

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE-NOVEMBER 24, 2024

Sat.	11-23	5:30 p.m.	Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe (St. Francis) +Don & Barbara Born
Sun.	11-24	8:00 a.m.	Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe (St. Ambrose) People of the Parishes
Sun.	11-24	10:00 a.m.	Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe (St. Francis) +Jim Hofer
Mon.	11-25	8:00 a.m.	(St. Francis) +Richard Ewan
Tue.	11-26	8:00 a.m.	(St. Francis) +Pam Dent
Wed.	11-27	6:15 p.m.	(St. Francis) +Bill & Dorraine Mueller
Thur.	11-28	8:30 a.m.	Thanksgiving Day (St. Ambrose) +Bob Mueller
Fri.	11-29	8:00 a.m.	No Mass
Sat.	11-30	8:00 a.m.	(St. Francis) +The Poor Souls in Purgatory
Sat.	11-30	5:30 p.m.	First Sunday of Advent (St. Francis) +Betty Duling
Sun.	12-1	8:00 a.m.	First Sunday of Advent (St. Ambrose) People of the Parishes
Sun.	12-1	10:00 a.m.	First Sunday of Advent (St. Francis) +Gerald Schoenhofer

CONFESSIONS: Saturday from 4:30-5:15 p.m. at St. Francis and 30 minutes before each daily and Sunday Mass.

ST. AMBROSE LITURGICAL MINISTERS Sunday, December 1st-8:00 a.m.

Eucharistic Minister: Donna Bohrer
Lector: Cindy Lero
Altar Server: Wayne Shively
Gifts: M/M Jim Carlson
December Ushers: Wade/Laura Hoppas

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Ron Lallemand, Mary Ann Dougherty, Jane Anne Beachner, Isla Taylor, Charlie Gottlob, Nina Madl, Diane Davis, Barbara Workman, Dorothy VanLeeuwen, Jason Schoenhofer, Fran Dooly, Karen Steinbacher, Frances Fox, Sarah Norris-Crews, Laura Kay Nutter, Ed Lero, Joan Unruh, Virginia Westerman, Rene Miller, C.L. & Mitzi Warstler, Jeanine Schettler, John Schoenhofer, Irene Baldwin, Lu Reeves, Miles Smith, Fr. Sam Pinkerton, Don and Helen George, Jimmy Schoenhofer, Pat Kanute, Steve Schoenhofer, Harrison Hill (*Francis Grosdidier's Great Grandson*) Shirley (VanLeeuwen) Gray, Sean Kernick, Janie Schibi, Mona Pitts, Jake Andrews, Christine Schettler, Ruth Ann Schoenhofer, Wade Westhoff, Geanita Birks, Jack McGowen, Jessica Miniuk, Sr. Agnes Lero, Harolyn (Smith) Malott, Char (O'Bryan) Brazil, Jim Dent, Peggy (Lewis) Bass, Vernie Kennedy, Adam Every, Colleen Cook, Chelsea Smith, Mary Ann Shurtz, Charles F. Brown, Vicki Kargel, Charlie and Judy Diskin, Jill Coomes, Patricia Holland, Dan Wendt, Dwight Baldwin, Mar-yann Atkinson

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620-236-0705

ANointing OF THE SICK: If you are going to have a significant surgery, please call for Anointing of the Sick before you enter the hospital.

ST. FRANCIS LITURGICAL MINISTERS Saturday, November 30th-5:30 p.m.

Altar Servers: Jorja, Megan, Sadie
Lector: Marcia Gard
Eucharistic Minister: Connie Spielbusch
Gifts: Marlene Clark/Alberta Westhoff
Rosary: Elaine VanLeeuwen
Sacristan: Jeff/Marcia Gard
Sunday-December 1st-10:00 a.m.
Altar Servers: Katie, Ella, Nevaeh
Lector: Mike McCracken
Eucharistic Minister: Jamie Aday
Gifts: M/M Don Smith
Rosary: Jean Diskin
Sacristans: Mike/Kim McCracken
December Ushers:
Saturday-5:30 p.m.—Dennis Duling, Steve Spielbusch, Dennis Westhoff
Sunday-10:00 a.m.—Joe Smith, Dan Vitt, Jimmy Voorhies
Church Cleaners—November 30th—Theresa Hundley, Trish Norris, April Hulen

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

	Total Amount Needed
St. Francis \$4,303.00	\$6,348.40
St. Ambrose \$555.00	\$1,128.85

Please remember your parish in your Will.



