OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

"Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice." - Jn 18:37

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass @2001, 1998, 1970 CCD. @LPi

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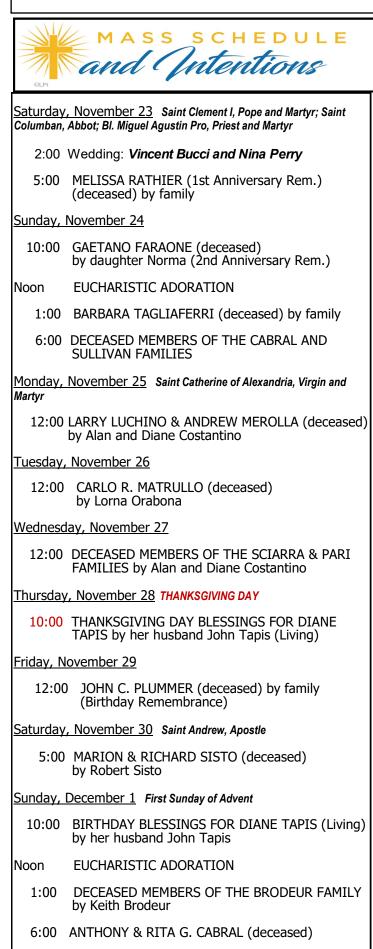
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November 24, 2024





Teenagers Confirmation Program Grades 9-12: Mon., Nov. 25th from 7pm-8:30pm (Hall)

> Children's Program Grades 1-8: Sat., Nov. 30th from 10am-11:15am (Hall)

> R.C.I.A. Wed., Nov. 27th from 7pm—8:30pm (Hall)

Bible Study: Wed., Nov. 27th from 7pm-8:30pm (Hall)

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The Wisdom of the Saints

Love is acceptance. When you love someone ... you take them into your heart, and that is surely why it hurts so much when we lose someone we love, because we lose a part of ourselves.

Saint Andrew, Apostle Feast Day–November 30



Day of Recollection here at the Cathedral

Theme: "The Christmas Story in the Gospel of Saint Luke

Saturday, December 14, 2024

starting at 10:00 a.m. and concluding with 5:00 p.m. Mass SPEAKERS: Monsignor Anthony Mancini, Rector Sister Elizabeth Castro, HMSP

> REFLECTIONS - SACRED SCRIPTURE ADORATION HOLY ROSARY CONFESSIONS SOLEMN VESPERS {Lunch will be provided}

REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED - Please call the Cathedral office at 401-331-2434 to register.

Registration Deadline: December 10th

MEDITATION OF THE DAY SAINT JOHN PAUL II

Saint John Paul II († 2005), reigned as pope from 1978 until 2005.

The Kingdom of Mercy

"It is *God, who is rich in mercy,* whom Jesus Christ has revealed to us as Father; it is his very Son who, in himself, has manifested him and made him known to us." I wrote this at the beginning of my encyclical *Dives in Misericordia* to show that Christ is the revelation and incarnation of the Father's mercy. Salvation consists in believing and accepting the mystery of the Father and of his love, made manifest and freely given in Jesus through the Spirit. In this way the kingdom of God comes to be fulfilled: the kingdom prepared for in the Old Testament, brought about by Christ and in Christ, and proclaimed to all peoples by the Church.

Jesus of Nazareth brings God's plan to fulfillment. After receiving the Holy Spirit at his Baptism, Jesus makes clear his messianic calling: he goes about Galilee *preaching the Gospel of God and saying: "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the Gospel."* The proclamation and establishment of God's kingdom are the purpose of his mission: *I was sent for this purpose* (Lk 4:43). But that is not all. Jesus himself is the Good News, as he declares at the very beginning of his mission in the synagogue at Nazareth, when he applies to himself the words of Isaiah about the Anointed One sent by the Spirit of the Lord (Lk 4:14-21). Since the Good News is Christ, there is an identity between the message and the messenger, between saying, doing, and being. His power, the secret of the effectiveness of his actions, lies in his total identification with the message he announces; he proclaims the Good News not just by what he says or does, but by what he is.

The kingdom that Jesus inaugurates is the kingdom of God. Jesus himself reveals who this God is, the One whom he addresses by the intimate term *Abba*, Father. God, as revealed above all in the parables, is sensitive to the needs and sufferings of every human being: he is a Father filled with love and compassion, who grants forgiveness and freely bestows the favors asked of him. Saint John tells us that *God is love*. Every person therefore is invited to *repent and believe* in God's merciful love. The kingdom will grow insofar as every person learns to turn to God in the intimacy of prayer, as to a Father, and strives to do his will.



Christmas Flower Memorials for Departed Loved Ones

Special envelopes for Christmas Flower Memorials will be available at the entrances to the Cathedral. Donations will help to defray the cost of the flowers that will adorn the Cathedral sanctuary for the Christmas season. A special collection will be taken on the weekend of Nov. 30th & Dec. 1st—

you may drop these envelopes in any collection **until Dec. 15th**.

You may inscribe the names of your departed loved ones but we ask that no more than two intentions be included with each donation. Names will be published in the Christmas bulletin and placed upon the altar to be remembered in prayer throughout the Christmas season.

Gold Memorials: \$100 and above Silver Memorials: \$50 to \$99 Bronze Memorials: \$25 to \$49 Any amount contributed will be greatly appreciated.

The annual Christmas Giving Tree will be placed at the side entrance to the Cathedral on the weekend of Nov. 30 & Dec. 1st.

On this tree there will be tags with a particular gift indicated on each tag. You may take a tag or two and return the indicated gift to the Cathedral by Dec. 15th



The Gregorian Concert Choir & Festival Orchestra

will present a Concert entitled



To Benefit

"Keep the Heat On" Challenge

Assisting hundreds of poor and low income families with gas, oil and electricity bills. If you would like to become a <u>sponsor of the concert</u> please pick up a flyer at the entrances to the Cathedral.

Music of Advent & Christmas

Rev. Msgr. Anthony Mancini, Conductor Mr. Philip Faraone, Organist

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8th, 2024 at 3PM here at the Cathedral

Tickets for this event are \$10 and will be sold at the door - no reservations required.