

**November 22, 2020**  
**Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe**



**Holy Rosary Church**

405 S. Main St.  
 Monroe City, MO 63456

Fr. Greg Oligschlaeger, Pastor  
 Email: [gregolig@gmail.com](mailto:gregolig@gmail.com)

Deacon Mike Long  
[deaconmikelong@gmail.com](mailto:deaconmikelong@gmail.com)

Office: 573-735-4718 Fax: 573-735-0713  
 Email: [hrosarymc@gmail.com](mailto:hrosarymc@gmail.com)

Website: [www.holyrosarychurchmc.org](http://www.holyrosarychurchmc.org)

Office hours: Monday-Friday 8-4

**WEEKEND MASSES:**

**Holy Rosary:** Saturday 5:30 p.m. & Sunday 9:30 a.m.  
**St. Stephen:** Sunday 8:00 a.m.

**WEEKDAY MASSES:**

Tuesday, Wednesday – 7:30 a.m.  
 Thursday – 8:00 a.m.

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

**Holy Rosary:** Saturday 4:00 - 5:00 p.m.  
**St. Stephen:** Sunday 7:30 a.m. – 7:45 a.m.  
 or anytime by appointment

**Mass Intentions**

<b>Saturday</b> 5:30 p.m.	<b>November 21</b> Gene Pfanner Howard & Anna Moss Facebook Live at Greg Oligschlaeger
<b>Sunday</b> 8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m.	<b>November 22</b> Families of Holy Rosary and St. Stephen Facebook Live at Greg Oligschlaeger Johnny Hays Rita Jo Kendrick & Family You Tube <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=shorturl.at/zNQ57">shorturl.at/zNQ57</a>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>November 23</b> No Scripture Service
<b>Tuesday</b> 7:30 a.m.	<b>November 24</b> Helen Maher
<b>Wednesday</b> 7:30 a.m.	<b>November 25</b> Lamar & Mary Louise Hays
<b>Thursday</b> 8:00 a.m.	<b>November 26</b> Regina Hays
<b>Friday</b>	<b>November 27</b> ~No Mass~
<b>Saturday</b> 5:30 p.m.	<b>November 28</b> Rink & Channie Benson
<b>Sunday</b> 8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m.	<b>November 29</b> Families of Holy Rosary and St. Stephen Margaret Dean Josephine Straub

**Your Gifts to God and Parish**

October 25	\$ 8,036.25
November 1	\$ 8,681.25
November 8	\$ 5,102.00
November 15	\$ 4,448.25

**Intention of Pope Francis:** We pray that the progress of robotics and artificial intelligence may always serve humankind.

**Intention of Bishop McKnight:** For a greater sense of gratitude to God for all blessings received, and a greater sense of our responsibility for the mission of the Church in our parishes.

Please remember to drop off your canned goods in the vestibule for the Hometown Volunteers to help those in need in our community this holiday season.



Dear Parishioners,

**Today is the Thirty-Fourth or last Sunday in Ordinary Time and the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe.** This solemnity celebrates an aspect of the identity of Jesus rather than the life of Jesus. What the world knew of kingship and power is transformed. Rather than thinking of images of Jesus dressed in kingly robes, today's gospel claims Him as King by the sign over His head on the throne of the wooden cross (I.N.R.I. –Jesus Nazarenus ex Iudem--Jesus of Nazareth, King of the Jews).

On the Solemnity of Christ, the King of the Universe, we honor the unique kingship of Christ. His Kingdom is not here: His kingdom is with His Father, and yet it is being mysteriously built in our very midst. Christ's Kingdom is "an eternal and universal kingdom, a kingdom of truth and life, a kingdom of holiness and grace, a kingdom of justice love and peace." (From the Roman Missal-Preface of Christ the King).

Remember your homework that I gave to you last week? With Thanksgiving a few days away and the beginning of Advent next Sunday, this is a good opportunity to review our spiritual journey this past year. How is my relationship with the Lord? What might I change and make my New Year's resolutions that begins next week? Does my resolution include being more charitable and more grateful? Starting off a new year by doing good is always a great idea!

