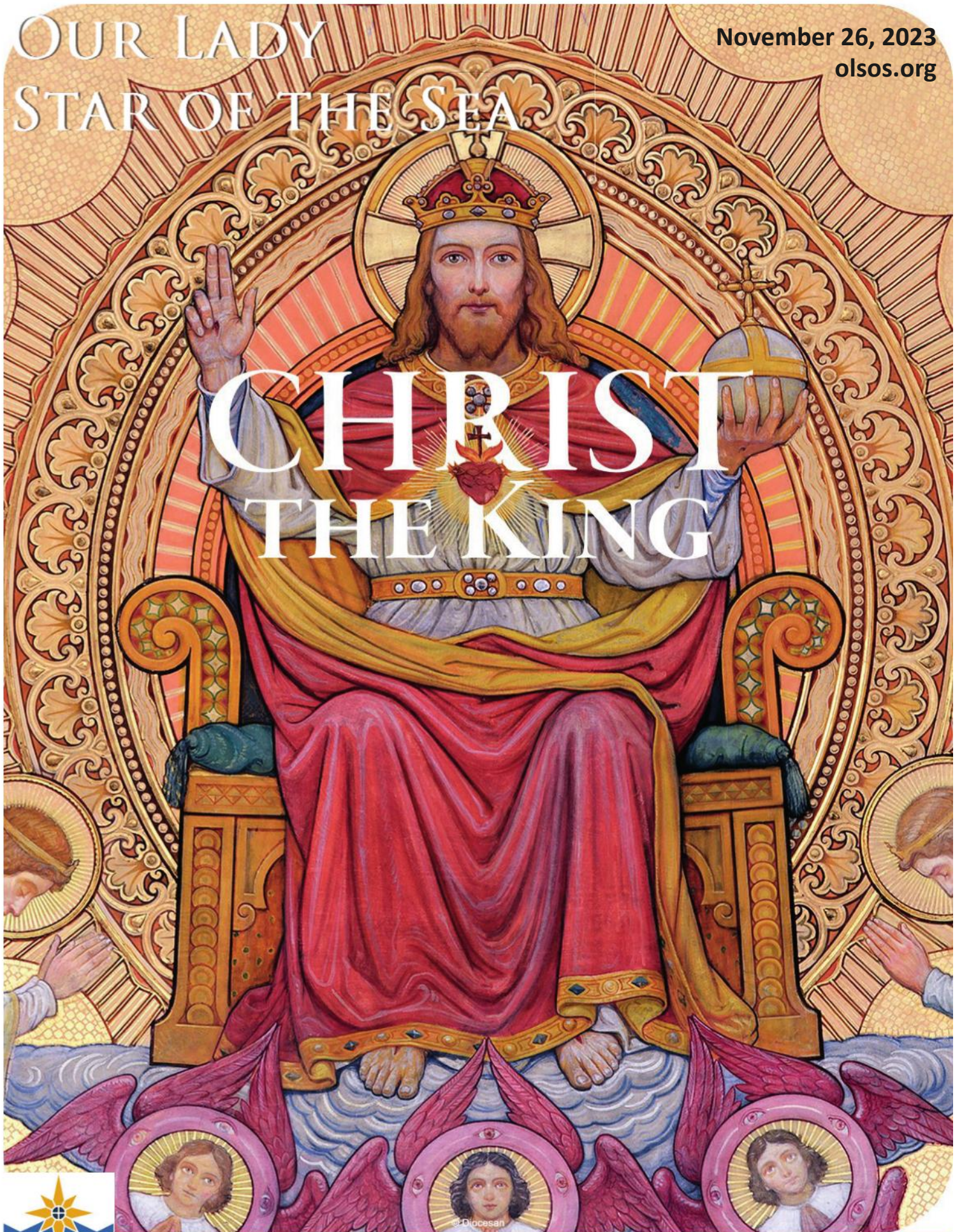


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Mass times & information

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SUN	8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m.
MON	7:30 a.m.
TUE	7:30 a.m.
WED	7:30 a.m.
THU	7:30 a.m.
FRI	8:30 a.m.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

MON—FRI: 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

SAT Closed

SUN Closed

Holidays - Closed

FAITH FORMATION OFFICE HOURS

MON-THU 8:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

BAPTISMS

Please call the Faith Formation Office (313-884-7407) during the last months of pregnancy to arrange for Baptism classes and schedule the Sacrament.

