



Our Lord Jesus Christ,  
King of the Universe  
November 25, 2018

Dear Members and Friends of St. Mary's/  
St. Patrick's, and St. Peter's Cathedral:

"And his Kingdom will have no end," is the final line of the second article of the Nicene Creed. Having affirmed the full divinity of Christ – "Light from Light, true God from true God" – the Nicene fathers made sure to finish the second article with these resounding words. Christ's Kingdom will have no end; he is the world's Lord and King forever.

It is an astonishing claim; we should never let it become a matter of routine. The King who reigns for ever is the crucified Jew, Jesus of Nazareth. And that is infinitely good news for us. The world has had and still has plenty of kings. Among them there have been just, wise and good ones, but even in the tradition of Israel the Old Testament makes it clear that there were more bad ones than good ones. Concentrations of power in the hands of flawed, sinful human beings tend to turn out badly, as we can see daily in dictatorships throughout the world. Yet human beings retain a stubborn faith that when the right one is in charge all will be well.

That stubborn hope for the strong leader who will set things right – a hope articulated by different factions about our present and previous presidents – does reflect something real. Like all human hopes and aspirations it articulates the longing for the Good, indeed for the Perfect. God has created us to long for fulfillment in him. The human tragedy is always a result of seeking fulfillment where it cannot be truly found. The longing for the perfect ruler is one of the most dangerous forms of that quest.

Our confidence in Christ our King is different from ordinary human aspirations. Jesus was by such standards a failure. It is hard to fail more extravagantly than to be brutally executed as a common criminal. Crucifixion was designed not just to kill but to torture and degrade. But God raised him up and thus showed why he was to be trusted and why the Kingdom he preached – 'not of this world' as he said to Pilate – was the true Kingdom of God. In a crucified King we can place our trust.

In the name of Christ the King,

Fr. Klein  
Rector

#### **Pray for the Sick**

Darlene Bargelski, Facenda Burton, Michael Dineen, Helen Dugan, Cal Fuhrmann, Jaxon Gardner, Valencia Giannantonio, Ann Hagan, David Kidd, Kathy Kingsley, Fr. Leonard Klein, Rita Lynam, Bill Marshall, Barbara Mondzelewski, Francesca Olivere, Alice Goetz O'Neill, Teresa Rodriguez, Earlene Roles, John Sarnecky, Howard Scott, Cheryl Smith and Olga Yapou.

#### **Birthday Wishes**

Prayers and warm wishes for the following parishioner who has a birthday this week: **November 24:** Anna Conner

#### **History Book in Celebration of the 150th Anniversary**

"Rejoicing in the Lord," has been published to help commemorate the 150th anniversary of the Catholic Diocese of Wilmington. This is a hard-cover, 336-page, full-color, glossy 10 x 10 book that features histories and photographs of all Catholic churches in Delaware and Maryland's Eastern Shore. Books will be available after all Masses in the back of Church. The cost is \$35.00 per copy. If you would like to reserve a copy while supplies last, please call the Parish Office at (302) 654-5920 or email [cathedralstp@comcast.net](mailto:cathedralstp@comcast.net).

### Masses/Services for the Week

<b>Saturday, Nov. 24</b>	
4:00 PM	Sr. DeSales McNamee, D.C.
<b>Sunday, Nov. 25</b>	<b>(Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe)</b>
8:00 AM	Parishioners
11:00 AM	Eugene Gronboldt
<b>Monday, Nov. 26</b>	
12:10 PM	Sr. Mary George Barlow, D.C.
<b>Tuesday, Nov. 27</b>	
12:10 PM	Leonard R. Klein (L)
<b>Wednesday, Nov. 28</b>	
12:10 PM	Sr. Mary George Barlow, D.C.
<b>Thursday, Nov. 29</b>	
12:10 PM	Phyllis Rossillo
<b>Friday, Nov. 30</b>	<b>(F, Saint Andrew, Apostle)</b>
12:10 PM	Roger Ressemeyer
<b>Saturday, Dec. 1</b>	
4:00 PM	Judith Coombs-Convery
<b>Sunday, Dec. 2</b>	<b>(First Sunday of Advent)</b>
8:00 AM	Parishioners
11:00 AM	Dorothy Mahoney

### Catholic Forum

Next Sunday, December 2, tune in to WDEL 101.7 FM, 1150 AM or [www.wdel.com](http://www.wdel.com) at 6:05 AM to hear part one of a four-part Advent series with Father Richard Jasper, Associate Pastor of St. Ann Church.

### Cemetery Update

Cathedral, All Saints and Gate of Heaven Cemeteries are offering families the option of purchasing Christmas decorations directly from our cemeteries. These decorations are individually crafted by a local vendor. Cemetery personnel will place these decorations on the graves/crypts of your loved ones beginning in early December. The deadline for ordering is December 6, 2018. Your purchase helps support the ministry of our cemeteries. For more information and an on line order form log on to [cdow.org/order-decorations](http://cdow.org/order-decorations) or call the cemetery office at (302) 656-3323. Cathedral Cemetery will also be processing orders for Gate of Heaven Cemetery. Thank you for your support.

### Book of Sacred Liturgy

*Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe*  
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Readings/Responsorial Psalm Pg. 466  
To Jesus Christ Our Sovereign King #877  
Crown Him with Many Crowns #878

### Word of Life

"Let us rededicate ourselves this year to recognizing the reign of Jesus Christ and his Sacred Heart in every aspect of our lives."

—USCCB Office of Religious Liberty "Solemnity of Christ the King" Bulletin Insert

### St. Peter's School Fundraiser

Save the date! St. Peter's Cathedral School Christmas Fundraising event will take place on Saturday, December 8 from 11 AM to 3 PM in the school auditorium. Come and take chances on our elegant baskets and a variety of raffles. Refreshments will be available. All are invited!

### Festival of Lessons and Carols Sunday, December 9 at 2:00 PM

Join the Cathedral community for an hour of peace in the midst of a busy season: Advent Scriptures and music, time for meditation, seasonal songs and hymns. No admission fee; free-will donations will benefit *The Cathedral of St. Peter School*.

### Vocation Reflection

Today the Book of Revelation tells us that "Jesus Christ is *the* faithful witness." By virtue of our baptism, each of us is called to be a faithful witness to the wonderful things our God has done for women and men. Are you being called to give witness as a religious or as a priest? Are you *willing*? Let's talk. Call or write Fr. Norm Carroll, Diocesan Director of Priestly and Religious Vocations (302) 573-3113; [vocations@cdow.org](mailto:vocations@cdow.org). Please visit our website: [www.cdow.org/vocations!](http://www.cdow.org/vocations!)

### Employment Opportunities

The Diocese of Wilmington/Catholic Charities offers employment opportunities for full-time or part-time positions. For more information or to apply, visit [Careerbuilder.com](http://Careerbuilder.com) EOE.

