



"I am the Alpha and the Omega,"
says the Lord God,
"the one who is and who was
and who is to come,
the almighty."

REVELATION 1:8

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

November 21, 2021

In the waters of Baptism, we were drawn into Christ, who is priest, prophet, and king and called to be "alter Christus," "other Christs." Christ who is priest sanctifies the everyday stuff of life, building a bridge between God and humanity. Christ who is prophet proclaims God's love and mercy in a world that desperately needs it. Christ who is king rules the universe in loving, sacrificial service. We who are baptized into Christ are called to bring God's love into our hearts, homes, places of work, and the wider world. We are called to show and share God's love to others, especially those who most need the care, compassion, and forgiveness that is at the heart of Christ's eternal message. We are called to give of ourselves beyond what might seem reasonable, in imitation of our Lord and king who gave himself on the cross and who reigns forever.

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CALLED TO LISTEN AND SERVE

Jesus said to Pilate, "Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice." Jesus spoke to the disciples and his voice reaches through the ages in the words of sacred scripture and the tradition of the Church. In prayer, participation in the liturgy, and learning from the saints and the teachings of the Church, we grow in belonging to the truth of Christ's love. We hear and follow Jesus' command to wash others' feet, to love as he loves, to serve as he serves. And while it is certainly our duty to do so, there is more to our service than merely fulfilling the instructions of another. We fulfill Christ's command as a grateful response to the incredible love of God for us. How will you listen to and serve the Lord? How will you make Jesus the king of your heart and life?

Today's Readings: Dan 7:13-14; Ps 93:1, 1-2, 5; Rev 1:5-8; Jn 18:33b-37

PASTOR: Rev. Michael T. "Mike" Snider

Celebration of the Sacraments:

Mass: Saturday: 5:00 PM
Sunday: 9:00 AM
Tues - Fri: 9:00 AM

Reconciliation:

Saturday & Sunday:
45 minutes before Mass

Marriage or Baptism:

Contact the parish office six
(6) months prior to the
anticipated date 903-769-3235

Welcome Visitors!

*We hope that you have enjoyed celebrating Mass with us
and felt welcomed in our church as your "home away from home."*

*Whether you are new to the area or have lived here for years,
you are invited to join our parish family. **Please come again!***

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Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

We remember in our prayers all the sick, especially the following:

Nancy Rasca. Jess Corrigan Jr. Clifford & Frances Jo Moore. Fran & Kathleen Fleming. Jane Davis. Vicki Hauck. Naomi Alfred. Dave Cormier. Judy Smith. Thomas Holzmann. Jim Hickey. Michael Allen. Joe Fazzino. Rick & Teri Jackson. Ron Emma. Kate Serres. Belinda Flowers. Dona Jordan. Jaye Anderson. Georgette March. Kyle Fabitz. Greg Mooney. Garry Fetsch. Karee Haney. Bollinger Family. Charlie Parker. Tammy Johnson. Carolyn Simmons. Dianne & Gary Laudt. Wanda & George Duke. Doris & Jo Hoffman. Jo Ann Crowell. Ann Richardson. Jacob Stephens. Mary Margaret Ellison. John Kominis. Esther Coronel. Elise Sugg. Joann Rayl. Avery Boultinghouse. Wanda & Mike Stephens. Geri O'Neil. We list the names of our sick Parishioners. Friends and Relatives for one month. **We remember in our prayers all those who have recently died, especially: Mike Fleming, spouse of Fran & father of Kathleen. Address: 139 Bent Horseshoe Ln., HLR, TX 75765**

Please pray for the men and women active military service from our parish community: Dawn Quinn, US Army PVT 2nd Class (Granddaughter of Bob & Jean Quinn). Reid Patrick Hope, US Marine (Nephew of Mike & Wanda Stephens). 1LT Joseph Chandler, U.S. Army (Nephew of Mike & Margaret Jernigan). Seaman Logan Adkinson (great grandson of Fr. Mike). Jay Guajardo, Navy Rescue School (Great Nephew of Lex & Liza Forster). Senior Airman, Natalie York (Daughter of Steve & Julie York). Pvt First Class Randall Scheaffer US Army (Grandson of Carlos & Pat Gallardo). Lt. Col. William P Shea. (Nephew of Deacon Sam and Nancy Mullen). Colonel John Anthony Fontana. U.S. Army (Son of John & Mary Fontana). Lt. "JG" Gary Buchanan; Capt. Blake Gaughan; 2nd Lt. Will Corrigan (Great Nephews of Jess & Eva Corrigan). Paul Moreno E4 AMT 3rd Class (Grandson of Kathy & Dale Boman). Staff Sergeant Daniel Hodan. U.S. Army (Grandson of Ron & Barbara Emma). Warrant Officer Michael Hauck (Son of Jerry & Vicki Hauck & brother of Cathy Ellis) & Seaman Rainer Hauck (Grandson of Jerry & Vicki Hauck & nephew of Jeff & Cathy Ellis).

