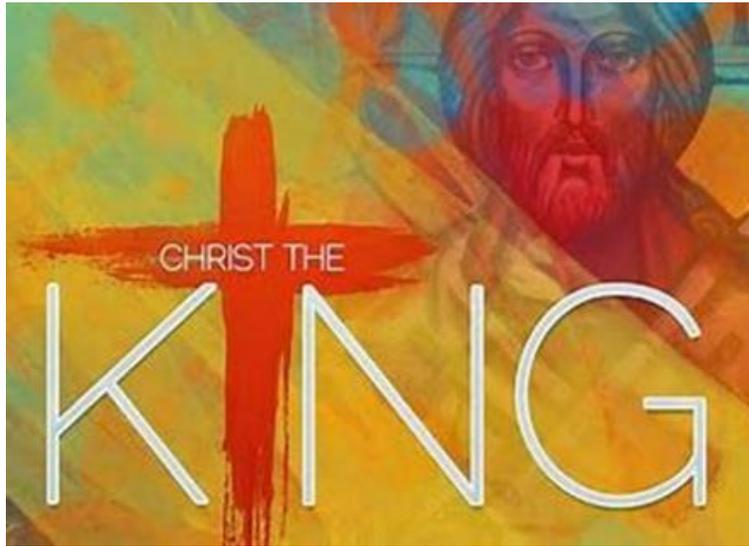


***Saint Patrick Church, Kankakee***  
***~ A Viatorian Parish ~***

**THE SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING**  
**November 22, 2020**



***Jesus, Our King in Disguise***

It is a tough thing for us to learn, Jesus,  
how you hide in the most unlikely places;  
how you beckon us into life and compassion  
by disguising yourself in broken humanity.

But, when our eyes are opened, we discover  
that we are never far from your heart ... from your kingdom.  
So, we ask you to show yourself to us again  
and to lead us into prayerful action.

Help us to share your grief when lives are needlessly lost –  
simply because they have no money for food or shelter ...  
because they have no access to medicine and care ...  
because they have no choice but to live  
where war and violence constantly threaten.

Help us to feel your offense when the least are exploited –  
by the lust of those who are physically stronger ...  
by the greed of those who are financially richer ...  
by the disregard of those who are politically more powerful.

Help us to know your pain when what you have created is destroyed –  
by the carelessness of expediency ...  
by the short-sightedness of progress at all costs ...  
by the sense of entitlement of proud humanity.

Teach us to welcome you, Christ Jesus, our King,  
by welcoming those in whom your image is hidden  
and by working, in our small worlds,  
to make visible your kingdom –  
where all are welcomed.

Amen.

( *John van de Laar* )

Today's Responsorial Psalm reminds me of the Sunday School teacher who decided to have her young class memorize Psalm 23 and gave them a month to do so. Little Rick, one of the boys in the class, was very excited about the task, but he just could not remember the Psalm. After much practice, he could barely get past the first line. On the day that the children were scheduled to recite Psalm 23 in front of the whole congregation, Rick was very nervous. When it was his turn, he stepped to the microphone and said proudly: "The Lord is my shepherd, and that is all that I really need to know."

In many respects, Rick got it. All we really need to know is that the Lord is our shepherd. And that he cares for us. The First Reading, from the Book of the Prophet Ezekiel, is filled with words and phrases that exhibit this care: "look after"; "tend"; "rescue"; "pasture"; "give them rest"; "seek out"; "bring back"; "bind up the injured"; "heal the sick."

The Kingship of Christ that we celebrate today is a kingship of care. Care for all, but particularly for the least ones: the hungry, the thirsty, the naked, the ill, the ones in prison. The disciples are invited to care for these because, in doing so, they care for Jesus, who identifies with these least ones. Today's feast both consoles as well as challenges us. We are consoled by the Lord's care for us, which is indeed comforting during these days of the pandemic. At the same time, we are reminded that we are called to care for one another, particularly the least among us.

