

## Institute of Christ the King Sovereign Priest

A Society of Apostolic Life of Pontifical Right — Living the Truth in Charity

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## Twenty-fourth & Last Sunday after Pentecost 20th November AD 2022

#### **Mass Times**

Tomasz Matusiewicz

Sunday: 8:30am Low Mass

10:30am High Mass

Office Administrator

Monday to Saturday: 8:00am Low Mass

### Superiors of the Institute of Christ the King

Very Rev. Msgr. R. Michael Schmitz, STD, JCD Vicar General in the Institute of Christ the King Rev. Canon Matthew Talarico

Provincial Superior of the Institute's U.S. Province

#### Clergy and Staff of Saint Patrick Oratory

Rev. Canon Joel Estrada Pastor & Rector
Abbé Kevin Kerscher Clerical Oblate
David Hughes Organist & Choirmaster

#### Confessions

Thirty minutes before each Holy Mass daily & during each weekly Holy Hour of Adoration

#### **Devotions**

17th - 25th of each month: Novena to the Infant King

Wednesday: Litany to St. Joseph after 8am Mass Friday: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at 5pm First Friday: additional Mass at 6pm preceded by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament beginning at 5pm Saturday (except First Saturday): Prayers to our Mother of Perpetual Help after 8am Mass First Saturday: after Holy Mass, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Holy Rosary & Benediction with Spiritual Conference (unless an announcement

indicates otherwise)

#### Wisdom from Saint Francis de Sales

Patron of the Institute of Christ the King Sovereign Priest

"Never be in a hurry; do everything quietly and in a calm spirit.

Do not lose your inner peace for anything whatsoever, even if your whole world seems upset."

### Liturgical Schedule

Sunday, 20th November 2022
Twenty-fourth & Last Sunday after Pentecost
8:30am Low Mass - Pro Populo
10:30am High Mass - †Paul Grochowski, by Wendy
Petrillo
6pm Vespers & Benediction

Monday, 21st November 2022 The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary 8am Low Mass - Poor Souls in Purgatory, by Edward Robertson

Tuesday, 22nd November 2022 St. Cecilia 8am Low Mass - John & Jill Pastro

8am Low Mass - John & Jill Pastrone, by Felicity Pastrone

Wednesday, 23rd November 2022 St. Clement I

8am Low Mass - Baptism anniv. of Mary Marjorie De Silva, by Joy De Silva

Thursday, 24th November 2022 St. John of the Cross 8am Low Mass - Janusz Czaderna.

8am Low Mass - Janusz Czaderna, by Bianca Czaderna

Friday, 25th November 2022 St. Catherine of Alexandria

8am Low Mass - Rev. Canon Joel Estrada, by S.R.S. 5pm Holy Hour of Adoration

Saturday, 26th November 2022 St. Sylvester

8am Low Mass - Joanna Czaderna, by Bianca Czaderna

Sunday, 27th November 2022 First Sunday of Advent

8:30am Low Mass - Pro Populo 10:30am High Mass - †Paul Grochowski, by Steve Bloniarz 6pm Vespers & Benediction St. Patrick Church Donations
Week of November 13: \$7,441.20
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#### **Events**

Sunday, 20th November

Coffee Social after the Sunday High Mass, please bring something to share.

Tuesday, 29th November—Wednesday, 7th December Immaculate Conception Novena, please consult special Novena Schedule

Tuesday, 29th November

Society of the Sacred Heart Autumn Meeting, 7pm in Saint Patrick's Hall, following the Novena Devotions

Friday, 2nd December

1st Friday, 5pm Adoration followed by 6pm High Mass

Saturday, 3rd December

1st Saturday, 8am High Mass with Novena Sermon, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Rosary, Benediction, followed by **Breakfast** & **Advent Conference** 

Sunday, 4th December

"Organ at the Oratory" Recital Series at 5:30pm, followed 6pm Vespers and Benediction

Thursday, 8th December

Immaculate Conception, Holy Day of Obligation. 8am Low Mass and 6pm High Mass and Benediction

Saturday, 10th December

Rorate Candlelight Dawn Mass, 6am High Mass followed by light refreshment. There will be no 8am Mass to-day.

Monday, 12th December

Our Lady of Guadalupe, 8am Low Mass followed by Blessing of Roses

Saturday, 17th December

Christmas Decorating Day, starts after 8am Mass: we are in need of volunteers to help set up our Church for the upcoming Christmas Season.

