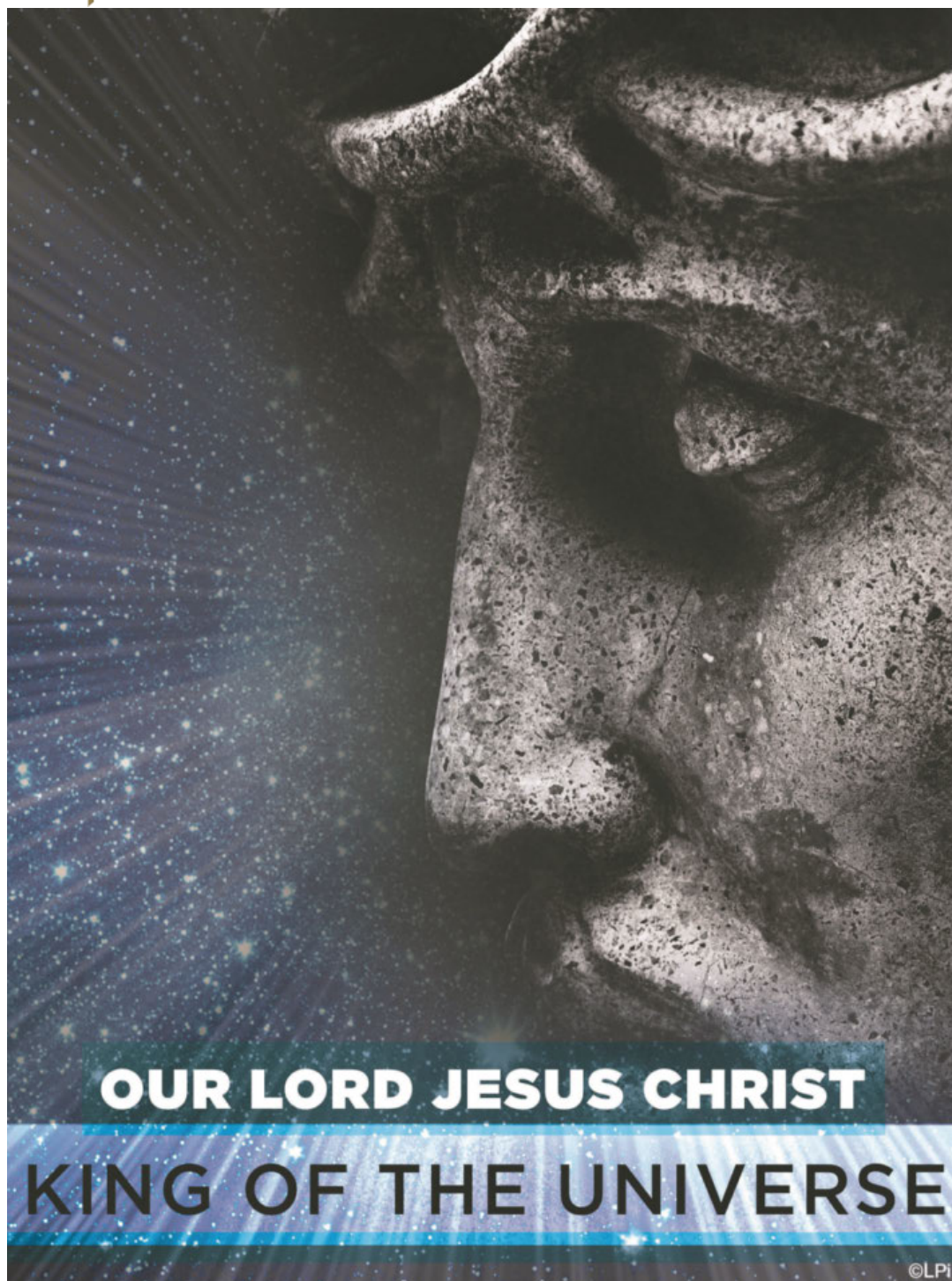


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FR. MARK'S NOTES

Homilies and Comments

Lately, I have been involved in a discussion group about homilies, and have been watching some videos about homilies too. But, mostly we have been talking about some “best practices” for people like me who give homilies each week and every day. And one of the things I thought that might help me would be your comments about my weekly homilies.

So, on our website, if you go to the front page and click on “Live stream,” our Sunday Masses show up. Right beside or down below the Mass (Depending if you are using a computer or your phone) is a place titled “Leave a Comment.” So, even if you haven’t watched it online, and were here at Mass in person, you can write a comment about the homily. Someone on the staff will collect your comments and share them with me, or I will look at it myself. Your comments would help me to see if I am connecting with you or missing the point.

Follow Your Faith - November 20 @ 7 pm.

