

## Our Lord, Jesus Christ The King



*Amen, I say to you,  
today you will be with me in Paradise.*

Gospel of St. Luke 23:43

### Feast of Christ the King

Today is the Feast of Christ the King, the last Sunday [34<sup>th</sup>] of the liturgical year. During these closing days of the liturgical year, the liturgical themes are on the last days, the coming of the end times. Our attention is drawn to the final coming of Jesus when all creation will welcome its true king. We are also reminded of our own personal end time, of the approach and inevitability of our death and encounter with Christ the judge and redeemer. While these kinds of themes may not be pleasant for some of us, it is important to spend time being aware of our own mortality and the fleeting aspect of all worldly possessions and accomplishments. Human life as we all know is a journey. It is important for us to stop and take stock of the final destination of our journey, Heaven. In all journeys, course corrections are needed and re-commitment is often necessary. These last days of the Church's liturgical year are excellent opportunities for us to meditate on the end of our days. After all, if in the end we don't get to where we need to be, our human journey has no meaning.



One of the things we have to be thankful for this coming week is Thanksgiving Day itself. Years ago, we had the wisdom and the desire to set aside a National Day to give thanks. Hopefully, we still honor this National Day of Thanksgiving as a day to give thanks for all our blessings, as a nation, as a people, and as individuals. For Catholic Christians, Thanksgiving is not just a day, it is a way of life. For Catholics, who are a Eucharistic people (the word Eucharist means to give thanks), Thanksgiving is every day.

### Thanksgiving Holiday Mass Schedule

Thanksgiving Day, November 25 – 10:00 am in the St. Bede Chapel of The Center, 3720 Chestnut Street.

Friday, November 26 – 12:05 pm in St. Bede, The Center

Saturday, November 27 - 9:00 am in St. Bede, The Center

### St. Charles Seminary Annual Appeal

SS Agatha – James Parish thanks Mr. Thomas Whittingham, III Theology Seminarian, who spoke at our Masses last weekend, November 13-14. We are grateful to all of you for your faithful support of the Seminary community. Your tax-deductible gift helps to enhance the many resources needed for priestly training and enables the Church to form holy, educated, and dedicated priests. Your continued generosity and support will ensure that all our future priests will receive the best opportunities to grow in their vocations.

- Please pray for all the Seminarians
- Mail your donation to Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary, Office of Development, 100 East Wynnewood Road, Wynnewood, PA 19096
- If you wish, donate online at [www.scs.edu](http://www.scs.edu)

### This Week at St. AJ



#### Saturday, November 20

9:00AM Mass *Holy Souls in Purgatory*

4:00PM Confessions

5:30PM Vigil Mass *Blessings on the SS AJ Community*

#### Our Lord, Jesus Christ The King – November 21

Catholic Forum will meet today after 10:00 AM Mass in The Center.

10:00AM Mass *The Candeloro and Zagrosky Families*

11:30AM Mass

5:00PM Mass *Intentions of SS AJ Parishioners & Benefactors*

10:00PM Mass *Students, Faculties & Staffs of Area Universities*

#### Monday, November 22

7:30AM & 12:05PM Mass celebrated in St. Bede Chapel

12:05 PM *Special Intention*

1:00PM Mass Celebrated at Drexel Chapel

#### Tuesday, November 23

12:05PM Mass *In Memory of Lorraine and Joseph*

#### Thursday, November 25 **Thanksgiving Day**

10:00AM Only Mass of the Day *In Memory of Helen Mansfield*

#### Friday, November 26

No 7:30 AM Mass today

12:05 PM Only Mass of the Day *Special Intention*

No 1:00PM Mass at Drexel Chapel

6:00PM Wedding Rehearsal Zollo / Wessier

#### Saturday, November 27

9:00AM Mass *In Memory of Joe and Albert*

2:30PM Wedding Zollo / Wessier

4:00PM Confessions

5:30PM Vigil Mass *Blessings on the SS AJ Community*

### Small Group Program Training Seminar

There is still an opportunity to be involved in the Small Groups Program Training Seminar. If you are interested and would like to learn more, please come to the training seminar today, Sunday, November 21, from 1:00 pm - 4:30 pm. Everyone is most welcome.

### Parking Available for Weekend Masses

Parking is available for our Saturday Vigil Mass and Sunday Masses. Park in the Rectory parking lot (adjacent to the Rectory), the little parking lot off 38<sup>th</sup> St. near Sansom St., or the big parking lot behind The Center – enter from the 3700 block of Sansom St.

### Christmas Concert to Benefit Generation Life

Sunday, December 12, there will be a Christmas concert starting at 11:30 am at the World Café Live, 3025 Walnut Street, Philadelphia. Net proceeds will benefit Generation Life. Featured performer will be Christian musician Bebo Norman whose Christmas music seeks to promote a Christ centered Christmas. Ticket information available at [www.BeboNorman.com](http://www.BeboNorman.com) for general admission tickets.

*Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord. Psalm 122*

Saturday Confessions, 5:30 pm Vigil Mass and Sunday Masses - except Mass in Korean - are celebrated in SS AJ Church. On the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays of the month the Mass in Korean is celebrated in the St. Bede Chapel of The Center.

