



# Institute of Christ the King Sovereign Priest

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### Mass Times

**Sunday:** 8:30 a.m. Low Mass  
10:15 a.m. High Mass

**Monday-Saturday:** 7:45 a.m. Low Mass

**Holy Days:** *please consult the bulletin*

### Confessions

*30 minutes before Mass every day (Sundays before both Masses) & First Fridays from 5:15 to 5:45 p.m. (during Adoration)*

### Devotions

**Every Thursday:** Holy Hour at 6 p.m.

**First Friday:** Additional Mass at 6 p.m., preceded by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament beginning at 5 p.m.

**First Saturday:** After Mass, Adoration with Holy Rosary, 15-minute meditation & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

# Weekly Liturgical Schedule

Sunday, November 6<sup>th</sup>

**TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

8:30 a.m. - Pro Populo

10:15 a.m. - Sam Vendetti

*requested by June Vendetti*

6:00 p.m. - Vespers & Benediction

Monday, November 7<sup>th</sup>

**Mass of All Saints**

7:45 a.m. - ✠ John Adam

*requested by Marian Adam*

Tuesday, November 8<sup>th</sup>

**Mass of all Saints**

7:45 a.m. - Sara Kinani

*requested by Louis Alanz*

Wednesday, November 9<sup>th</sup>

**Dedication of the Archbasilica of the Holy Saviour at the Lateran**

7:45 a.m. - ✠ Richard Dowd

*requested by Susan Dowd*

Thursday, November 10<sup>th</sup>

**Saint Andrew of Avellino**

7:45 a.m. - Margaret Mary Daria Koons

*requested by Alex Koons*

Friday, November 11<sup>th</sup>

**Saint Martin of Tours**

7:45 a.m. - ✠ John & Joseph Kochiss

*requested by Grace Monks*

Saturday, November 12<sup>th</sup>

**Saint Martin I, Pope & Martyr**

7:45 a.m. - Barbara Oravez

*requested by George & Nancy Whitmore*

11:00 a.m. - Nuptial Mass

*for Mr. & Mrs. Andrew Palaia*

Sunday, November 13<sup>th</sup>

**TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

8:30 a.m. - ✠ Deceased Branch Members

*requested by Saint Joseph Branch 19*

10:15 a.m. - Pro Populo

6:00 p.m. - Vespers & Benediction



# Upcoming Events

Sunday, November 6<sup>th</sup>

**ALL SAINTS PARTY**

During the parish social hour which will follow the High Mass, children are invited to dress as their favorite saint

Tuesday, November 8<sup>th</sup>

Adult Theology class at 7:00 p.m. in the church hall  
Theme: "The Blessed Trinity"

Wednesday, November 9<sup>th</sup>

Men's Group meeting, beginning with Adoration in church at 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, November 10<sup>th</sup>

Holy Hour & Benediction at 6:00 p.m.

Saturday, November 12<sup>th</sup>

Solemn Nuptial Mass for Andrew Palaia and Shannon Cirilli at 11:00 a.m. (servers needed)

Saturday, November 19<sup>th</sup>

First Communion catechism class after the morning Mass—*these classes are mandatory for all children who will be receiving their First Holy Communion at the Oratory this year*

Tuesday, November 22<sup>nd</sup>

Adult Theology class at 7:00 p.m. in the church hall  
Theme: "Creation and the Angels"

Thursday, November 24<sup>th</sup>

Thanksgiving Day (no public holy hour)

Saturday, November 26<sup>th</sup>

Annual Requiem High Mass at 10:15 a.m. for John & Ethel Kashulon, benefactors of our parish

November 29<sup>th</sup> to December 7<sup>th</sup>

**NOVENA OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**

Sermon in honour of Our Lady by a special guest preacher every day at 6:00 p.m., followed by Novena prayers & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

Saturday, December 10<sup>th</sup>

Confirmation Catechism class after the morning Mass—*these classes are mandatory for all children who will be confirmed at the Oratory this year*

## ON MORAL COHERENCE AND THE POLITICAL LIFE OF CATHOLICS

The Church teaches that abortion or euthanasia is a grave sin. The Encyclical Letter *Evangelium vitae*, with reference to judicial decisions or civil laws that authorize or promote abortion or euthanasia, states that there is a “grave and clear obligation to oppose them by conscientious objection. [...] In the case of an intrinsically unjust law, such as a law permitting abortion or euthanasia, it is therefore never licit to obey it, or to ‘take part in a propaganda campaign in favour of such a law or vote for it’” (no. 73). Christians have a “grave obligation of conscience not to cooperate formally in practices which, even if permitted by civil legislation, are contrary to God’s law. Indeed, from the moral standpoint, it is never licit to cooperate formally in evil. [...] This cooperation can never be justified either by invoking respect for the freedom of others or by appealing to the fact that civil law permits it or requires it” (no. 74).