Mass—Intentions

- Sat. 11/20 Melinda Miller+** (Ellis Family)
Sun 11/21 Cathy Ellis (M/M Hauck)
Tue 11/23 Kathryn Allen+ (Ellis Family)
Wed 11/24 Cooper Anderson+ (Ruddie)
Thurs 11/25 9:00am Thanksgiving Mass
Sat. 11/27 Shirley Bonicard+ (M/M Bonicard)

PARISH SUPPORT

Average weekly amounts for the month of October, 2021

Expenditures \$ 3,882
Regular and debt & maintenance collections \$ 3,562

Attendance 11/13 Saturday 60 11/14 Sunday 75

One can Give without Loving...But one cannot Love without Giving.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

O God, of Whose mercies there is no number, and of Whose goodness the treasure is infinite; we render thanks to Your most gracious majesty for the gifts You have bestowed upon us, evermore beseeching Your clemency, that as You grant the petitions of them that ask You, You will never forsake them, but will prepare for the reward to come. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.



Pope's Intention for November:

People who suffer from depression. We pray that people who suffer from depression or burn-out will find support and a light that opens them up to life.



TODAY'S READINGS

- First Reading:** One like a Son of man received dominion, glory, and kingship (Daniel 7:13-14).
Psalm: The Lord is king; he is robed in majesty (Psalm 93).
Second Reading: Jesus Christ is the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead (Revelation 1:5-8).
Gospel: For this I came into the world, to testify to the truth (John 18:33b-37).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday:** Dn 1:1-6, 8-20; Dn 3:52-56; Lk 21:1-4
Tuesday: Dn 2:31-45; Dn 3:57-61; Lk 21:5-11
Wednesday: Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28; Dn 3:62-67; Lk 21:12-19
Thursday: Dn 6:12-28; Dn 3:68-74; Lk 21:20-28 Thanksgiving Day, Suggested: Sir 50:22-24; Ps 145:2-11; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Lk 17:11-19
Friday: Dn 7:2-14; Dn 3:75-81; Lk 21:29-33
Saturday: Dn 7:15-27; Dn 3:82-87; Lk 21:34-36
Sunday: Jer 33:14-16; Ps 25:4-5, 8-10, 14; 1 Thes 3:12 — 4:2; Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

CHRIST, THE KING

The selection from the book of Daniel presented in today's first reading was part of an attempt to weave a vision of ultimate success for the Jews under persecution. Exactly whom the author had in mind when he refers to "one like a Son of Man" is hotly disputed by scholars today. The fact is, we simply do not know if the author meant anyone in particular or if this is a collective, figurative image of Israel's triumph. What we do know is that the early Christian community seized upon this passage and recognized it as a messianic prophecy, a foretelling of the ultimate triumph of Jesus as the Christ of God. The Lectionary's juxtaposition of this text with today's Gospel narrative of Jesus before Pilate is a wonderful example of how the liturgy "layers" passages with new meaning by inserting them in a particular context. The celebration of Christ the King allows us to hear these passages with a new depth of meaning in light of our contemporary understanding of how, in Jesus and his resurrection and ascension, we have seen the fulfillment of Daniel's vision of ultimate deliverance. The veiled admission of Jesus before Pilate that he did indeed have a kingdom "not here" takes on new meaning against the cosmic vision of Daniel, who allows us to glimpse the "Ancient One" on his heavenly throne.

Adoration every Tuesday Time: 9:30am—12:30pm & 6:00—8:00pm

All are welcome to attend!

If interested in spending one hour with the Lord. Please contact Cathy Ellis at cathy.ellis@gmail.com. Cathy will need your name, and a one hour time slot on Tuesdays that you would be willing to come to the church and adore our Lord.



Angel Tree

Thank you Holy Spirit parishioners for your generous support in our past Angel Tree projects. It's that time of year again, so with your help, we can make some children of the Hawkins community have a happier Christmas!

Angel tags will be on our tree in the Narthex **beginning Nov. 19th**.

Please bring gifts back by Sunday, Dec. 5th, as this will give us time to take unwrapped presents to parents so they can wrap for their children. It is not necessary to purchase everything on the child's list.

Thank you for your support. If any questions, please contact Dianne Laudt. Cell: 918-289-8904

Instructions: Put unwrapped gifts in a white trash bag. Tie Angel Tree tag on the trash bag. Put under our Angel Tree by Sunday, Dec. 5th.

