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The Solemn Feast  
of Christ the King  
November 21, 2021



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**Weekend Mass Schedule:**

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 8:15 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

**Outdoor Communion Sundays: 9:45 - 10:00 am**

**Reconciliation:**

Monday & Tuesday 8:45 am; Thursday 5:00 pm

Saturdays 3:30 - 4:30 pm

*For activities in the Quad Cities, go to:*

<http://catholicquadcities.com>

**Traveling?** [www.masstimes.org](http://www.masstimes.org) to find Masses

*We warmly welcome new parishioners and ask them to register at the Parish Office. Individuals interested in becoming Catholic may contact Fr. Daniel Gifford or call the Parish Office.*

# Mass Intentions

**MONDAY, November 22**      **St. Cecilia**  
8:00 am John & Jackie Skender+

**TUESDAY, November 23**      **Bl. Miguel Agustin Pro**  
8:00 am Edward VanMeenan+

**WEDNESDAY, November 24**      **St. Andrew Dŭng-Lac & Companions**  
8:00 am Phyllis Pogorzelski+

**THURSDAY, November 25**      **St. Catherine of Alexandria**  
9:00 am Harley Chaffee+

**FRIDAY, November 26**      **Weekday**  
8:00 am No Mass - Communion Service

**SATURDAY, November 27**      **Vigil Mass 1st Sunday of Advent**  
5:00 pm People of the Parish

**SUNDAY, November 28**      **First Sunday of Advent**  
8:15 am 70th Wedding Anniversary Rod & Dorothy Remme  
10:30 am Vern & Betsy Sherbeyn+

**PLEASE NOTE:** There will not be Adoration, Reconciliation, or 5:45 pm Mass on Thanksgiving Day, November 25.



### Weekend Mass Schedules:

**St. Anthony/Atkinson**      **Sacred Heart/Annawan**  
4:00 pm Saturday      8:00 am Sunday  
9:30 am Sunday

### OFFICE HOURS:

**Mon. - Wed. 8:30 am - 3:30 pm, Thurs.. 8 - 3 Fridays 8 -1**  
*Bulletin articles **MUST** be submitted no later than 12:00 noon on Tuesdays.*

## READINGS FOR SUNDAY - November 28, 2021

1st Reading: Jeremiah 33:14-16

*I will raise up for David a just shoot.*

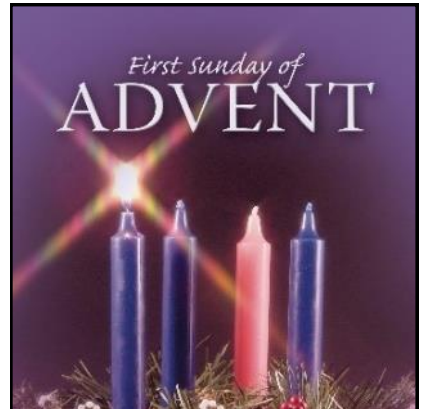
Responsorial: Psalm 25

*R./: "To you, O Lord, I lift my soul."*

2nd Reading: Thessalonians 3:12-4:2

*May the Lord strengthen your hearts at the coming of our Lord Jesus.*

Gospel: Luke 21:25-28, 34-36



# Weekly Calendar

## Tuesday, November 23

The Bible and the Virgin Mary Study 9:00 am YR

## Thursday, November 25

Thanksgiving Day Mass 9:00 am

## Sunday, November 28

First Sunday of Advent

The Bible and the Virgin Mary Study 9:15 am YR

Outdoor Communion 9:45 am-10:00 am



The **Altar & Rosary** will be hosting their **Annual Bake Sale** after each Mass this weekend, November 20 & 21.

## Thanksgiving Mass - Lay Minister Sign Up

**Thanksgiving Mass:** 9:00 am

**We are in need of:** Lay Ministers to help in the following areas: EMHC, Lector, Commentator, Ushers, Greeters and Altar Servers

If you are able to help please contact the office to sign up.



## Christmas Mass - Lay Minister Sign Up

**Mass Schedule:**

**Christmas Eve, Friday**

4:00 pm, 7:00 pm & 10:00 pm

**Christmas Day, Saturday**

9:00 am

Can you help at our Christmas Masses?