Not all moral issues have the same moral weight as abortion and euthanasia. For example, if a Catholic were to be at odds with the Holy Father on the application of capital punishment or on the decision to wage war, he would not for that reason be considered unworthy to present himself to receive Holy Communion. While the Church exhorts civil authorities to seek peace, not war, and to exercise discretion and mercy in imposing punishment on criminals, it may still be permissible to take up arms to repel an aggressor or to have recourse to capital punishment. There may be a legitimate diversity of opinion even among Catholics about waging war and applying the death penalty, but not however with regard to abortion and euthanasia.

[...] Regarding the grave sin of abortion or euthanasia, when a person’s formal cooperation becomes manifest (understood, in the case of a Catholic politician, as his consistently campaigning and voting for permissive abortion and euthanasia laws), his Pastor should meet with him, instructing him about the Church’s teaching, informing him that he is not to present himself for Holy Communion until he brings to an end the objective situation of sin, and warning him that he will otherwise be denied the Eucharist.

– Instruction of Cardinal Ratzinger  
Prefect of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith,  
to the Archbishop of Washington, D.C. (2004)

### Choir Practice Schedules

#### Children’s Schola

All young people who would like to sing are invited to join rehearsals for the Children’s Schola on Wednesdays from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. in the church choir loft.

#### Parish Choir

Rehearsals for the Parish Choir will be on Thursdays from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. in the church choir loft. The Choir is open to singers high-school age and older and will sing chant and polyphony every Sunday for the 10:15 a.m. High Mass.

*For more information about our music program, please contact Sam Schmitt: [samuel.schmitt@carlschmitt.org](mailto:samuel.schmitt@carlschmitt.org).*



#### **Cost: \$20 per pack • Available in church hall**

Each pack includes 10 full-color greeting cards featuring different renditions of the Adoration of the Magi.

These are printed on high-quality card stock and come with 10 matching envelopes.

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered by the U.S. Provincial Superior on Christmas Day for all those who receive one of these beautiful Christmas cards.

## We welcome you today the Oratory Parish of Saints Cyril and Methodius!

If this is your first time here, we look forward to meeting you. We hope you will be able to join us today for our monthly social hour after the High Mass. If you are interested in registering as a parishioner, forms are available at both entrances.

Holy Mass and all the sacraments at the Oratory are celebrated in the traditional Latin Rite. This form of worship, which developed many centuries ago, is a priceless treasure of our Catholic faith. On Sundays, there are handouts containing English translations of the Propers (the prayers and readings proper to the day). If you are unfamiliar with the traditional Latin Mass, please do not hesitate to approach the clergy with any questions you may have. The pastoral care of the Oratory has been entrusted by the Bishop of Bridgeport to the clergy of the Institute of Christ the King, a Catholic priestly society founded in 1990 and currently ministering in dioceses across the United States, Europe and Africa.

Holy communion may be received by practicing Catholics in the state of grace. In the traditional Roman Rite, holy communion is received kneeling at the communion rail (unless you are impaired from doing so) and directly on the tongue. The mouth should be open with the tongue slightly extended. You do not reply when the priest places the host in your mouth. The sacrament of confession is available every day 30 minutes before the start of Mass (ending approximately 5 minutes before Mass begins).

The church narthex (vestibule) functions as a cry room during Mass. As a courtesy to others, please feel free to make use of it when you have a crying child by exiting quietly down one of the side aisles.

Out of respect for God's house, please bear in mind the importance of modest and decent attire, and hold all conversations outside. Ladies who wish to do so may borrow a veil to wear at Mass.

If you are not a Catholic, you are warmly invited to learn more about our faith. The Catholic Church was founded 2000 years ago by Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ to carry on His work for the salvation of souls. If you are interested in becoming Catholic or simply want to learn more about the Catholic faith, please do not hesitate to contact us. The Oratory offers individual instruction. We look forward to hearing from you.

### **NOVENA OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION** **November 29<sup>th</sup> to December 7<sup>th</sup>** "Our Lady in Fact and Figure"

In preparation to for the great feast of the Immaculate Conception, we will be holding the traditional Novena, and this year we have invited a series of **guest preachers** who will each give a sermon on one of the titles from Our Lady's Litany. With the exception of the Saturday and Sunday (when the sermon will be given during Mass in the morning), the Novena sermon will be given **each evening at 6:00 p.m.** Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament and the Novena prayer will follow the sermon. Please already mark this important Novena in your calendars! We are grateful to our visiting priests and do not want them speaking to an empty church! Everyone should **plan to attend at least one** of the week-day evening Novena events ...

### **Meal Train**

Thank you to the kind parishioners who provide delicious and nourishing meals to the rectory. We are grateful for your solicitude. You can pick up your tupperwares and other food containers on the table in the church vestibule. There is quite a collection!

### **BANNS OF MARRIAGE**

are announced for

**Miss Shannon Patricia Cirilli**  
daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Michael Cirilli  
&

**Mr. Andrew Thomas Palaia**  
son of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Palaia

to be married at Saints Cyril & Methodius  
on Saturday, November 12<sup>th</sup> 2022.

*This is the THIRD PUBLICATION of the banns. Anyone knowing of an impediment to this proposed union must inform the pastor.*

November 6<sup>th</sup> 2022

Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost