

# SAINT ANNE OF THE SUNSET

**Sunday - November 24, 2024**

*Our Lord Jesus Christ,  
King of the Universe*

## *Pastor's Column*

**He Loved Us** – is the name of the latest encyclical that Pope Francis released last month, known in Latin as *Dilxit Nos*. In it, he calls on Catholics worldwide to rediscover the love and compassion found in the Sacred Heart of Jesus. The devotion to the Sacred Heart began with Jesus' apparition to Sr. Margaret Mary Alacoque on Dec 27, 1673. During the apparition, she was invited to rest her head upon His Sacred Heart. Afterwards, He told her that He wanted to make His love known to all mankind, and chose her to spread the devotion to His Sacred Heart. The reason the Pope wrote this encyclical is because he feels the world has become “*heartless*” and indifferent. “*When we witness the outbreak of new wars... indifference of other countries, or petty power struggles over partisan interests, we may be tempted to conclude that our world is losing its heart.*” And how can Christ's love help us? St. Paul wrote in his letter to the Romans (8:35), that amidst persecution, famine, nakedness or peril “*...in all these things we conquer overwhelmingly through Him who loved us.*” The Pope continues “*Every person needs a ‘center’ for his or her own life, a source of truth and goodness to draw upon in the events, situations, and struggles of daily existence. All of us, when we pause in silence, need to feel not only the beating of our own heart, but deeper still, the beating of a trustworthy presence, perceptible with faith's senses and yet much more real: the presence of Christ, the heart of the world.*” In our hardships, “*Christ by his sufferings united himself to the sufferings of his disciples in every time and place. In this way, whenever we endure suffering, we can also experience the interior consolation of knowing that Christ suffers with us.*” And having experienced God's consolation and help, the Pope reminds us that “*Jesus is calling you and sending you forth to spread goodness in our world.*” In doing acts of love of neighbor, self-denial, joining our suffering to His on the cross, we can repair the wounds to His Sacred Heart and the wounds inflicted upon our world. Pope Francis concludes with a prayer that our wounded world may regain its heart, writing: “*In the presence of the Heart of Christ, I once more ask the Lord to have mercy on this suffering world in which He chose to dwell as One of us. May He pour out the treasures of His light and love, so that our world, which presses forward despite*

*wars, socioeconomic disparities, and uses of technology that threaten our humanity, may regain the most important and necessary thing of all: its heart.*”

**Thanksgiving** – You're all invited to our Thanksgiving Mass on Thurs, 11/26 at 8:45am. If you'd like any of your food or drinks to be blessed for your celebration, you're welcome to bring them to mass and Fr Dan will bless them at the conclusion of mass. At the mass, you'll be invited to write on a slip of paper what you're thankful to God for, and present that during the offertory. If you'd like to prepare this beforehand, you're welcome to do so, otherwise, we'll have paper and pencil for you at the mass. Lastly, please note that because we'll be delivering non-perishable food to the Daughters of Charity before Thanksgiving, we'll need to receive any donation by Mon, Nov 25 at the latest.

- Fr Dan

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**Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception** – Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception on Monday, December 9, 2024, is a holy day of obligation.

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**Bible Sharing** - Join Fr. Peter Zhai and others as we seek to learn and grow in our faith from the Word of God. We meet monthly via Zoom. If interested, please contact Terrence Leung at [terrence.scp@gmail.com](mailto:terrence.scp@gmail.com).

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**Getting Closer to Mary: A conversation with Convert and Poet Sally Read** - Join Benedict XVI for poetry and conversations celebrating the Mother of Our Lord. It is a god time as well to be thankful for Mary as we in the United States prepare for the national holiday of Thanksgiving. Sally Read is one of our finest poets. She has written an extraordinary memoir of her conversion to Catholicism., *Night's Bright Darkness*. Now her latest book *The Mary Pages: A Atheist's Journey to the Mother of God* explains how art and life drew her closer to the Mother of Our Lord. To register, please contact Maggie Gallagher.

When: Monday , November 25, 5:00pm - Via Zoom  
Contact: Maggie Gallagher, [mgallagher@bxvi.org](mailto:mgallagher@bxvi.org)

*thank you*

**Previous Week Collection**

Sunday Offertory - \$3,771  
No Second Collection  
Archdiocesan Annual Appeal (AAA) - \$32,761 (63%)  
(As of 11/19/2024)

This week's second collection will be Catholic Campaign for Human Development.

**Thank you for your generosity!**



Week of November 24, 2024

Sunday, November 24

8:00AM Christopher Eng (D)  
10:00AM Romulo Dapulag (D)  
12:00PM Rev. Labib Kobti (D)

Monday, November 25

8:45AM Rodolfo Dapulag (D)

Tuesday, November 26

8:45AM Diego Conge (D)

Wednesday, November 27

8:45AM Winnifredo Conge (D)

Thursday, November 28

8:45AM John and Marian Fox (D)

Friday, November 29

8:45AM Andy Kwong (D)

Saturday, November 30

8:45AM Confraternity of St. Anne  
5:00PM Angel and Angelo Eng (D)

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**Treasures From Our Tradition -**

Despite the fact the feast of Christ the King was established less than a century ago, it has already undergone a shift in focus. When Pope Pius XI established this feast in 1925, nationalism and fascism were on the rise. The pope intended that it be a “vehicle for spiritual teaching,” one that would recognize the ultimate authority of Christ over all political and social scheming. The last Sunday of October was chosen as the date for the feast because of its proximity to the feast of All Saints, those men and women who bore witness to Christ’s reign in so many different ways.

The calendar reforms of 1969 moved the feast to the last Sunday of the liturgical year. There, in the context of November’s focus on the end times, Christ’s second coming at the end of all time is highlighted. The threefold cycle of readings also expands our imaginations in regard to this feast. In this year’s Gospel, Christ stands before Pilate, whose own power blinds him to the truth of the Lord’s kingdom. In a world where oppression still holds sway over too many people, this feast is somehow still as timely as when Pope Pius XI first established it.

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**Daily Mass:** 8:45am

**Sunday Mass:** 5pm Vigil (Sat.), 8am, 10am,  
& 12pm in Chinese

**Confession:** 20min before Sat Vigil & all Sun Masses

**Baptisms:** 2nd Saturday of the month 12:30pm

**Pastoral Emergencies:** 415-866-6455