

## The Week Ahead

### Sat / November 25

4pm - Vigil Mass: *John Balogh † by L Walz (and Ushers)*  
**Catholic Campaign for Human Development Collection**  
Anointing of the Sick after Mass, *in the Church*

### Sun / November 26 - Christ the King

9am - Mass: *Dec Whorl Family † (and our Dec. Pastors †)*  
**Catholic Campaign for Human Development Collection**  
Anointing of the Sick after Mass, *in the Church*  
Coffee & Donuts after Mass, *in the Parish Hall*

### Mon / November 27

9am - Mass: *David Winston - SI by Winstons (and Deacons †)*

### Tue / November 28

### Wed / November 29

6pm - Mass: *Dc Jim Thompson † by Colletti (& Parishioners †)*  
6:30pm - **RCIA Classes**, *meet in Library*

### Thu / November 30 - St. Andrew, Apostle

9am - Mass: *Clarence Barella † by DiCresces (& Volunteers †)*  
6pm - **B--I--N--G--O**

### Fri / December 1

9am - Mass: *To End Abortion & Euthanasia by M Barrack*  
*First Friday Confessions after Mass*

### Sat / December 2

9am - Mass: *Donald Rodge † by T & T Taylor*  
*First Saturday Confessions after Mass*  
3-3:45pm - Confessions

### New Liturgical Year Begins - Readings for B-II

4pm - Vigil Mass: *Irene Barrack † by M Barrack*  
**St. Vincent de Paul & Food Pantry Collections**

### Sun / December 3 - 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent

9am - Mass: *People of the Parish*  
**St. Vincent de Paul & Food Pantry Collections**  
Coffee & Donuts after Mass, *in the Parish Hall*  
10:30am - CCD  
1:30pm - **B--I--N--G--O**  
2:30pm - Mass (L): *Brett Kootz - SI by B & A Kootz*

### Altar Flowers *this week* are compliments of:

- Pat VanDyk *in Thanksgiving for Family*

### Tabernacle Roses *this week* are compliments of:

- Bud & Mary Alice Buescher *in honor of Anniv.*

Coffee & Donuts *next week*, December 3<sup>rd</sup>, will be served by Anne Kootz & group # 4.

## Prayer to Christ the King †

O Lord our God, You alone are the King & Ruler of all Nations. We pray to You, in great expectation of receiving from You, peace, justice, courage, strength, guidance & joy!

Protect, O Lord our King, our families & the land of our birth. Guard us, we pray, & protect us from our enemies, seen & unseen.

Forgive us, O Sovereign King, our sins against You, & against our neighbor, especially the poor & needy. We have deserved Your Just Judgment. Have mercy on us, Lord, & forgive us.

O Most Awe-inspiring King, we bow before You & pray; may Your reign, Your kingdom, be recognized & embraced throughout all the earth!

### Birthdays Next Week:

27-Anna Bailey, Isaac Ishmael

28-Nelson McCoy

30-Paul Dudenhefer, Mark Huscher

3 - Greta Ishmael

*We wish you many blessings on your birthday!*

### Next PC Meeting, Dec. 7<sup>th</sup>, 12noon

*Parish Council meetings are open to parishioners to attend. If you wish to bring up a topic, let Becky in the Office know two weeks in advance.*

### Advent Small Group Sign-Ups

*It's time to sign-up for Small Groups for Advent. Sign-up sheets are in the vestibule; you may choose whichever day and time works best for your schedule. Be sure to take a "Blue Book" with Advent reflections, which will be the basis for discussion in the small groups. Groups will begin meeting the week of December 3<sup>rd</sup>. Please begin this date reading your reflections so you are prepared for when your group meets. Any questions, call Rose Brandenburg, 994-2744.*

### Next Week's 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection for SVDP

Thank you for your past generosity to our quarterly collections. SVDP helps with the spiritual, emotional, & financial needs of the poor in our community. Your continued generosity is greatly needed. Please make checks payable to: St. Vincent de Paul. God bless you!

**THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK...**

***Maranatha!  
Come, Lord Jesus, Come!***

☺ Wishing you a happy week! ☺

**Items Needed for Next Weekend's  
Food Pantry Collection:**

*Box Dinners; Mac & Cheese; Cereal; Puddings;  
Canned Vegetables, Meat and Fruit;  
Canned or Powdered Milk, Laundry Soap,  
Shampoo, Dish Soap and Toilet Paper.*

Thank you for your response to last month's Food Pantry Collection, 398 items were donated! God bless you!

**Scripture Study will Resume in Jan.**

Scripture Study will resume January 3<sup>rd</sup> at 3:45pm. We will finish the Gospel of John using the book: "John 11-21: My Peace I Give you" by Kevin Perrotta. Make plans to join us! The book can be ordered on Amazon, or by calling Loyola Press, 800-621-1008.

**Welcome Ministry**

*With the coming of the new liturgical year it is a good time to commit to a new ministry at St. Michael's parish. Please consider volunteering for the Welcoming Ministry-- a small group of parishioners who welcome newcomers to our parish. We could really use one or two more couples and or singles to help us. For more information contact Sharon Vander Zyl 870-847-3095 or [sharon.vanderzyl@gmail.com](mailto:sharon.vanderzyl@gmail.com).*

**FLU SEASON**

Just a reminder...any time you are ill, please do not shake hands at the Sign of Peace at Mass. Instead, nod your head to the people around you. Also, please refrain from drinking from the Chalice of Precious Blood. And please, if you have a fever or flu like symptoms, it'd be best that you remain at home. ***Thank you for your help to ensure we all stay well this winter!***

**Thank You!**

*I am sure Gordon must have been smiling last Saturday during the beautiful Funeral Mass offered for him. My family and I thank Father Amal and Father Naz for concelebrating the Mass, and for their visits while he was ill. Thank you to all the ladies and gentlemen who were part of the liturgy and the large number of Knights of Columbus members who were present. The Altar Society members and Knights who prepared the luncheon did a grand job. May God bless you all!*

~ Lila Hickert.

**Inclement Weather Policy Reminder**

We want to remind everyone of our winter weather policy: **Weekend Mass** is rarely cancelled, but we ask that you please use prudent judgment, according to your own particular circumstances and road conditions, as to whether it is safe for YOU to drive. In the case of severe snow or ice when Mass needs to be cancelled, we will communicate with you through our email/phone tree, as well as have it announced on the local radio station. If you are elderly and there is snow or ice on the roads, *please stay home*, you don't need to be out and take the chance of falling. (Even if you can get here, we can't guarantee what condition our side street/parking lot/walkways will be.) *Please use caution and be safe!*

**Adorers** - *If school would normally be in session but is cancelled due to bad weather, then the chapel will also be closed. If you have questions, call your coordinator.*

**Weekday Mass** - *If weekday Mass is cancelled, the Text/Phone tree will be activated. If you want to be part of this communication, let Diana know in the Office.*

**Holy Father's Prayer Intention**

**December 2017**

That the elderly, sustained by families and Christian communities, may apply their wisdom and experience to spreading the faith and forming the new generations.