*( Father Nicky Santos, S.J. )*

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**A Special Collection for the  
Catholic Campaign for Human Development  
will be taken up on this weekend  
of November 21-22.**

**Thank you, in advance,  
for your generous response.**



## **GIVING TREE 2020**

During this very unusual year, with its various coronavirus restrictions and procedures in place for church, the community around us is in no less need. Saint Patrick Parishioners are asked to be generous in your Giving Tree donations, as you have always been in the past.

The Giving Tree Program will be somewhat different this year. There will be no tree and no tags. Parishioners are asked to make donations of gift cards or donations of cash to be distributed to needy families. Please leave your donations in an envelope marked “Giving Tree” in back of church in the offering box or at the Parish Office. You may also mail your donations to Saint Patrick Church, 428 South Indiana Avenue, Kankakee 60901.

**The deadline for donations of gift cards or of cash is the weekend of December 12th and 13th.**

Thank you, in advance, for your generous response.

## MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, November 21, 4:00 P.M.

Solemnity of Christ the King

Mary Louise Wagner

Andina Dal Santo

Sunday, November 22, 7:00 A.M.

Solemnity of Christ the King

Rhonda L. Cloonen

Edwin Williams

Sunday, November 22, 10:00 A.M.

Solemnity of Christ the King

Catherine Lawless

Tuesday, November 24, 7:15 A.M.

Shirley Gordon

Thursday, November 26, 10:00 A.M.

**Thanksgiving Thursday**

For the Intentions of all of the

Parishioners and Benefactors

of Saint Patrick Parish

**Reservations required**

**for this Mass.**

Saturday, November 28, 4:00 P.M.

The First Sunday of Advent

Paul Dandurand

Francis Benoit

Brian Cardosi

Sunday, November 29, 7:00 A.M.

The First Sunday of Advent

Richard Rapp

Sunday, November 29, 10:00 A.M.

The First Sunday of Advent

Father James Fanale, CSV

Matthew David Kelly

## MEMORIAL CANDLES

The Blessed Sacrament Candle  
burns in loving memory of  
Robert "Bobby" Boyd

The Holy Family Candle  
burns in loving memory of  
Matthew David Kelly

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## SUNDAY STEWARDSHIP

Sunday, November 15, 2020

Envelopes (69) = \$5,578.00

Loose cash and checks = \$64.00

Online Giving (12 families) = \$495.00

A.C.H. Giving (10 families) = \$1,013.00

Total Collection = \$7,150.00

Amount needed each week to have a balanced budget = \$7,673.00

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**Prayer Line . . . Call (815) 933-6877**

## PARISH RE-OPENING NEWS

By way of reminder, I will mention again that those wishing to attend Mass on Tuesday morning and Thursday morning do not need reservations. Those planning to attend Saturday evening and Sunday morning Masses, however, will need reservations. Very simply stated, Weekend Mass Reservations can be made, beginning after 9:00 A.M. on Monday morning, by accessing our on-line Mass Reservations site at <https://bit.ly/StPatrickChurch> or our telephone site at 815-932-6716, Ext. 999. Reservations for Saturday and Sunday Masses officially close at noon time on the previous Friday.

**For the foreseeable future,  
the church doors will be opened  
twenty minutes before Mass begins.**

For the Saturday 4:00 Mass, doors will open at 3:40 P.M.  
For the Sunday 7:00 Mass, doors will open at 6:40 A.M.  
For the Sunday 10:00 Mass, doors will open at 9:40 A.M.

For Weekday 7:15 Mass, doors will open at 6:55 A.M.