**Next weekend is New Year's Day... the beginning of Advent.** We start anew appreciating the promised gift of God's Son becoming human and dwelling with us on this earth. Prepare well! Pause and pray! After the consumerism fog of Black Friday, let's ask God to help us see what is most important...that we, like the Blessed Virgin Mary, may strive to be God's humble servant and cooperate with the will of God.

Have a blessed Solemnity of Christ the King and appreciate the blessing of being Christ's royal subjects in the ways we share gifts God has given us.

May you and your household have a blessed Thanksgiving Day. Thanksgiving Day Mass will be at 8:00 a.m. on Thursday, November 26<sup>th</sup>. May your gratitude for all God's blessings, gifts and talents lead you to love God, your family, and friends all the more.

Prayers and Blessings,

*Fr. Greg Oligschlaeger*

**Liturgical Ministries**

**November 26 – 8:00 a.m. Mass**

**Servers:** Emily Spalding and Macy Painter

**November 28 - 5:30 p.m. Mass**

**Rosary:** Dorothy Ritter

**Servers:** Aidan Hunter and Keegan Hunter

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Gary Yager, Dorothy Ritter, Kathy Dean

**Lector:** Debbie Watson

**Ushers:** Ron Dean, Regina Miskell, Dennis Moss

**November 29 - 9:30 a.m. Mass**

**Rosary:** Phil & Donna Thompson

**Servers:** Addison Oswald and Raina Stone

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Phyllis Campbell, David Wilson, Linda Willard

**Lector:** Howard Willard

**Ushers:** Scott Hays, Parker Kendrick, Phil Thompson

## Readings for November 29, 2020

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading – Isaiah 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7** Isaiah prophesied, “All our good deeds are like polluted rags; we have all withered like leaves...We are the clay and you are the potter: we are the work of your hands.”

**Responsorial Psalm – Psalm 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19** Lord make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading – 1 Corinthians 1:3-9** Paul wrote, “God is faithful, and by him you were called to fellowship with his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. You are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revelation of our Lord Jesus Christ.”

**Gospel – Mark 13:33-37** Jesus said, “Be watchful! Be alert! You do not know when the time will come...Watch, therefore” whether at sunset, midnight, cock crow or sunrise. “Watch!”

### On the Calendar...

**November 22** – Thanksgiving community service 4 p.m.

**November 23** – Rosary at St. Stephen at 12:00 noon  
Blood Drive at KC Hall

**November 27** – Adoration Chapel closed

Father, your love is as wide as the oceans, As deep as the sea, And as tall as the heavens. May your spirit rise like a mighty wave and come and restore those who are ill. You are the water of life, You are a fresh spring, You are healing rain to all those who are in need. Come Lord!

Please pray for:

Regina Hays	Tim Quinn	P.A. Turnbull
Charlette Schneider	John Kendrick	Bonnie Werner
Michael Kellerman	Deacon Mike Long	Trent Zeiger
Hazel Smith	Sue Gilbert	Natalee Amos
Rosemary Evans	Deanna Buckman	Nick Hays
Jackie Ryan	Logan Maher	Mark Leake
Daniel Patrick Mudd	Troy Ritter	Kenneth Ryan
Bonnie Ess	Barbara Kendrick	Connie Kendrick
Nick Mudd	William P. Smith	Teresa Ritter Toland

**PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL** – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be on Tuesdays and Fridays from 8 a.m. - 8 p.m. until further notice. Everyone is welcome to come at any time during those 12 hours for prayer and adoration. Adoration contacts - Phyllis Campbell, 573-795-2290 or Howard & Linda Willard, 573-735-4552.

