

Blessed Sacrament Church

"I am the Living Bread come down from Heaven. If any man eats of this Bread, he shall live forever; and the Bread I will give, is My Flesh." John 6:51-52



Our Lord Jesus
Christ King of the
Universe

Glory, Praise and Honor to Thee,
O King Christ, the Redeemer.

"They will make war on the Lamb, and the Lamb will conquer them, for He is Lord of lords and King of kings, and those with Him are called and chosen and faithful." Revelation 17:14

Perpetual Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament takes place in the side chapel twenty-four hours a day, every day. All are welcome to come and worship and adore our Eucharistic Lord.

"Could you not watch one hour with Me?" Matthew 26:40

SCHEDULE OF MASSES

LORD'S DAY: Saturday: 4:00 p.m.
Sunday: 10:30 a.m.
HOLIDAYS: Vigil: 6:00 p.m.
Holyday: 9:00 a.m.
WEEKDAYS: 9:00 a.m.
SATURDAYS: First Saturdays only: 8:00 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Saturday 2:45 to 3:30 p.m. and by appointment

BAPTISM: As part of the preparation process an interview with the Pastor and two instructional sessions are required. Please contact Laurie at 774-2918.

ENGAGED COUPLES: Arrangements for your marriage must be made at least nine months in advance of the marriage date.

NEW PARISHIONERS: We welcome you and ask that you register at the Rectory. We want to know and serve you! We hope that you will favor your parish with your prayers, your presence and your talents.

Pastor

Rev. Timothy J. Campoli

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Post Abortion Support
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Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 24TH *All Souls* (Bishop Rozanski)
 4:00 Janet Zilch – by John Zilch
SUN., NOV. 25TH – Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
All Souls (Fr. Roach)
 10:30 Kathleen Lancto – by Family
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 26TH *All Souls* (Fr. Aksamit)
 9:00 Patricia Earley – by Maureen Filiault
TUESDAY, NOV. 27TH *All Souls* (Our Deacon Candidates)
 9:00 Jim McAllister – by Betty Graveline
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 28TH *All Souls* (Deacon DeCarlo)
 9:00 Thomas Filiault – by Maureen Filiault
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 29TH *All Souls* (Deacon Leary)
 9:00 Patricia M. Earley – by Doug & Joanne Brown
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 30TH – St. Andrew

All Souls (Clergy in Purgatory)
 9:00 Health & Blessings for Paul Keller – by Mother

FIRST SATURDAY, DECEMBER 1ST (Fr. Di Mascola)
 8:00 Gerald Milano – by Joseph Milano
 4:00 Janet Zilch – by John Zilch

SUNDAY, DEC. 2ND – First Sunday of Advent (Fr. Campoli)
 10:30 Theresa L. Letourneau (19th Anniversary) – by Family
2:00 Advent Penance Service – Holy Trinity Church

REMINDER: ♦ Please join with us in praying the **Rosary** before each daily Mass at 8:15 a.m., before the 4:00 p.m. Saturday Mass and 8:00 a.m. Sunday Mass.

- ♦ **Confessions** after each weekend Mass.
- ♦ The **Chaplet of Divine Mercy** will be recited Fridays at 3:00 p.m. in the Adoration Chapel. All are invited to come and pray with us.
- ♦ Blessed Sacrament has a **Prayer Chain** which is available for anyone. Simply contact Marie Boynton at 413-772-5858 or memeboynton@comcast.net with your petition.
- ♦ **Sponsor Certificates** - Many parishes require certificates of sponsorship for Godparents and Confirmation Sponsors. These will be issued only to those who are confirmed adult Catholics, registered in the parish, regular participants at Mass, validly married in the Church (*if applicable*) and providing for the religious education of their own children (*if applicable*).

Liturgical Roles

Weekend of December 1 & 2

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:

Saturday, December 1

4:00	Deacon George Nolan	Joanne Yestramski
	Kathy Burrows	Winston LaBelle
	Cynn timer Erho	Kerry Semaski
	Francis Campbell	Bill Randall
	Monica McCarthy	

Sunday, December 2

10:30	Joyce Thibodo	Suzanne Hunter
	Bob Page	Mary Jane Bardwell
	Judy Lapointe	Lionel Martin
	Bob O'Connor	

Holy Trinity Church Weekend Mass Schedule Sunday: 8:00 a.m and 10:30 a.m.
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Poet's Seat Nursing Home:

Sunday, Dec. 2 Bob O'Connor

Lectors / Cantors:

Sat., Dec. 1	4:00	Jason Semaski / Betsy Grybko
Sun., Dec. 2	10:30	Dennis Roux / Brenda Hill

Greeters:

