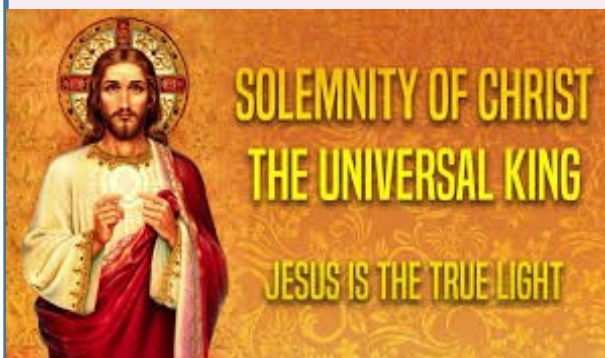


HAPPY THANKSGIVING...



WE celebrate this coming Thursday our Thanksgiving to God for his beneficence and for our country, which he has richly blessed with human and natural resources. Our thanksgiving extends to our service men and women who lose sleep and comfort to be in the forefront of our defense. For all these intentions, we will be praying a Mass of Thanksgiving at 9:00am on Thanksgiving Day. Join us to start the day with our eucharistia (thanksgiving) to God for all these benefits.

SOLEMN CELEBRATION OF CHRIST THE KING



Next Sunday is the solemn feast of Jesus Christ Our Universal King. This feast marks the end of the liturgical year, ushering us into a new cycle of the Church's year with the Advent season. To celebrate this feast, we are to surrender our lives to Christ and seek anew his mercy in the sacrament of reconciliation. If you would like your dressing to match the color of the day, you may dress in gold, white, or royal purple, as daughters and sons of a king.

ADVENT 2023/NEW LITURGICAL YEAR



We enter the Advent season on Sunday, December 3rd. Advent is the beginning of the Church's new liturgical year. It is a time when we earnestly wait for the coming of the Lord—first, as the Incarnate Son of God, born to us, and second, His final coming as Judge of the living and the dead. This makes Advent a time of hope as well as a season of penance. You may want to hold on with throwing out the Christmas decorations until—at the earliest—the Third Sunday of Advent when Advent turns to joy at the Lord's coming.

CELEBRATION OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE



This year's feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe falls on a Tuesday. To ensure greater participation, we will be celebrating the feast on Saturday, December 9th. All are invited. Our Lady of Guadalupe is the Patroness of the United States and the Americas. Mass will be at 5:00pm, followed by a host of activities inside the auditorium. Come and enjoy a great fellowship.

GARAGE/BAKE SALES



The Knights of Columbus and the Lady's Guild of the parish will hold their annual Garage/Bake Sales on Friday/Saturday December 1st and 2nd at the basement of the parish hall beginning at 8:00am. Call Al Ross (405-245-3226) or Philip Stizza (918-429-3453) to drop off your donation items for the garage sale. Items for bake sale can be dropped off on November 30th between 3:00 and 7:00pm. Call Reta Descher (918-424-0492) or Regina Edwards (918-429-4976) to help with baked goods drop off.

CHRISTMAS PARTY & FAMILY FEAST



The parish and finance councils are inviting parishioners to join a special celebration this year of the feast of our patron saint, St. John the Evangelist. The feast falls on December 27th. It will be a Wednesday in the Octave of Christmas. We will have Mass at 5:30pm followed by a grand reception at the parish hall. A sign-up sheet will be placed at the Church entrance for families to sign up, so we may know how much food to order for the event. Other activities for the day are being worked on.

ORDER YOUR SHIRT FOR THE COMING FEAST

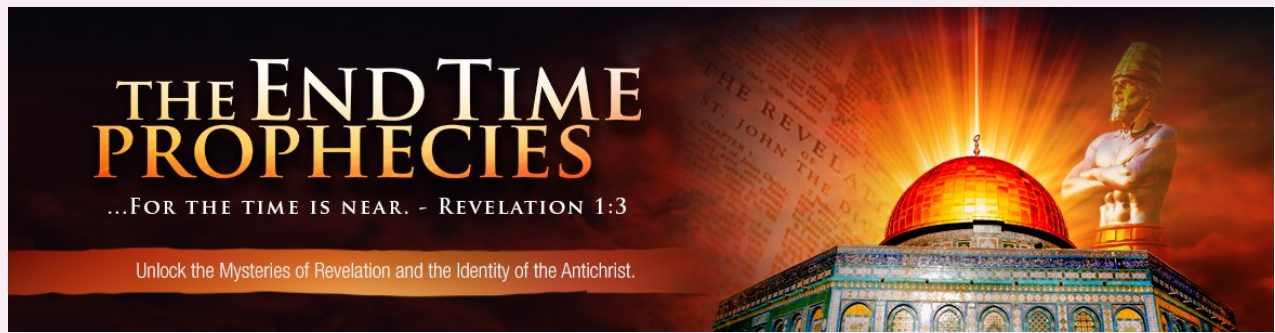


We have an order-sheet at the foyer of the Church for parish families to order shirts for Christmas and the celebration of our parish feast day come December 27th this year. You may order some for your children living out of town or for a friend or acquaintance. The cost is \$25 for kids and youth, and \$30 for the adult sizes. You can also call the parish office to place your order on or before November 30th.

WHY DO YOU NOT RECEIVE THE EUCHARISTIC?



Eucharistic Revival as currently espoused involves welcoming parishioners who for reason(s) of irregular marriage or other conditions are unable to partake of the Eucharistic. If you currently do not partake of the Eucharist, please visit with Fr. Jo to discuss ways to remedy the situation. No condition is irredeemable. You may be surprised how easily some of the situations can be resolved. If you know of anyone who has stopped coming to Mass due to inability to share in the Eucharist, please invite them to talk to the parish priest about that. No Catholic should be deprived of this saving food.



THURSDAY FAITH ENRICHMENT MEETINGS

Our Thursday Faith Enrichment will not hold this coming Thursday due to the Thanksgiving holiday. When we return on Thursday, November 30th, we will conclude our discussion on **End-time Prophecies, Predictions and Preparations**. We meet at the parish hall between 6:30 and 8:30pm. Please join us to learn the truths of the Catholic faith.

NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS, 2024



The National Eucharistic Congress taking place in Indianapolis, from July 17–21, 2024 will be a transformative moment for the Church in the USA. It will be the high point of the Eucharistic Revival. You can be part of this historic event, as Catholics from around the country gather for this weeklong grace-filled event. If you're interested in attending, call the office or talk to our parish point person, Kelly Drusen, for details.