**Christmas is Caring** - Holy Rosary and St. Stephens are again helping with Christmas is Caring. The Hometown Volunteers take applications through NECAC from families who may need help providing Christmas presents and food for their families. We usually help anywhere from 70-90 local families, as well as deliver fruit baskets to everyone living in senior housing. The students at HR and the public school participate in a non-perishable food drive the week after Thanksgiving. Those items are then distributed to the families along with a turkey, potatoes, bread, laundry soap, toilet paper and other essentials. Each child in participating families receives one outfit, underwear, socks and 3 Christmas presents. Applicants fill out a list with sizes and requests for presents. The week before Thanksgiving there will be tags at the entrances of the Church with gift requests for the children. These gifts can be put in the baskets at the entrances marked for “Christmas is Caring”. All donations need to be in by December 11. Distribution will be December 22. Monetary donations can be mailed to Shannon Quinn 622 James Lane, Monroe City or dropped in the collection basket and marked Christmas is Caring. My phone number is 573-289-6894.

**Altar Society** – Through your generous support we were able to collect \$ 3,152 from our raffle ticket sales. Thank you for supporting us through this pandemic. The winners were: **\$1000** – Toni Hunter, **\$500** – Kathy Dean, **Quilt** – Marcia Watson, **\$50 C&R gift certificate** – Beverly Walker, Cliff Seward, Charlotte Schneider, Janet Geist

## Catholic Stewardship Appeal

Parish goal -- \$ 24,500

Amount pledged: \$ 12,851

Diocese goal - \$ 2,450,000

Amount pledged - \$ 1,562,506

We are near the end of this year’s Catholic Stewardship Appeal. If you have not yet made a donation or pledge to this year’s appeal, you can find envelopes in the pews this weekend and then after Masses by the exits. For each one of you who chose to give back gratefully to God through a contribution to the CSA, we are deeply appreciative.

**School News** - Classes will NOT be held during the week of November 23. Please follow COVID protocols to prevent the spread of the virus.

We, at Holy Rosary School, are very grateful that we are able to stay in session during these challenging days of the pandemic. Let us continue to pray for one another and do what we can to protect one another.

### Following God’s Lead along with Donna

#### PSR Classes – all grades

- Due to the increase in Covid-19 diagnoses in our community, all students are asked to wear masks while in the building, including while they are seated in their classrooms.
- November 22, 2020 – there will be no breakfast served this week at 7-12 PSR due to the increase in Covid-19 diagnoses.
- No PSR classes will be held during Thanksgiving week. K-6 no class on November 25, 2020; 7-12 no class November 29, 2020.

**New Parish Websites** - are now available. I encourage you to check them out. The websites are wonderful and will be a great tool for our parishes to keep us all connected.

Holy Rosary’s Website - <https://holyroary.diojeffcity.org/>

St. Stephen’s Website - <https://ststephenic.diojeffcity.org/>

**FORMED** - *Advent* – in addition to what is included in the Advent flyer with the bulletin, FORMED also has a 4-episode series entitled *Advent*. We are preparing our homes and shopping lists, but let’s also prepare our hearts for the greatest gift we’ve ever been given. This series explores the mystery of the Incarnation, the Virgin Birth, and the events surrounding the arrival of Jesus. Each episode is less than 20 minutes and there is an *Advent* Leader Guide and *Advent* Study Guide available. You can participate as a family, online in a Zoom, Google Meet, FaceTime, on the phone with family and friends, or even on your own. Don’t let quarantining or social distancing stop you from preparing your heart for Advent.

Please be generous in this week’s special collection for the **Catholic Campaign for Human Development**. In the United States, one in six people lives in poverty. With this collection, you support programs that address the causes of poverty and provide a sustainable future for those struggling across the country. In addition, 25% of the funds we collect will remain in our diocese to fund local antipoverty projects. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this collection and work on the margins. More information about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development can be found at [www.usccb.org/cchd/collection](http://www.usccb.org/cchd/collection).



**Monroe City Community Blood Drive** – sponsored by St. Stephens Church will be *Monday, November 23 from 12:45 to 6:00 p.m.* at the Knights of Columbus Hall. All donations are tested for Covid-19 antibodies. Plasma from antibody-positive donations may help current coronavirus patients in need. Due to COVID all donors are ask to sign up by calling **1-800 RED CROSS**. Please come support the blood drive!