



Weekly Mass Schedule

Tuesday, November 27 8:15 AM
 † Mary Curley

Wednesday, November 28 8:15 AM
 † Joyce Klaas

Thursday, November 29 8:15 AM
 † Diane Heinrichs

Friday, November 30 8:15 AM
(Saint Andrew, Apostle)
 † Helen Muench

Saturday, December 1 8:15 AM
(Blessed Virgin Mary)
 Robert Smith & His Family
5:00 PM
 Living & Deceased Members of
 Catholic Financial Life

Sunday, December 2 7:30 AM
First Sunday of Advent
 People of Our Parish
9:30 AM
 Kessa Klaas & Her Family

RECONCILIATION

Before Daily & Sunday Masses
Saturday at 4:00 PM

Face-to-face reconciliation by appointment only.

OFFICE HOURS:

Mondays, Tuesdays & Wednesdays:
 9 am to 5 pm
Thursdays & Fridays:
 9 am to 2 pm

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

November 17 & 18

Church Support Envelopes \$3,574.00
 Offertory Cash \$575.00
 Children's Offertory \$50.00
 Weekly Electronic Giving \$988.00
 Mid-Month Electronic Giving . . . \$3,618.00
Total \$8,805.00

Budgeted Offertory for Nov . . . \$34,172.00
 Offertory Received in Nov \$24,848.00
Budgeted Amount Still Needed . . . \$9,324.00

Monthly Offertory Comparison

October 2018 (5 weeks) \$33,772.00
October 2017 (5 weeks) \$38,286.00

From Our Pastor:

This Sunday, the Church celebrates the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ the King. Advent begins next Sunday, December 2, and we once again prepare to celebrate the birthday of Jesus Christ, the source of all love and mercy.

What happens when we let Jesus be King of our lives? When we let Jesus reign in our heart, mind and soul, we are changed forever (see this Sunday's Mass readings, Daniel 7:13-14; Psalm 93; Revelation 1:5-8; John 18:33-37). To let Jesus Christ reign in our life is a decision that we make, by God's grace, not just once in our life, but *each moment of every day* – and so we persevere in turning to Him (grace is a share in God's divine life, His divine power). We embrace the grace of God in prayer, in His Church, Word, Sacraments, Commandments and Teachings, in His Communion of Saints, in living the virtues of faith, hope and love, and in spiritual and corporal works of mercy that God calls us to do, in our love for God and love for our neighbor (see Matthew 25:31-46; Catechism of the Catholic Church, #2447).

Jesus is the King of peace, joy and love. He is the King of all, the Only Savior of the world – therefore, when we give ourselves to Him, we experience a joy and a peace that the world cannot give nor take away from us. "Why, then, do so many people not know Him?" Saint Josemaría Escrivá once asked, "Why do we still hear that cruel protest: 'We do not want Him to reign over us?'" – there are many people in the world who reject Jesus Christ in this way, for they do not know Jesus Christ, the beauty, truth and goodness of His Church, His Word and Sacraments, especially the Eucharist, and His life-affirming, life-giving Teachings. "This sad state of affairs," Saint Josemaría said, "makes me want to atone to our Lord. When I hear the endless clamor – expressed more in ignoble actions than in words – I feel the need to cry out, 'He must reign!'"

To have Jesus Christ reign as King in our lives, we must be humble and consistent. We start by giving Jesus our heart – asking for His grace, being faithful to Him, and turning away from sin, selfishness and pride. To witness to the Kingdom of Christ means that we conform our heart to His, and that we invite others to know and love Him.

As brothers and sisters in Christ, let us pray to renew our commitment to letting Jesus Christ reign in our life, to loving God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit with all our being, and to loving our neighbor as ourselves. Whatever our vocation (married, single, priest, religious), Jesus Christ calls each of us to holiness, to live our life in Him, to allow Him to reign in our life, in all our thoughts, words and deeds. May we receive the love of God into our hearts and be open to His grace so that we can respond to His call to proclaim, as instruments of His love and mercy, that *Jesus Christ is King and He must reign!*

With peace and prayers in Jesus Christ the King,
Fr. William

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Please join us on Wednesday mornings as we enter into the Advent Season, preparing our hearts for the celebration of the birth of our Savior. Our first gathering will be this Wednesday, November 28, beginning at 9:00 a.m. following the 8:15 morning Mass. We will meet in the parish office meeting room, with our sessions wrapping up by 10:30 a.m.

We will also be having an evening Advent offering this Wednesday, November 28, beginning at 6:15 p.m. and ending by 7:30 p.m. **Please note: This will be a repeat of the morning session.** We will meet in the parish office meeting room. If you have any questions, please contact Bill Manthe at the parish office.

FAMILY PROMISE UPDATE

Our week to host families experiencing homelessness is this week, November 25 – December 1. We'll be making phone call reminders to those who have signed up to volunteer, and for any needed food items. Thank you for your generous response in assisting this week! If you have any questions, please call Bill Manthe at 723-4990.



