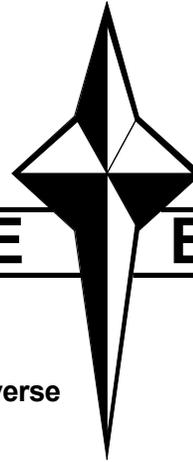


# CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY

November 22, 2015

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe



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## Masses

Monday-Friday 6:30 & 8:00 a.m.

Saturday 8:00 a.m.

Saturday Vigil 5:30 p.m.

Sunday 8:00, 9:30, & 11:00 a.m.  
12:30\* & 6:00 p.m. (\*Spanish)

Rosary Daily 7:40 a.m.  
Novena Mondays 8:30 a.m.

## Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the Church

Monday-Friday 7:00-8:00 a.m. &  
8:30-9:30 a.m.

## Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the Adoration Chapel

Thursdays 10:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

## Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays at 4:30 p.m.

## Sacrament of Baptism

Call the Parish Office two months in advance.

## Sacrament of Matrimony

Call the Parish Office ten months in advance.



Monsignor Jude O'Doherty, Pastor  
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**THE WISE STILL SEEK HIM**



The Book of Revelation speaks of Jesus as *"the faithful witness"* and *"the first-born from the dead."* Both of these descriptions we can understand. But, then comes a touch of mystery because it also calls Him *"ruler of the kings of earth."* This is the Sunday on which we celebrate Christ the King. Looking at the condition of the world around us, we might wonder about that title. Where, and how, and in what sense can Christ be called King? It is painfully obvious that His principles are not the deciding factor in the affairs of most people or of most nations.

At least part of the answer to that mystery is recorded in our Gospel reading. Jesus said to Pilate, *"My kingdom does not belong to this world...the reason I was born, the reason I came into the world is to testify to the truth."* In other words, Jesus saw Himself as the king of truth. He did not rule on the same basis as earthly kings. He did not crack the whip or wield the sword in order to enforce His will. His authority lay, not in the coercive power of force, but in the persuasive power of truth. He came to testify to the truth.

Christ the King has opened the eyes of His subjects to three areas of truth. The first is love. John says simply that He loves us. We, of course, are familiar with that thought. All of our lives we have heard stories, and sermons and scriptures about the love of Christ. But what does that really mean? Well, it may mean nothing, or it could mean everything. If Jesus were just a rare case of a warm-hearted man with an unusual capacity for loving people, then, it's a beautiful part of history; but for us, it really doesn't mean much. What if Jesus was God's way of making Himself known to a sinful, frightened and frustrated world? If that is what the love of Christ means, then, it is the best news that human ears have ever heard. It assures us that we are not alone and that we will never be forgotten. It tells us that the power behind this

universe is a loving God who cares for each one of us. Christ is the king of truth who loves us.

He has "freed us from our sins by His own blood." A major problem that afflicts every member of the human race is a burden of guilt. Some feel the weight of it more than others, but all of us feel it. We have failed in our personal lives, and we know it. We can look back right now and remember things of which we are ashamed and by which we are embarrassed. Jesus offers the only truthful answer...forgiveness. They nailed Him to a cross, and He prayed, *"Father, forgive them."* Behind this universe is a loving God who stands ready to forgive all of our failures. Our only hope as individuals and as a race is to accept that forgiveness, and then to learn to forgive ourselves and one another. Christ is the king of truth; He forgives us; He has freed us from our sins by His own blood.

Finally, He speaks to us of the truth of service. He has *"made us a royal nation of priests in the service of His God and Father."* Most of the time, many of us approach life with one primary question in mind: What can I get out of it? Jesus approached life with a totally different question: What can I give to it? He said it like this: *"The Son of Man has not come to be served but to serve, to give His life in ransom for the many."* The theme of His life was not getting but giving, and He taught His disciples that service was the only road to greatness.





