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NOVEMBER 23, 2025 –34TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME/
FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING

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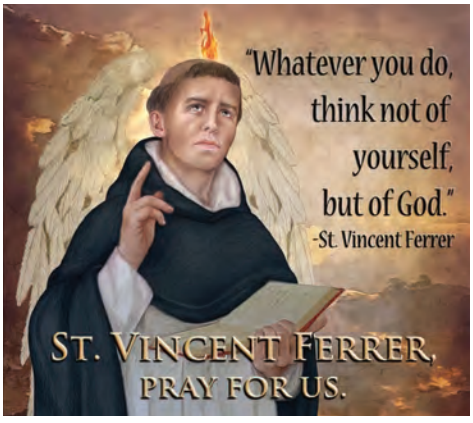

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday-Saturday: 9:00 a.m.
Saturday: 5:00 p.m. – Vigil Mass
Sunday: 8:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
HOLY DAYS: 9:00 a.m.

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34th Sunday in Ordinary Time/ Feast of Christ the King November 23, 2025

MASS INTENTIONS:

Saturday, November 22nd 5:00 p.m.
Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
34th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Ketty Numa — Thanksgiving and Birthday Blessings
Requested by the Marie Bernier

Sunday, November 23rd 8:00 a.m.
Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
34th Sunday in Ordinary Time
The People of Saint Vincnet Ferrer Parish — Blessings

11:00 a.m.
Clara Innocent Zephirin —In Memoriam
Eberle Zephirin — In Memoriam
Floraine Jean Gille — In Memoriam
Aglate Zephirin — In Memoriam
Henry Zephirin — Blessings
Travis Cadjoe — In Memoriam

Monday, November 24th 9:00 a.m.
Saint Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs
Roger C. Williams — In Memoriam
Requested by Jean Guy

Tuesday, November 25th 9:00 a.m.
Saint Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin and Martyr
Anne Marie Baron — In Memoriam
Requested by Marie-Ange Bernier

Wednesday, November 26th 9:00 a.m.
Marcilyn Mahabir — In Memoriam
Requested by Richard Mahabir and Family

Thursday, November 27th 9:00 a.m.
Thanksgiving Day
Fatima — Birthday Blessings

Friday, November 28th 9:00 a.m.
Lucinda Lopez — In Memoriam
Requested by Her Family

Saturday, November 29th 9:00 a.m.
Immaculate Conception Novena
John Doyle — In Memoriam
Requested by Margaret and James Bambara

GIFTS AND INTENTIONS:

Bread and Wine
Marjorie Yarde — In Memoriam
Requested by the Homebound Ministry

Altar Flowers
Jean Souffrant — Blessings and Healing

Altar Candles
Alta Gracia Toussaint — In Memoriam

Sanctuary Candle
Lester Harrison — Birthday Blessings
Requested by Claudia Hooper

Mary's Chapel
All the Souls in Purgatory

Annunciation Chapel
All Those Who Have No One to Pray for Them

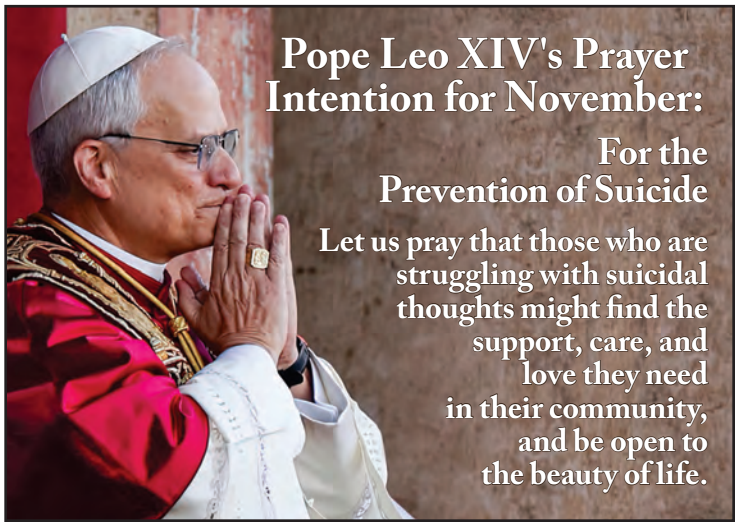
MASS INTENTIONS

We encourage you to honor and/or memorialize a loved one, living or deceased, with a Mass, a gift of bread and wine, sanctuary candle, altar candle, chapel candle or altar flowers.

