

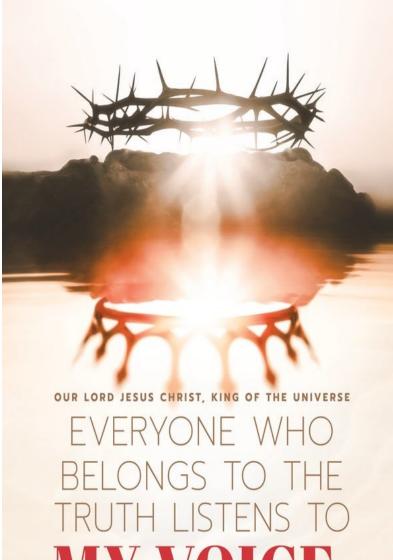
# Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Church

# A Parish of the Diocese of Greensburg

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### November 24, 2024 ~ Solemnity of Christ The King



JOHN 18:37 -

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# MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

Saturday, November 23, 2024 4:00 pm John P. Gergely (Son and Daughters) Sunday, November 24, 2024 - Christ the King 8:30 am George Legin (Gene, Christ & Kate Komondor) 11:30 am Francis P. Orban (Dorothy Orban) Monday, November 25, 2024 8:30 am Ernest Macioce (SEAS Parish Family) Tuesday, November 26, 2024 8:30 am Daria Riesberg (Audrey Quinlan) Thursday, November 28, 2024 - Thanksgiving Day 9:00 am For the Parish Family Friday, November 29, 2024 8:30 am Philip Cristina (SEAS Parish Family) Saturday, November 30, 2024 4:00 pm Gene Ciongoli (Kath and Kayla) Sunday, December 1, 2024 - First Sunday of Advent 8:30 am Kathy Peklansky (Husband, Al) 11:30 am Anna Nee (Rosalie Vojtas) Confessions—Saturdays 3 pm—3:45 On 1st Saturdays—Confessions follow 8:30 mass. (none at 3pm)

# Readings for the week of November 24, 2024

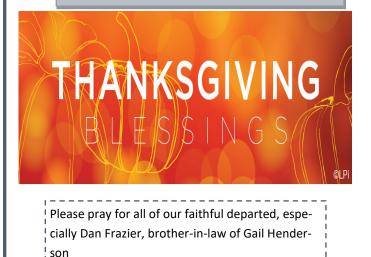
Sunday: Dn 7:13-14/Ps 91:1, 1-2, 5 (1a)/Rv 1:5-8/Jn 18:33b-37 Monday: Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5/Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Lk 21:1-4 Tuesday: Rv 14:14-19/Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13/Lk 21:5-11 Wednesday: Rv 15:1-4/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 7-8, 9/ Lk 21:12-19 Thursday: Rv 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9a/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/Lk 21:20-28 Friday: Rv 20:1-4, 11-21:2/Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6a and 8a/Lk 21:29-33 Saturday: Rom 10:9-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/Mt 4:18-22 Next Sunday: Jer 33:14-16/Ps 25:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14 (1b)/1 Thes 3:12-4:2/Lk 21:25-28, 34-36



the Gift of New life through Baptism



We congratulate Keira Butler who was baptized November 9, 2024, as she begins to live a new life in Christ. We welcome her into the family of God!



# Fr. Mike's Message

#### Thy Kingdom come...

Our celebration this week recognizes the end of another liturgical year with the celebration of Christ as King. Over the past couple of weeks we have been reminded or our responsibilities to be prepared and live life as servants of the Kingdom. Today we hear in a very poignant way that the end of times is near and we must all be ready and take comfort in that fact. Daniel in the first reading continues with his vision of what it will be like in the final days. We hear that the just will be raised from the dead and rewarded with eternal life while the evil ones will suffer eternal punishment.

Although these words written by Daniel as well as those we hear in the second reading are supposed to give comfort, we find the images very uncomfortable leaving us with anything but a feeling of peace. Daniel makes reference to a figure "like the son of man," which is an obvious reference to the one who will judge the world. This "son of man" was a heavenly being who would come at the end of time to establish the reign of God's holy people. In the Gospels Jesus often refers to himself as the "son of man," so making it clear of his own understanding that he would be judge of all at the end of time. The reign which Jesus establishes will be everlasting and the kingship of Jesus will never end.