Sunday, 18th December

Lesson in Liturgy given by the Rector, after the Sunday High Mass, followed by Coffee Social

Saturday, 24th December

Christmas Eve, 8am Low Mass (this Mass does not fulfill Holy Day Obligation)

Christmas Confessions available starting at 11pm, Carols start at 11:30pm followed by 12am Christmas Midnight Mass & Social in the Hall

Sunday, 25th December

Christmas Day, 8:30am Low Mass & 10:30am High Mass with Benediction. There will be no public vespers in the evening and will be postponed until January 8th

Tuesday, 27th December

St. John Traditional Wine Blessing after 8am Low Mass





## Preparatory Novena to the Immaculate Conception 2022

This year's sermon theme: Mary in Fact and Figure

## November 29 - December 7

Join us for this important novena which makes a perfect way to share in the spirit of Advent!

Tuesday, November 29
Mirror of Justice
8 am Low Mass & Novena
6 pm Low Mass, Sermon, & Novena

Wednesday, November 30
Seat of Wisdom
8am Low Mass & Novena
6pm Low Mass, Sermon,
& Novena

1st Thursday, December 1
Spiritual Vessel
8am Low Mass & Novena
6pm Low Mass, Sermon,
& Novena

1st Friday, December 2
Mystical Rose
8am Low Mass & Novena
6pm High Mass, Sermon,
& Novena

1st Saturday, December 3
Refuge of Sinners
8am High Mass, Sermon,
Rosary, Novena,
Benediction followed by
Morning of Recollection

2nd Sunday of Advent, December 4
Tower of David
8:30am Low Mass, Sermon
& Novena
10:30am High Mass, Sermon,
& Novena

Monday, December 5
Ark of the Covenant
8am Low Mass & Novena
6pm Low Mass, Sermon, & Novena

Tuesday, December 6
Gate of Heaven
8am Low Mass & Novena
6pm Low Mass, Sermon, & Novena

Wednesday, December 7
Morning Star
8am Low Mass & Novena
6pm Low Mass, Sermon, & Novena

Confession available 30 minutes before each Mass

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# ARCHDIOCESE OF HARTFORD 134 FARMINGTON AVENUE HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT 06105-3784

OFFICE OF THE ARCHBISHOP

November 19/20, 2022

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Sunday Mass this weekend is the celebration of Christ the King, the last Sunday of the Church calendar prior to the beginning of Advent next week. I wish you a happy liturgical "new year." May it be a year of grace and blessing for us all.

There is one blessing in particular that we need to ask of God for the wellbeing of the Church. Today we are facing a very serious decline in the number of priests to serve our archdiocese. This year we lament the fact that there were no ordinations to the priesthood.

We are not the only diocese facing this situation, but that is scant consolation. We can learn, however, from those dioceses that are moving in the other direction. At an episcopal ordination in Ohio I asked the Archbishop of Cincinnati the reason for the success his archdiocese is having with priestly ordinations (He ordained seven priests this year). His answer: the vocation prayer that is said at his direction at every Mass on weekends in his archdiocese. Other bishops have spoken likewise.

Sometimes we may be tempted to make light of prayer, as if the pledge of prayers is just a pious gesture. However, it is Jesus Himself who spoke of "sheep without a shepherd," and said that we must "ask the harvest master to send laborers into his harvest" (Matthew 18:20). We cannot doubt the Lord Himself, and we need to heed his words. It is urgent that we pray together publicly for vocations to the priesthood.

For some time now I have directed that the St. Michael prayer be said immediately <u>after</u> the dismissal at Sunday Masses (after, as distinct from the liturgical prayer of the Mass). I was inspired to do so by Pope Francis, who had directed that it be prayed universally after the rosary for a set time. That time has passed but the timeliness of the St. Michael Prayer remains. Now that you have been introduced or re-introduced to it, it is my hope that you will continue to pray it privately.

In its place, beginning on the First Sunday of Advent, November 26/27, I want us all to say the *Prayer for Priestly Vocations* that I am sending to your pastor to be made available in church. There is great power in praying together, as Jesus told when he said "For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I in the midst of them." (Matthew 18:20).

Some may question why we are only praying for priestly vocations. More inclusive prayers can be offered by anyone at any time, and should be, but our public and urgent plea to the Lord is for priests, without whom there can be no sacraments, especially Penance and the Holy Eucharist, the life's blood of our union with Christ.

May God answer our prayers, and may he bless you for all that you do to promote priestly vocations.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Leonard P. Blair

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Archbishop of Hartford