4:00	Prima Chadwick, Hannah Lively
10:30	Alex Duda



Mass Servers

Saturday, December 1

4:00 Lauren Semaski, Leo Martinez

Sunday, December 2

10:30 Michael Pierce, Nathaniel Pierce

November 25, 2018

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

The **Sanctuary Candle** will burn this week in memory/honor:
For a special intention - from Anonymous
The **Adoration Chapel Candles** will burn this week in memory/honor of:
1.) **Joseph & Yvonne Togneri** – from Eva & Phil Babits
2.) **Frank & Marguerite Yestramski** - from Suzanne
3.) **Francis & Edith Howard** - from the Lepore Family
4.) **Gert Scott** - from Nancy Willis

Rosary Sodality

The Blessed Sacrament Rosary Sodality will gather in the Adoration Chapel for Benediction and recitation of the Rosary on Monday, November 26th at 6:30 p.m. and on every last Monday of each month. All parishioners, men, women, and children, C.C.D classes and the R.C.I.A. adults are invited to join us.

Community Meal

Blessed Sacrament Parish will sponsor the Community Meal at the Second Congregational Church on Tuesday, November 27th at 5:30 p.m. If you can help with a casserole, salad, dessert, or a financial contribution, please call Ken and Melissa Bacigalupo at 413-801-9156 or 413-325-8078.

First Saturday Mass

Saturday, December 1st is the First Saturday of the month in honor of the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Mass is at 8:00 a.m.

Food Pantry

Please remember to leave your non-perishable food donations at the doors of the church for our Food Pantry. At this time we especially need tuna fish, peanut butter, soups, spaghetti sauce, canned fruit and desserts. Thank you!

**IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR DIOCESE OF
SPRINGFIELD FORMER EMPLOYEES**

The Diocese of Springfield has important news for **former** employees who are vested in the frozen Diocese Pension Plan, and are not currently collecting their pension. If you or someone you know worked for the Diocese and terminated prior to 1/1/2018, with five years of service, you could qualify.

Ascensus representative, Donna Staryarsky is administering contact with former employees. Ascensus is the successor firm to Pension Associates and Donna has many years of involvement with the Diocesan pension plan. An information notice is scheduled to be mailed to the former employee's address of record on November 30, 2018. If you or a former employee do not receive a notice by December 7, 2018, please call or email Donna at 413-417-2365 or Donna.Staryarsky@ascensus.com.

Please leave your name, phone number, and current address and a good time to reach you if you get voice mail.

Official notification will be mailed during the month of November with a 90 day deadline to reply.

A Pilgrimage to Greece, Patmos, Ephesus Oct. 11-21, 2019

Join us on a spiritual journey to many towns of the New Testament where St. Paul first spread the Good News. Also visit Patmos where St. John wrote Revelations and Mary's House in Ephesus. Included is a three-day cruise to the Greek Isles. Fr. Timothy Campoli and Msgr. Ronald Yargeau are our Spiritual Directors. Daily Mass will take place. The cost is \$4199 but if you register before January 31, 2019 you will receive a \$200 Early Bird Discount. A bus to Logan will be arranged if there is interest. For a flyer and more info., please contact Helen Shea Murphy at 413-824-8733 or helensheamurphy@verizon.net. View the website at www.pilgrimages.com/helensheamurphy.

Spiritual Food for Thought

"O my God, teach me to be generous, to serve you as you deserve to be served, to give without counting the cost, to fight without fear of being wounded, to work without seeking rest, and to spend myself without expecting any reward, but the knowledge that I am doing your holy will. Amen."

— St. Ignatius of Loyola

Candles for Intentions

The four candles that burn around the Blessed Sacrament in the Adoration Chapel as well as the one Sanctuary Candle next to the Tabernacle in the main church are available as votive candles. Each candle will burn for two weeks for your petitions or in memory of a loved one. The donation for each candle is \$10. The intentions for which the candles are burning are listed in the bulletin each week. Envelopes are available on the desk at the entrance to the chapel and at the rectory.

Large Paper Grocery Bags Needed for Food Pantry

We are in need of LARGE paper grocery bags for our Food Pantry. If you can help, please drop the bags off by the back door of the church by the parking lot. Thank you!

St. Nicholas Bazaar

Our Lady of Częstochowa Church at 84 K Street, Turners Falls, will hold its annual **St. Nicholas Christmas Bazaar** on Sat., Dec. 1st 9:00 a.m.- 2:00 p.m. Christmas crafts and gifts, religious goods, bake sale, Polish food sale, pierogi, gifts from Poland, tag sale, giant raffles, and more! Lunch is available at the Polish kitchen. Anyone who would like to rent a table for this popular holiday event may call Shirley Webb 413-773-7202 for info. and to reserve a space.

