

LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, November 25, 2018 – 34th Ordinary Sunday – Solemnity – Christ The King

• 9:30 AM Holy Mass

Monday, November 26, 2018 – Weekday

Tuesday, November 27, 2018 – Weekday

Wednesday, November 28, 2018 – Weekday

Thursday, November 29, 2018 – Weekday

Friday, November 30, 2018 – Feast – Andrew, Apostle

Saturday, December 1, 2018 – Weekday

Sunday, December 2, 2018 – First Sunday of Advent

• 9:30 AM Holy Mass

FAITH SHARING

This Sunday, at the end of Church's liturgical year, the readings describe the enthronement of the victorious Christ as King in Heaven in all His glory. We live in the peace of Christ when we surrender our lives to him every day, accept him as our God, Savior and King and allow him to rule our lives.



The first reading, taken from the book of Daniel, speaks of the mysterious Son of Man (with whom Jesus would later identify himself), coming on the clouds, glorified by God and given dominion that will last forever. Today's Responsorial Psalm (Ps 93), proclaims, "The Lord is King," celebrating the God of Israel as King over all creation. In the second reading, taken from the Book of Revelation, the risen Christ comes amid the clouds as the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last of all things. In today's Gospel, Jesus asserts before Pilate that he is a king and clarifies that his kingdom "does not belong to this world." He rules as King by serving others rather than by dominating them; his authority is rooted in truth, not in physical force, and his Kingdom, the reign of God, is based on the Beatitudes. Jesus has come to bear witness to the truth: about God and His love for us, about Himself as the Son of God and about us as the children of God.

BROKEN HEATING IN OUR CHURCH AND CHURCH HALL

We are working on broken heating system in our church and church hall. So far it is partially working. We have already one estimate for the total replacement of the old boiler. This might cost us \$31,500.00 (parts and labor). The other option is to replace just the burner, however due to old system it won't be easy to fit such part and to make it working together.

We need your help. Sunday offerings are not enough to cover our bills. Only few families and individuals pay parish dues. There are many parishioners who did not support St. Valentine's for decades. Shame to say, but recently we got more support from our friends and sympathizers than from registered parishioners. If you can make some donations, please be as generous as possible. Every dollar makes a difference. Your donations will be highly appreciated.

DONATIONS

May God bless you for donations you have made already for repairing our church heating system. Few families and individuals sent us checks for this project. If you need a receipt for your taxes, please let us know.

However, those donations can't cover the cost of repair or replacement yet. We ask ALL our Parishioners and Friends to be responsible for your church. Only together we can do it.



FUNDRAISING CHRISTMAS DINNER AT ST. VALENTINE'S

On Third Sunday of Advent, December 16, 2018 I'd like to invite all Parishioners and Friends with your Families to Annual Christmas Parish Dinner. This will help us to raise money for our broken heating.

Your donations and your help in this event is needed. Please let me know if you can help me and my wife in cooking, church hall decorating, etc.

MINI CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

Due to broken, unstable heating I was not sure if we can organize mini Christmas Bazaar. But honestly speaking, we have no choice. Instead of counting on donations only, or wealthy sponsor, or some miracle we have to get to work.



Years of negligence in maintaining our church hall must result in serious rain water damages in the basement and on second floor as well as underneath the church building. Moreover, the boiler working on the edge of safety, force us to stand up and say loudly and seriously "I am responsible for my church!" or "I don't care, don't bother me!"

Each one of us has to make a choice and stand on this or that side. There is no middle ground. If you still love your church, say it. If you don't, say it as well.

Then I will know whom I can ask for help, with whom I can work, with whom I can continue St. Valentine's rescue mission. We don't need any bystanders, doubters, or cynic laughers! We need here serious people who think wisely, who are not childish and upset or whispering behind my back.

Rise, famous St. Valentine's Parish, and help me to rebuild this community and the property! It's not too late yet.

Please make donations for our Bazaar of new and used, Christmas related items or whatever can help to raise us funds for our buildings needs. Although we have very short time, I am sure that you can help. As usually.

SPECIAL PARISH MEETING

Special Parish Meeting is necessary to make few decisions about our Parish. We have to pray together and talk to each other about few possible ways our Parish should go. The date will be announced soon. Before that meeting few delegates from our Parish will meet with Bishop of Central Diocese to talk about St. Valentine's future.

HOLY MASS INTENTION – THE PERFECT CHRISTMAS GIFT

Shopping, shopping, shopping... At this time of the year our minds are full of wonders what we can give to our beloved for Christmas. However, we usually think of those around us. We get some presents for them only.

Let me be a voice of those who passed away, those who can't seat at your Christmas table any more. Please don't forget about them in your prayers, because they never forget to pray for you.

And yes, they deserved to get some gift from you for Christmas. The Eucharist, the Holy Mass offered for them will be your perfect gift for your beloved dead. There is nothing better than that if you offer the Mass for somebody. Masses are available in our parish calendar every Sunday and every day of the week. Just let me know. I'm here to serve, and I will say Holy Mass whenever you ask me.



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Sunday Mass: 9:30 AM (English)



**The Solemnity
of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe**

**Uroczystość
Jezusa Chrystusa, Króla Wszechświata**

November 25, 2018



MASS INTENTION REQUEST FORM

Mass for _____

Date Requested _____ Time _____

Requested by _____

Address _____

Phone Number _____ - _____ - _____ Amount \$ _____

Please mail this form and Mass stipend to: St. Valentine's PNCC, 2330 Margaret St, Philadelphia, PA 19137 or call parish office at (215) 535-4978.