Everyone has a right to their own sacramental certificate. No one has the right to another person's certificate, except: the parent/guardian of a minor child. (Archdiocese of Detroit)

RECONCILIATION

Saturday at 3:00 pm or by appointment

ANOINTING OF THE SICK/ MINISTRY TO THE SICK

The Church strongly encourages people to receive the Sacrament (Anointing) of the Sick at the early stages of serious sickness or before serious surgeries.

In emergency situations needing the prompt attention of a priest, please call the parish office.

MARRIAGE

Archdiocesan law requires advance notice of at least six months.

PARISH REGISTRATION

Newcomers to the parish may register in the Parish Office during regular office hours. Others, please notify the Parish Office of address changes.

Adults over 21 need to be registered as an individual member to be considered a Catholic in Good Standing.

Hearing devices are available for use during Mass. Please ask an usher for assistance.

Half and Half from Msgr. Gary Smetanka

Today we celebrate the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. Back in 1925 when this feast was first instituted by Pius XI, it was celebrated on the last Sunday of October, before the feast of All Saints. In 1969, Pope Paul VI gave the title we have today, was the former feast to a solemnity and moved it to the last Sunday of the liturgical year, the last Sunday before Advent begins.

When this feast was first instituted, it was to combat growing nationalism and secularism. There was fear back then of the rise of secularism, i.e., the exclusion of God from our way of life as if He did not exist. Hence, the feast was to remind people of the Lord's reign over their hearts, as individuals, and over all nations.

Does that time seem to resemble our present age? Many would say that today is worse than 100 years ago as secularism is getting to be more rampant. All we have to do is look around and listen. Listen to our society and culture. Maybe even at times listen to ourselves! You see and hear more and more people who deny God's presence. More people place themselves in God's place. God is not the authority, but they make themselves the authority, despite their lack of study, reflection and knowledge. Authority is easily dismissed because of personal desires, selfishness, fear of sacrifice and maybe even for one's convenience. Thus, it is easy to rationalize for our convenience and use God or the Church as the excuse.

It seems today this Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe is needed more than ever. We need something to combat our secularism before the whole world is gone! We need another reminder how precious our religious freedom is! We need to acknowledge and respect a sense of the sacred, not only in ourselves but in God's people, in our churches, in our activities, in all that we say and do once again. How can we truly claim that God does not exist? How can we claim that we can take the place of God??

May this great feast we celebrate today begin a renewal of knowing our relationship with the Lord and living it appropriately. Maybe we can make this renewal a part of our Advent commitment to grow in our faith and discipleship. Do we truly have the time to postpone? It is a matter of life or death, eternity, or damnation!

** Various items are in the Gathering Space for your Advent devotions. Donations will assist our local St. Vincent de Paul Society. The Advent season is very short this year, three full weeks and then one day (which also happens to be Christmas Eve).

** Thank you for your assistance and generosity with our "Giving Tree." Remember to return all gifts unwrapped by next **Sunday, Dec. 3** at 12:30 pm

** Please be attentive to the various activities and events that will be happening over the next month. Information can be found in this weekly paper, plus in our Saturday e-newsletter and on our website.

Open your heart. Let the Lord, the King, in to reign and rule. Do not be afraid but trust!