Lessons and Carols

The 18th Annual Festival of Lessons & Carols will be celebrated on Saturday, December 15th, 7:30 PM, at the Cathedral of St. Michael the Archangel, 260 State Street in Springfield. Join the Cathedral Choir of Boys & Adults for this annual service that has become a central part of Christmas preparation for many. The Cathedral Choir will be accompanied by strings, hand bells and the mighty cathedral organ. Highlights of the service will include the Gloria and Et In Terra Pax from a rarely heard Gloria by Vivaldi and the original version of Rejoice in the Lord Always by Henry Purcell. The service consists of seven scripture readings of the season paired with congregational carols and choral anthems. The service begins in darkness and as the story of the nativity progresses the candles and lights of the cathedral are lit. For further information contact the Office of worship at worship@diospringfield.org, or by calling (413) 452-0839

Christmas Carol Sing and Concert

You are cordially invited to the fifth annual Christmas Carol Sing and Concert at the Greenfield High School on Saturday, December 1st at 6 p.m. Come and enjoy a great time of singing carols and listening to music from the 4D1G Gospel Quartet, Valley Revival Choir, and other talented singers and musicians. (Snow date: December 8th at 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. at the Greenfield Alliance Church)

Sexual Revolution - 50 Years since Humane Vitae

A screening of this important eye-opening movie will be held at Assumption College Tsotsis Family Academic Center on **Wednesday, Nov. 28th and Thursday, Nov. 29th both at 7 PM.** All are welcome. Free-will donations. Sponsored by: *Worcester Catholic Women's Conference*. For info., call **978-415-0019** or visit Worcestercatholicwomensconference.com.

The Solemnity of Christ the King

Why did Pope Pius XI affirm the Lordship of Christ in 1925?

D.D. Emmons

On the last Sunday of the liturgical year, Catholics celebrate the Solemnity of Christ the King. A relative newcomer to the Church calendar — established in the 20th century — this feast is designed to give special recognition to the dominion Christ our Lord has over all aspects of our lives. But why and how did it come about? And why is it so important today?

When Cardinal Ambrogio Achille Ratti was elected pope and took the name Pope Pius XI, much of the world was in shambles. The year was 1922, and while the bloodletting of World War I (1914-1918) had ended, widespread peace and tranquility were not evident.

The war to end all wars had been especially devastating to England and the countries of continental Europe. Additionally, the overthrow of the Romanov tsars by the Russian Revolution had created great upheaval in Russia and brought immense suffering. Governments were in economic chaos, unemployment was rampant and people in many places were literally starving to death.

The stability of the old social and political orders that had embraced royal houses and crowned heads of state were crumbling. The victorious warring powers sought severe penalties and unreasonable reparations from the vanquished Germans through the Treaty of Versailles.

Pessimism, a sense of helplessness compounded by hatred among the nations, was overwhelming. The time was ripe for the rise of tyrants, and rise they did. The festering philosophies of fascism, National Socialism (the Nazis) and communism now spawned the likes of Benito Mussolini, Adolf Hitler and Joseph Stalin. Pope Pius XI's predecessor, Pope Benedict XV, had warned about this prophetically in 1920 when he wrote, "There can be no stable peace or lasting treaties, though made after long and difficult negotiations and duly signed, unless there be a return of mutual charity to appease hate and banish enmity."

In their distress, people clung to anyone who offered them hope, offered some kind of direction out of the chaos and promised to put food on their tables. They gravitated to the emerging dictators, and as they did they often sought to be self-sufficient to the exclusion of God from their everyday lives.

Many considered the basics of morality and the teachings of the Church to be out of date, no longer relevant in 20th-century society. Modern thinking allowed that, at most, Christ might be king in the private life of the individual, but certainly not in the public world.

Some political regimes advocated the banishment of Jesus altogether, not only from society, but from the family as well. As nations were reborn and governments restructured, their foundations, policies and laws were often being fashioned without regard to Christian principles.

Affirming Christ's Kingship

In all these developments, the new Pope Pius XI saw that people were denying Christ in favor of a lifestyle dominated by secularism, material advantage and false hope created by the tyrants.

He realized that he had to address the political and economic forces that were crowding out the kingship of Jesus. As a start, he dedicated his reign as pope to "The Peace of Christ in the Kingdom of Christ" (*Pax Christi in Regno Christi*).

In 1925, the Church celebrated a jubilee year in honor of the 1,600th anniversary of the Council of Nicaea. The council fathers taking part in that ancient gathering in A.D. 325 had affirmed the full divinity of Jesus Christ as God the Son, one in being with God the Father. Their pronouncement became a creed that was later expanded into what we now call the Nicene Creed, which we still profess at Mass every Sunday.

Throughout the anniversary year, Pope Pius constantly emphasized the kingship of Christ as declared in the Creed: "His kingdom will have no end." He stressed that theme throughout the year as it repeatedly appeared in the Church's celebrations of the Annunciation, the Epiphany, the Transfiguration and the Ascension. As part of the Holy Year, which was afforded great attention and pomp by the Vatican, hundreds of thousands of pilgrims flocked to Rome, demonstrating great fervor for their faith.

