



Archbishop William E. Lori, Archbishop of Baltimore

St. Matthew Roman Catholic Church

“Rich in Tradition, United in Mission, Blessed with Diversity.”

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

November 26, 2017

Mass Times: Holy Day Mass times vary; please see our bulletin and our website.

Weekdays (Rectory Chapel) Monday – Thursday – Saturday 9:00 AM

Tuesday – Friday 7:00 AM

Weekends – Saturday 5:00 PM

Sunday 8:45 AM – 11 AM

Confessions:

Saturday 4:00 – 4:30 PM – By Appointment

Baptisms, Weddings, Funerals, Anointing of the Sick, and RCIA:

Please call the church office.

New Parishioners:

Please pick up a registration form at the exits or contact the church office.
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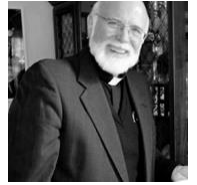
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OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

NOVEMBER 26, 2017



Dear People of God,

*Pastor's
Notes*

Happy Thanksgiving weekend and Happy Feast of Christ the King!! We are reminded of the beauty of life in God and with each other. Even in the face of our destructive, societal actions of violence and heartache, we are told of the beauty of being a servant of the Lord. The famous Gospel reading is actually referring to the disciples of Christ. It means that when people accept them and give them food, clothing, and shelter, they are accepting the message of Christ that they bring with them. So then in accepting the message, people are accepting the actions that come with the message. So when you welcome the disciples, you are also welcoming the message they bring with them. The message may not always be a pleasant one and may be hard to follow. It might mess up your schedule or your life!! However, we are called to reflect on what the message means for us and what we are to do about it.

We are in a sad and tragic time in our city of Baltimore. Our reputation as a city, which is well known around the nation, is that we are a dangerous city to live in and to visit. BUILD has conducted over 1,000 listening sessions throughout Baltimore, and the messages are mostly the same about the fear people have of living in Baltimore. Within the religious institutions of churches, synagogues, and mosques is the one solution that has not been tried on a large scale. I think we are the hope of the future. If we can show that we can get along and keep our people safe, there is a possibility that the city can survive. We cannot only arrest people and put them in jail. There must be a more positive action and that can only come from religious institutions. You have already heard that the police and politicians said that they do not know what to do about the violence in the city. The religious institutions coming together may be the last, best hope. To paraphrase the Gospel, do we say that "I was hungry, thirsty, alone, afraid, sick, and you arrested me?", or do we want to say, "I was hungry, thirsty, alone, afraid, sick and you listened to me and ministered to my needs?" The choice is ours!!

St. Matthew Finance Committee meets on Monday, November 27th at 6 PM in the rectory.

Mass at Belvedere Green is on Tuesday, November 28th at 3 PM. All are welcome.

The Friendship Club for seniors meets at 11 AM on Friday, December 1st for Mass in the chapel.

Youth Revival at St. Francis Xavier is on Friday, December 1st at 6:30 PM.

Next Sunday is the beginning of the Season of Advent. It is a special time of spiritual reflection.

Wednesday, December 6th is the ribbon-cutting for Independence House **the new Marian House Project** at Blessed Sacrament Church beginning at 4 PM. All are welcome.

Love and Prayers,
Fr. Joe

Let Us Pray For:

Aileen Semple, Alfred Lee-Young, Alphonsus Oguamanam, Sr. Andre Rothschild, Andrea Shuck, Andrew Macsherry, Anne Marie Campbell, Anthony Udumukwu, Archer Senft, Atticus Smith, Augustine Ubaru, Ardella Oliver, Barbara Reid, Mr. & Mrs. Bernard Adams, Bernice Kucharski, Bernice Thomas, Betty Johnson, Betty King, Betty Mathers, Butch Podgurski, Carl Gabler, Carol Augustine, Caroline Grayson, Carolyn & Carl Richardson, Casey Seymour, Cecilia Harris, Charles Supik, Chantelle Clarke, Cheryl Lusby, Cleo Stamatou, Corleen Lee, Dawn Hubner, Denise Womer, Bishop Dennis Madden, Donna Dusman, Donna Lusby, Eloise Hopkins, Elvin Gonzalez, Eric Younkin, Evelyn Thompson, Fr. James McKearney, Frances Ubaru, Gail Liss, Gloria Heemann, Gloria Smith, Gloriana Hopkins, Greg Schaum, Gunter Moore, Gwen Heemann, Helen Nitkoski, Helen Scott, Henrietta Mitchell, James Waller, Janet Pettaway, Jeanette McMillan, Jennifer Tamberino, Jim Augustine, Joan Ray, Joan Muth, Joe Kennedy, John Byrnes, Joscelin Hancock, Justin Jones, Justin Xavier Mathis, Keagen Merritt, Kerry Heemann, Kerstin Lynch, Kyle Beaudet, Larry Balda, Lashawda Jelks, Lee Nel, Lena O'Toole, Lenon Daniel, Lucille Casey, Marie Fields, Mark Bynun, Mark Rogalski, Mary Jo Bowen, Mary Lou Balda, Mary Ritter, Milagro Rivera, Omolara Ajayi, Parfulit Youzon, Fr. Paul Theisz, Peg Collins, Peter Parker, Philomena Ofoma, Ramon Thompson, Randy Capone, Robert Holt, Rocky Davis, Robin Novak, Ruby Hughes, Ruth Toro, Ryan Carlisle, Sam Okere, Seaton Haney, Shakia Williams, Steve Heemann, Sylvia Adams, Tom Peddicord, Tony Scaletta, Victoria Borland, William Kovalevsky, and Yae Dupont.

