




# CHRIST THE KING

## SUNDAY



*Help Me Thanksgiving Day Prayer*

O God, when I have food, **help me** to remember the hungry;  
 When I have work, **help me** to remember the jobless;  
 When I have a home, **help me** to remember those who have no home at all;  
 When I am without pain, **help me** to remember those who suffer,  
 And remembering, **help me** to destroy my complacency;  
 Bestir my compassion, and be concerned enough to **help**,  
 By word and deed, those who cry out for what we take for granted.  
 Amen. *Samuel F. Pugh*



**Sacraments**

**RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION):**

Saturdays 3:00 PM and by appointment.

**BAPTISMS:** To arrange and prepare for the celebration of Baptism, please call the Pastor to schedule an appointment. Baptisms are usually celebrated on Sunday afternoon.

**FUNERAL:** Please call the parish as soon as possible to make arrangements for the Mass of Christian Burial.

**VISITING THE SICK:** If you or a family member are sick or in the hospital, please call the parish so that a pastoral visit can be arranged. The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick may be celebrated in the parish before hospitalization. Please call also to arrange for a Eucharistic minister to bring Communion to the sick. If you would like to request prayers for someone who is sick, please call **the** parish so that the name may be placed in the bulletin.

**MARRIAGES:** Preparation must begin at least six months prior to the wedding. **Please** make arrangements with the parish before scheduling the reception.

**ANNULMENTS/CONVALIDATION:** Please arrange a meeting with the Pastor to begin the process of celebrating your marriage in the Church.

**NEW PARISHIONERS:** Catholics who would like to be registered as parishioners of Immaculate Conception and receive stewardship envelopes should call the parish secretary or fill out a form in the vestibule of the church.

**RCIA:** Adults who desire to explore the possibility of becoming a member of the Catholic Church should contact the RCIA (Rite for the Christian Initiation of Adults) team. Preparation usually begins in September and Baptism or Reception is celebrated at the next Easter Vigil.

**TUITION ASSISTANCE:** Some financial aid for tuition assistance to Catholic schools is available to registered members of the parish. This is a one time grant of no more than \$1,000.00 to needy families to assist them during a time of financial crisis. Eligible families should write a letter to the Pastor who will evaluate the request with the

**To Whom Do We Go**

Adult Formation: Lovenia Watson.....	778-1977
Altar Servers: Bradley DeRouen .....	218-8292 / 284-5970
Child Protection Coord:.....	Andrea Toles
Eucharistic Ministers: Beulah Decuir.....	229-6076
Gospel Choir/Adult: Daphne Alex.....	936-4051
Gospel Choir/Youth: Tara Winder .....	428-5981
Hall Rental: Juliet Betts.....	775-7067
Ministry Council/Chair: Georgia Jenkins.....	775-5824
Ministry to the Sick: Gene Decuir.....	229-6076
Pantry/Food and Vouchers: .....	774-3661
Sacristan: Rogers Jackson, Jr. ....	362-0907
Traditional Choir: Theresa Carmen.....	921-7315
Usher's Coordinator: Walter Ennis.....	775-7332

**This Week's Prayer**

Almighty, everlasting God, who in Thy beloved Son, King of the whole world, hast willed to restore all things anew; grant in Thy Mercy that all the families of nations, rent asunder by the wound of sin, may be subjected to His most gentle rule. Who with Thee lives and reigns world without end. Amen.

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**THANKSGIVING DAY, NOVEMBER 28**

**GIVE THANKS**  
FAMILY · FRIENDS · GRATITUDE

Thanksgiving Day is this Thursday, November 28. We will celebrate Mass at 9:00 AM. Begin your holiday around the Table of the Lord. Give thanks to God for his greatest gift of all, his own beloved Son, Jesus. The word "Eucharist" means thanksgiving. So, begin the day with the GOAT Thanksgiving meal. May God bless us all with a peaceful and happy day as we remember how truly blessed we are. (Of course, there will be no 12:10 PM Mass on Thursday.) Regular Mass schedule on Friday: 7:30 AM and 12:10 PM.

**THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT  
DECEMBER 1**


**CHURCH NEWS**

Next Sunday, December 1, is the First Sunday of Advent, the season of preparation for the celebration of the Birth of Christ. Advent marks the beginning of a new church year with a new cycle of the Lectionary. We will begin Cycle A of the Lectionary with the majority of readings coming from the Gospel of Matthew.

With all the preparations for the opening of the church, Father Clark neglected to order the Lectors Workbooks, which have been ordered and will be in soon. In the meantime, lectors can prepare for the readings by looking at the Bishops website: [www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org) They are also accessible through our parish website at [www.immaculateconceptionbr.org](http://www.immaculateconceptionbr.org)

As soon as we settle into the church, Father Clark will have meetings of the Liturgical ministers to review the procedures for Mass. Until then, he will prepare with each group of ministers for the upcoming weekend.

**MUSIC FOR THE CHRISTMAS MASSES**

 The Peter Claver Family Choir invites all men and women of the parish to join them for the 4:00 PM Vigil Mass on Christmas Eve. Practices will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 6:00 PM in the church starting December 3. For more information contact Gerald Berzat @ 225-276-4674.