**LITURGICAL SCHEDULE:
DECEMBER 1 & 2**



- 5 PM Lectors:** Tom Schaefer & Bill Manthe
- 5 PM Servers:** Haley, Caden & Tyler Timmerman
- 7:30 AM Lector:** Shayne LaBudda
- 7:30 AM Servers:** Oliviah Webster & Bill Manthe
- 9:30 AM Lectors:** Sam Jonas & Kitty Mumm
- 9:30 AM Servers:** DJ & Nicole Kelley, Josey Hoerth

Lectors: Your new workbooks are available in the sacristy.

FORMED: ADVENT REFLECTIONS!

The new Church year begins next Sunday on December 2 with the First Sunday of Advent. In Advent we reflect upon Christ’s coming in the past, His presence with us now, and His future coming in glory. Advent prepares us to celebrate the birth of our Savior, Jesus Christ. FORMED has developed a simple way to help us prepare our hearts during Advent. “Advent Reflections” is a daily email sent to your inbox from FORMED featuring a 2-minute video from Dr. Timothy Gray, a short Scripture passage and a question for reflection. You don’t need to be registered on FORMED to receive these emails. All you need to do is to go to www.formed.org/promo/advent-reflections-registration and provide your name and email address. It’s that simple! Sign up today for “ADVENT REFLECTIONS” for a more fruitful Advent and joyous Christmas.

To register on FORMED, go to www.FORMED.org. Click on “Enter Code” and enter our parish code: DHYNXC and follow the instructions. If you have any questions, please contact the parish office.

GIVING TREE

Once again our parish will be participating in the Grant County Holiday Project to help families in need. The “Giving Tree” is up and ready for you to help families in need this Christmas. Please return all gift, toiletries, and gift cards to church no later than December 9th. Place gifts and toiletries under the Giving Tree; gift cards and cash need to be placed in the wooden podium by the tree. We have adopted six families who will be very appreciative of our generosity this Christmas. Thank you for helping with this corporal work of mercy.

~Lynn Crooks, Ashleigh Hampton, Cheryl Raisbeck, Emily Schildgen and Sue Schildgen

**AREA COMMUNAL PENANCE SCHEDULE
(WITH INDIVIDUAL CONFESSIONS):**

- Wednesday, Dec. 5, St. Andrew Church, Potosi, 7:30 pm
- Wednesday, Dec. 12, St. Mary, Bloomington, 7:30 pm
- Wednesday, Dec. 19, St. Clement, 7 pm

2019 PARISH CALENDARS

The 2019 Parish Calendars are here and can be picked up in the entrances of the church. We wish to extend a huge Thank You to Greg and Rita Schmitz of Homeward Bound for once again supplying our calendars for us. Thank You Greg and Rita for your generosity!!

THIS WEEK AT ST. CLEMENT

- Sunday, November 25. Family Promise Host Week Begins
- Wednesday, November 28 . . . 9:30 am, Mass at Orchard Manor
. 10:30 am, Mass at Atrium Post Acute Care
. RE classes; Grades K-6 (6-7 pm); Grades 7-9 (7-8:30 pm)
- Friday, November 30 8:15 am, All School Mass
- Saturday, December 1. . Firemen’s Christmas Party, Dining Hall

**RESPECT LIFE AND HOME MISSION
COLLECTION NOTE**

Through your generosity, we collected \$490.00 for Respect Life and \$3,454.00 for the Diocese of Jackson, Mississippi (Home Mission). Thank you.

GET READY FOR THE NEW YEAR...

...The new Church Year that is, which begins next Sunday with the 1st Sunday of Advent. In the coming days, take a few moments to get out, or purchase, your Advent wreath and candles, and an Advent calendar, so that next Sunday doesn’t catch you by surprise. Also, pick up the December edition of *Magnificat* and/or the Advent edition of *The Word Among Us*. Reading and meditating upon the Advent daily readings is an excellent way to prepare for the birthday of our Lord Jesus Christ. In addition to the Advent Reflections on FORMED, you can also sign up for daily emails from Dynamic Catholic by going to BestAdventEver.com. As we proclaim Christ the King today, may we prepare for His coming again in glory by keeping Advent well.

COME SEE OUR TREE!

St. Clement Parish will once again be participating in the *Festival of Trees* that will be held at the Schreiner Memorial Library. As in previous years, students from our school and religious education programs will be making the decorations that adorn our tree. It’s always a brilliant tree when finished, and in the past, has placed high in the vote for favorite tree! The tree has been a beautiful statement of our faith, and of the love of Emmanuel, God with us. Come and check out the creative work of our kids, and that of many others in the community. The Festival of Trees will be held at the public library beginning this Friday, November 30 through Monday, December 3.

SAINT CLEMENT SCHOOL

SCRIP WARS

Saint Clement School students are now competing in our annual SCRIP War Competition. The class that recruits their family and friends to purchase the most SCRIP from now until December 23rd will be declared the winner. The winning class will then get the opportunity to present a \$100 donation to Family Promise on their behalf, as we continue to look for ways in which we can live our faith by serving others. In addition, if we reach our goal of \$125,000 worth of SCRIP during the competition, all students will be rewarded with a special pajama party! So, please stop by the SCRIP table after Mass to get a jump start on your Christmas shopping and be sure to let us know which class you would like to receive credit for your purchases. Thank you all once again for your continued support of our students and our wonderful parish school!!!