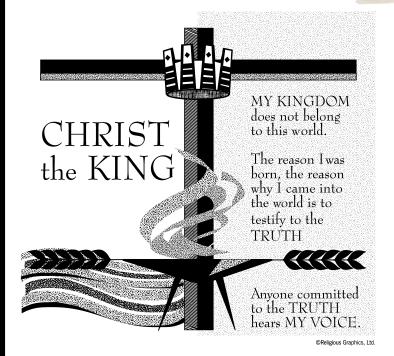
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HOLY CROSS PARISH

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Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ the King

November 21, 2021

The Lord is King; He is robed in majesty!

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Holy Mass

Mon- Fri, 9 am Sat, 5 pm Sun, 8:30 am & 11 am



Mass is livestreamed on Facebook weekdays, Sat 5 pm, & Sun 11 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Sat 3-4 pm or by appointment.

Mission Statement

There are different ministries, but the same Lord. You then are the Body of Christ.

Everyone of you is a member of it.

1 Corinthians 12:5 & 27

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This Week at Holy Cross

Mon Nov 22

9 am- Mass

Tue Nov 23

9 am- Mass

Wed Nov 24

9 am- Mass 5:30 pm- RCIA

Thu Nov 25 (Happy Thanksgiving!)

*10 am- Mass

Fri Nov 26

Parish Office Closed

9 am- Mass

Sat Nov 27

1 pm- Legion of Mary- Conference Room

3-4 pm - Confessions

5 pm- Mass- For the People of the Parish

6-6:15 pm-Dist. of Holy Communion

Sun Nov 28

8:30 am- Mass

NO FAITH FORMATION CLASS THIS WEEKEND

11 am- Mass

12-12:15 pm- Dist. of Holy Communion

Parish wide meetings in January 2022!



Readings for Nov 28, 2021 First Sunday of Advent

Jeremiah 33:14-16

I will raise up for David a just shoot.

Psalm 25:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14

To you, O Lord, I lift my soul.

Thessalonians 3:12-4:2

May the Lord strengthen your hearts at the coming of our Lord Jesus.

Luke 21:25-28, 34-36

Your redemption is at hand.

Reflection

On this feast of Christ the King of the Universe, how is you life affected by living it under the kingship of Jesus?

The Timeless Incarnation

The Christ is not the same as Jesus. Now don't be shocked, don't be scandalized, don't think I've lost faith. Jesus has existed only for 2,000 years. The Christ, the King of the Universe, the pattern of all things, has existed, according to our present understanding of the universe, for 14.6 billion years.

From the best we know through science, the Big Bang is when God first decided to show God's self. That's the original Incarnation, or the Alpha point. We're the first people who ever had a name and approximate date for it. Now our telescopes reveal that this universe is still expanding. After 14.6 billion years it's still moving outward from the first explosion. The Christ is still unfolding, just as Paul said in Romans (8:18-23). Perhaps the Second Coming of Christ is when, as scientists predict will happen, the whole thing stops expanding and in a quick moment everything will implode and return to the Source. . . .

I don't know if this is how it will happen. We don't need to know. Last week's Gospel said this very thing. We don't need to worry about it. It's not our problem. But what we do know is that the Alpha and the Omega are the same thing. What God revealed as *Plan A*—the Christ, to reveal who God is in the universe, in creation, in every creature, in everything that exists on this planet and all planets right now—is a revelation of the mystery of God from beginning to end. . . .

That's why, in a moment of time, this eternal Christ mystery came as a person that you and I call Jesus. Creation itself is the timeless Incarnation which we call Christ, and Jesus is the personal Incarnation born in a moment of time when we could begin to understand and love a person. Christianity is the religion which dares to believe this. Do you realize what a daring belief system we have?! Can you really believe that one ordinary looking man, born in a little dusty town in Palestine, is the eternal blueprint of what God has been doing since the beginning of time "in Christ"? That is what we believe when we say we believe in both "Jesus" and "Christ."

Fr. Richard Rohr, Sick, and You Cared for Me

Richard Rohr, OFM, is a globally recognized ecumenical teacher. His teaching is grounded in practices of contemplation and lived kenosis (self-emptying), expressing itself in radical compassion, particularly for the socially marginalized.

On the way home from Mass...

When you think of a king and a kingdom what comes to mind? What does a good king do, say and look like? How does Jesus compare to the world's image of a king?



Confirmandi Service Projects

1. "Card Party" This Weekend

"Do small things with great love." -Mother Teresa Reminder: Please join us for a few minutes after Masses this weekend for a card-making party; let's make welcome cards for our refugee brothers and sisters coming to Alaska!

2. Gift Card Drive (now through Dec. 5)

This project benefits families in the Anchorage School District Child in Transition program (homeless families), teen moms, and school-referred families in need of assistance. Please purchase **gift cards** for food, clothing or toys (Carrs, Fred Meyers, Walmart, Target, Red Apple, Costco, Fast Food) and bring the gift cards with you to church. Place gift card into a pre-labeled envelop, and into the collection basket. See the table in the foyer for more information!

Faith Formation

Nov 28: no class (Happy Thanksgiving!)