We will be continuing our discussion of Catholic Spirituality. Our specific focus will be Heaven, Hell, and Purgatory. Join in the conversation with your comments and questions.



Thanksgiving Day Mass will be celebrated at 9 am at both St. Michael's and Our Mother of Sorrows. Bring some non-perishable food to Mass for the St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry.

The Parish Office will be closed from Thursday, November 25 through Sunday, November 26 to celebrate the Thanksgiving holiday!



CALLING ALL COOKIE BAKERS!

St. Vincent de Paul needs cookies for their Christmas Dinner. If you are making Christmas cookies for your family, could you make a few extra dozen to give to St. Vincent de Paul?

Drop off at Holy Grounds now through Wednesday, December 23.
Happy Baking!!!!

November Coat Collection

For I was naked and you clothed me, MT 25:31-46

Donate a gently worn (or new) coat this November. Look for the large box in the vestibule of the church. Our coats will be distributed to the Cambria City Mission and families in Johnstown. **The collection begins on November 5 and will end on November 20.**

ASSISTANCE MINISTRY—2ND COLLECTION November 26/27

The temperature is dropping, and many cannot pay their heating bills. The Assistance Ministry Team can offer assistance to those in need because of your generous donations. We will have a second collection at all the Masses during the weekend of November 26/27.

NIGHT OF WORSHIP AND PRAISE—DECEMBER 2



There will be a Night of Worship and Prayer on *Friday, December 2*. Everyone is welcome! Join us for an evening of praising and worshipping our amazing God. If you wish, you will have an opportunity to receive personal prayer from our Prayer Ministry Team for the healing of spiritual, physical, emotional, or relational issues. Please bring a friend and prepare to be blessed with an evening of praise, prayer, community, and contemplation of the presence of God.

UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

- ◆ Assistance Ministry Collection Nov. 26/27
- ◆ Coat Collection Nov. 5—Nov. 20
- ◆ Angel Tree coming soon!
- ◆ Cookies for St. Vincent de Paul Christmas Dinner
- ◆ St. Vincent de Paul—food donations and serving food for Saturday's Kitchen.
- ◆ Family Dinners—Franklin Street United Methodist Church



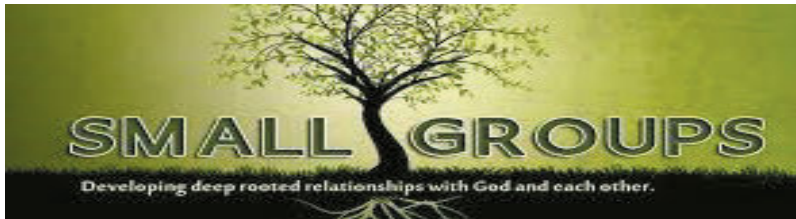
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THANKSGIVING PRAYER

All powerful Father,
your gifts of love are countless,
and your
goodness infinite.
On Thanksgiving Day, we come
before you with gratitude
for your kindness:
open our hearts to concern
For our fellow men and women,
so that we may share your gifts
in loving service.
We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives
and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for
ever and ever. Amen.



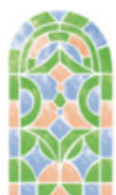
Small groups at Christmastime offer unique opportunities for preparing for the coming Messiah. Consider extended prayer time, as the holidays can be a time of heightened stress. They can also be a time of heightened sensitivity to the needs of others. With the hustle and bustle of the season, it is a joy to meet with your small group to celebrate your relationships and what God is doing in your group. Certainly, small groups help embrace the friendships and community you have by being a part of this ministry and the shared journey you have had with each other as we seek a closer relationship with Christ. We welcome everyone to join this ministry. It will enhance your relationship with Christ and with others in our parish community. Advent is a season of new beginnings.

SUNDAY MORNING PRAYER MINISTRY

Prayer Ministry is offered each Sunday between the morning Masses in the Rectory, 407 Tioga St., from 9:45 to 10:45. You may walk in or call ahead for an appointment. You may also arrange a separate time that is convenient for you. Please call our office at 814-535-7646.

WEDNESDAY PRAISE & WORSHIP

Join us every Wednesday at 7 am for Praise & Worship in the church. Lift your voices in song and praise the Lord. Come be in the presence of our Lord and drink in His presence.



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Please visit our website, omostoday.com, and complete the ME 25 survey. We want to hear your thoughts and opinions. Survey will be available online until the end of the month.

St. Michael's News

Please help decorate our church for the Christmas season. Poinsettia orders will be at all the church doors or you may call Maureen Puchko (814) 539-6321. All order forms are due Saturday, Nov. 26th.

Thanksgiving Day Mass will be celebrated at St. Michael's at 9 am on Thursday, November 24. Please come to spend some time with your parish family and take some time to thank God for all the blessings in your life.

