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\*\*Office will be closed Wed, Nov 26\*\*

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#### **Mission Statement**

Baptized in Christ Jesus and nourished by his Word and Sacrament we strive to live our daily lives in love and service to God and neighbor.

#### Pastor:

Augustine K. Bentil

#### Staff:

Sister Mary Ellen Diermeier Deacon Timothy Betker Crystal Bushman, DRE Valerie Wierzba, Parish Administrator

#### **Mass Times**

St. Joseph, Galloway

Saturday 4:00 pm Sunday 8:30 am

St. Ladislaus, Bevent Sunday 10:10 am

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation

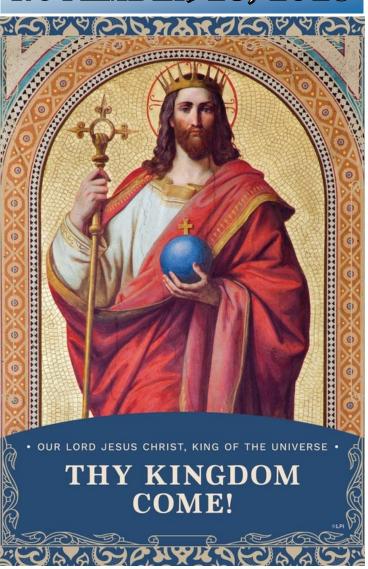
Saturday 3:30-3:50 pm Sunday 8:00-8:20 am

#### Sacrament of Marriage

Please contact the Rectory to schedule a date and time. 9 months preparation is required. One or both persons should be registered with the parish for at least 1 full year.



### NOVEMBER 23, 2025



#### Mark your Calendars!



#### November:

Wed. 26 - **Thanksgiving Mass** 6:30 pm Sat. 29 - **Mass** 4:00 pm

Sun. 30 - **Mass** 8:30 am

#### December:

Wed. 3 - Mass 8:30 am

CCD 6:15 pm w/ Divine Mercy Chaplet

Fri. 5 - **Mass** 8:30 am Sat. 6 - **Mass** 4:00 pm

Sun. 7 - **Mass** 8:30 am

Breakfast w/St. Nick 9:30-11:30 am

#### Liturgies of the Week

Wed. Nov 26 - Thanksgiving Vigil Mass 6:30 pm- John & Corine Kulas by Dennis & Janet

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Sat. Nov 29 - 1st Sunday of Advent Vigil

4:00 pm- Dorothy Zoromski by Jeff & Mary Uttecht

Sun. Nov 30 - 1st Sunday of Advent

8:30 am- Parishioners of St Joseph & St Ladislaus

Rosary prayed 1/2 hour before Mass

Saturday, Mass 4:00 pm - Nov 29

Lector: Pat Kulas Jeff Uttecht Eucharist:

Blood of Christ: **Mary Uttecht** 

Pat Kulas

Ushers: Lee Lehrer

Volunteer

TV Monitors:

Rosary (Joyful): Pat Kulas

Sunday, Mass 8:30 am - Nov 30

Lector: Pam Kohl Eucharist: Dick Golomski

Blood of Christ: Donna Golomski

Renee Groshek

Altar Servers: **Dustin Wierzba** 

Michael Wierzba

**Andrew Wierzba** Ushers:

Colton Kaminski

**Carsen Meronk** 

TV Monitors: Portia Rogowski Rosary (Joyful): Crystal Bushman



**Baptism dates:** Dec 6, 7, 13, 20 & 21. Please call the rectory to schedule. If this is your first child being baptized, please also call Sister Mary Ellen (715.446.3060) to schedule a baptism class.

"Therefore let us give thanks for everything, and let us not cease giving thanks to God for the good things we have received." - St. John Chrysostom

#### **Breakfast with St Nick** Sunday, December 7 Serving 9:30-11:30



Bring your camera to take home photos of St. Nick.

Pancakes, hashbrowns, eggs, breakfast meats, fresh fruit, desserts, coffee, juice, and milk.