The Feast of Christ the King is a celebration of Christ's kingship on the last Sunday of Ordinary Time. This is its proper context because the church year ends with Sunday Scripture readings emphasizing the end times and the fulfillment of the pilgrimage of the Church and of its Lord. Instituted in 1925 by Pope Pius XI to counteract atheism and secularism, this feast may be termed an *"idea feast"* because it celebrates no specific event in salvation history, but rather honors Christ's sovereignty over all persons, families, nations, and the whole universe. In particular, the feast affirms the messianic kingship of Christ, Who redeemed humanity by the blood of the Cross. This feast duplicates the original kingship feast, the Ascension, which celebrates Jesus' exaltation and crowning with heavenly glory. This special Sunday becomes a sort of *"final Lord's Day."*

Jesus said to His disciples: *"When the Son of Man comes in His glory, escorted by all the angels of Heaven, He will sit upon His royal throne, and all the nations will be assembled before Him. Then He will separate them into two groups, as a shepherd separates sheep from goats. The sheep He will place on His right hand, the goats on His left. The king will say to those on His right: 'Come. You have my Father's blessing! Inherit the kingdom prepared*

*for you from the creation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, naked and you clothed me. I was ill and you comforted me, in prison and you came to visit me.' Then, the just will ask Him: 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you or see you thirsty and give you drink? When did we welcome you away from home or clothe you in your nakedness? When did we visit you when you were ill or in prison?' The king will answer them: 'I assure you, as often as you did it for one of my least brothers, you did it for me.'*

The point is obvious. Jesus identifies with the hurts and heartaches of the world. When I am lonely, God is lonely. When my neighbor grieves, God grieves. When a child is hungry, God is hungry. God is never removed or indifferent to the suffering of humanity. The shortest verse in Scripture is to be found in John 11:35. It says simply: *"Jesus wept."* It is written in connection with the death of Lazarus. Jesus wept because Mary, Martha and the friends of Lazarus wept, and He felt the hurt of losing a friend. Jesus always identifies with our hurts and troubles.

There is an element of truth in the statement, *"I cannot solve the problems of the world."* But there is something I can do. I may not be able to solve the problem of indifference, but I can care. I cannot eliminate selfishness, but I can give. I cannot feed all the hungry people in the world, but I can feed that one person of whom I am aware. If I but allow Christ the King to use my life to minister to human need, I might be surprised at the result. One man said it like this: *"The world has yet to see what God can do with the life of one person who is totally dedicated to Him. By the grace of God, I will be that person."*