Msgr. Gary Smetanka

Prayer Group

every Wednesday at 3:00 pm

in the O.L.S.O.S. prayer and Eucharistic chapel on Morningside,
to pray the Rosary and the Divine Mercy Chaplet.
We pray for world peace and all the parish intentions

Adoration

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Every Wednesday - 11am - 2pm Parish Office Chapel



Scripture Readings

For the Week of November 26, 2023

Sunday	The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe Ez 34:11-12, 15-17; Ps 23:1-2, 2-3, 5-6; 1 Cor 15:20-26, 28; Mt 25:31-46
Monday	Dn 1:1-6, 8-20; Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56; Lk 21:1-4
Tuesday	Dn 2:31-45; Dn 3:57, 58, 59, 60, 61; Lk 21:5-11
Wednesday	Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28; Dn 3:62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67; Lk 21:12-19
Thursday	Feast of Saint Andrew, Apostle Rom 10:9-18; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11; Mt 4:18-22
Friday	Dn 7:2-14; Dn 3:75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81; Lk 21:29-33
Saturday	Dn 7:15-27; Dn 3:82, 83, 84, 95, 86, 87; Lk 21:34-36
Sunday	First Sunday of Advent Is 63:16b-17, 19b, 64:2-7; Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Mk 12:33-37

Mass Intentions

Monday, November 27

7:30 a.m. +Deceased Members of the
Spindler Family

Tuesday, November 28

7:30 a.m. +Maureen Blair

Wednesday, November 29

7:30 a.m. Keegan Palczewski
Paul Spindler

Thursday, November 30

7:30 a.m. +Bettejean Ahee
+Patrick Korth
+Bill & Lorraine Glynn

Friday, December 1

8:30 a.m. OLSOS Students

Saturday, December 2

4:00 p.m. +Robert O'Connor
+Emeline Fikany
+David Graham
+Anne Scapini

Sunday, December 3

8:00 a.m. OLSOS Parishioners
Increase in Vocations

9:30 a.m. +Catherine Jaboro
+Walt Bryzik

11:30 a.m. +Virginia Mushenski
+Edmund Ahee, Jr.
+Daniel Crouson
+Al Crouson



Christmas Flower and Decoration Donations

As the holidays approach we are giving you an opportunity to remember your loved ones who have passed away by making a monetary donation for flowers or decorations.

Please use the envelope that

is included in your Sunday offering packet or place your donation in a plain envelope marked "Christmas Flowers" with the name of the person(s) you would like remembered. All names will be listed in the Christmas bulletin. Please return envelopes by **Sunday, December 10th.**

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Bl. Carlo Acutis

Spend an hour per week in the Eucharistic Presence of Our Lord by your own personal commitment of the day and the hour. Our Lord cannot be outdone in generosity when we give to Him of ourselves in prayer.



Living Under the Influence

"O come let us adore him"

As we transition from Ordinary Time, or the season of ordered daily living, the Church invites us to turn our hearts and minds to a season of anticipation and new beginnings, of Advent and Christmas. I have always been fascinated that our Lord Jesus comes to us as a baby, so small and vulnerable. I think of the stillness of a baby asleep, and I'm drawn into their peace and captivated by their beauty. If the Lord is revealing something important to us through his birth, perhaps this coming season has something to do with being small, simple, still, doing less and the work of God in our hearts?

Msgr. and his pastoral leadership team want to explore this possibility together as a parish, so they have chosen the theme "*O come let us adore him*" to begin our exploration during Advent and throughout the new liturgical year. Therefore, we'll anticipate the Lord's "coming" and the significance or role of adoring in our life. For example, does adoring have something to do with loving and being loved? Jesus said to "love one another, as I have loved you." Does he adore you? Is he adoring you right now and perhaps you're just not aware? How is adoring God different than adoring my children, spouse or friend? What happens when I attend adoration of the Blessed Sacrament? These and many other areas of interest will be explored throughout the coming year.

We'll begin the process of exploring together on Tuesday, December 5th during our parish **Family Advent Night**. This is a wonderful time for all ages to come together, share good cheer (some hot chocolate and cookies), gather round a fire, sing, and launch our families into the Advent season. So I invite you to come on Tuesday December 5th, and to keep an eye on the bulletin for more opportunities for engagement and occasions to "come and adore him" throughout the coming weeks.