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THIS WEEK (November 26th – December 3rd):

Sunday, November 26 **Ez 34:11-12, 15-17** **Ps 23:1-3, 5-6** **1 Cor 15:20-26, 28** **Mt 25:31-46**
Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. The Lord is our shepherd (Ps). At the end, at his coming, he will hand over the Kingdom to his Father (2). He will “judge between one sheep and another, between rams and goats” (1), between those who have lived lives for others, and those who have lived for themselves (3).

Monday, November 27 **Dn 1:1-6, 8-20** **(Ps) Dn 3:52-56** **Lk 21:1-4**
Daniel is faithful to the Law and trusts in God's power (1, Ps). Jesus praises a poor widow whose love is without measure (2).

Tuesday, November 28 **Dn 2:31-45** **(Ps) Dn 3:57-61** **Lk 21:5-11**
Earthly kingdoms (1) and temples (2) will pass away, but in Christ is a kingdom whose glory and praise are eternal (Ps).

Wednesday, November 29 **Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28** **(Ps) Dn 3:62-67** **Lk 21:12-19**
Handwriting on the wall bespeaks the division and loss of Belshazzar's kingdom (1); persecution bespeaks our calling to patient endurance (2). Glory to God, our salvation (Ps) and strength!

Thursday, November 30 **Rom 10:9-18** **Ps 19:8-11** **Mt 4:18-22**
St. Andrew, Apostle. Called by the Lord (2), Andrew preaches the Lordship of Jesus (1). His message is heard throughout the world (Ps).

Friday, December 1 **Dn 7:2-14** **(Ps) Dn 3:75-81** **Lk 21:29-33**
We give praise to God (Ps) for evil is overcome by good, and his reign is everlasting (1). His reign is also near – it is at hand (2) – it is in our midst.

Saturday, December 2 **Dn 7:15-27** **(Ps) Dn 3:82-87** **Lk 21:34-36**
Be watchful in prayer to endure the appearing of the Son of Man (2). His Kingdom is eternal (1) and worthy of all praise (Ps).

Sunday, December 3 **Is 63:16-17, 19; 64:2-7** **Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19** **1 Cor 1:3-9** **Mk 13:33-37**
First Sunday of Advent. Lord, rend the heavens and come down (1). Come and save us (Ps) from our sins. Let us turn again to you (Ps) and so be found blameless (2) when you return in glory (3).

SACRIFICIAL GIVING:

November 18 – 19:

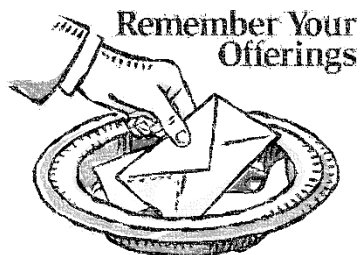
Offertory Envelopes:	\$6,023.25
Loose Offertory:	\$679.00
TOTAL:	\$6,702.25
Extraordinary Expenses:	\$1,923.00
CCHD:	\$545.00

MASS ATTENDANCE:

November 18 – 19:

<u>5 PM:</u>	<u>8:45 AM:</u>	<u>11 AM:</u>
87	114	170

TOTAL: 371



2018 giving envelopes are available. Please don't forget to pick them up!! We also like to verify your address to keep our records current. Please help us do this by providing an updated mailing address if you have recently moved when you pick up your envelopes!!

Mass Intentions 
FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, November 26:

8:45 AM: Sr. M. Albertina Beretta
11:00 AM: Sr. Angela Grazia Vitali

Monday, November 27:

9:00 AM: Sr. M. Roberta Ciccone

Tuesday, November 28:

7:00 AM: Sr. M. Adelina Zanni

Thursday, November 30:

9:00 AM: Sr. Silveria Pezzali

Friday, December 1:

7:00 AM: Sr. Saveriana Moratelli

Saturday, December 2:

9:00 AM: Sr. M. Miranda Pigato
5:00 PM: Sr. Maria Deniela Trentin

Thanks for all who were able to contribute to Marian House at the Thanksgiving Day Mass.

CHRISTMAS GIFT COLLECTION



Our Daily Bread Christmas party for single men

Bring **NEW** flannel shirts and socks **now through Sunday, December 3rd**



Sizes needed: L, XL, 2XL, and 3XL

Please place items in the boxes at the church exits (unwrapped, please) - thank you.



Please help us with our annual shoebox project. We are collecting small items that fit in a shoebox e.g. toys, school supplies, hygiene items and accessories, and personal notes wishing those in need a very, Merry Christmas. **You can drop off items to the church from November 19th through December 10th.** The boxes will be assembled by our young adults and then handed out to children in need at Christmas.

The Franciscan Center is collecting new and unwrapped Winter clothing and personal hygiene items for the homeless. They will be distributed during the Christmas Season and throughout the Winter. Items for men, women, children, and babies are all welcome. Please drop off donations between 9 AM and 3 PM at

The Franciscan Center
101 West 23rd Street
Baltimore, MD 21218

Please drop off items by the week of December 10th. If you need help with getting your donations to the center, please contact

Angela Hall
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For Advent, Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW) will be offered on Sunday, December 3rd and Sunday, December 17th during the 11 AM Mass.