## Mass Intentions

Date	Time	Intention	Requested By	Readings
Saturday <b>Nov. 21</b>	5:30 p.m.	Rams Family + Humberto Gonzalez, Jr. + Ludwig Lou Schmidbauer	Beba Rams Family Sawyer Family	
Sunday <b>Nov. 22</b>	8:00 a.m.	+ Berto Alfonso + Dorothy Sacher	Moises & Ana Hernandez Gene & Carol Kubicki	Dn 7:13-14 Ps 93:1-2,5
	9:30 a.m.	+ Sinesio Moas + Carmen & Consuelo Camps + Richard Lotharius	Mercy Moas Casamayor Family Martha Villabona	Rv 1:5-8 Jn 18:33b-37
	11:00 a.m.	People of Epiphany		
	12:30 p.m.	+ Nicolas Gutierrez + Carlos Cordeiro	Family Family	
	6:00 p.m.	+ Hugo Rams In Thanksgiving + Wlodzimierz Grocholski + George V. Kenneally	Family Family Vivien & Octavio Verdeja Family Anna Viamonte Ros	
Monday <b>Nov. 23</b>	6:30 a.m.	+ Adrienne Gouraige Sister Kathryn Donze, IHM	Family Pistorino Family	Dn 1:1-6,8-20 (Ps)Dn3:52-56
	8:00 a.m.	+ Olga Concha + Alejandro Asuaje + Hortensia Suarez	Macarena Sanchez Andreina Zambrano Maria Teresa Lage	Lk 21:1-4
Tuesday <b>Nov. 24</b>	6:30 a.m.	+ Otto Neuman Sister Margaret Fagan, IHM	Wife & Children Pistorino Family	Dn 2:31-45 (Ps)Dn3:57-61
	8:00 a.m.	In Thanksgiving Andres Moas	Norman Salas Family Raul & Adele Moas	Lk 21:5-11
Wednesday <b>Nov. 25</b>	6:30 a.m.	+ Marilu Gailey Maria Elizabette Pistorino	Family Pistorino Family	Dn 5:1-6,13-14, 16-17,23-28 (Ps)Dn3:62-67
	8:00 a.m.	Gabriel Enrique Becerra Hugo & Beba Rams	Family Rams Family	Lk 21:12-19
Thursday <b>Nov. 26</b>	6:30 a.m.	<b>No Mass</b>	 <b>THANKSGIVING</b>	Dn 6:12-28 (Ps)Dn3:68-74
	8:00 a.m.	<b>No Mass</b>		Lk 21:20-28
	9:30 a.m.	Mass of Thanksgiving		
Friday <b>Nov. 27</b>	6:30 a.m.	<b>No Mass</b>		Dn 7:2-14 (Ps)Dn3:75-81
	8:00 a.m.	+ Joy Pistorino + Amparo Bared + Julia Almeida Hernandez	Pistorino Family Bared & Bravo Families Pistorino Family	Lk 21:29-33
Saturday <b>Nov. 28</b>	8:00 a.m.	+ Jackie Rudd Fr. Guillermo Garcia-Tunon, SJ + Rogelio Fernandez	J. Higgins Pistorino Family Wife & Family	Dn 7:15-27 (Ps)Dn3:82-87 Lk 21:34-36
(Sunday Vigil)	5:30 p.m.	Adele Moas + Rafael Becil	Mercy Moas Raul Moas Family	
Sunday <b>Nov. 29</b>	8:00 a.m.	+ Armando, Fanny & Javier Gutierrez	Family	Jer 33:14-16 Ps 25:4-5,8-9, 10,14
	9:30 a.m.	+ Dorothy Sacher Minela Paulus Ignacio Paulus	Gene & Carol Kubicki Marianela Perez Marianela Perez	1 Thes 3:12--4:2 Lk 21:25-28,34-36
	11:00 a.m.	People of Epiphany		
	12:30 p.m.	+ Iluminada C. Utra + Digna Briceno	Pena-Utra Family Andreina Zambrano	
	6:00 p.m.	+ Luis Manuel Lange + Blanca Sarquis + Ernestina Rodriguez Jimenez	Family Family Family	



## Mass Schedules

November 28/29	Celebrants	Lectors	Altar Servers	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
<b>Saturday 5:30 p.m.</b>	Msgr. Jude O'Doherty	Bob Dickinson Eddy De Arcos	A. Aguirre A. Blanco P. Cahill C. Christiansen J. De la Viesca G. Etten A. Gomez T. Lamas	<b>Coordinator:</b> (Cristina Pasken) Cristina Pasken Carl Lowell Cristina Velarde Rosi Maza-Saez Andria Miyares Beatriz Lowell Phil Prelezo
<b>Sunday 8:00 a.m.</b>	Fr. Ireneusz Ekiert	Montserrat Morrison Calene Candela	J. Ortiz A. Pagliery	<b>Coordinator:</b> (Tony Friguls) Cynthia Risavy Tom Risavy Chuck Broyard Tony Friguls Andres Aguirre
<b>Sunday 9:30 a.m.</b>	Fr. Luis Largaespada	Mike Herold Henry Pujol	N. Vizcaino M. Alfano M. Atrio L. Aun	<b>Coordinator:</b> (Lourdes Gonzalez) Lourdes Gonzalez Al Gonzalez Delia Valcarcel Charbel Heshema Raphael Bastian Pedro Toro George Valcarcel
<b>Sunday 11:00 a.m.</b>	Msgr. Jude O'Doherty	Peter Avenarius Gloria De la Osa	E. Rodriguez C. Rodriguez R. R. Rodriguez A. Rodriguez L. Roque D. Santana I. Solorzano I. Stanfield	<b>Coordinator:</b> (Gus Robayna) Maria Renfrow Richard Renfrow Mirta Robelo Manolo Dominguez Maite Dominguez Lina Reardon Diana Rodriguez Gus Robayna
<b>Sunday 12:30 p.m.</b>	Fr. Carlos Massieu	Gisela Cacciamani Adriana Giuffredi	A. Cardenal M. Cedeno	<b>Coordinator:</b> (Mary Gonzalez) Mary Gonzalez Ana Oyarzun Pedro Marrero Jose Martinez-Elejalde Humberto Gonzalez Ramon Oyarzun Bernuil Marrero
<b>Sunday 6:00 p.m.</b>	Fr. Luis Largaespada	Jorge Perez Tamara Clavero	J. Real C. Salas S. Sueiras A. Toledo A. Torres I. Tundidor A. Yaniz J. Yaniz	<b>Coordinator:</b> (Georgina Angones) Georgina Angones Frank Angones Amanda Patino Jeannette Iglesias Rene Iglesias Debbie Hasty Jorge Echenique