NOVEMBER NEWS & EVENTS

Sun., Nov. 21st: Immediately following 9:00am Mass coffee & donuts in St. Jude's Hall. Jane Bidlack facilitates "The Bible and Mass Study" Class in the middle classroom.

Wed., Nov. 24th: Church office closed

Thurs., Nov. 25th: Thanksgiving Day Mass at 9:00am. Diocese of Tyler & Church office closed.

Fri., Nov. 26th: Diocese of Tyler & Church office closed.

Sun., Nov. 28th: No coffee & donuts.

DECEMBER NEWS & EVENTS

Sat., Dec. 4th: 9:00am Mass & Patriotic Rosary for Peace in America

Sun., Dec. 5th: Immediately following 9:00am Mass coffee & donuts in St. Jude's Hall.

Tues., Dec. 7th: 9:00am Mass & Adoration (Adoration 9:30am—12:30pm; 6:00-8:00pm) 5:00pm Mass of Anticipation of Holy Day. **Confession 6:00-8:00pm.** Fundraiser meeting immediately following Mass.

Wed., Dec. 8th: 9:00am Mass. Holy Day of obligation. "The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary".

Fri., Dec. 10th: 10:00am Mike Fleming, Funeral Mass at HSCC

Sun., Dec. 12th: Immediately following 9:00am Mass coffee & donuts in St. Jude's Hall.

Tues., Dec. 14th: 9:00am Mass & Adoration (Adoration 9:30am—12:30pm; 6:00-8:00pm). **Confession 9:30am—Noon then from 6:00pm—8:00pm.**

Thurs., Dec. 16th: Last day to collect Christmas Food donations.

Sat., Dec. 18th: Delivering Christmas Food Baskets, volunteers needed.

Sun., Dec. 19th: Immediately following 9:00am Mass coffee & donuts in St. Jude's Hall.

Tues., Dec. 21st—Fri., Dec. 24th: No 9:00am Mass & Adoration

Sat., Dec. 25th: 9:00am Mass. **NO** 5:00pm Mass

Sun., Dec. 26th: 9:00am & 5:00pm Mass No coffee & donuts

Mon. Dec. 27th: Fr. Mike's 13th Ordination Anniversary

Tues., Dec. 28th—Fri., Dec. 31st: No 9:00am Mass & Adoration

Christmas Schedule

Fri., Dec. 24th: 4:00pm Christmas Eve Mass

Sat., Dec. 25th: Holy Day of Obligation: 9:00am Christmas Mass

Sat., Jan. 1st: Not a holy day of obligation. 5:00pm Sunday obligation Mass.

Address Correction for Jean & David:

Meadowlark Estates
Mr & Mrs. David Kelly
4430 Bauer Farm Dr. Apt. # 113
Lawrence, KS 66049

November Second Collections: 20th & 21st "Catholic Charities—Diocese of Tyler".

Genacle of Life: Cenacle of Life devotion each **Wed. from 3:00—4:00pm.** Please join us in church as we pray two rosaries for an end to abortion, euthanasia and all sins against the sanctity of human life. **Questions call Vicki Hauck 817-637-9382**

Legion of Mary—Pilgrim Statue: Our Lady of Fatima Statue is now ready to visit your home. **There is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex or you may contact: Marge Clymer, 903-216-7953 or Jane Bidlack, 903-569-7749.** If scheduling permits, the Statue may be kept for two weeks.

2022 WORKBOOK FOR LECTORS HAVE ARRIVED!!!

Books are in the hallway by Bridget's office. Lectors please take one per family and sign the sheet stating you took a book. Thank You, Bridget

DAY OF RECONCILIATION — CONFESSION **Tues., Dec. 7th FROM 6:00-8:00pm. Tues., Dec. 14th from 9:30AM—12:00 (NOON), THEN FROM 6:00-8:00PM IN THE DEACONS OFFICE.** **If you have an emergency and need Fr. Mike call him on his cell # 903-490-3883.**



PRIESTS for TOMORROW Campaign Redemption Report

The following is a report of our parish progress as of the end of September.