We will need parishioners to help on Sunday in the kitchen with serving and clean up work. We are also asking for desserts/ cookies/ bars.

## Thanks be to God!

Please join us for a special evening Mass, Wednesday, November 26 as we prepare our hearts to celebrate Thanksgiving and all our many blessings. Mass will be at 6:30 pm here at St Joseph and at 5 pm at St Ladislaus.



Announcements for the Dec 7 bulletin need to be submitted to the office by 10 am on Nov 25. Announcements for the Dec 14 **DEADLINE!** bulletin need to be submitted by 10 am on Dec 2.

# IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Because Monday, December 8 is a Holy Day of Obligation, the faithful are obliged to attend Mass for the Second Sunday of Advent and for Immaculate Conception: one Mass does not fulfill two obligations.

There will be Mass at 10 am at St Ladislaus in Bevent and at 5 pm here at St Joseph's on Monday Dec. 8.







#### "Thank you, Jesus"

- -In the spirit of Thanksgiving, it's good to remind myself and all of us about this!
- -When we receive the Body and Blood of Christ at the Eucharist, we are receiving Jesus into the home of our hearts. From the presider's seating position, it is "sad" to see people walking out right after Communion- leaving Church. It breaks my heart for just those few individuals, unfortunately (and by extension, not waiting for the final blessing and recessional of priests and servers.)
- -Throughout the ages, saints have recommended we take time after receiving Holy Communion to pray a prayer of THANKSGIVING to the Lord.
- -St. Alphonsus Liguori once said: "There is no prayer more agreeable to God, or more profitable to the soul than that which is made during the "Thanksgiving" after Communion.
- -Some choose to pray the "Anima Christi" (Soul of Christ)- my favorite- by an unknown author but popularized in the 16<sup>th</sup> century by St. Ignatius Loyola. -When it comes to prayer, Don't Hang Up, Hang On! Always Say A Prayer (ASAP) especially in Thanksgiving

#### Happy Thanksgiving to You All!

after Holy Communion.



Thanksgiving Day Prayer

Lord, we thank you for the goodness of our people and for the spirit of justice that fills this nation. We thank you for the beauty and fullness of the land and the challenge of the cities. We thank you for our work and our rest, for one another, and for our

homes. We thank you, Lord:

Accept our thanksgiving on this day. We pray and give thanks through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

#### **Area Events**

- St Agnes Sweet Shoppe, Weston, Dec 13, 10am-2pm, Fancy Cookies & Candy by the Pound, Lunch Available, Raffles
- Pilgrimage to Mexico, Feb 8-13, With Fr. Tim, Walk the steps of St Juan Diego

(see flyers on bulletin board for all events)



The Feast of Christ the King was instituted in 1925 to address growing attitudes of secularism and atheism and to proclaim Christ's kingship forever. The day also marks the final Sunday on the Church's Liturgical Calendar.

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#### **GOSPEL MEDITATION**

Not long ago, I was called to a hospital to anoint a woman in her early 80s. She was dying, and visibly in pain. But what struck me most wasn't her suffering it was the atmosphere in the room. She had eight children and 30 foster kids, and many of them were gathered around her. You'd expect sorrow, fear, maybe even despair. But the room was filled with something else entirely — a quiet strength, a kind of sweetness. It was as if she was suffering not just with them, but for them. And they, in love, were suffering for her. The pain was real. But so was the peace. I didn't want to run. I felt as if I was in a little paradise, beeping machines and all. I think of that moment when I hear today's Gospel. Jesus, hanging on the cross, doesn't look like a king. But one of the crucified, dying men beside him sees through the suffering and says, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom" (Luke 23:42). That word remember — literally means to make someone a member again. He's asking to be joined to Christ, to become part of his Body. And Jesus says, "Today you will be with me in paradise." He doesn't say, "I'll take your suffering away." He says, "You will be with me." That's the strange power of Christ the King. He doesn't rule by avoiding suffering. He reigns by entering into it, and transforming it with love. What are you suffering right now in your life? Likely you want it to stop. But if we are willing to suffer with him — paradise begins even today.

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