## Stewardship Corner

### A THANKSGIVING OF LOVE

It has been written and sung about. It isn't just a feeling, although it can produce emotions ranging from profound joy to deep sorrow. It is sought by almost every person on earth and is the greatest gift one can receive... It is love.

This Thanksgiving holiday is truly a day of love. It brings us all together and is a time to give thanks for all the blessing God has given us, a time to love our family and friends. It's also a time to reflect on all our loved ones who have gone to God.

Why not begin Thanksgiving Day with your family in saying how much you love God by gathering together at the 9:30 Mass at Epiphany and break bread with the Lord. It will put a smile on your face and God's face. The more you thank and love God, the happier you are.

After Mass, it is time to return home and celebrate a festive Thanksgiving dinner with your loved ones and friends. May I make a suggestion? When everyone is gathered around the table, just look around and witness how much love there is in that room. They may be your children or grandchildren who are now grown up, and you are so proud of them and how well they have succeeded in life. You can still remember when they were children fighting over toys and especially the turkey leg. The love in that room could move mountains. Then, stop for a moment and recall those who are missing...grandparents, Mom or Dad, or even a brother or sister...take that moment to remember them with love because they are celebrating Thanksgiving Day with the Lord in Heaven.

So, when the turkey has been devoured along with the other dry and wet goodies, just take a moment to always remember that Thanksgiving Day is truly a day of love.

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!



## The Sunday Preschool and The Holy Family Center

Open during the **9:30** and **11:00 a.m.** Masses.

The **Holy Family Center** offers tender, loving care for young children from birth to 3 years of age. The **Sunday Pre-school** is a formal religion program based on the Sunday readings.

Avail yourselves of this service to families. Children enjoy our program and you have the opportunity to worship without distractions!



*Blessed are those  
who are too busy to worry in the daytime  
and too tired to worry at night.*

*Lord God, from You  
every family in heaven  
and on earth takes its name.  
Grant that Your grace may  
guide the thoughts and actions  
of husbands and wives for  
the good of their families.  
Grant that the young  
may find in the family,  
support for their human dignity  
and for their growth in truth and love.*

*Through the intercession of  
the Holy Family of Nazareth,  
grant that the Church  
may fruitfully carry out  
her world-wide mission in  
and through the family.  
Through Christ, our Lord.  
Who is the Way, the Truth and  
the Life for ever and ever.*

Saint John Paul II (Pope)



## Epiphany Church's 40 Hours Devotion

Following the opening Mass on December 6 at 6:00 pm, the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed all day and night in the main church.

The Blessed Sacrament cannot be left unattended when it is exposed. We are counting on our parishioners to devote an hour of adoration during the 40 hours of exposition.

**We have sign-up sheets at all entrances for you to promise an hour of your time.**

### Grupo de Biblia en Español

Todos los miércoles a las 9:30 de la mañana en el Centro Parroquial.