**We are in need of:** EMHC, Lectors, Commentators, Ushers, Greeters and Altar Servers Please call the office to sign up.



## Library News

At this time the library is NOT accepting donations of any books. If you have books to donate, we ask that you please find someplace to take them, or hold on to them for the future.

**The Library is open to check out books and media.**



## Eucharistic Adoration

Monday 3:00 - 8:00 pm

Thursday 4:30 pm

(8:30 am on the 1st Fridays & 1st Saturdays)



*When you look at the Sacred Host you understand how much Jesus loves you now.*

*St. Teresa of Kolkata*

# FORMED

## WATCH:

33 Days to Morning Glory



## LEARN:

Presence

The Mystery of the Eucharist

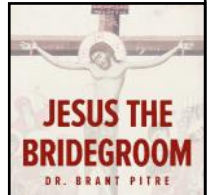
## LISTEN:

Jesus the Bridegroom

The Greatest Love Story Ever Told

By Brant Pitra

**PICK OF THE WEEK** November 21, 2021



## Gift Shop News

After almost two years, we are excited to be able to display our Advent, and Christmas items this weekend November 20 and 21. Come find a treasure that will enhance your Christmas experience! If you have any special requests please call:

Judy Kanke  
at 309-269-6921



# *A Note From the Pastor*

Dear St. Malachy Parishioners,

*"When (the Magi) had departed, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, 'Rise, take the child and his mother, flee to Egypt, and stay there until I tell you. Herod is going to search for the child to destroy him.' Joseph rose and took the child and his mother by night and departed for Egypt." (Matthew 2:13-14). Saint Joseph, Noble Offspring of David, Light of Patriarchs, Zealous Defender of Christ, pray for us!*

Jesus Christ is King. As we celebrate this truth this weekend, with the Solemn Feast of Christ the King (the last great celebration of the Church Year), we have much to consider. As our November theme verse reminds us, even in his infancy, His Kingship inspired wonder, awe and even fear in the hearts of many. We are reminded of the Magi who came from afar to honor the Newborn King. Yet, we also see the wickedness in the fearful heart of Herod, who saw the Kingship of this little child as a threat to his own worldly authority. Finally, we see the humble carpenter from Nazareth, with royal blood coursing through his veins, taking direction from on high to guard and protect this Newborn King of kings from the threat of Herod.

Yet, as we come to the turn of the Church Year and our lectionary is more populated with apocalyptic readings, we might notice how this scene from the infancy of Christ is profoundly reflected in the 12th chapter of the Book of Revelation. The image of the dragon poised to devour the Child as soon as the Woman gives birth certainly stands as an image of Satan. However, such apocalyptic images are often meant to speak on multiple levels, and it is hard not to see the parallel between the dragon and Herod, who sought to destroy the Christ Child in His infancy. If you read that chapter in Revelation, you will see the Woman taken to a place of safe refuge, not unlike Joseph is led by the angel to lead the Holy Family into safe refuge in Egypt.

As we consider the many trials that still burden our world at the close of this Church Year, let us consider three central truths that are meant to be spoken through the often puzzling language of apocalyptic literature: 1) In the world, we will have trouble, 2) Christ is King and the final Victory will be his and 3) He intends to share that

Victory with all who belong to Him. As we prepare to begin a New Church Year with Advent, I propose that we embrace the theme of **A Time of Safe Refuge to Remember the Faithfulness of God.**

Let us begin now to seek this safe refuge with the Lord as we enjoy some holiday time this week, reflecting on all the gifts for which we give thanks. Whether you spend Thanksgiving with family, friends, or having some quiet time of solitude with the Lord, may you experience it as a time of safe refuge to remember the faithfulness of God, a bit of a foretaste of Advent and dare I say... of heaven.

**ADVENT RECONCILIATION:** As you may recall from last year, it is my custom to increase the opportunities to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation during Advent. This will mean that additional "Advent Reconciliation" times will be offered for a half-hour at Noon, on Monday through Thursday, beginning on November 29th and ending on December 23rd. All are invited and strongly encouraged to receive God's Mercy through this glorious sacrament.