*We should be lifting each other up and cheering each other on, not trying to outshine one another. The sky would be awfully dark with just one star.*


**Announcements and Upcoming Events**




**INTERFAITH PRAISE AND WORSHIP ON DECEMBER 1**

We will begin our celebrations of our newly renovated church with an Interfaith Praise and Worship Service on Sunday, December 1 at 4:00 PM. We will be joined by the pastors of some of the churches in our community. An invitation has also been extended to their congregations. Everyone is welcome! Our guest choir will be the Southern University Gospel Choir. Father Clark will be making a special invitation to our neighbors on Curtis and Fairchild Streets. Come and celebrate the goodness of God with our brothers and sisters in Christ. A reception will follow in the Activity Center.


**DAY OF PRAYER ON FRIDAY, DECEMBER 13**

 To mark the 66th Anniversary of the original Dedication of our church on Friday, December 13 and to prepare for the Blessing of the Church on December 15, Father Clark invites members of the parish to spend some time in prayer in the church before Jesus present in the Eucharist. There will be sign up sheets asking you to commit to an hour of prayer in the church. Perhaps ministry groups or a group of friends will want to arrange for an hour together. Our goal will be to have at least two people in the church from 9 AM to 8 PM.




**iGiveCatholic 2019 for MLK Catholic Student Center**

 Giving Tuesday for iGiveCatholic is Tuesday, December 2. Martin Luther King Catholic Student Center will be participating again this year. To make a donation to support MLK, go to [www.igivecatholic.org](http://www.igivecatholic.org). Search for the Diocese of Baton Rouge and then for MLK Catholic Student Center. All contributions will be gratefully received.

**THANKSGIVING DONATIONS FOR FOOD PANTRY**


 The annual Food Pantry Thanksgiving Food Give-Away will be on Tuesday, November 26. If you would like to make a donation to help with the purchase of turkeys and food, please see Mr. Rogers Jackson. The Pantry requests that you make a cash donation so that they can purchase the turkeys and food in one order. We appreciate your generous support.

**Happy Birthday**

			
RYAN	KNIGHT		11/24
ANDRES	AUGUSTINE		11/25
JACQUE	HILL, JR.		11/25
REBECCA	JOHNSON		11/25
RAVEN	JONES		11/25
ALMA	PATRICK		11/25
TONY	BARTHELEMY		11/26
CHERYL	EDWARDS		11/26
SHANNON	HARRIS		11/26
RENEE	MCGEE		11/26
HENRY	STEWART, III		11/26
RANDALL	THOMAS, JR.		11/26
SYLVINA	THOMPSON		11/26
VIRGINIA	GREEN		11/27
INDIA	HAYES		11/27
JONATHAN	VICTOR		11/27
TASHARVIS	ELLISON		11/28
SHAZLY	JONES		11/28
VERA	DECUIR		11/29
LATISA	SAM		11/29
KAREN	TUGGLE		11/29
ALBERT	JOHNSON, SR.		11/30
JOHNNY	HARRIS		11/30
BERNARD	WASHINGTON		11/30

Happy birthday! Happy birthday!

**WALKING WARRIORS HEALTH AND WELLNESS MINISTRY**

 **HEALTHY TIDBIT:** Trying to eat healthier? Start by opening your Bible to Deuteronomy 8:8, where the Israelites were promised "a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, of olive trees and of honey". These super foods contain antioxidants which are nutrients and enzymes that play a role in preventing the development of chronic diseases like cancer, heart disease, stroke, Alzheimer's disease, rheumatoid arthritis and cataracts. Improve your health in Jesus' name by incorporating these seven "biblical super foods" into your diet on a regular basis: (100% whole grain) wheat, (whole grain) barley, grapes, (fresh or dried) figs, pomegranates, (extra virgin) olive oil, and (raw) honey.



**Mass Readings  
November 24th - December 1st**

**Sunday**  
2 Sm 5:1-3; Psalm 122; Col 1:12-20  
Gospel: Luke 23:35-43

**Monday**  
Dn 1:1-6, 8-20; Daniel 3  
Gospel: Luke 21:12-19

**Tuesday**  
Dn 2:31-45; Daniel 3  
Gospel: Luke 21:5-11

**Wednesday**  
Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28; Daniel 3  
Gospel: Luke 21:12-19


**Thursday/Thanksgiving Day**  
Sir 50:22-24; Psalm 145; 1 Cor. 1:3-9  
Gospel: Luke 17:11-19

**Friday**  
Dn 7:2-14; Daniel 3  
Gospel: Luke 21:29-33

**Saturday/Feast of Saint Andrew**  
Rom 10:9-18; Psalm 19  
Gospel: Mt 4:18-22

**First Sunday of Advent**  
Is 2:1-5; Psalm 122; Rom 13:11-14  
Gospel: Mt 24:37-44

**ADVENT GIVING TREE**

 Our annual Advent Giving Tree will be available this weekend. We will be helping out residents of Colonial Manor Nursing Home on Old Hammond Highway, the Elissalde Community Home where Leola Jones-Dauphine is Director, and some families that Pam Jackson is assisting. All gifts must be returned wrapped and with the ornament with the person's identification number attached by Thursday, December 19. Please bring your gift on a weekday because of the Sunday celebrations for the Blessing of the Church. Bring your gift to the Ministry Building. Thank you for your generous support of those in need this Christmas.

**SHARING BRINGS JOY**  
TO US. TO OTHERS. TO GOD.