As Americans, we are not all that good at understanding symbolic language. Therefore the language we find today and the symbolism used needs to be understood if it is to be real for us. We need to understand that the language used in our liturgy today is symbolic in nature and certainly not realistic. Symbols like rams, goats, beasts, and horns are all symbolic representations of empires, oppressive and brutal rulers, and dynasties. When properly understood books like Daniel or Revelation can bring comfort and encouragement because they ultimately affirm the attributes of God. If believers are faithful to God's law and confident in God's power, they can be assured that God will deliver them from the dangers of falling into sin and reward them with a life of eternal union with the God of love.

In the gospel for this final Sunday of the year, we find Pilot questioning Jesus about his kingship. It can be difficult for us to imaging the "kingship" of Jesus because our culture does not use that term or title. The kingship we refer to is often full of royalty, pomp and titles. The kingship Jesus makes reference to is one of the true suffering servants willingly offering himself on the cross. This definitely is a contradiction. It is obvious that Pilate did not even understand the terms of the question he was asking Jesus. Too often we think and act in physical realities and we forget about the spiritual dimensions of life.

The Kingship of Christ then becomes not something of honor and glory; rather it is one of love and service, not dominion and exploitation. Jesus reminds all of us that this level of love and service must go hand in hand. We cannot have one without the other. On this last Sunday of the year we are gently reminded that our salvation depends on how we respond to his command of perfect love. As we pray the Lord's Prayer we gently whisper: "Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done."



Breakfast With St. Nick at Queen of Angels Catholic School sponsored by St. Agnes Parish and The Catholic Accent Enjoy a faith-focused event for children and families this Christmas that puts Jesus at the center of the season! Breakfast With St. Nick on Saturday, Dec. 7, from 9-11:30 a.m. at Queen of Angels Catholic School will include a continental buffet and a visit from many cultural versions of St. Nick, including Santa Claus, Sinterklaas, Christkindle, Papa Noel and Babbo Natale. Bishop Larry J. Kulick will lead a prayer, and children will enjoy St. Nicholas-inspired crafts and activities. Participants are encouraged to bring a donation or baby gift to support Catholic Charities' Baby Closet. Breakfast will be served in the cafeteria from 9-10 a.m. Cost is \$10 per person. Register now at DioceseofGreensburg.org/stnickbreakfast.



Are you interested in St. Vincent College...below are listed times for information sessions. Come to a Saturday Information

Session:

January 11, 2025, 9:00 am to 11:30 am February 1, 2025, 9:00 am to 11:30 am April 26, 2025, 9:00 am to 11:30 am May 17, 2025, 9:00 am to 11:30 am July 19, 2025, 9:00 am to 11:30 am

#### Thanksgiving Day

On Thursday we will celebrate Thanksgiving. It gives us all an opportunity to reflect on the many ways we are grateful in life. As we recognize the countless number of blessings we have received we are also mindful of the many people who have less than we do. Why don't you consider making an effort to come to celebrate mass on Thursday at 9:00 AM with your parish family and together we can give thanks for all of our blessings. To you and to your families I wish a blessed and fruitful Thanksgiving!



Knights of Columbus St Jude Council 9019 - will have their monthly meeting on Monday November 25, 2024, at Resurrection Hall at St Agnes. The meeting starts at 7:15 with the Rosary. St Jude Council covers the parishes of IC, St Agnes, and St Elizabeth Ann Seton. If you are interested in joining the Knights, or would like to transfer to our Council, please contact Al Borgony at 724-864-3487 or email a.borgony@comcast.net ,or you can check out our website at kofc.org and join online

#### **Christian Mothers**

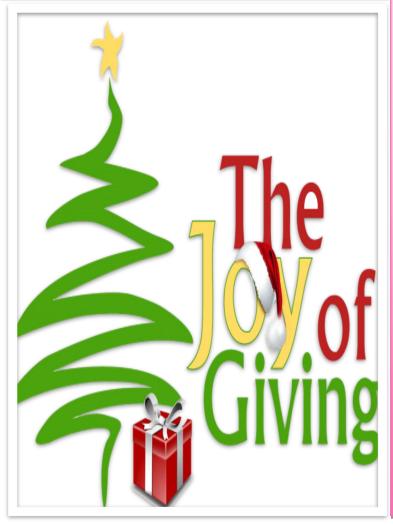
The Christian Mothers asks that you continue to bring in gift bags and items for St. Anne visits by the Christian Mothers. Nutritious snacks are still needed for Kid's Lunch Bags., to be distributed at SVDP Food Bank.