On Dec. 11 of the jubilee year, and in order to acknowledge perpetually the supremacy of Jesus Christ over all men, nations and earthly allegiances, the pope issued the encyclical *Quas Primas*, which added the feast of "Our Lord Jesus Christ the King" to the annual Church liturgical calendar.



Some at the time argued that such a celebration was unnecessary because the ancient feast of the Epiphany already acknowledged Christ as King. But more than 340 religious leaders, including cardinals and bishops, had called for the new celebration, and the pope was glad to grant their request.

The encyclical provided for the feast of Christ the King to be held each year on the last Sunday of October. This date, a week before All Saints' Day and four weeks before Advent, was carefully chosen: It reminded the people that Jesus Christ is not only King of this world, reigning among nations today; He is also the eternal King, glorified by the saints in heaven, who will one day come to judge all humankind.

In his encyclical, the pope noted that the continuing disorder of that era, what he called "the plague of society," had long been festering and was the result of nations rejecting Christ. Later in the encyclical the pontiff pointedly reminded national governments, "Christ, who has been cast out of public life, despised, neglected and ignored, will most severely avenge these insults; for His kingly dignity demands that the State should take account of the commandments of God and of Christian principles, both in making laws and in administering justice, and also in providing for the young a sound moral education" (No. 32).

Time for Consecration

The pope instructed the faithful to use this annual celebration as a time to consecrate themselves, or renew their consecration to, the Sacred Heart of Jesus, explicitly tying the celebration to devotion to the Sacred Heart and to the living Christ in the Eucharist. He also called for Catholics to make reparations for the widespread atheism being practiced in many countries.

In 1969, Pope Paul VI took several steps to enhance the witness of the feast day. To emphasize Christ's universal reign, he changed the name of the celebration to the feast of "Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of All" (Domini Nostri Iesu Christi universorum Regis) He also changed the date to the last Sunday in the liturgical year, emphasizing even more strongly the connection between Christ's kingship and His second advent (coming) to judge the world. In addition, the pope raised the feast to the highest rank of celebration on the Church calendar, that of a "solemnity."

Today, peace still eludes us; social, political and economic orders are shaking; and the nations continue in many ways to reject the light of the Gospel. We can be grateful, then, for the chance to celebrate each year the Solemnity of Christ the King — for the world needs now, more than ever, our witness to His rule over all things.

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December, Month of the Divine Infancy

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	OH COME, OH COME <i>Emmanuel</i>					1 First Saturday Mass 8:00 a.m.
First Sunday of Advent Advent Penance Service – 2:00 p.m. Holy Trinity Church HH for Nonbelievers 6 a.m. and 7 p.m.	2 3 St. Francis Xavier Roses for Mary PG Hearts of Jesus and Mary Pr. Gr. 1 p.m.	4 St. John Damascene	5 Holy Hour for the Sick & Dying 7 p.m. Sanc. Choir 7 p.m.	6 St. Nicholas Children's Adoration 4:00 p.m.	7 First Friday Mass 9:00 a.m. St. Ambrose *Vigil Mass – 6 p.m.	8 The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary *Holy Day of Obligation* Mass – 9:00 a.m.
Second Sunday of Advent HH for Vocations 7 pm First Communion Parents mtg. – 9:15 Temple	9 10 Roses for Mary Prayer Group	11 Pope St. Damasus I Catechist meeting – Fr. Casey Hall 6:00 p.m.	12 Our Lady of Guadalupe Holy Hour for the Sick & Dying 7 p.m. Sanc. Choir 7 p.m.	13 St. Lucy	14 St. John of the Cross	15
Third Sunday of Advent	16 17 Roses for Mary Prayer Group Hearts of Jesus and Mary Pr. Gr. 1 p.m.	18	19 Holy Hour for the Sick & Dying 7 p.m. Sanc. Choir 7 p.m.	20	21 St. Peter Canisius.	22
Fourth Sunday of Advent No CCD	23 24 *Vigil Mass – 4:00 p.m.	25 Christmas The Nativity of the Lord – *Holy Day of Obligation* Mass 9 am Comm. Meal – 2 nd Cong. Ch. 5:30 p.m.	26 St. Stephen Holy Hour for the Sick & Dying 7 p.m. Sanc. Choir 7 p.m.	27 St. John the Evangelist	28 The Holy Innocents	29 St. Thomas Becket
The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph No CCD	30 31 Pope St. Sylvester I *Vigil Mass 4:00 p.m.	The Octave Day of 1 the Nativity of the Lord; Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God *Holy Day of Obligation* Mass 9:00 a.m.	 Christ the savior is born.			