November 22, 2026
Christ the King Sunday



Mass Intentions

Saturday Nov. 21 - 5:00pm
† Gus & Helen Dudlek
Sunday Nov. 22 - 9:00am
◊ Mass for the People
Monday Nov. 23 - 8:30am
† Helen & Stephen Sefcik
Tuesday Nov. 24 - 8:30am
† Mindy Mannia
Thursday Nov. 26 - 9:00am
† Vaughn E. Whisker
Saturday Nov. 28 - 5:00pm
† James Rodeck Jr.
Sunday Nov. 29 - 9:00am
◊ Mass for the People

Sanctuary Candle
Deceased Members of the Beldyk & Woerner Families

From the Pastor

This weekend we celebrate the Solemnity of Christ the King. The end of this week marks the end of our Church Liturgical year. Next Sunday we will begin the Season of Advent.

I hope you have a wonderful Thanksgiving this Thursday with family and friends. Please plan to join us at our Mass of Thanksgiving this week.

Because of the holiday on Thursday, **we will not have Mass on Friday.**

Fr. Dave



Mass on Thanksgiving Day
November 26th
will be at 9am in our church

Join us as we give thanks for all the blessings our nation and our parish have received this past year.

The St Paul's conference of the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul provides assistance to those in need within our parish boundaries - if you are in need, please call our hotline 302-597-6099 and know that we treat all requests as private. We also provide bags of food and personal items for homeless people in our Dioceses. Last year we asked for donations of socks (new or clean used socks) as part of our **"Warm Soles for the Homeless"** campaign. Your generosity made that effort so successful that we are making the same request again this year. So please consider donating socks during this holiday season - we are also accepting donations of ready-to-eat items like snack bars and protein shakes. Just place your donation under the statue of Saint Joseph and we will collect it. Thank you and may God bless you and your family during this holiday season!

Dear Padre

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Why do some parishes have only priests who can't speak English well?

The short answer to your question is that in many instances, a diocese does not have enough priests to staff all its parishes. In this case, the bishop "recruits" priests from parts of the world where the number of priests is more abundant.

This is not a new practice. In the 1830s, American bishops were recruiting priests from Europe to staff the parishes in the United States. As a result, men like St. John Neumann and Blessed Francis Seelos came to the United States. They worked not only for the German immigrants, whose language they knew because they were German themselves, but also for the Irish, the French-speaking, the Native Americans, and any other Catholic group that needed Catholic pastoral service.

In the first half of the twentieth century, the American Church was able to send missionaries to Latin America, Asia, and Africa, where there were not enough Catholic priests. The Maryknoll Missionaries, for instance, were founded for this purpose.

Today, the situation has reversed. The places with the most Catholic priests are in Asia, Africa, and some Latin American countries, as well as in Eastern Europe. If these men are willing to make the sacrifice of leaving their homeland, family, and friends to serve us, shouldn't we make the effort to show some gratitude and hospitality to them? ●

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