Requests must be submitted on or before the Friday, two weeks before the desired date.

Place your request together with your name and phone number, in a sealed envelope in the offering basket.

Please make a $20 donation with each request.



Lectio Divina

Read the following scripture: Luke 23:35-43.

Take some time to reflect in silence on one or more of the following questions:

- What word or words in this passage caught your attention?
- What in this passage comforted you?
- What in this passage challenged you?

Read the Scripture passage one more time. Bring to the Lord the praise, petition, or thanksgiving that the Word inspires in you.

Scripture Reflection

What conversion of mind, heart, and life is the Lord asking of me?

If you are King of the Jews, save yourself. When have I relied too much on myself and not enough on God? When have I placed the approval of others ahead of doing what is right?

Are you not the Christ? When have I allowed doubt to creep into my heart? What prayers and resources will help me trust in God more fully?

Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom. When have I felt forgotten by those I love? How can I keep my relationship with Jesus at the center of my life?

Closing Prayer

I rejoiced because they said to me,
"We will go up to the house of the LORD."
And now we have set foot
within your gates, O Jerusalem.

Jerusalem, built as a city
with compact unity.
To it the tribes go up,
the tribes of the LORD.

According to the decree for Israel,
to give thanks to the name of the LORD.

In it are set up judgment seats,
seats for the house of David.

(From Psalm 122)

DAILY READINGS FOR THE 34TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME/ FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING

Sunday, November 23
2 Samuel 5:1-3 Psalm 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5
Colossians 1:12-20 Luke 23:35-43
In Hebron, David is hailed as king by all the tribes of Israel (1, Ps). Jesus is anointed king on the wood of his cross, a sign of paradox, of defeat yet final victory (3). Through his cross we have passed from darkness into the kingdom of Light (2).

Monday, November 24
Daniel 1:1-6, 8-20 (Psalm) Daniel 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56
Luke 21:1-04
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 25
Daniel 2:31-45 (Psalm) Daniel 3:57, 58, 59, 60, 61
Luke 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 26
Daniel 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28
(Psalm) Daniel 3:62, 63, 64, 65, 66,67 Luke 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 27
Sirach 50:22-24 Psalm 138:1-2a, 2bc-3, 4-5
1 Corinthians 1:3-9 Luke 17:11-19
What wonders God has done (1)! Let us thank the God (Ps) who heals us (3) and calls us to communion with Christ (2).

Friday, November 28
Daniel 7:2-14 (Psalm) Daniel3:75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80,81
Luke 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, November 29
Daniel 7:15-27 (Psalm) Daniel3:82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87
Luke 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).

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2025 Christmas Wreath Dedication

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The Christmas wreath is a beautiful symbol of our faith . The circle representing eternal life, the evergreen signifying hope and renewal, and the red ribbon reminding us of the blood of Christ and His everlasting love.

This Advent season, we invite you to be part of our Wreath Dedication. The wreaths displayed throughout the church yard will be lighted, beautifully decorated, and include your dedication message.

The cost to dedicate a wreath is $75. All proceeds will benefit our parish. Thank you for your ongoing support.

The Dedication and Lighting Ceremony will take place on Saturday, December 13, 2025, immediately following the 5:00 p.m. Mass.

Order forms are available in the rear of the Church.

Please contact the rectory or any member of the Parish Finance Council with any questions.

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PIZZA WITH THE PROPHETS

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Reflecting on the Prophets Isaiah, Malachi and Zechariah

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Scripture Reflection

The Light of the Cross

I don't know all that the cross of Christ means, but I do know that it makes psychological sense. Sooner or later we have to face the suffering of the emptiness and apparent randomness of the world and of powerlessness before it. And until then, we can't be healthy. That's the paradox. Until we admit our need, we can never be happy.

And that's what Christ did. He embraced the emptiness, so completely and lovingly he transformed it forever. To follow the path of Christ is to follow the steps of the therapeutic process. To be a Christian is to be psychologically whole. Whatever else it is, the story of Jesus is the story of the letting go and the giving up we have to do every day of our lives.