### Lonely Voices

*The voice of John the Baptist was a lonely voice which many of his contemporaries ignored.*

*There are many lonely voices in our World. Somewhere at this moment, a child is crying-- crying for love or maybe simply for bread.*

*Somewhere a young person is crying-- crying for a listening ear or an understanding heart.*

*Somewhere an old person is crying-- for a visit or a word from his/her children.*

*There are a thousand unheard cries in our world, coming from the victims of injustice and neglect.*

*Lord, help us to listen to these voices. Above all, help us to listen to your voice, whispering to us in the wilderness of our hearts, telling us that we are loved by you, and that we are to love one another.*

## Epiphany School Endowment Pledges

The Epiphany School endowment pledges to date amount to **\$330,436.00**. We wish to express our grateful thanks to all who have made these pledges. Your generosity to Epiphany is great indeed and many young people will benefit from this in the education they will receive in Epiphany School.

Thank you!

## God's Transmitters

When we accept God, we become not only possessors of God, but also transmitters of God. If we strive to keep God entirely to ourselves we will lose Him. The more we bestow in love and service and respect upon others, the more of God we shall ever have growing in our lives.

## Parish Pilgrim Virgin Ministry

During the week of **November 22**, the Parish Pilgrim Virgin will be in the home of:

<b>Roger &amp; Adamarie Baker</b>	<b>305-665-9343</b>
<b>Plinio &amp; Gloria Gonzalez</b>	<b>305-785-7771</b>

To schedule your visit, please call  
**Patricia & Luis Siman at 305-238-4555.**



### PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL:

Alicia Aixala; Nicolas Castellanos; Pat Clarke; Ana Alicia Fernandez; Ellen Middleton; Caridad Mora; Maribel Robayna; Richard Roth; Christina Slagter; Hilda Su; Esther Suarez; Paulina Tawil; Teodula Wong.

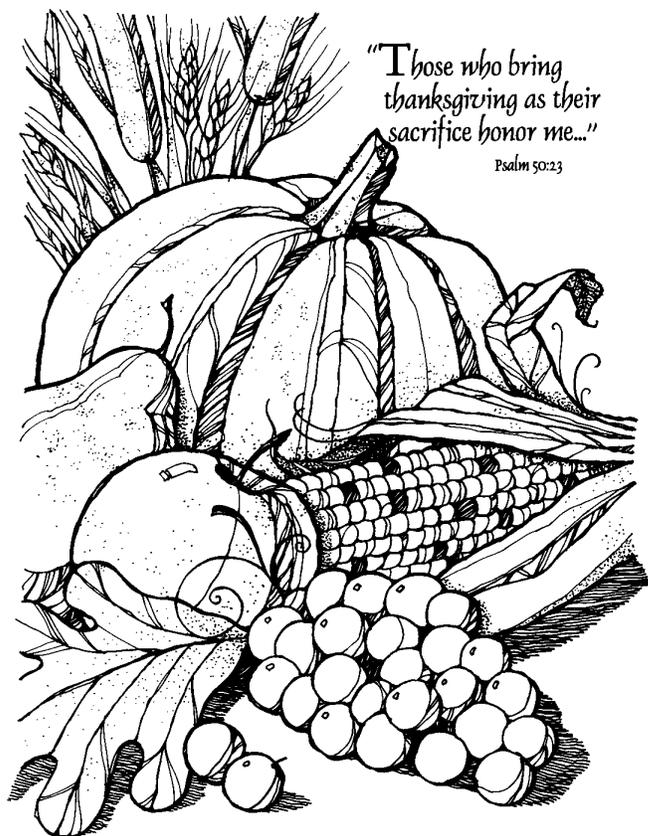
### PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED:

Alberto Amorin; Josefina Friguls; Richard Lotharius; Joy Pistorino; H. J. (Jack) Ross.

# *A Time to Give Thanks!*

*Plan to begin this holiday weekend  
by remembering to give thanks and praise to God  
for the many blessings showered on this community  
and on our own lives during the past year.*

*Thanksgiving Day  
Thursday, November 26  
9:30 a.m. Mass*



*"Those who bring  
thanksgiving as their  
sacrifice honor me..."*  
Psalm 50:23

⌘ *There will be a  
collection  
for the poor.*

⌘ *There will be no  
other Mass this day  
and there will be no  
6:30 a.m. Mass on  
Friday, November 27.*