

ST. PETER CATHOLIC CHURCH

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

NOVEMBER 20, 2022



He said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom."
He replied to him, "Amen, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise." Luke 23:42-43

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MASS TIMES

SATURDAY (ANTICIPATORY)

4:00 PM

SUNDAY

7:00 AM, 9:00 AM, 11:00 AM, 6:00 PM

WEEKDAY

MON-FRI 12:10 PM

SATURDAY 9:00 AM

CONFESSION

SATURDAY 2:00 PM
WEDNESDAY 11:30 AM

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

MONDAY 1PM
THROUGH
THURSDAY 5PM

OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY-THURSDAY 8:00 AM-4:00 PM
FRIDAY 8:00 AM-12 NOON

ANGELIC ACCENTS GIFT SHOP

MONDAY-THURSDAY
10:00 AM-1:00 PM
SUNDAY 8:00 AM-12:15 PM

	OBSERVANCES	READINGS	MASS INTENTIONS	CHURCH EVENTS
Sunday November 20	Solemnity of Christ the King	2 Samuel 5:1-3 Psalm 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5 Colossians 1:12-20 Luke 23:35-43	7:00 AM +Maynard Gerkin 9:00 AM + Alfred and Dorothy Wunder Family 11:00 AM People of St. Peter 6:00 PM +Ross Torrez	8:00 AM-12:15 PM Gift Shop Open 9:15 AM Religious Ed Classes
Monday November 21	The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Revelation 14:1-3, 4b-5 Psalm 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 Luke 21:1-4	12:10 PM +Maria Marquez	10:00 AM-1:00 PM Gift Shop Open 1:00 PM Eucharistic Adoration Begins 1:00 PM Food Pantry Open
Tuesday November 22	Saint Cecilia, virgin and martyr	Revelation 14:14-19 Psalm 96:10, 11-12, 13 Luke 21:5-11	12:10 PM All Souls Novena	10:00 AM-1:00 PM Gift Shop Open 4:00 PM Turkey Box Distribution
Wednesday November 23	Saint Clement I, pope and martyr	Revelation 15:1-4 Psalm 98:1, 2-3ab, 7-8, 9 Luke 21:12-19	12:10 PM +Angie Vega 6:00 PM +Pete Moreno	10:00 AM-1:00 PM Gift Shop Open 11:30 AM Confession NO Adult Faith Formation NO Youth Group
Thursday November 24	Thanksgiving Day	Sirach 50:22-24 Psalm 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9, 10-11 1 Corinthians 1:3-9 Luke 17:11-19	NO MASS	OFFICE CLOSED 11:00 AM Thanksgiving dinner-parish hall
Friday November 25	Saint Catherine of Alexandria, virgin and martyr	Revelation 20:1-4, 11-21:2 Psalm 84:3, 4, 5-6a and 8a Luke 21:29-33	12:10 PM Andrzej Czarnecki	Office Closed
Saturday November 26		Revelation 22:1-7 Psalm 95:1-2, 3-5, 6-7ab Luke 21:34-36	9:00 AM +Virgil Landretti 4:00 PM Christopher Contreras	10:00 AM Last Eucharist Study 2:00 PM Confession
Sunday November 27	1st Sunday of Advent	Isaiah 2:1-5 Psalm 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 Romans 13:11-14 Matthew 24:37-44		

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week's upcoming events



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Knights of Columbus Sock Drive

Last Chance!

Donate new socks November 7th-20th.

The Knights of Columbus will give these socks to shelters in need around Weld County.

There will be a bin in the gathering space for your donation. Thank you for your help!



CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Auditions for solo parts for Christmas Eve Mass
Tuesday, November 29th at 6:00 PM

REHEARSALS FOR CHRISTMAS EVE MASS

December 6th 6:00 PM-7:00 PM

December 20th (dress rehearsal)
6:00 PM-8:00 PM

For more information contact Tomoko
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2023 SUNDAY MISSALS
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Advent begins in 1 week!

Get your Advent Candles, Wreaths, and Calendars!

PRAYER REQUESTS

PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE TO ADD SOMEONE TO THE PRAYER LIST

Baby Barrs, Gary Bellendir, Kim Cecil, JoAnn Gifford, Theresa Gifford, Christopher Griego, Florence Hammond, Shirley Hergenreter, +Jeff Johns, NJ King, Jose Omar Sanchez, Jerry McDonough, +Pete Moreno, Penelope Robinson, Collette Roscoe, +Eric Stevens, Sonny Unrein, Crystal Vasquez, Bill White, Deborah Woody

Youth Group

No Youth Group this Wednesday, November 23rd. Enjoy your Thanksgiving!

Religious Education Reminder

No Adult Faith Formation
on Wednesday, November 23rd

No RE Classes on Sunday, November 27th

Happy Thanksgiving!

ST. PETER FOOD PANTRY

We are in need of the following items:

Dry milk	Peanut butter	Soup
Spaghetti	Spaghetti sauce	Cereal
Canned vegetables		

We are grateful for your continued generosity!

Women Growing in Christ

Our next gathering is December 3rd
At 9:45 AM in the church basement

We will discuss the previous Sunday's Gospel
and share Advent reflections.