Michael King

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“O COME LET US ADORE HIM”

December 5 | 6:30 - 7:30 PM

An evening of carols, cocoa, cookies,
getting into the Advent mindset,
and the lighting of our Christmas Star.

The evening will begin outside. Please dress accordingly.



Parish Giving Tree

gifts are to be returned by **December 3rd no later than 12:30pm**

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Fr Marko's— Holy Family Christmas Store

Tags will include—winter jackets for children/teen, children/teen size sweatshirts, Trucks, Cars, Barbie dolls, sport balls, dolls, assortment of board games, inexpensive watches for teens

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Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, December 10

8:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

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Stewardship Thoughts

The prophet Ezekiel uses the image of a shepherd who rescues his sheep to describe how God reaches out to those in need. In St. Matthew's Gospel, Jesus clearly teaches His disciples that they must serve others with acts of Christian mercy and charity in order to enter the Kingdom of God: *Whatever you did for one of the least brothers of mine, you did for Me.* These Gospel directives are the foundation for the Church's Spiritual and Corporal Works of Mercy. Mother Teresa modeled her life and ministry on these directives by serving the "poorest of the poor" in the slums of Calcutta. Like St. Teresa of Calcutta, we, as Christian stewards, accept God's invitation to share Jesus with those we meet as we strive for holiness in our lives. May her example of love, charity, and mercy inspire us to open our hearts and minds to serve and share our abundant blessings with the poor, the sick, and the strangers among us. This upcoming Advent season, adopt a family in need, visit a relative or friend in a nursing home or assisted living facility, or sponsor a refugee family.

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For more information or if you are interested.

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STAR SPOTLIGHT

Mrs. Jennifer Koester - Music



These days in Music...

Our Youth Chorale and Schola season is off to a fabulous start! Having successfully closed another drama season, the middle school has started learning their Christmas music in bell chimes class. Meanwhile the PreK-5 have been working diligently to master the Christmas Concert music. Please join us Thursday December 7th at 1:30 or 6:30!



Coming up...

Please join us Thursday December 7th at 1:30 or 6:30 for the annual Christmas Concert. The students have been working hard and we are looking forward to showcasing their talents.

A little bit about Mrs. Koester

Favorite place to travel:

Our lake house on Long Lake, Alpena.

Favorite season: Summer

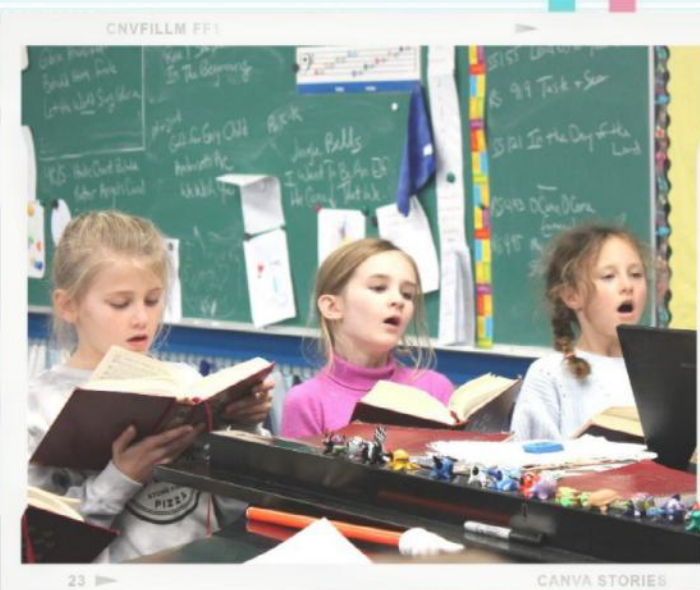
Favorite subject when you were

in school: Music

Favorite thing about teaching:

Being able to pass on the faith to the next generation though music.

