

PRAYER CORNER

Ever living and ever loving God, you are the everlasting salvation of those who believe. Hear us on behalf of our family and friends who are sick. We ask you to have mercy on them that bodily health may be restored. Grant this in Jesus name, Amen.

Pray for the needs of Sick/ Shut-In

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Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

On this last Sunday of the liturgical year, we celebrate the solemnity of Christ the King. In a world filled with various forms and types of leadership and authority, we look to Jesus as our true king, the one who reigns with love, compassion, and selflessness. The gospel passage from Matthew 25 presents a powerful image of Christ as the ultimate king and judge. He separates the sheep from the goats, not based on their wealth, status, or achievements, but on their acts of love and mercy. The king we honor is one who identifies himself with the hungry, thirsty, stranger, naked, sick, and imprisoned. He calls us to recognize his presence in the least of our brothers and sisters.

Ezekiel's prophecy paints a picture of God as the good shepherd, caring for God's flock. This passage reminds us that our king is not distant or indifferent but deeply involved in our lives. God seeks out the lost, binds up the injured, and strengthens the weak. Our shepherd-king knows each one of us by name and desires that none of us should be lost.

As we reflect on these readings, we

are challenged to examine our lives. Do we recognize Christ as our king and allow him to reign in our hearts? Do we follow his example of humble service and selflessness in our leadership roles, whether in our families, communities, or workplaces? In a world that often values power, wealth, and success, Christ's kingship stands in stark contrast. **He reigns not by force but by love. He leads not with arrogance but with humility. He serves not for personal gain but for the well-being of others. This is the kind of leadership that our world desperately needs.**

As we honor Christ the King, let us surrender our lives to His loving rule. Let us allow Him to be the King of our hearts, guiding us in acts of kindness, compassion, and love. Let us be a community that serves the least among us, recognizing the presence of our King in their faces. In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

—From Sr. Maria Ukamaka Okeke, I.H.M. <https://uscatholic.org>

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Bulletin Reflections:

“...whatever you did for one of the least of my brothers, you did for me.”
- MATTHEW 25:40

Most of us are generous when it's convenient for us. We are generous when we have the time or the money. But, real generosity is the opposite of that. It means giving of one's time, money, compassion, forgiveness or mercy when it's not convenient to us, when it's not on our schedule, but on the other person's timeline.

“...Les aseguro que todo lo que hicieron por uno de mis hermanos, aún por el más pequeño, lo hicieron por mí.” -MATEO 25:40

La mayoría somos generosos cuando es conveniente para nosotros. Somos generosos cuando tenemos el tiempo o el dinero, pero la verdadera generosidad es lo opuesto a eso. Significa dar nuestro tiempo, el dinero, la compasión, el perdón o la misericordia cuando no es conveniente para nosotros, cuando no está en nuestro horario, sino en el tiempo de la otra persona.

With Prayers and Love

Dear God, help us to see you in the faces of those around us. Give us the strength and courage to serve others with love and compassion, especially those who are in need. May we always remember that when we help others, we are also serving you. Amen.



Weekly Mass Schedule

Dates	Times
Monday, November 27 Fr. Richard Flores	Mass 7:00 a.m. Confession After Mass
Tuesday, November 28 Fr. Bob Strittmatter	Confession—6:30 a.m. Mass 7:00 a.m.
Wednesday, November 29 Fr. Richard Flores	Mass 7:00 a.m. Confession after Mass Adoration 5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.
Thursday, November 30 Fr. Bob Strittmatter	Mass—7:00a.m. Confession—6:30 a.m.
Friday, December 1 Fr. Richard Flores	Mass 7:00 a.m. Confession after Mass Adoration 8 a.m.—Noon
Saturday, December 2 Fr. Richard Flores	Adoration 4:00-5:00 p.m. Confession—4:30 p.m. Mass 5:00 p.m.
Sunday, December 3 1st Sunday of Advent	Mass 10:00 a.m. (Livestream)
Rosary is Monday-Friday at 6:20 a.m. Rosary on Sunday is at 11:30 a.m. after Mass	



Liturgical Ministry Schedule

Live Stream Support	
10:00 am Mass	Sunday
11/26/2023	Debra Savage
12/3/2023	Lisa Jones
12/10/2023	Howard Rattliff
12/17/2023	Isabel Garza
12/24/2023	Debra Savage
12/31/2023	Lisa Jones