And there's the joy. In exactly the second we realize this, at exactly the moment of letting go, a light comes flooding in. Jesus did not deem equality with God "something to be exploited" but rather "emptied himself" and became a servant, even a "slave." And "therefore"—this key turn, this logical consequence—"he is highly exalted," and to him "every knee must bend."

We have to die to our false selves to rise to the new.

— **Deacon Chris Anderson,**
adapted from *Light When It Comes*

Chris Anderson is a professor of English at Oregon State University, a poet, a retreat leader, and a Catholic deacon.

The Month of November is Dedicated to the Souls in Purgatory

ENSURING A SAFE ENVIRONMENT FOR ALL

The next Virtus training class will be held on Saturday, November 29, at 1:00 p.m. in the Lower Church.

Please call the Rectory to register.

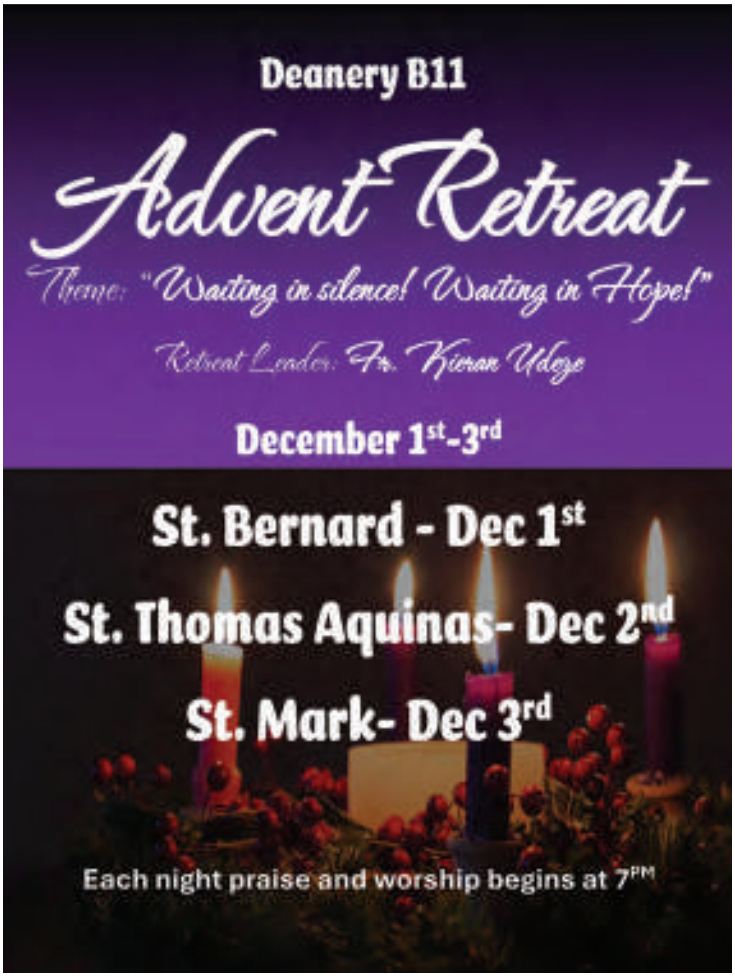
SACRAMENTS

Baptism: Every second Saturday of the month at 11:00 a.m. The child's original birth certificate must be presented at registration.

Marriage: Couples planning to be married should speak to the priest at least 6 months before the desired date. For complete information about marriage preparation in the Diocese, visit. www.pre-cana.org.

Reconciliation: Saturdays at 4:30 p.m. or by appointment.

Sick Calls: In case of emergency – any time.



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Sacred Art: Christ the King

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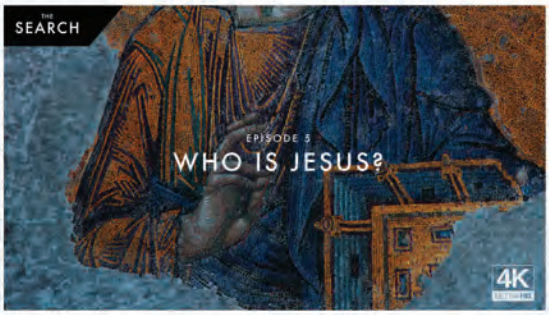
Who is Jesus Christ? w/ Sr. Bethany Madonna | SEEK23

Sr. Bethany Madonna from the Sisters of Life dives into the truth about who Jesus Christ is. Discover the love of Jesus for yourself and listen to Sr. Bethany Madonna!



