

Saint  
**Boniface**  
CATHOLIC CHURCH

Parish  
Weekly

November 18th, 2018

**Reconciliation**

Sundays  
10:15 - 10:45 AM

**Sunday Mass**

8:30 & 11 AM

**Office Hours**

9 AM - 2 PM  
Monday - Thursday

**November 25th ~ Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe (Fr. Adam)**

8:30 AM ~ Memory of the deceased Schnurr Family +

11 AM ~ People of the Parish

**December 2nd ~ First Sunday of Advent (Fr. Adam)**

8:30 AM ~ JoLee McGrath +

11 AM ~ People of the Parish

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**Welcome to Saint Boniface!**

Everyone is invited to be a member of the parish by registering as either a member or associate member. Cards are available at the doors of the church.

**Change of Address?** Please notify Patty in the Parish Office of any changes to your family records.

**Stewardship**, lifetime of opportunity, responsibility, and accountability.

**Have you remembered** Saint Boniface in your will?

Saint Boniface is a Roman Catholic Church in the heart of downtown Louisville and has been ministering to the local community *since 1836*. We are a community formed by the Word of God, the Sacraments and the Tradition of the Catholic Church. We strive to be a catalyst for positive change in our neighborhood. We put the faith we have received into action through a variety of social outreach programs, namely: Saint John's Day Center for Homeless Men, Central Louisville Community Ministries (CLCM), and by assisting Nativity Academy in their mission to educate at-risk youth. In these efforts we strive to be a refuge for those in need, and offer hope to our surrounding community.

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From  
the  
Pastor's



Desk

**"Pilate said to Jesus, 'Are you the King of the Jews?' Jesus answered, 'Do you say this on your own or have others told you about me?' Pilate answered, 'I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests handed you over to me. What have you done?' Jesus answered, 'My kingdom does not belong to**

**this world. If my kingdom did belong to this world, my attendants would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not here.'"**

This man, Jesus, stands before Pilate accused of being the King of the Jews. It's remarkable, really. Born in the little town of Bethlehem, likely never traveling more than 100 miles from the place of his birth, and growing up in Nazareth (can anything good come from there), his public ministry only lasted three years. No army followed him and even though he had some public success, almost everyone who cheered him also abandoned him. Perhaps Pilate is being sarcastic. It's hard to imagine him seriously asking Jesus if he's the King of the Jews. He knows he's not. Pilate might just be seeking to find out if Jesus is delusional enough to believe he is the King of the Jews, as he has been accused of claiming by his own people and chief priests. Is this man, Jesus, that crazy?

Pilate can't believe his ears. Jesus is more crazy. "My kingdom does not belong to this world." Jesus is King of more than Israel, more than the Roman Empire, more than the Earth. We might be placated to think that Jesus is King of Heaven, an eternal spiritual realm. But that's not really it, completely. Jesus is redefining kingship. He is not a political human king, but the king of God's realm: of creation (everything that exists), revelation (truth), and salvation (God's action). Jesus is the king of all reality, seen and unseen. Theological reflection through the centuries has brought clarity to our understanding of the Second Person of the Trinity: his role in creation, revelation, and salvation. To Pilate, he had to appear crazy. Theology has made Jesus's claim more understandable for us, but the centuries of growth in knowledge have not made his claim any more believable.

Traditionally, we call this weekend the Feast of Christ the King, but it's official title is the Solemnity of Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. To take our understanding of creation, the universe as it were, as an example, our knowledge today is so much greater than what Pilate knew. The universe, which is all of space and time, began about 13.8 billion years ago. It has been expanding ever since, and is expanding now at an accelerated pace. Space, itself, (hold on) is expanding. It's not just that the edge of the universe is growing, but that everything in between is growing, too. This means that we, on earth, can observe the distant past of stars from the light they emitted close to 13.8 billion years ago, but which are now 46 billion light years away (try not to get a headache). The observable universe from earth has a diameter of about 93 billion light years, but since the universe is expanding faster than the speed of light, it may be many times larger than we can or ever will be able to observe (ouch!). Just in what we can observe, there are 100 billion galaxies with an estimated average of 100 billion stars each (our own Milky Way has 300 billion). Jesus didn't claim to be a political king, but to be King of All. He was either crazy, or he is God.

