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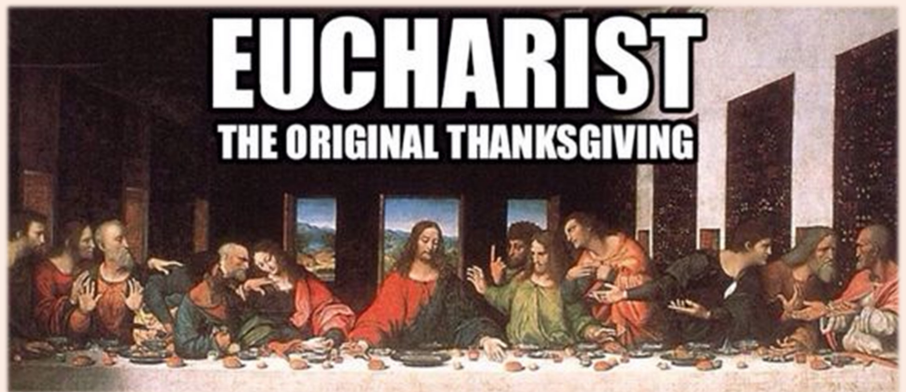


Notes from Fr. Nick

Thanksgiving Dinner & Eucharist

Aside from the fact that *Eucharist* means *Thanksgiving* in Greek, these meals may not look much alike. But when you look at what happens at each meal, their commonality becomes clear. Both meals require special preparation that doesn't happen at most daily meals. Turkey, stuffing, and cranberry sauce might be eaten at other times of year, but they take on a special significance on Thanksgiving Day. Bread and wine are among our most basic foods, but at Eucharist they have sacramental meaning.

On Thanksgiving Day, people gather from near and far. I would venture to say it's the rare family that does not invite somebody from outside their household on this day. So too, the Eucharist is a gathering of the community, rather than just a family. Stories are told around the Thanksgiving table, and the Good News is proclaimed at the Eucharist.



I suppose it would beat the analogy to death to compare the Macy's Parade and football with parish social activities, but you get the idea. Just as you wouldn't limit a description of Thanksgiving dinner to its nutritional value (God forbid!), so it would be grossly inadequate to apply it to the theology of transubstantiation. While both are technically correct, they hardly explain each meal's meaning.

This year, we're all aware of the special challenges we face as we "break bread together." Social distancing and travel restrictions may keep us from the warm embrace of family and friends, but this may make its

New Covid-19 Restrictions

As we went to press, Gov. Newsom announced that Alameda County had been moved into the 'purple', or most restrictive tier. This means that **no more than 10 persons** — priests and musicians included — **may be present in the church at any time**. The Dominican Garden Masses remain unaffected by this change. The parish office will remain open.

importance more prominent. Like we've done with the livestream liturgy and outdoor Mass, we're making special allowances to avoid Covid infection while allowing the meal to symbolize our values. This is not a meal to be eaten alone. Even if you have to join your family or friends via the phone or internet, be sure you connect with them, so that you are engaging in a shared meal, rather than simple nourishment.

Enjoy Thanksgiving Dinner (you can diet later), and participate in the Eucharist however you can. Doing so engages us in acts that define who we are as families, country and Church — this year more than ever!

"Together we share our Faith in Jesus Christ."

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PUBLIC MASSES

Saturday 4:00 pm - Dominican Garden
Sunday 8:00 am - Church

OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday 9:00 am - 5:00 pm
Closed for Lunch: Noon-1:00 pm
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SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

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The Kids' Bulletin

*Feast of Christ the King
 November 22nd, 2020*

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What does God say about His people in the first reading?
 Use the code to find out some of what He said.

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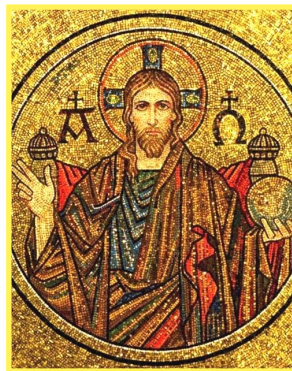
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Gospel Match-Up

In today's Gospel reading, Our Lord tells the people how they will be judged. What did the righteous people do when they found people in need?

See if you can match up the needs on the left with the help on the right!