Lectors		
11/25-26	Natasha Cha	Mary Battle Zayne Willars

Weekly Readings

11/27—Dn 1:1-6, 8-20; Lk 21:1-4
 11/28—Dn 2:31-45; Lk 21:5-11
 11/29—Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28; Lk 21:12-19
 11/30—Rom 10:9-18; Mt 4:18-22
 12/1—Dn 7:2-14; Lk 21:29-33
 12/2—Dn 7:15-27; Lk 21:34-36
Here ends the Year of Grace 2023
 12/3—Is 63: 16b-17, 19b;64:2-7 ;
 1 Cor 1:3-9; Mk 13:33-37—*First Sunday of Advent*

Announcements



Please pick up the pictures of your loved ones on the altar by November 30.

Sunday Mass Missals for Sale

See Frank Novel or Mike Barks for missals. They are \$6. Read along with the priest during Mass.

Christmas Gifts

The church is selling genuine leather bound copies of the Great Adventure Catholic Bible for \$45 . See Lydia Salas to purchase.

Please join us on Nov. 28, 2023 in supporting OMOM St. Vincent de Paul Conference for I Give Catholic on #Giving Tuesday. Our Conference is located in one of Ft. Worth's lowest income neighborhoods in Tarrant County, Through



your donations we are able to assist and Help Our Neighbors in Need. All donations received will be used by our Conference in our neighborhood. To support us online please visit: www.lglvecatholic.org and search for Our Mother of Mercy SVdP. **This 24 hour Giving Day begins Tuesday Nov. 28, 2023!** Thank you for your continuous prayers and generosity in supporting our Conference. For more info contact: Cynthia Sanford at 817.346.0085.

OMOM Sunday Mass Live

Join us through either Facebook or YouTube every Sunday.

Follow us on Facebook for daily prayers.

We recommend Google Chrome Browser for the best streaming experience.



Christmas Nativity Program

Our parish children will present a Christmas Pageant on Monday, December 24, 2023, at 12:00 a.m. Christmas Midnight Mass. The presentation will be proclaimed during the Liturgy of the Word's Gospel Reading. Please support our children. **Children's Choir:** Will rehearse every Sunday, beginning December 3, 2023, in the church.



OMOM CCE Calendar -December

MLK Jr. Essay due by 11/26
CCE Classes will be 12/3, 12/10, and 12/17

Popcorn Fundraiser for CCE

To help support Religious Education Classes, there will be a Double Good Virtual Fundraiser. Double good popcorn will be sold with prices starting at \$9. This will begin on Dec. 7 at 5pm. until Dec. 11, 2023. To participate you must:
 1. Download the DG app
 2. Enter our code NSSGFJ in app.
 3. Create your Pop-up Store
 The Apps are free. Please help our CCE Classes and children.



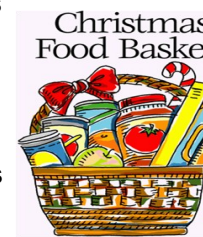
The OMOM Angel Tree is up.

Please use this opportunity to pick an Angel from the tree. This year we have 48 angels. Please return your gifts by 12:00 p.m. Sunday December 10. Thank you. It is much appreciated.



Christmas Baskets

St. Vincent DePaul is currently accepting the following food items for Christmas Baskets: Frozen turkeys, mac/cheese, stuffing, green beans (canned), sweet potatoes (canned), cranberry sauce (canned), cake mix (boxes), frosting. Please bring items to parish life center or to back of church. Items are needed before December



OMOM Christmas Wish List

Help support the everyday business of OMOM parish. Please consider a donation of the items below:

1. Case of 8 1/2 x 11 copy paper.
2. Case of 11 x 17 copy paper
3. Rolls of USPS Forever Stamps
4. Coffee pods (decaf and caffeinated)
5. Cash donation for new flooring in parish life center.
6. 3 oz paper cups
7. Paper plates, napkins, plastic cutlery.



Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of the least brothers of mine, you did for me.' Your care and concern for others should start with your spouse. Learn to love to the fullest by going on an upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend is Feb. 2-4, 2024. To apply go to www.wvme.org. Questions – email applications@dfwme.org. Para mas informacion de Encuentro Matrimonial en Espanol, escriba a mdgallegos06@gmail.com 214-497-0188.

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