Dec. 5: K-5 in classrooms, 6+ and parents in Family Session

Poinsettia Season!

Art & Environment members will sell \$10 coupons for Bell's Nursery poinsettia plants. These poinsettias are beautiful and reasonable. Visit either Bell's store to choose your plants. Using the profits we decorate our sanctuary for Christmas. Purchase the coupons early! Decorate your homes and offices, give as gifts, or you may donate funds for the Holy Cross sanctuary plants. Coupons are on sale after all Masses or call Marilyn Kerr at 441-3082.

New Event: Men's Social Night

Shake off those COVID blues and join us Dec. 1 from 7-9pm for a men's social gathering. Includes free pizza and drinks and is open to all men of all ages. Bring and share your expertise on your favorite hobby, or come and learn (Roger Holland is bringing his drone and snow machines). For more info, contact Roger at 351-8277 or Matt Williams at 562-0188.

United in Mission

Thank you for helping us cross-check our records! If you are a parishioner and didn't receive a letter from Fr. Pat (or, if your letter had errors), please let us know, so we can update info!



Community Night

Nov. 30 & Dec. 14 5:30-7:00pm Open to all! RSVP for meal: 306-9363



Parish Christmas Party

Sunday, Dec. 19 9:30am - 10:45am All families welcome!

Immaculate Conception Holy Day

Mass Times: Dec. 8 9:00am & 7:00pm



Dec. 5, 9:45-10:45am

Dec. 7, 6-7pm

Dec. 12, 9:45-10:45am Most Saturdays, 3-4pm



Christmas Mass Times:

Dec. 24 5:00pm & midnight Dec. 25

8:30am & 11:00am

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR NEXT WEEK (NOV 27/28)						
Mass	Music	Sacristan	Servers	Readers	EM of Communion	Hospitality
Sat	Anna Schulten	N/A	N/A	Ted Walker	Jerika Manaois	Matt Williams
5 pm	(musicians & choir			Julia Morrison-Lugo		Deb Seidl
	walk-ins welcome)					Susan Gallardo
Sun	Lead instrumentalist	N/A	N/A	Kristin Rehmann	Isty Hlasny	John Hoppe
8:30 am	needed. To volunteer,			Pam Webb		Jason Hlasny
	call Sheila: 250-6234					
Sun	Sheila Soukup	N/A	N/A	Megan Green	Ninia Dizon	Theresa Mitchell
11 am	(musicians & choir					Teresa Cortes
	walk-ins welcome)					Mercy Acheson

PARISH MINISTRIES SERVICE TEAM

Altar Servers - Jess Manaois: 230-9418

Art & Environment - Marilyn Kerr: 346-1624

Baked Goods - Joan Karcz: 344-0168

Blessed Sacrament Monastery - Sandon Broek: 947-9168

Clare House - Leslie Holland: 770-0847

Faith Formation - Anna Schulten: 306-9363

Church Maintenance - Mike Likar: 529-9015 Eucharistic Ministers - John Hoppe: 350-7580

Finance - Greg Magee: 575-3197

Habitat for Humanity - John & Anita Roberts: 344-7144

Hospitality - Joy Maglaqui: 360-5133

Knights of Columbus - James Hogins: 229-3163

Lawn and Garden - Kirsten Hoppe: 248-1653

Legion of Mary - Mercy Acheson: 223-4822

Library- Debi Wickler: 952-1879

Music Ministry - Sheila Soukup: 250-6234

Prayer Chain - Joan Gillis: 346-3147 **Readers** - Jason Hlasny: 242-6655

RCIA - Sandon Broek: 947-9168

Sacristan - Matthew Williams: 562-0188

Snow Plowing - Vince Garroutte: 522-3647

Vocations - Sister Joan Oberle: 349-8388



To sign up for consistent online giving please visit holycrossalaska.net/give

TITHING UPDATE How did we do last week in meeting our weekly offertory goal? Weekly Offertory Goal: \$ **Weekly Tithing Period:** 11/8-14/2021 **Income Sources** Weekly Collections: \$ 5,602 Holy Day/Holiday Collections: \$ Online Giving: \$ 2,400 Total: \$ 8,002 Over /(Under) Goal: \$ 1,425 Actual vs. Goal (%): 121.7% Year to Date (YTD) Income Comparison: Actual versus Budget Total Incomes for FY22 YTD Period FY22 YTD Period: 7/1/2021 to 09/30/2021 25.0% FY22 YTD Complete (%): 342,000 Annual Budget Total Income FY 2022: \$ Actual Total Income for Period: \$ 86,210 Budget Total Income for Period: \$ 85,500 Over /(Under) Budget for Period: \$ 710 Actual vs. Budget for Period (%): 25.2% Breakdown of Actual Total Income for FY22 YTD Period FY22 YTD Period: 7/1/2021 to 09/30/2021

Weekly Collections (Basket/Mail): \$ 46,831 54.3% Holy Day/Holiday Collections (Basket/Mail): \$ 100 0.1%

Online Giving: \$ 39,279 45.6%

2021 United in Mission Annual Appeal (Rebates): \$ - 0.0%

Total: \$ 86,210 100.0%

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