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| 1. I was hungry and • | • you welcomed me, |
| 2. I was thirsty and • | • you clothed me, |
| 3. a stranger and • | • you gave me drink, |
| 4. naked and • | • you cared for me, |
| 5. ill and • | • you visited me. |
| 6. in prison and • | • you gave me food, |



November 22nd, 2020 — Christ the King of the Universe

Collection for the Week Ending November 15 th			
Sunday	Actual	Budget	Difference
11//2020	\$11,190.20	\$8,829.00	\$2,361.20
Year-to-Date	\$379,737.21	\$417,305.00	-\$37,367.79
<i>For to everyone who has, more will be given and he will grow rich; but from the one who has not, even what he has will be taken away.</i> - Matthew 25:29			

Gratitude for St. Vincent de Paul's Walk for the Poor

Dear Parishioners and Friends,
If it was my most difficult fundraiser, it was also my most rewarding one. You showed me once again that you are true soldiers in the army of God. I was overjoyed at your generosity, and my heart is brimming over with gratitude. May sweet Jesus shower you with countless blessings! Love, Monique Duax



Next Sunday is the last of four Sundays in 2020 that our **St. Vincent de Paul conference solicits your donations**. All your funds go directly to help our Berkeley & Albany neighbors in need—we have no 'overhead'! Your generosity is greatly appreciated. marymagdalen.org/donate

Scripture Readings for the Week

- 22nd Solemnity: **CHRIST THE KING OF THE UNIVERSE**
Ezekiel 34:11-17 / 1 Corinthians 15:20-28 /
Matthew 25:31-46
- 23rd Weekday [St. Clement I; St. Columban; Bl. Miguel Agustín Pro]
Revelation 14:1-5 / Luke 21:1-4
- 24th Memorial: Saint Andrew Dũng-Lạc & Companions, Martyrs
Revelation 14:14-19 / Luke 21:5-11
- 25th Weekday [St. Catherine of Alexandria, Martyr]
Revelation 15:1-4 / Luke 21:12-19
- 26th Weekday [Thanksgiving Day]
Revelation 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9 / Luke 21:20-28
- 27th Weekday
Revelation 20:1-4, 11 - 21:2 / Luke 21:29-33
- 28th Weekday [Blessed Virgin Mary]
Revelation 22:1-7 / Luke 21:34-36

Mass Intentions

Saturday	4:00	For the People of the Parish
Sunday	8:00	Intentions of the Maheu Family
	10:30	James Mancini RIP
Monday	8:30	Holy Souls
	5:30	Intentions of Felicitas Guerrero
Tuesday	8:30	Raymond & Helen Rothman; Sally Rio RIP
	5:30	Holy Souls
Wednesday	8:30	Intentions of Gabriela McIver
	5:30	Holy Souls
Thursday	10:00	Holy Souls
Friday	8:30	Intentions of Carolyn Edmondson
	5:30	Holy Souls
Saturday	8:30	Holy Souls

Our **Holiday Outreach Program** will begin as usual on Thanksgiving Day. We will be covering 35 families from St. Mary's Center in Oakland. Please take an ornament from the **Giving Tree** that will be installed inside the church this Wednesday (in its usual location, near the parking lot entrance).

The ornaments will request **a gift for a child aged 0-5**. We also need **\$25 Target Gift Certificates** for older children. Money is likewise needed for the food certificates, and for the other charities that we financially support.

This year we are asking you to **wrap the gifts and label carefully what is in the gift - both what the item is and for what age it is appropriate**.

Our program financially supports the **Mercy Brown Bag Program at Mercy Center, Elizabeth House, and Catholic Charities**; the amount they receive depends on the donations that we receive. Any extra children's gifts we receive will be donated to Catholic Charities.

Bring your gifts to the Parish Hall on the afternoon of **Saturday, December 12th** (time TBA) or on **Sunday morning, December 13th**, before 11:00 am — **the earlier the better**. Financial donations and Target Gift Certificates can be left at the rectory anytime before December 12th, or dropped off with your gifts. Thank you for participating.

THANKSGIVING

Mass Time: 10:00 am

Location: Facebook Livestream (church will be closed)



Thanksgiving Giving: Please contribute any small (hotel-size) toiletries you may have to our **Peace & Justice Toiletry Drive**. Your contributions will be donated to local shelters and other advocacy groups for those in need. **You can drop them off at the Parish Office during regular open hours — 9:00 am - 5:00 pm** (closed Noon-1:00 pm). The last chance to deliver your toiletries: **tomorrow, November 23rd**.

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