Questions? Contact Susan Labonde 970-353-3342

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Are We Moved by the Cross?

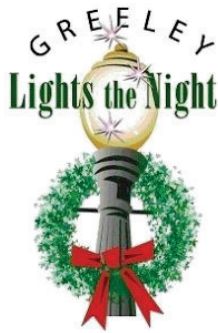
In today's Gospel we hear of the rulers who sneered at Jesus, the soldiers who jeered at him, the criminal who reviled him, and the people who just stood by. At our own parish church the cross stands high. Yet, every Sunday there are those who sit in front of it and are not moved by it. There are people who walk right by the cross, unmoved by it. Perhaps they've walked by it so many times they no longer give it a second thought. Could it be they are unmoved because the heart of this unbelieving thief is in them? Good stewards walk by the cross, notice it and ask themselves: "All this you did for me, what have I done for you?"

Greeley Lights the Night Parade

Saturday November 26th
5:30 PM

Everyone is invited to stay and watch the parade at the rectory.

We will be serving hot chocolate and hot apple cider.



**PLEASE LEAVE THE PARKING AREA AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE
AFTER THE 4:00PM MASS.**

9TH AVENUE WILL BE CLOSED ONCE THE PARADE BEGINS

**THANKSGIVING
FOOD BOXES**

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Fr. Tomasz's Weekly Reflection

Jesus Christ, hanging on the cross, grants universal amnesty to all humanity. Yes, not everyone knows about it and not everyone will want to take advantage of it. Its first recipient was an ordinary criminal who pleaded for paradise. In the moment of death his life was a hell, but it was a reflection of the hell he brought to others' lives. The author of the Gospel calls him *κακοῦργος* (Kakourgos) – a wrongdoer, a man who could only do evil. Josephus Flavius, a Jewish-Roman historian, uses the word *wants*, *ληστής* (Lestes), a robber, almost as to indicate that he robbed people of their safe heaven on earth. But Jesus Christ doesn't rob him, he gives him heaven, not just a small chance for heaven. The person who always took everything he wanted without asking, maybe for the first time asks, and receives, and only because he has asked for it with repentance. A true king can do anything, anywhere. It's no coincidence that Jesus was hung between two rebels, because in His kingship He is a true rebel, who came to disrupt the unjust world order, who started a rebellion against the oppression of others in the name of religion, progress, knowledge, politics, and wealth.

To equate the Son of God with the wicked has become a grace to lift all the wicked of all times to the heights of God's sonship. This is by no means an acceptance of human meanness, but a way to finally get out of it, towards the yet unimaginable level of existence. On the cross Jesus not only created but also crossed the bridge over the chasm that separates the hellish reality of death from the heavenly life of paradise. And this is not just a touching story from the past, because each of us is a wicked one and each of us dies on the cross of our own personal life. After all, none of us have escaped the grasp of original sin.

At the same time, this passage of the Gospel is a perfect image of two Sacraments of the Church: the Sacrament of Reconciliation, because it is the sacrament of reconciliation not only with God, but also with the consequences of one's faults, or in other words, the sacrament of resignation from rebellion against God. The criminal asks Jesus to remember him as if he were asking for absolution. He agrees to the cross, as his faults are now manifest. He has come to terms with the idea of his physical death, yet he has the courage to see his existence beyond it. The 'beyond' is the second Sacrament present here, the Sacrament of Eucharist, or the Sacrament of God's love. After reconciliation with God and oneself, He opens for us the gates of Paradise, which is nothing else than a Communion with Him. *Today you will be with me in Paradise* is not a promise for the end of times, but for today, because today we can be with Jesus in Communion.

We can get rid of the fear of death, but we cannot get rid of the death itself. Sometimes it may cause us to experience an extreme despair, or hell on earth, stemming from the certainty of our death and the perception of the inevitability of condemnation, because the weight of our sins prevents us from seeing anything worthy of love in ourselves. In some circumstances we might be in a process of slowly dying on the crosses of our sins, while all we need to do is ask Jesus for Paradise, kneel by the confessional, like a repentant criminal, and the Paradise will become available to us in the same moment. The Sacraments of God's Mercy and Love are inseparably connected. Let us never hesitate to ask Jesus for forgiveness, because Paradise can be ours today.

THANKSGIVING SCHEDULE

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 23RD

No Youth Group or Adult Faith Formation
5:00 PM Adoration Ends
6:00 PM Thanksgiving Mass
7:00 PM Blessing of Thanksgiving Foods

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 24TH- THANKSGIVING DAY

Office Closed | No Mass
Free Thanksgiving Dinner
11:00 AM-6:00 PM in the Parish Hall.
All are welcome!

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 25TH

Office Closed | Mass at 12:10 PM

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 27TH

No RE Classes



Pick up a gift tag for a resident of the Guadalupe Apartments beginning next weekend, November 26-27. Return your gift by December 18th. Thank you for your generosity!

Volunteers Needed

We need your help for our Thanksgiving Dinner in the Parish Hall!

Preparation on Wednesday the 23rd

Set up, serving, or clean up on Thursday November 24th.

Please come to the office to sign up.



Thank you for your help!