THANKSGIVING DAY MASS BLESSING OF THE BREAD is symbolic of all the gifts given this year from God. You may bring your homemade bread item to be blessed to the St. Ambrose Mass at 8:30 a.m.

RCIA, ADULT EDUCATION: There will not be class on Tuesday, November 26th.

PSR will not have class this Wednesday, November 27th. Have a blessed Thanksgiving.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT will be at St. Francis on Wednesdays from 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Adoration at St. Ambrose will be on Thursdays from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome to drop in anytime during Adoration to make a visit. *"Nowhere on earth are we more welcomed or loved than by Jesus in Eucharist." St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta*

ALTAR SOCIETY LADIES, our Christmas party will be held on Sunday, December 1st at 11:30 a.m. in the St. Francis Parish Hall. Lunch will be provided. Please bring a \$20 gift for the gift exchange. We will have a fun party and everyone is welcome to join us.

DECORATING THE CHURCH: We will be decorating the St. Francis Catholic Church on Sunday, December 15th immediately following 10:00 a.m. Mass. All help is greatly appreciated.

IRELAND PILGRIMAGE WITH KANSAS STATE FOOTBALL: August 16-24, 2025 from Wichita. Fr. Matt will be going. 7 days of sightseeing, daily Mass, K-State Football. \$5,450.00 Estimated. For more information contact www.DuclnAltumPilgrimages.com or call 888-424-6266.

DROPS OF LIGHT: Have you ever had a “more than coincidence” experience—something you “just knew” was a gift from above, a spiritual intervention, or a sign meant for you when you most needed it? *Drops of Light* is the title of an upcoming book; a collection of true, personal, spiritual, “more than coincidence” stories of God’s presence in our lives. Please consider sending your own “more than coincidence” stories to a.beasley.pittsburg@gmail.com. Whether short and simple or lengthy and complex, your story should not be dismissed or forgotten. For more information, contact Amber Beasley at a.beasley.pittsburg@gmail.com.

PASTOR MUSINGS: This week we enter into Thanksgiving week, and many of you I’m sure breathe a sigh of relief for a small break from work. The word ‘holiday’ is a shortened, secularized version of ‘Holy Day’, because the Holy Days of the Church year are days given to us for rest, in addition to every Sunday. Generally, even our holidays in the secular world have roots in the Church, as I explained a month ago about the origins of Halloween, Christmas, Valentine’s Day, St. Patrick’s Day, Mardi Gras, Easter...of course these are all Catholic in origin. Thanksgiving, although not strictly Catholic, is very Christian: simply acknowledging the blessings of life as all being given by God the Creator. The word we use for the Blessed Sacrament, “Eucharist”, actually is a Greek word which directly translates to “thanksgiving.” The central worship of the Church is centered around Thanksgiving, whenever we come to Mass with proper disposition. We state, “we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King,” in the Gloria at the beginning of Mass. And at the end of the 1st Eucharistic Prayer, which I generally use at Sunday Mass, the priest prays “you continue to make all these good things, O Lord; you sanctify them, fill them with life, bless them, and bestow them upon us.” What a reflection for us on Thanksgiving! God, in His supreme goodness, orders all things to our good. He even orders evil things to our good, sanctifying them and filling them with life not yet there! Nothing good is bestowed upon us through our own smarts or hard work – it’s always from “His great glory.” To pray about the good things He has bestowed upon you will only allow you to love Him more. In a spirit of stewardship, I pray we can, after recognizing these good things, share them in love of God and neighbor. Have a happy Thanksgiving!

OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY to the family and friends of Tommy Harmon, Grandson of Bob and Rosie Harmon, who passed away on November 14, 2024. *Eternal Rest grant unto him, O Lord. And let perpetual light shine upon him. And may all of the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.*

MAN FULLY ALIVE 2025: Saturday, February 1, 2025 at the Catholic Church of the Magdalen, 12626 East 21st Street, North Wichita, KS 67206. MAN FULLY ALIVE is an annual Catholic Men's Conference. If you have yet to attend MAN FULLY ALIVE, you will not want to miss this! Come join us for a day of prayer, friendship, and inspiring speakers.

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