COMING SOON



FAMILY CHRISTMAS EVENT at OMOS

We are planning a Christmas event for children and their families on Saturday evening, December 10. Tentative plans include Praise and Worship, pizza, and some fun. Please reach out to Kristen Moot, Kmoot1227@gmail.com, if you are able and willing to help coordinate some logistics.

GREATER THINGS

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Sunday December 4th

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WEEKLY & MINISTRY SCHEDULES

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, November 21

6 a.m. —Eucharistic Adoration
8 a.m.—Mass at OMOS
Server: Dominick Lokesak

Tuesday, November 22

6 a.m.—Eucharistic Adoration
7:30 am—Confession
8 a.m.—Mass at OMOS
Server: Stanley Smith

Wednesday, November 23

7 a.m.—Praise & Worship
4:30 p.m.—Eucharistic Adoration
5:15 p.m.—Confession
6 p.m.—Mass at OMOS
Server: Tim Burgess

Thursday, November 24

6 a.m.—Eucharistic Adoration
9 a.m.—Mass at OMOS
Server: Meara Gleason
Lector: John Skelley
9 a.m.—Mass at St. Michael's
Server: Tim Burgess
Lector: Mitzi Simmons

Friday, November 25

6 a.m.—Eucharistic Adoration
8 a.m.—Mass at OMOS
Server: Tim Burgess

Saturday, November 26

3 p.m.—Confession
4 p.m.—Mass at OMOS
Servers: Abby & Wynn Curtis
Lector: Christa Curtis
Euch. Min: Tom (2) & Nancy Simmons, Pam Fisher
Hosp: Kathy Lepsch, Cathy Vigna, Pattie Porter, Rich & Deb Cowan, Gerri Isban, Elsie Kukura,

Saturday, November 26

6 p.m. Mass at St. Michael's
Servers: Tim Burgess & Stanley Smith
Lector: Linda Popchak

Sunday, November 27

8:30 a.m.—Mass at OMOS
Servers: Joe Nibert & Isabella Segear
Lector: Rosemary Zenone
Euch. Min: Matt DiFrancesco (2), John Fontana

Hosp: Matt & Anne DiFrancesco, John Esch, Karen Findish, Jackie Ayres, Jim & Joan Frischauf, Martin Malek

Sunday, November 27

11:00—Mass at OMOS
Servers: Kate Edwards & Charlie Neumann
Lector: Jim Clark
Euch. Min: Christa Curtis, Mary Beth Cartwright
Hosp: Tim DiGuiseppe, Rich & Barb Luckner, Mary Lynn Evans, Marianne Krizner, Bill Ingram, Joyce Nesmith, John Onufro



Saturday, November 19— Vigil

4:00 p.m. Stephen & Helen Kukura (Jim & Elsie Kukura)
6:00 p.m. Michael Burgess (Family) & Richard Stem (wife, Bernice)

Sunday, November 20—Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

8:30 a.m. Rose Mirabile (Bernice Diamond)
11:00 a.m. Marilyn Shorto (George & Karen Dragovich)

Monday, November 21

8:00 a.m. Francis Pleskovic (Family & Friends)

Tuesday, November 22

8:00 a.m. Richard Hanechak (Carol Visnovsky)

Wednesday, November 23

6:00 p.m. Louis & Helen Christoff (Family) & Jim Cuthbert (Doug & Maureen Puchko)

Thursday, November 24

9:00 a.m. Spiritual & Temporal Welfare of OMOS Parishioners
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Friday, November 25

8:00 a.m. Mary Zupa (Granddaughter, Pattie)

Saturday, November 26— Vigil

4:00 p.m. Deceased Members of Galliker & O'Connor Families (Polly O'Connor)
6:00 p.m. Bernie Stem (Andrew & Monica Bednar) & Bernard Popchak (John & Paulette Balag)

Sunday, November 27— 1st Sunday of Advent

8:30 a.m. Carrie Berrich (Tony & Marianne Spada & Family)
11:00 a.m. Clara Vranich (Rick & Marlene Roberts)

WEEKLY READINGS

Monday: Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5/Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Lk 21:1-4
Tuesday: Rv 14:14-19/Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13/Lk 21:5-11
Wednesday: Rv 15:1-4/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 7-8, 9/Lk 21:12-19
Thursday: Rv 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9a/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/Lk 21:20-28
Friday: Rv 20:1-4, 11—21:2/Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6a and 8a/Lk 21:29-33
Saturday: Rv 22:1-7/Ps 95:1-2, 3-5, 6-7ab/Lk 21:34-36
Next Sunday: Is 2:1-5/Ps 122:1-2,3-4,4-5, 6-7,8-9/Rom 13:11-14/Mt 24:37-44

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