Fr. Jeff

## Servers for this Week

8:30 a.m. Mass

Server: Ed Hilbert

Lector: Charles Gazaway

Gift Bearers: Cathy and Gary Zirnheld

Eucharistic Ministers: Mary Ellen Hilbert, Maggie Spink

Hospitality Ministers: Carol Cook, Kim McCoy

11:00 a.m. Mass

Server: Paul Wright, Debbie Hornback

Lector: Fred Williams

Gift Bearers: Dawn and Bruce Wibbels

Eucharistic Ministers: Carlotta Ingram, Charlotte Barton

Hospitality Ministers: Bobby Camfield, Jimmy York

*If you are interesting in serving please contact Charles Gazaway at 502.553.0317 or cgazaway@outlook.com*



**Ministry Team**

## Prayer Requests

Al Pepper  
Jeff Wenzel

*If you would like to add someone to the prayer list, please call the church office at 584.4279.*





**Seniors...**will be meet Saturday, December 1st for our annual Christmas Party! We will have a potluck meal with meat, beverages and desserts provided.

We will be making Christmas crafts to be delivered to shut-ins. Please RSVP to the church by Wednesday, November 28th.

**Young Adult Bible Study...**on the prophets will continue this Wednesday, at 5:30 pm in the parish office. This Bible study will meet on a weekly basis on Wednesday's.

**Save the Date!** Central Louisville Ministries (CLCM) Holiday Trivia is Saturday, December 8th, hosted at the Central Presbyterian Church. Doors open at 6:30 pm and Trivia begins at 7:00 pm. Set up is tables of six with a suggested donation of \$10.00 per person. The winning table receives \$100.00. Donations of baked goods are appreciated. Concessions will be available. RSVP your table name to [clcmoffice@gmail.com](mailto:clcmoffice@gmail.com). Walk ins and individuals are welcome. Come and join a table! Central Presbyterian Church has parking behind the church, off of the alley, and at the corner lot at 3rd and Kentucky.

**Conversations...**For the November issue of Conversations with Archbishop Kurtz, Chancellor Dr. Brian Reynolds and Archbishop Kurtz discuss the issue of sexual abuse by clergy or other representatives of the Church. They welcome special guests Judge John Laun to talk about the work of the Archdiocese of Louisville Sexual Abuse Review Board and Martine Siegel as the Victim Assistance Coordinator for the Archdiocese. Conversations airs on the Faith Channel (Spectrum channels 19 and 279). In addition, Conversations can be downloaded for no charge through Itunes and is always available online at [www.archlou.org/conversations](http://www.archlou.org/conversations).

**Mass Intentions...**we are now looking at the 2019 calendar and have two masses per week that need intentions. Please call the church office if you would like for your intention to be included.



**Parenting Pointers...** Thanksgiving dinner may be over but if you still have family gathered around you this weekend find ways to celebrate family. Play games, take walks, have long talks, tell jokes. If you must shop, ask your child to "adopt" a needy child and share a gift with them.



**Angel Tree for Nativity...**Thank you for considering participating in our Annual Angel Tree. All Angels are from students families at Nativity Academy. Suggested

gifts are written on each angel. Please attach the angel as a gift tag on your wrapped gift and return it to church on Sunday, December 9th. If you prefer to use our volunteer shoppers, you may choose to attach your check to an angel and return it to church or school before December 9th. The suggested amount for angels for the children is \$60.

**Marriage Moments...** What does it mean to be a king, or queen, or present, or indeed anyone with power? Jesus reminds us, "My kingdom does not belong to this world." (John 18:36) Look at your spouse today and see beyond the power struggles of who is in charge or most right. Recommit to sacrificing your life for them.