Favorite Saint: St John the Evangelist



Please pray for:

In memoriam

11/27/1956 Albert DiPaola
11/27/1958 Edward Weeks
11/27/1972 Agnes Gardiner
11/27/1974 Stephen Olesak
11/27/1974 Robert Werner
11/27/1988 Richard Broomham
11/27/1988 Dorothy Mansfield
11/27/1992 Joseph Malisse
11/27/1995 Thomas LaHood
11/27/2006 Josephine Kuzmicki
11/27/2019 Rosemary Otlowski
11/28/1970 Lynn M. Bartlett
11/28/1984 Julia B. DeBaeke
11/28/1984 Veronica Magielski
11/28/1984 Emmett McNamara
11/28/1998 Vincent Szymborski
11/28/1998 Clarice Grob
11/28/2004 Mark Schmidt
11/28/2010 Rose Horne
11/28/2016 Patricia Golla
11/29/1969 Alice Saniford
11/29/1976 David Martin
11/29/1981 Grace Quasarano
11/29/1984 Anthony Cusmano
11/29/1992 Vincent Dunne
11/29/2002 Richard Pieronek
11/30/1972 William A Petzold, Jr.
11/30/1998 Alice Klein
11/30/2002 Dorothy Littley
11/30/2015 Irene Masha
12/1/1958 Russell Cushing
12/1/1973 Bernard Ronan
12/1/2001 Serafina Evola
12/1/2020 Patrick Scoggin
12/2/1981 Adele Ahee
12/2/1990 Charles W. Moore
12/2/1996 William R.D'Arcy III
12/2/2007 Emeline Fikany
12/2/2022 Anne M. Scapini
12/3/1965 Roma Cracchiolo
12/3/1973 Gary Calcaterra
12/3/1987 Henry Martin
12/3/1992 Margaret Moody
12/3/2002 Alice Yaklin
12/3/2003 Therese Taylor
12/3/2004 Lois Martin
12/3/2012 Nancy Bordato
12/3/2015 Ralph Donald Newa
12/3/2021 Doris Trupiano

the sick

Harrison Ahee
Jennie Barzotti
Jeanne Collins
Rose DiCicco
Aurora Goetz
Patricia Hanna
Christine Mathis
Virginia Merchant
Carol Nowinski
Gil Pendolino
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Marie Schulte
Delores Spezia
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Mary Surmont
James Victor
Linda Vitale
Fr. Francis Weingartz
Elaine Westerman
Thomas J. Youngblood

those in the military

James Patrick Carrier
Perry Carter
Josh Duffy
Richard Shetler, III
John Walker

PLEASE NOTE

Names will remain on the sick list for one (1) month unless the parish is notified otherwise.

For those in Military, we would like to pray for those who are active. Please contact us to add names to our list.



Choir practice for the Advent and Christmas Season begins this week - on Wednesday at 7pm in Choir Room. Anyone who is interested in singing with the Choir whether it be on Sunday at the 1130am Mass, or if you wish to sing for the Christmas Season including any concerts, should see Aaron as soon as possible, Or you can email him at a.kaleniecki@stargp.org. The choir will be singing sections from Handel's Messiah as well as the ever popular Gospel Messiah "Too Hot to Handel". Hope you can join us. The adult choir is open to any confirmed adult. The ability to read music is a plus but not a requirement.



BOTTLE & CAN DRIVE

Please donate your clean bottles and cans to the **Knights of Columbus**. Donations may be brought to the Mary's Garden Vestibule. For more information, please contact: Dennis Hyduk at 313.969.7650



Our food pantry needs the following items:

Cereal-pasta and sauce - Soup - mac and cheese - canned tuna - canned chicken - canned fruit - canned vegetables - canned pasta - peanut butter and jelly - crackers (Saltines, Ritz, Townhouse) personal care (soap, toothpaste, deodorant)

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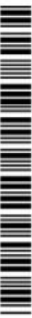
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