**NEW DOORS:** As I have mentioned on a couple of occasions, our recent security upgrades included some new doors, in addition to the upgrade of cameras. This means that one door in each of the two main entrances into the narthex is now programmed to lock and unlock automatically at the beginning and end of the day. The remaining doors in each of these entrances are still only able to be locked and unlocked manually. Thus, three of the four doors at the East entrance and one of the two at the West entrance will be locked earlier, at the end of office hours on Monday through Friday and after the last Mass on both Saturday and Sunday. If you come in for prayer or a meeting between these times and 8 PM, simply use the door to the far right, which should still be unlocked. As usual, if you need access to a room you have reserved, please be sure to coordinate with the parish office during office hours.

In Christ through Mary,  
Fr. Daniel P. Gifford



St. Malachy, Pray for us



Ladies, you are invited to join **St. Malachy Women's Support Group**. We meet Tuesdays at 6:00 pm in meeting room C, at the end of the staff hallway. We discuss how God blessed us this week, what we struggled with this week, and things we want to work on with God's help during the next week. There is a short lesson, and time for prayer intentions and prayer. It's a time for women to support each other. You don't have to call ahead, just come join us. If you have any questions you can contact Jennifer Ulam or Cathie Stinson.

### The Rock - 7th & 8th Grade Youth Ministry

Meets every Thursday from 6:30-8:00 pm in the Youth Room. Please pray for the students as they grow closer to Christ in fellowship and service, seeking the patronage of St. Patrick & St. Teresa of Calcutta



### Oasis .

Oasis meets every Wednesday from 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm in the Youth Room. We strive to nourish our mind, body, and soul. Growing in community as we walk together to come to know Jesus.



### Holy Hour for the Legal Protection of the Unborn

We will have a special Holy Hour on Tuesday, November 30, at 7:00 pm to pray for the December 1 Supreme Court hearing the upcoming historic case over the right of states to protect mothers and unborn life.

<https://catholicvote.org/dobbs>



The Catholic Diocese of Peoria is sponsoring a bus pilgrimage on January 8, 2022 to attend the **2022 CHICAGO MARCH FOR LIFE**

For more information contact the Respect Life Office at 309-671-1550 or Email - [csone@ccdop.org](mailto:csone@ccdop.org)

Online registration at <https://cdop.weshareonline.org/MarchforLife-Chicago2022>  
**Seats are limited - register early!**

## DECEMBER LAY MINISTER SCHEDULE

### GREETERS

**5:00 pm** - Eric & Sue Gray (Front); Leslie Hager (West)  
**8:15 am** - Kristin & Ryan Wilson (Front); Morry & Julie Atwell (West)  
**10:30 am** - David & Shirley Heitzler (Front); Julie Puentes (West)

### USHERS

**5:00 pm** - Mark Roberts, Gene Dodd, Barry Hager  
**8:15 am** - Bob Wachtel, Brice Maertens, Ron Brenny  
**10:30 am** - Dave & Monica Paxton, Kolbe & Mike Duda

### LECTOR/COMMENTATOR

**5:00 pm** - Pat Boelens (L); Dave Wolak (C)  
**8:15 am** - Alana Wachtel (L); Kathleen Repass (C)  
**10:30 am** - Larry & Chris Ward (L/C)

### EMHCs

**5:00 pm** - A.J. Wolak & Mary Beth Peterson  
**8:15 am** - Gregg Swanson & Ryan Wilson  
**10:30 am** - Jim Luikart & Kathy O'Rourke

## DECEMBER ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE

**Saturday, December 4 - 5pm** Henry Vondra, Julia Lewis  
**Sunday, December 5 - 8:15** Emily & Katy Wilson **10:30** Tim & Emma Sebastian

**Saturday, December 11 - 5pm** Henry Vondra, Trace Hager  
**Sunday, December 12 - 8:15** Emma & Hannah Stone **10:30** Dylan & Tyler Gehl

**Saturday, December 18 - 5pm** Elle Patterson, Avery Emmerson  
**Sunday, December 19 - 8:15** Noah & Keira Disterhoft **10:30** Ella & Viola Pettit