**Liturgy Formation, Module I...**will begin in February of 2019. The Liturgy Formation Program offers the opportunity for participants to gain a deeper understanding of the rituals we celebrate and a greater knowledge of liturgical ministry. Through twelve classes—which provide a basic understanding of liturgy, the liturgical year, liturgical ministry, liturgical, and the celebration of the Mass—the Liturgy Formation Program aims to assist in promoting the fruitful celebration of the liturgy throughout the archdiocese. The first module of six classes will be offered in the Winter of 2019 and the second module of six classes will be offered in the Fall of 2019. Liturgy formation is open to all parishioners but would be especially beneficial for Worship and Music directors, Worship Committees, Liturgy Preparation Teams, Musicians, Deacons and Sacristans. Call the Office of Worship at 636.0296 x 1260 to sign up.

**Archdiocese of Louisville Communion Minister Formation Update Sessions...**will be held on Monday, December 10th from 7—9 pm at Our Lady of Lourdes Church OR Wednesday, December 12th from 1:30—3:30 pm at St. Brigid.

**St. John Center Collection...**will be on the First Sunday of the month, which is next weekend. They are in need of ground coffee, coffee creamer, sugar, artificial sweetener, coffee stirs, 55 gallon drumliners, Kleenex, toilet paper, paper towels, rain ponchos, disposable razors, bathroom deodorizer spray, q-tips, copy paper, stamps, gift cards (Kroger, Walmart, Target, etc)



## Next week's readings....

1st Reading—Jeremiah 33:14-16

2nd Reading—1 Thess. 3:12-4:2

Gospel Reading—Luke 21:25-28,34-36



## November 18th, 2018 Collection Report

\$4230.00	Needed for weekly expenses
\$4078.34	Regular Collection
\$278.00	Online Collection
\$4356.34	Total Weekly Collection
\$+126.34	Over for the week
\$142.00	Other Income

*Regular use of your offertory envelopes assures that you are kept as an active member of the parish.*

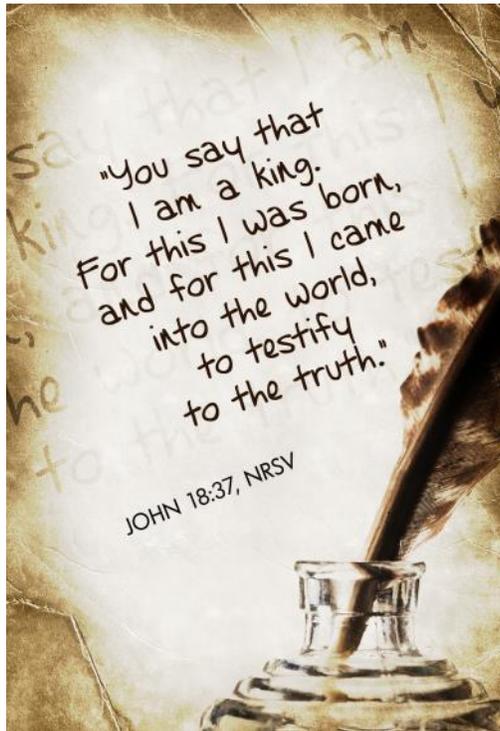
## Introduction to the Liturgy of the Day

Today we celebrate the Solemnity of Christ the King, acknowledging that Jesus Christ is above all temporal rulers, past, present, or future. We also recognize that Jesus Christ should reign in our lives, guiding us in our thoughts, our decisions, and our conduct. In both the universe that is the entire world and the universe that is our own heart, Jesus Christ is Lord.

### Today's Focus:

#### A True King, King of Truth

We live in a shifting time, when people are replacing what is true with what they believe is true. In Christ, we know what a true king is, though it may not match up with what other believe a king to be.



## Reflection on the Gospel

The scene is between Jesus and Pilate. Jesus claims he is a king. Pilate, vested with the power to execute, debates the meaning of truth. He doesn't see the incarnation of truth, the King of Kings, standing before him. In Pilate's blindness, he will put him to death as King of the Jews. What Pilate said in mockery was utterly true. As Jesus underwent death before his exaltation, so must we. Our own path to glory, exaltation, and ultimate resurrection comes through

a dying to self.

*"...everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice." John 18:37*

## Consider/Discuss

*How do you describe the truth that Jesus came to share with us?*