## Newman Notes

**Penn Newman Center** 3720 Chestnut Street  
[www.newman.upenn.edu](http://www.newman.upenn.edu)

Mr. Jeff Klein, Assistant Director, Penn Newman

**Drexel Newman Ministry** 30 South 33<sup>rd</sup> Street  
[www.drexelnewman.org](http://www.drexelnewman.org)

### Daily Mass

Penn Newman Center 7:30 am, 12:05pm Mon-Fri  
St. Bede Chapel – Upper Level

Drexel Chapel 1:00 pm Mass Monday-Thursday  
St. Katharine Drexel Chapel, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor

## GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

### “Connections” Small-Groups Program: Seminars

St. Agatha-James Parish is starting a small-groups program! This is an opportunity to meet weekly for prayer, socialization and discussion. Groups will likely form around specific populations (e.g., undergrads, grad students, professionals) but participation is open to all. Join us for the seminar on **Sunday, Nov. 21, 1:00-4:30 pm** at Penn Newman to learn more. If you are interested, please e-mail Jeff Klein at [jeffklein@newman.upenn.edu](mailto:jeffklein@newman.upenn.edu).

### Coat Drive

Baby, it's cold outside... The Penn Newman Center is holding a coat drive to benefit students at Lea Elementary School. Please donate new or gently used coats for children grades K-8 **by January 14**. All donations can be brought to the Newman Center at 3720 Chestnut Street. For more information or questions, contact Louisa Jacquinto at [ljacquinto@gmail.com](mailto:ljacquinto@gmail.com).

### Tutor at the IHM Center for Literacy!

Interested in helping recent immigrants learn English? If so, then volunteering at the IHM Center for Literacy (just a few blocks from campus) may be perfect for you. Sister Fran Small, IHM, is looking for some friends who are willing to help out in the "language lab." Your primary job will be to help the learners progress in Rosetta Stone, which the teachers use to supplement the classroom work. If you are interested in learning more – no obligation – feel free to contact Eric Banecker at [ejb@sas.upenn.edu](mailto:ejb@sas.upenn.edu).

### Circle of St. Bede

The Circle of St. Bede invites interested faculty and professionals to join us on **Tuesdays 8:10-8:50 am** in the upper level of Penn Newman. If interested, please contact Dr. Peter Dodson: [dodsonp@mail.vet.upenn.edu](mailto:dodsonp@mail.vet.upenn.edu).

### Morning Scripture Study

We gather at **8:00 am on Wednesdays** in the upper level of Penn Newman. New members are warmly welcomed. Contact Charlotte Ethier at [ethiercc@aol.com](mailto:ethiercc@aol.com).

### Holy Hour

**Wednesdays at 7:00 pm** (changed from 8:00) at Penn Newman – Liturgy of the Hours, Adoration, and Benediction. Also, confessions will be heard during this time.

### Stand Up for Life

Every **2nd Saturday of the month at 9:00 am** a pro-life group will celebrate Mass at the Penn Newman Center. Following Mass, they will pray the Rosary in procession to Penn Family Care at 39th and Chestnut.

### National Catholic Student Coalition: Leadership Conference

Are you interested in meeting other Catholic collegians? Do you want to learn what it takes to be a faith-filled leader on campus? If so, join Catholic college students from across the country for an annual leadership conference hosted by the National Catholic Student Coalition (NCSC). The NCSC, as the representative voice of Catholic collegians, provides students with the necessary resources, network, and partners in order to aid in the formation of faith-filled Catholics. For more information about the NCSC or the annual leadership conference, visit [www.catholicstudent.org](http://www.catholicstudent.org) or contact Jeff Klein at [jeffklein@newman.upenn.edu](mailto:jeffklein@newman.upenn.edu).

## PENN NEWMAN: ALL STUDENTS

### Dollar Dinner!

**On Thursdays\* at 6:00 pm** at Penn Newman, gather with us for an all-you-can-eat pasta dinner for just \$1! All Penn students are welcome and no reservation necessary! **\*NO DOLLAR DINNER ON THANKSGIVING DAY.**

### Penn Newman: Spiritual Mentoring/Direction

Spiritual mentoring/direction is an opportunity to meet one-on-one with a professional minister to speak about your life. Several mentors are available to Penn undergraduate and graduate students. See [www.newman.upenn.edu](http://www.newman.upenn.edu).

### West Philly Recess Initiative

Penn Newman undergrads and grad students will be gathering for this program at local elementary schools. **2 hours per week (M-F)** on site around lunchtime. Promote a more pleasant lunchroom and environment conducive to interactive play and fitness through games and activities. Contact Natalie at [west.philly.recess@gmail.com](mailto:west.philly.recess@gmail.com).

### Service Opportunity: Tutoring

Participate in a tutoring program for children from K-4<sup>th</sup> grades at Annunciation BVM Church in South Philly on **Mondays, 3:00-5:15 pm**. The children are primarily Mexican immigrants who are just learning English, and consequently placed below grade level in local schools. Contact Jeff Klein at [jeffklein@newman.upenn.edu](mailto:jeffklein@newman.upenn.edu).

### Support Group for Penn Students Coping with Illness or Death of a Loved One

Penn students facilitate a peer-led support group. For more info, see [www.newman.upenn.edu](http://www.newman.upenn.edu) (scroll down to the bottom of the page under "Ongoing Programs"). Though this is not a Penn Newman activity, we are happy to let students know of this opportunity.