NOVEMBER 23, 2025 THE SOLEMNITY OF JESUS CHRIST KING OF THE UNIVERSE



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St. Margaret Mary Parish

Our Lady of Victory Parish

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Penitential Service at St Maria Goretti - Thursday December 4 @6.30 pm

OUR LADY OF VICTORY PARISH

Weekend Mass Sunday Mass: 9:00 am

<u>Weekday Mass</u> Wednesday: 10:30 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation by appointment.

ST MARIA GORETTI PARISH

Weekend Masses

Saturday: 5:00 pm Sunday: 11:30 am

Weekday Masses

Wed. & Fri. Rosary: 8:40 am Wednesday & Friday: 9:00 am Adoration: Friday 9:30 to 10:00 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday half an hour before Mass or any day by appointment.

ST MARGARET MARY PARISH

Weekend Mass

Rosary at 9:45 am Sunday Mass: 10:15 am

> Weekday Mass Tuesday: 10:30 am

Adoration: 10:00 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

by appointment.

Cemetery Contacts:

Our Lady of Victory - Thorsby: Mark Bendoritis - 780.985.3779 St Francis: Ed Naprawa - 780.789.2195 and/or George Cygan 780 918 3412 St Charles: Clem Coffey - 780.696.2221 and/or Barry Gidosh 780 910 1003

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MISSION STATEMENT

Radiating Christ's message of love and hope in the daily celebration of the Eucharist and incorporating it in our family life.

PPC Chair: Travis Schoenfelder 780-566-7417

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PENITENTIAL SERVICE - THURSDAY December 4 at 6:30 pm

Mass Intentions for this week

Date		Intention
22	Sat	Thanksgiving for the Birthday of Sandy Williams
		Thanksgiving for the Birthday of Sean Forchuk
23	Sun	Repose of the Soul of Carla Buick R.I.P.
		Thanksgiving for the Birthday of Mapy Barba
24	Mon	Repose of the Soul of Mother Teresa R.I.P.
25	Tue	Thanksgiving for the Birthday of Margaret Logan
		Repose of the Soul of Rita Donovan R.I.P.
26	Wed	Repose of the Souls of Lucena Lazaro & Maximo Lazaro Sr.
		Repose of the Soul of Cathy Shappka R.I.P.
27	Thu	Thanksgiving for the Birthdays of Eva & Amor Lazaro
		Repose of the Soul of Jim Donovan R.I.P.
28	Fri	Repose of the Soul of Maximo Lazaro Sr. R.I.P.
		Thanksgiving for Connie Schumacher - Personal intentions
29	Sat	Thanks to Divine Mercy
		Ana Gregoria Guerrero - Personal Intentions
30	Sun	Thanksgiving for the Birthday of Christine Hachey





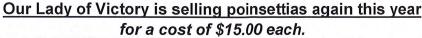
.... to everyone for your generous participation in this year's *Operation Christmas Child*. Your gifts will bring smiles and much needed ordinary items to less fortunate children in far-away places. 50 bulging boxes were loaded up this week for delivery to Central America in time for Christmas.

... May you be richly blessed for your part in making a positive difference in the lives of others who are less fortunate.

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These flowers will be used to decorate the church for Christmas. You will be able to take your flower home after the Christmas eve mass if you so wish. Please see Rosemarie Zurek or Mary Jablonski if you wish to purchase one. "



TRI-PARISH NEWS

St. Maria Goretti 20th Annual Bedroll Project



Many thanks to all who helped out with the St. Maria Goretti 20th Annual Bedroll Project Sewing Bee. The bedrolls will be displayed this weekend. Thanks to all the workers and to all who supported our efforts with gifts of their time and food for the luncheons. Our parishioners worked alongside other community members and members of our local faith communities.

Many thanks to all who donated last weekend for the purchase of socks and other items that the shelters have indicated they need. Your generosity is appreciated.

We will take up the final collection for the 2025 campaign this weekend after the Masses on November 22 & 23. Thank you.



2026 Missals are now available

\$7 each - located at the Foyer of the Church



34th Sunday in Ordinary Time – November 23, 2025 The Solemnity of Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

1st Reading: 2 Samuel 5, 1-3

2nd Reading: Colossians 1, 12-20

Gospel: Luke 23, 35-43

Remember Me, My God and King

As Jesus hung dying on the Cross for the salvation of the world, He hung between two thieves. These thieves represent all of us. One of them wanted Jesus to save His earthly life by coming down from the Cross and saving him at the same time. The other thief made a prayer for eternal life, asking Jesus to remember him when Jesus entered His Kingdom. To the latter, Jesus granted his request.

Oftentimes we pray for earthly goods and pay little attention to eternal ones. Today, as we celebrate the last Sunday of the liturgical year, we celebrate the Solemnity of Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. On this day, we are invited to pray this prayer with the good thief, acknowledging that we are sinners deserving death, but hoping and praying for mercy and a share in the Eternal Kingdom of God.

Nothing makes the soul of our Lord more joyful than saving His children. He endured suffering and death out of love. He knew that His death would destroy our death if we cling to Him in hope. On the Cross, Jesus' gaze was on eternal, not earthly, redemption. He beheld the glorious throne that He mounted. It began with a cross but would end with glory, power and splendor beyond imagination.

As we honor Jesus as the great and glorious King of the Universe, we are encouraged to invite Him to establish His kingship in our lives more fully. Though Jesus' permanent, lasting and visible Kingdom will be established only in the future when He returns at the end of time, His Kingdom must begin now.

The Kingdom of God is established here and now every time you allow Him to exercise His kingship in your life. As a King, Jesus desires to order your life. He demands perfect submission of your will to Him. He demands complete obedience. And He demands that you embrace this kingship of His freely, of your own choosing. These are demands of perfect love that bring about a sharing in His eternal Kingdom. How well do you do this?

Reflect, today, upon the glorious end of the world when our Lord Jesus Christ, the King of the Universe, will return in splendor and majesty to judge the living and the dead and to establish His permanent and unending Kingdom. Though we are not able to comprehend what this Kingdom will be at this time, we must believe in it with faith and have supernatural hope that we will share in it. Reflect, especially, upon your mission to allow that Kingdom of grace and mercy to begin now, within the depths of your own soul. Surrender all to Him. Invite Him to reign over your thoughts, will, body and soul. Do not hesitate. Trust in this one and only glorious King Who is worthy of our total obedience. (mycatholiclife.com)

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<u>Carmelite Nuns - Christmas Hamper - December 15 Delivery</u>

Donations of Non-perishable items are appreciated

Tuesday November 25 - No morning Mass

Mass - 6:30 pm
Parish Pastoral Council Meeting - 7:00 pm