St Olaf Catholic Church

NOVEMBER 22, 2026

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

PASTOR
Bishop Kevin Kenney

ASSOCIATE PASTORS
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Christ the King Statue - Lisbon, Portugal

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"Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? When did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? When did we see you ill or in prison, and visit you?" As we celebrate Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, and come to the end of a liturgical year, we read how when the Son of Man comes in his glory, we will be separated and placed with sheep or goats. To which side will you be allotted? We have lived into this 34th Sunday in Ordinary Time, reflecting on Jesus in Matthew's gospel, and trying to practice in our lives what Jesus has taught us. The final exam or evaluation will cover how we have lived our lives, loved God, and our neighbor. The question always come to us, will we be ready?

God is good and full of mercy. We have had the opportunity to examine our lives and today we ask ourselves, "What have I done for one of the least ones?" Understanding how being created in the image and likeness of God, just as everyone is, we naturally see the needs around us and do what we can to help alleviate the need. Working collectively or as individuals, we know that serving others as Jesus would serve is our call in life. It can be a challenge and difficult but humbly we offer the little we have so others may have in their lives. Journeying together, we know that God cares for us and wants the best for everyone. Circumstances and life situations challenge our everyday expectations. We may sail along smoothly for a while, and then, wham, we hit a pothole and need to re-evaluate where life is leading. We may be sidelined for a while or limp along for some time, but being part of a larger community, we can be thankful that there are people who care and support us in many ways.

We are grateful for the love and support we receive at Saint Olaf. Your contributions and support affirm us in the mission we live each day, ***"Being a living sign of Jesus Christ in the heart of the city."*** By your support, we are able to offer as many Masses as we do and serve the community in a loving and compassionate way. We celebrate the Eucharist, we feed the hungry, give drink to the thirsty, welcome the stranger, clothe the naked, visit the ill and imprisoned. The opportunities are plentiful and we receive so much more in return. As our Stewardship Drive is underway, we thank you for your prayerful consideration as to how you can continue to walk with us and share in the ministry at hand.

We take time this week to thank God as we celebrate Thanksgiving Day. You are welcome to join us for Mass at 9:00 am before you gather with family and friends. You may also join us at our Downtown Interfaith Thanksgiving Service held at Temple Israel at 10:00 am, 2323 Fremont Avenue South, Minneapolis. This annual service brings together the larger community in gratitude for God's blessing upon all people. I will be participating in this service along with my faith companions from the downtown faith community. May we be thankful for so many blessings received this year!

Next weekend we enter a new liturgical year with the season of Advent. Preparations are underway, as we will journey with the Jesus in Mark's gospel this coming year. Know of my prayers for you this weekend, as I will be celebrating Mass at the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Mexico City. Another blessed opportunity I have on my current journey to seek healing and peace.

Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, Lord of all, and friend to all who know him. Bless us and our families and friends in our journeys and accompany us with your love!

EVENTS & OTHER INFORMATION

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AT SAINTOLAF.ORG/EVENTS

READINGS FOR SUNDAY MASS

**RESPONSORIAL PSALMS ARE DENOTED BY BOLD ITALICS*

Nov 22, Christ the King: Ez 34: 11-12, 15-17, ***Ps 23,*** 1 Cor 15:20-26,28, Mt 25:31-46

Nov 29, 1st Sunday of Advent: Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7, ***Ps 80,*** 1 Cor 1:3-9 Mk13:33-37

PRAY SAINT OLAF SUNDAY MASS MCN CH 6

You can pray our Sunday 10:00am Mass on MCN Cable TV Channel 6 on Sunday at 8:00pm and replayed on Mondays at 10:00am. Saint Olaf also live streams our Monday-Friday 12:00Noon Mass and our Sunday 10:00am Mass on YouTube: ***youtube.com/user/SaintOlafChurch/live***.

PRAY FOR POPE LEO AND BISHOP KEVIN - PROJECT HOPE

Join in prayers of gratitude for Pope Leo, as he continues his recovery after successful surgery. Bishop Kevin is grateful for your continued prayers during his cancer journey. Visit ***SaintOlaf.org/ProjectHope*** and see the video of Bishop Kevin meeting Pope Leo XIV.

PROJECT HOPE SERIES: JUST BREATHE!

Better breath means better health. Our breath is the way the Holy Spirit lives in our bodies. All four Sundays of Advent, November 29, December 6, 13, and 20 Julie Ann Greif, a Voice and Bodywork Specialist, will lead a 15-minute workshop after the 10:00am Mass in the Forliti Gathering Room. Discover a better way of breathing, a better connection to self and prayer, and a renewed feeling of the Holy Spirit. All are welcome!