#### \*\*\*SARRIS CANDY SALE\*\*\*

Please support our local school by ordering sweets for the holidays. Candy makes great gifts for all, including teachers, co-workers, babysitters and clergy. If you are interested in ordering, please complete your order form, found on the back counter, along with payment (checks payable to Queen of Angels Catholic School) and mail to Queen of Angels School or return to the parish office in an enveloped marked, "Sarris Candy Order". Pick up is scheduled for December 11th at the Queen of Angels gym. Any questions please call Mrs. Noblick at 724 978-0144 x 5 or noblick@queenofangelssch.org.

We appreciate your support!

The Diocesan Christmas Night Market is planned Saturday, Dec. 14, from 1-8 p.m. at Christ Our Shepherd Center, Greensburg. The Christmas Night market is a festive, fun and faith-filled event! Stroll the outdoor attractions under the twinkle of Christmas lights and warm yourself with hot chocolate by the fire, or head inside to enjoy dozens of food and craft vendors. Join Bishop Larry J. Kulick for Mass at 4 p.m. Explore collectibles created by St. Nicholas-inspired artist Pipka Ulvilden, who will present a free lecture on "The Madonna in Christian Art." Children can learn about the traditions surrounding Christmas cookies, and why we leave a treat for Santa each Christmas Eve as a sign of our thankfulness for God's many blessings, as well as create their own edible Christmas scene and enjoy a visit with St. Nicholas. Register for the Christmas beer and wine tastings showcasing the cultural nuances of St. Nicks from many countries (must be 21). For details or to register, visit ChristmasNightMarket.org. Admission and parking are



#### hristmas **Night Market** 1:00 - 8:00 P with Bishop Larry J. Kulick Christ Our Shepherd Center 2900 Seminary Drive, Greensburg The Christmas Night market is a festive, fun and faith-filled event! Stroll the Schedule of Events 1:00 - 8:00 PM F outdoor attractions under the twinkle of Christmas lights and warm yourself with hot chocolate by the fire, or head inside to enjoy dozens of food and craft vendors. Explore collectibles created by artist Pipka Ulvilden, on display for this event! Carolers, St. Nicholas and Christmas 1:00 PM Christmas Wine Tasting 2:00 PM Christmas Bee 1:00 and 2:00 PM Children's Cl cookies are all part of the experience. Admission and op Larry J. Kulich parking are free!

#### Giving Tree –

We will once again help those in need for the holidays by sponsoring the Giving Tree through St. Vincent DePaul Society. The tree will be up with gift tags the weekend of Nov. 23/24. Your gift cards can be purchased through Queen of Angels Catholic School, and a copy of the form is posted in this week's bulletin and we will also have forms available on the counters in the back of church. Your purchase not only helps the receiver of the gift tag, but also the school through the SCRIP program. This year we ask that you attach the tree tag to your order form before sending it in to Q of A.

If you do not get a giving tree tag, you can still purchase gift cards for the SVDP Society to use for the recipients. Use the order form and send it to Queen of Angels. They will fill your gift card order and give the tags to SVDP who will pass them out.



## sunday, december, ist at 6:30 pm Vocal Recital of Marian Music

SARAH RICHARDS - SOPRANO IAN BROWN - ORGAN

MONDAY, DECEMBER, 9TH FOLLOWING 6PM MASS

# Organ Recital

CHAZ BOWERS - ORGAN

A Festival of Lessons and Capols



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St. Vincent De Paul has been extremely busy over the past few months, and they are grateful for your generosity. The Shoe Box project went very well and they thank all of you who participated. The next collection will be in December 7 & 8. They are in need of Clothing for boys 2T— 12 as well as for girls from 2T—8. Winter coats **are** always welcome in all sizes. If you have any questions about any donations you can contact Julie McNamara 412-310-1505

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If you would like to purchase a gift card to help parishioners in need, please consider helping Queen of Angels Catholic School at the same time. You can help raise easy money for Queen of Angels Catholic School by purchasing your gift cards through the school's SCRIP program.

#### **Complete These Three Easy Steps:**

- 1. Fill out the form below.
- 2. Include a check made payable to Queen of Angels Catholic School
- 3. Place both items in the collection basket or mail to our school office.

#### No going to the store required!!!

Queen of Angels will fill the gift card orders that you purchased and return the gift cards to the parish office to be distributed to families in need via St. Vincent de Paul and the parish offices.

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Thanks for Your Support!!!!			
If you have any questions, please call the school's office 724- 978-0144 or contact Christina Torok at			Please make checks payable to: Queen of Angels School

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