

**SACRIFICIAL GIVING**

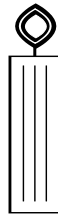
Income shown is for the week of November 17th.  
 Please contact Fr. Dan if you have any questions  
 about our parish finances.

**OLP/St. Peter Collection**

November 17, 2019

Regular	\$7,530.00
Loose	<u>409.00</u>
Total	\$7,939.00

**Padre Pio**



Devotional Candle Burning for  
 Ciro "Butch" Frontale  
 Requested By  
 Wife and Children



**Christmas Flowers Envelope Due**

In your newest envelope packet, you  
 should have received an envelope  
 marked Christmas Flowers. If you  
 would like to donate towards the  
 decorating of our Church this Christmas Season in  
 memory of or, in honor of a loved one, please do  
 so by sending in this envelope. Each intention is  
 \$10.00. A special booklet will be made listing all  
 your intentions. Please make sure you send in  
 these envelopes by **December 1st.**

**REMINDER:**

Since we are in the midst of the flu season, it is  
 respectfully requested that if you feel sick or have  
 a cough that you refrain from shaking hands at the  
 sign of peace during Mass. Instead you may just  
 offer some other gesture of greetings and peace to  
 others and lessen the risk of spreading any germs.  
 Always remember that if you are really sick, you  
 should stay home and rest and recover. The Lord  
 understands your absence during times of illness.  
 Next week we will discontinue the use of the  
 Communion Chalice. We will resume use of the  
 Chalice at Easter time. Thank you for your under-  
 standing and consideration.

*Happy  
 Thanksgiving*

## LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Weekend of November 30-December 1



### Lectors:

4:00 pm M. Rourke, A. Petraghani  
7:30 am M.B. Meade  
11:00 am F. Brice, C. Intaglietta

### Eucharistic Ministers:

4:00 pm R. & P. Scalzo, M. Rourke  
7:30 am M. Iannettone, T. Porrino,  
S. Spadaro  
11:00 am R. & E. Morris, G. Lostumbo

### Servers:

4:00 pm J. Fabrizi  
7:30 am Jean Paul, Jean Claude  
11:00 am A. & K. Mathewson

## THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES IN OUR PARISH:

Wednesday, November 27,  
Thursday, November 28 &  
Friday, November 29

Parish Office Closed

No School for Thanksgiving Break

Thursday: November 28

Thanksgiving Day

### Thanksgiving Day Mass

Please join us for a Mass of Thanksgiving on Thursday, at Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter Church 9:00 am. It gives us a chance to give thanks to Almighty God for all the blessings He has bestowed on us. The Collection on this day will go to the All Saints Food Pantry at St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity.

Sunday: December 1

No Religious Education



## Let us Pray



Please remember in your prayers the sick of our parish and all those in hospitals, nursing homes and the home bound.

**Angelo Cannata, Lucy Copani, Joni Uva DelGiorno, Bernadette DelVecchio, Antoinette DiScenna, Josephine Indelicato, Mattia Kinslow, Madge Maffei, Pavia Children, Sandy Pisani, Leon Saya, Samuel and Sue Wilson.**

## Advent Candles

St. Therese Society will be selling Advent Candles after each Mass in the Gathering Space. Candles are \$5.00 each.

*May God Bless You on Your Birthday*

Happy Birthday to Mary Brice who will be 94 years young on November 28th.

Also, a belated Happy Birthday to Mary Vujcec, who celebrated 90 years young!!

Best wishes from your fellow parishioners!!

## FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

(from the Office of Family Life Education)

Today's Gospel reminds us the Kingdom of Heaven is not like Disney's Magic Kingdom. Admission to Christ's Kingdom is paid with the currency of acceptance, forgiveness, attention to the poor and love of one's enemy.

## Mark your calendars

**Wednesday, December 4th at 7:30!!  
Incredible Symphony Concert in our Church, Free of charge!**

The Directors of Le Moyne College's wonderful Symphony Orchestra & their incredible Jazzuits visited our Church the other day to work out the logistics of the beautiful concert they are teaming up to bring to our Church. There will be 70 musicians/singers in all gracing our altar. Because of the incredible continual support & generosity of Le Moyne College, we are blessed to say this concert is coming our way free of charge (there will be a free will offering that will come back to our parish/school). Many of you remember that a few years back the Le Moyne symphony did a concert here that was absolutely spectacular, well expect the same this year plus the accompaniment of their wonderful Jazzuits. It is sure to be beyond any expectations!