Goal:	\$ 205,000.00
Pledges:	\$ 242,495.00
Payments Received:	\$ 149,795.00 (61.8%)
Remaining Balance on Pledges:	\$ 92,700.00 (38.2%)

(Balance as of Sept. 30, 2021)

The Welcome Committee hopes to have **Holy Spirit represented in the "Christmas Wonderland in the Woods"** display (Nov. 14th - Jan. 8th) that will be set up along the Fitness/Walking Trail (by the Pickle Ball courts/Tennis courts) on the west side of HLR. This will be for residents and visitors to enjoy over the holidays. The display "locations" along the trail will be on a first come/first pick basis starting November 14th. Since electricity will not be available we hope to get a sunny spot. We have a nativity scene donated that will be used but need some additional items that we hope parishioners can help with. Since the sunny spots have no trees perhaps a few "artificial trees" to put around the nativity scene would look nice. They would need to be able to be "staked" somehow so they would stay put :) Also, we need some solar spotlights as well as a sign which will show the "owner" of the display - Holy Spirit Catholic Church. If you have any solar spotlights to loan us that would be great! If anyone can make some sort of sign that will not blow away and can withstand wind/rain (no banners and not greater than 18x24) that would be wonderful. The sign doesn't not have to ready immediately but we would like to have the name of our church at the display at some point. Please contact Anna Parker if you can help parkerbiz52@yahoo.com 903.833.7019 (hm) Thanks.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CHRISTMAS FOOD DRIVE

Thank you for your generous support for the thanksgiving food drive. We expect to be delivering food to 20 families this year. This drive is above and beyond our weekly food distribution. Below is a list of food items needed.

Stuffing mix; gravy packages; can cranberry sauce; can yams; cake mix & frosting; biscuit/muffin mix; instant potatoes; \$ 10/\$ 20 gift cards for meat; pudding; jello & fruit cups, etc.

Thank you in advance for your continued support for this food drive and our weekly food baskets. Please place donations in the K/C box just outside Bridget's office on or before **12/16/2021.**

If you are unable to deliver your donations, please call or text **Robert Mailliard at 503-559-6022**

We are also looking for volunteers to deliver the food boxes on **12/18/2021.**
MANY BLESSINGS AND PRAYERS FOR THIS PROJECT

Article for the Big Sandy-Hawkins Journal. 17 November 2021 Edition

(Submission date: 12 November 2021) Submitted by Randy Munoz

A Brief History of Advent (<https://www.catholicapostolatecenter.org/history-of-advent.html>) The season of Advent developed in the Church over time. Here are 10 facts that you may not know about the roots and meanings of Advent.

1. **ADVENT IS A TIME OF EXPECTATION AND PREPARATION FOR THE BIRTH OF THE LORD.** The word Advent comes from the Latin word *adventus* or *coming*
2. **ADVENT HAS A CHANGING START DATE.** It starts on the Sunday closest to the feast of St. Andrew the Apostle (November 30th). It can begin as early as November 27th or as late as December 3rd. (The first Sunday of Advent for 2021 is November 28th.)
3. **ADVENT MARKS THE BEGINNING OF THE LITURGICAL YEAR.** Advent was chosen to begin the year as representative of the time in history that Christ was not known to us. With his birth the beginning of our faith was founded. The liturgical year ends with the feast of Christ the King, his reign over the Universe.
4. **THE ADVENT SEASON HAS TWO MEANINGS.** It emphasizes both the celebration of Christ coming into the world as a man and also the second coming when the Lord will return again.
5. **HOPE IS A PREDOMINANT THEME OF ADVENT.** The Israelites hoped for a Messiah to come, and Christ entered the World. We are hopeful for the arrival of Christ again into the world.
6. **ADVENT IS A REMINDER OF THE OLD TESTAMENT PROMISES OF THE COMING OF THE MESSIAH.** The Advent tradition of the Jesse Tree consists of symbols of the Messiah coming from the line of Jesse (Lk 3: 23-38). Isaiah is often read during this season to remember that we are waiting for the day when the Messiah will come again.
7. **ADVENT FOCUSES ON LIGHT AS OPPOSED TO DARKNESS.** Christ enters our dark world and casts away the darkness of sin to redeem us. He will come again as the light of the world.
8. **ADVENT HAS TWO PARTS.** The first portion, the First Sunday of Advent, until December 16th is preparation for the second coming of Christ. The second portion from December 17th to 24th directly prepares us for the commemoration of the first coming of Christ - Christmas.
9. **THE ORIGINS OF ADVENT CAN BE TRACED BACK TO THE CHURCH IN FRANCE.** In the 4th Century, the church in France used the period before Epiphany as a time of preparation for Baptism. It was called "St. Martin's Lent" for the 40 days that started on November 11th, feast of St. Martin of Tours.
10. **ADVENT AS WE KNOW TODAY WAS DEVELOPED IN ROME.** Pope Gregory I in the late 6th/early 7th Century composed many of the prayers, antiphons, and psalm responses. Many themes and ideas we now know can be traced to the Roman Advent Season.


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