**Effective as of November 14th  
and continuing for the foreseeable future,  
we will be using the church's Northwest Door  
to enter for all the Weekend and Weekday Masses.**

**To leave the church after Mass,  
we will continue using the church's  
Southwest Door and Northwest Door.**

A reminder about face masks,  
as originally announced on June 24th:

**While you are encouraged to wear your own face mask,  
face masks will be available at Mass.  
Except for medical reasons,  
face masks are required for all those attending Mass.**

**The Parish Re-Opening Team  
is always ready to welcome  
additional parishioners  
who wish to serve as  
Greeters / Ushers  
Sanitizers.**

**To volunteer your services,  
please get in touch with  
the Parish Office.  
Thank you.**

*Father John*

# Prayer in the Time of a Pandemic

May we who are merely inconvenienced ...  
remember those whose lives are at stake.

May we who have no risk factors ...  
remember those who are most vulnerable.

May we who have the luxury of working from home ...  
remember those who must choose  
between preserving their health  
or making their rent.

May we who have the flexibility  
to care for our children  
when their schools close ...  
remember those who have no options.

May we who have cancelled our trips ...  
remember those who have no place to go.

May we who are losing our marginal income  
in the turmoil of the economic market ...  
remember those who have no margin at all.

May we who have had to stay at home ...  
remember those who have no home.

During this time when we cannot physically  
wrap our arms around each other ...  
let us search for ways to be  
God's loving embrace  
to our neighbors.

Amen.

DO YOU CARE FOR A LOVED ONE?  
AN ILL SPOUSE, AGING PARENT OR CHILD WITH DISABILITIES?



We invite you to connect with other caregivers.  
Nourish for Caregivers supports the practical emotional and spiritual needs of all who offer care for others during this time of uncertainty and anxiety.

**This online caregiver support ministry  
is sponsored by the  
Servants of the Holy Heart of Mary**

After the kickoff Zoom Workshop on  
Monday, September the 14th,  
which was repeated on  
Sunday, November 8th,  
Monthly Meetings are being held via Zoom  
on the third Monday of every month  
at 1:00 P.M. and again at 7:00 P.M.

Dec. 21, 2020 – A Season for Everything – The Ebbs and the Flows  
(By way of exception, this presentation  
will be given only at 1:00 P.M.)

For more information and to register, call:  
Susan Amann at 815-348-9871 - or - Ruth Barber at 815-405-4553

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**A complete listing of all the on-line programming  
sponsored by the Servants of the Holy Heart of Mary  
can be accessed via their website at:**

<http://sscm-usa.org/online-programming.html>

## **SAINT ROSE OF LIMA CHAPEL**

Eucharistic Adoration  
Every Wednesday  
3:00 - 5:00 P.M.

Next Monthly Mass  
Friday, Dec. 18  
6:00 P.M.

**Mass Reservations are required.**

Please call 815-573-5455  
and leave your name,  
number in your party,  
and phone number.

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**Attached to this Sunday's Bulletin  
you will find two "flyers":**

**Crafting Connections on Microsoft Teams**  
provided through the local branch  
of Catholic Charities of Joliet  
on Tuesday, December 8th

**Crafting Connections on Microsoft Teams**  
provided through the local branch  
of Catholic Charities of Joliet  
on Thursday, December 10th



# crafting connections



Tuesday, December 8, 2020

2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

This event will be live on Microsoft Teams



Please join us for an afternoon of crafting fun! We will create a decorative holiday plate using a clear plate, decorative towel, and mod podge. Participants can choose one of the two designs shown above. Tablets for accessing the class are available if needed. This event is for Kankakee County residents only.

**Pre-registration is required by Monday, November 30th.  
Please call Kelli at 815-933-7791 ext. 9910 to register.**

Catholic Charities, Diocese of Joliet is a faith-based organization providing service to people in need and calling others of good will to do the same.





# crafting connections



Thursday, December 10, 2020  
2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

This event will be live on Microsoft Teams

Please join us for an afternoon of crafting fun! We will use a wire wreath form, ribbon, fake flowers, and a hot glue gun to create the holiday wreath pictured above. Tablets for accessing the class are available if needed. This event is for Kankakee County residents only.



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