SAVE THE DATE FOR THE ANNUAL THANKSGIVING TEA – NOVEMBER 21

The annual Saint Olaf Thanksgiving Tea will be Saturday, November 21 from 12:30pm – 3:00pm. Join us for this fun ***Celebrate!*** **Event**. We will gather together and enjoy music while we feast on scrumptious autumn fare including appetizers, spreads, and of course, tasty tea and delicious desserts! No reservations needed, please bring the family, your friends, or invite someone who may not have Thanksgiving plans of their own.

THANKSGIVING CELEBRATIONS - NOV 26

Pray with Saint Olaf Thanksgiving Day Mass on Thursday, November 26, 9:00am.

Thanksgiving Interfaith Service: Temple Israel, 2323 Fremont Avenue, Minneapolis. 10:00am. Join Bishop Kevin and the Downtown Minneapolis Interfaith Senior Clergy for an Interfaith Prayer Service. Many Faiths. One Community. Together in Gratitude.

JOIN THE SEASONAL CHOIR

Sing for the 4:00pm Mass on Christmas Eve, and other optional liturgies during the season. Rehearsals on Tuesday evenings, December 1, 8, 15, 22. Contact Joel Anderson for more info and to sign up, ***JAnderson@SaintOlaf.org*** or ***612-767-7628***.

ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP RENEWAL

Expressions of Gratitude: the 2027 Annual Stewardship Renewal has commenced. Materials are headed to homes, available at the church entrances, or online at ***SaintOlaf.org/renewal***. We ask all of our parishioners to review how you have been blessed in the past year, and how you are called to express your gratitude to God as you **PRAY ~ SERVE ~ SHARE** with this community of faith.

FAITH & IMMIGRATION EVENT - DEC. 13

Follow up "Faith & Immigration Event" Sunday, December 13, 1:00pm. Speakers include Mike Rogers, President of Risen Christ Catholic School and Michele McKenzie from the Advocates. If you would like to share your story, contact ***MGriffin@SaintOlaf.org,*** so we can have enough recorders on hand.

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AT SAINTOLAF.ORG

WELCOME!

- Building closes at 5:30pm Monday - Friday.
- Offices are open until 4:30pm Monday - Thursday
- Chapel for private prayer Monday – Friday, 7:30am – 5:30pm

+ LIVE STREAMED

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21

10:00am	Centering Prayer - Forliti Gth Rm
10:00am	Small Grps - Fleming Fyr/ Fleming Hall
12:00Noon	**Mass**
12:30pm	Confessions
12:30pm	Rosary
12:30pm	**Thanksgiving Tea - Forliti Gth Rm - *Celebrate!* Event until 3:00pm**
4:00pm	Vigil Mass - The Solemnity of Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22

THE SOLEMNITY OF LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

6:00am	**Mass**
8:00am	**Mass**
10:00am	**Mass+**
12:00Noon	**Mass**
4:00pm	**Mass**

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 23

7:00am	**Mass - Chapel**
7:30am	Confessions
12:00Noon	**Mass+**
12:00Noon	AA Meeting - Edu Rm

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 24

7:00am	**Mass - Chapel**
7:30am	Confessions
7:30am	Adoration - Chapel
12:00Noon	**Mass+**
12:30pm	Confessions
5:45pm	Young Adults

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 25

7:00am	**Mass - Chapel**
7:00am	AA Meeting - Edu Rm
7:30am	Confessions
11:30am	Nicotine Anonymous Meeting - Edu Rm
12:00Noon	**Mass+**
6:30pm	Women's Bible Study

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 26

THANKSGIVING DAY

No 7:00am Mass/Confessions, No 11:00am Adoration, No 12:00Noon Mass. Building closes after the 9:00am Mass. Parish office closed.

9:00am	**Mass - Main Church**

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 27

Building closes after 12:00Noon Mass. Parish office closed,

7:00am	**Mass - Chapel**
7:30am	Confessions
11:00am	Adoration - Main Church
12:00Noon	**Mass+**

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 28

10:00am	Centering Prayer - Forliti Gth Rm
10:00am	Small Grps - Fleming Fyr/ Fleming Hall
10:00am	Secular Franciscan Board Mtg - Edu Rm
12:00Noon	**Mass**
12:30pm	Confessions
12:30pm	Rosary
4:00pm	Vigil Mass - The First Sunday of Advent

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 29

THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

6:00am	**Mass**
8:00am	**Mass**
10:00am	**Mass+**
12:00Noon	**Mass**
4:00pm	**Mass**



ANNUAL BUDGET

CONTRIBUTIONS	ACTUAL	BUDGET	DIFFERENCE
Nov 2 - 8	$18,003	$22,810	-$4,807
YTD - Week #19	$326,700	$403,372	-$76,672

Thank you for your continued support of Saint Olaf.