**Sunday, December 26 - 8:15** Lucy Walck & Cooper Ries **10:30** Gavin & Declan Gillespie





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**Parish Sacrificial Giving:**

1% donated to  
Geneseo/Atkinson Food Pantry

**Week 20 - November 14, 2021**

	Weekly Budget	Weekly Actual	Variance	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	Variance
General Collection	\$ 13,000	\$ 6,486	\$ (6,514)	\$ 260,000	\$ 238,746	\$ (21,254)
School Endowment	\$ 750	\$ 90	\$ (660)	\$ 15,000	\$ 15,450	\$ 450
Paraclete Fund	\$ 750	\$ 145	\$ (605)	\$ 15,000	\$ 9,994	\$ (5,006)
Capital Improvement	\$ 750	\$ 170	\$ (580)	\$ 15,000	\$ 12,129	\$ (2,871)

**ADA**

GOAL	PLEGGED	VARIANCE	COLLECTED	VARIANCE	GOAL	# FAMILIES	VARIANCE
\$ 85,185	\$ 85,625	\$ 440	\$ 68,995	\$ (16,190)	233	173	(60)



**Upcoming Cursillo Weekends**

October & November weekends postponed due to Covid

New Date, Men's: February 24-27, 2021

New Date, Women's: March 24-27, 2021

For more information visit: <https://nwcursillo.com>

**Upcoming TEC Weekends**



Dec. 4-6, 2021 (Boys)  
Feb. 12-14, 2022 (Girls)  
April 2-4, 2022 (Boys)  
June 25-27, 2022 (Girls)



For more info, visit [www.northwest-tec.com](http://www.northwest-tec.com)



**DAILY PRAYERS FOR VOCATIONS**

Please Pray for these  
Seminarians:

*Nathan Hopper*

*Blake Miller*

*Ryan Mann*

*Luke Olson*

*Peter Schoonmaker*

*Jacob Martini*

Are you feeling called to serve as a priest or other religious?

If so, contact Fr. Chase Hilgenbrink:

309-671-1550 or email him: [fr\\_hilgenbrinck@cdop.org](mailto:fr_hilgenbrinck@cdop.org)

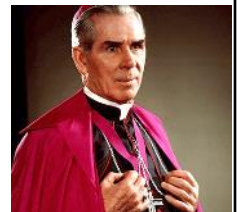
*He took bread, said the blessing, broke it, gave it to them, and said, "Take it; this is my body."*

**Prayer and Pilgrimage with Fulton Sheen**

You are invited to the new  
**Sacre-Coeur Retreat Center,**  
Henry, IL for a weekend retreat,  
**December 3-5, 2021.**

The retreat will feature reflections by Msgr. Stanley Deptula, Executive Director of the Archbishop Sheen Foundation, as well as a pilgrimage to sites in the Peoria area important to the life of Fulton Sheen. Mass, Holy Hours, beautiful scenery, delicious meals, and quiet prayer – come away and spend some time with Our Lord and His servant, Archbishop Fulton Sheen. For more information or to reserve a spot, email:

[info@sheencause.org](mailto:info@sheencause.org)



## St. Malachy Advent Giving Tree

St. Malachy Social Justice Committee is once again sponsoring our Advent Giving Tree. Our Giving Tree will be in the same format as last year. Instead of asking for household item donations as in years past, this year we are again asking for financial donations only. These can be in the form of cash, checks, or gift cards. Keep in mind, purchasing your gift card from Heaven Sent Scrip would also benefit our parish and school.

There are so many people in our area in need. Your donations will benefit: The Food Pantry, Humility Homes and Services, Local Students in Need, The New Life Farm, and Backpack Blessings, Inspire Continuing Care.



The Giving Tree will be set up near the church office the first weekend of Advent (Nov. 27-28) and donations will be accepted until the fourth Sunday of Advent, December 19. Donation envelopes can be found near the tree. Mark your envelope with your donation preference and return to the church office.  
Thank you.

“For it is in giving that we receive.”  
St. Francis of Assisi

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