We hope you will join us by sharing in the beautiful Christmas Season with our beautiful parish family.

## LAST CHANCE TO MAKE RESERVATIONS

### For our Annual Parish Christmas Party

Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter and St. John the Baptist/Holy Trinity Adult Parish Christmas Party will be on Sunday, **December 8th at Traditions at the Links**, 5900 N. Burdick St., E. Syracuse at 5:30 pm.

We are happy to announce something new this year...**THE UGLY SWEATER CONTEST!!** For those who wish to participate, come dressed to impress in your ugliest Christmas sweater, blouse, suit or festive gear. The uglier the better!!

A list of menu choices: Chicken Florentine or Crab Stuffed Filet of Sole or NY Strip Steak (an additional \$10), mixed field green salad, oven roasted potatoes, sauteed garden vegetables and Turtle Cheesecake for dessert. Also, water, coffee, tea and cash bar. You can make a reservation for a whole table or an individual reservation. Tables are for 8-10 people. **November 29th** is the absolute last day for making a reservation! Just \$30 per person (\$40 for the steak option). Checks should be made payable to Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter. We will be taking reservations after all Masses in the Gathering Space.

Enjoy a sit down dinner, mingling with family and friends, listen to the live music by Al Cutri and maybe dance to a song or two!



### CHANTICLEER FOR CHRISTMAS

Have you thought of giving a ticket(s) to the Chanticleer Concert for a Christmas gift? We have adorable Christmas boxes to put the ticket in for your gift giving. It is a great idea! Visit us in the back of Church after Mass to check it out. The concert is **Tuesday, February 25th, 7:00 pm** at our Church. We are so fortunate to have this world renowned group coming in from San Francisco.

We really hope you are going to be a part of it!

### Don't forget Amazon Smiles when ordering from Amazon to help support our Church!!

With Christmas right around the corner no doubt there will be a lot of Amazon shopping & ordering going on. Just a reminder that if you are ordering from Amazon (or Amazon Prime) to sign in as Amazon Smiles & at the drop down look for Our Lady of Pompei/St. Peter & our Parish/School will receive a percentage of your order. It doesn't cost anything more, it is just like ordering through regular Amazon. Thank you for taking this extra step to help support our Church family! Happy shopping!

## The Giving Trees

The Annual Giving Trees Have been set up in Church. We ask that parishioners pick up a tag (or two) from the Giving Trees. The tags will indicate the item needed to be purchased. The gifts will be given to local organizations for distribution. It is important that all gifts are placed under the trees by **December 14/15th** at the very latest. Let's have 100% participation in making this a truly special time for those who are less fortunate. For an easier distribution, please only use gift bags—no boxes or wrapped gifts. You may attach the tag to the item, not the gift bag.

## New York City Trip

Join us on a one day trip to New York City on Wednesday, December 11th. Don't delay as there are only 4 seats left and thereafter we will have a waiting list. We will leave the Church parking lot at 6:30am and return around 12:30am. The day is yours to do as you wish. The cost is \$55.00 per person. To reserve your seat, please call Mary Anne Scarfino at 315-471-0785.

## Be included in our Photo Directory

Dates, times and place below:

At OLP/St. Peter in the Parish Office

Monday, November 25, Tuesday, November 26,

Monday, December 2 & Tuesday, December 3 are all from 2-9 pm.

At St. John/Holy Trinity in the Parish Center  
Thursday, December 6, Friday, December 7 from 2-9 pm & Saturday, December 7 from 10 am-5 pm

Schedule your session and be included in our new Parish Pictorial Directory. You may schedule your photo session after all Masses in the Gathering Space.

## Mass for World Marriage Day

The 35th Annual World Marriage Day will be celebrated on February 16th, 2:30 pm at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. The Most Rev. Douglas J. Lucia will celebrate Mass and invite all couples in attendance to renew their commitment to Holy Matrimony. He will especially honor those celebrating their 25th, 50th or 50+ anniversary in 2020, please contact our parish office to register (deadline to register is December 1st). All married couples and their families are welcome!

**GOD IS LOVE**