Who is Jesus? | The Search | Episode 5

The most beautiful part of this story is this: we can know God's love, personally. This is the person of Jesus. But how did this seemingly insignificant carpenter born into poverty in a dusty corner of the Roman Empire become the most pivotal figure in all of history?

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Two Criminals Talk to Jesus

Jesus was on the cross. 2 other men were on crosses beside Him.

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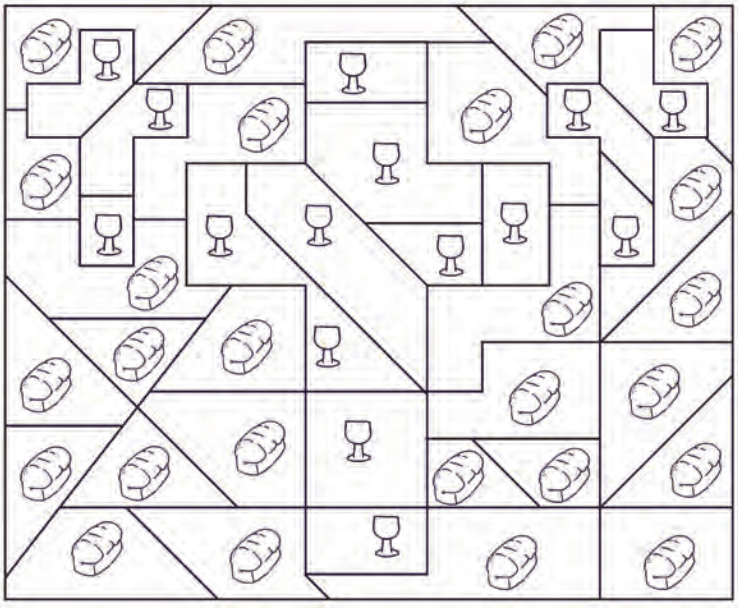

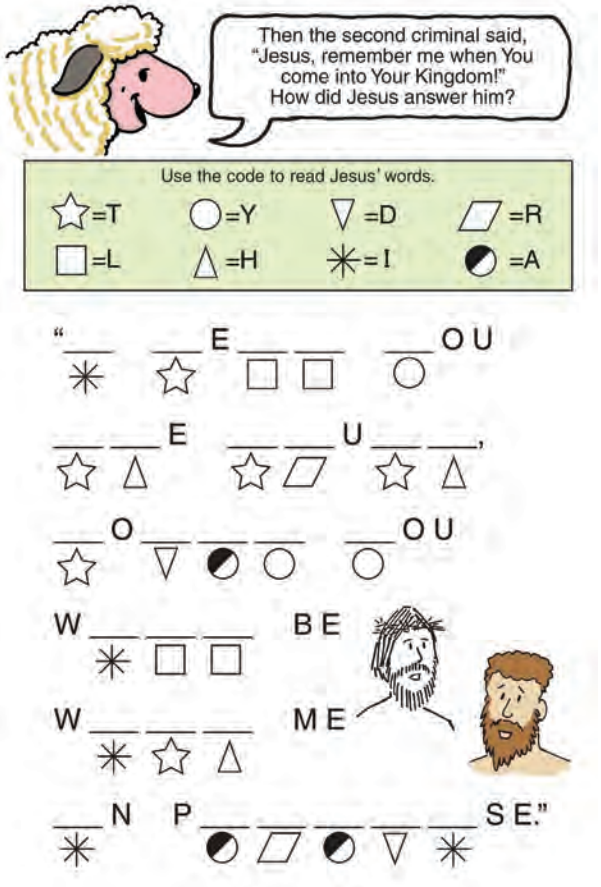

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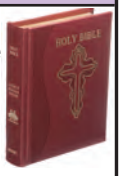

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