



# Our Lord Jesus Christ the King

## November 23, 2008

“I was hungry and you gave me food,  
I was thirsty and you gave me drink.”

We are a Sacrificial Giving Parish, Giving of our Time, Talent and Treasure  
Our offertory for this past weekend was \$7,465.71.  
(For 2007-2008 our average weekly expenses were \$6,509.00.)

**Bulletin Sponsor: In Memory of Mr. Allen Brasseaux**  
**By: Joyce Brasseaux and Family**



**On Thanksgiving Day, Mass will be celebrated at 9:00 A.M. only.**

### Advent Prayer Group

Would you like to deepen your prayer during Advent and focus on a spiritual preparation for the Christmas celebration? Join our **Advent Prayer Group**.

The **Prayer Group** will meet each of the four **Monday nights of Advent from 7:00 until 8:00** in the Holy Family side-chapel of St. Charles Church. Our daily prayer will be guided by “The Word Among Us” booklet that gives the scripture readings for each day of the Advent Season together with a short meditation for the day.

Participants are asked to commit to daily prayer. The Monday meetings will be for reflection, guidance, and sharing.

If you would like to participate, please call the church office to give us your name and phone number. We must place an order for the booklets so that they will be here for our first Monday meeting on **December 1st**.

**GRAND NOEL** in downtown Historic Grand Coteau will be held on **Saturday, November 29th, 5:00-8:00 PM**. All merchants will be collecting non-perishable food items to be donated to the Thensted Center. Complimentary refreshments will be offered and Carolers will be singing throughout the evening. Carriage rides in the downtown area available. Come and get your Christmas shopping done!

**H**oliday Food Drive  
The **Social Justice Commission** is sponsoring a food drive and will be collecting non-perishable food items at Sunday Masses on **Nov. 23rd** and at **Thanksgiving Day Mass**.

At all Masses this weekend, there are yellow-notes and a **“Basket of Thanksgivings”** on the table at the entrance of the church. You are invited to write something for which you are grateful and place your note in the basket. The **“Basket of Thanksgivings”** will be placed on the altar during our Thanksgiving Day Mass.

### Feast of St. John Berchmans

Wednesday, Nov. 26th, is the Feast of St John Berchmans. This saint came from heaven to Grand Coteau in December of 1866 to miraculously heal a young woman who was dying at the Academy of the Sacred Heart.

On **Wednesday, November 26th**, we will celebrate our parish 8:00 morning Mass where this miracle took place, in the Shrine Chapel at the Academy. You are invited to join us in this holy place.

### Activities of the Week November 24-30

M 24	5:00 PM Vigil Mass Choir Practice
T 25	6:00 PM 7:30 Choir Practice
W 26	Feast of St. John Berchman
TH 27	9:00 AM Thanksgiving Day Mass
FR 28	

### Minister Schedule-November 29-30

<b>Vigil</b> -Lector	Janice Fox & Shirleen Louviere
Communion	Caro Louviere, Kalina Cormier, Jo Burleigh, Mildred Boast, Ada Barry
Altar Server	Megan Miller
<b>7:30</b> -Lector	Cierra Meche & Cheri Dubroc
Communion	Deacon Sam Henry, Warren Norton, Perry & Brenda Kennerson, Gary Dubroc
Altar Server	Taneisha Cormier
<b>10:30</b> -Lector	Simon Broussard & Barbara Broussard
Communion	Julia Key, Polly Etienne, Angela Boone Stephanie Richard, Nancy Bourque
Altar Servers	Armand Olivier, Jillian Lyons, Cody Williams

### Church Cleaners for November 29-30

Bernadelle Thibodeaux      Juanita Comeaux  
Betsy Douglas      Valerie Pyle      Leola Guilbeau  
Wilbert & Margaret Thomas

**Advent Penance Service** is scheduled for **Wednesday, December 10th** at **7:00 P.M.** All are invited to come and celebrate the sacrament of reconciliation.

**St. Charles Church Offices** will be closed on Thanksgiving Day and Friday, November 28.

**Thensted Center** will be closed the week of Thanksgiving, beginning November 24th. The center will reopen on Monday, December 1st.

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament** for First Friday will be on Thursday, December 4th at 7:00 PM, ending with Benediction at 8:00 PM.

### TEEN DANCE

On **Saturday, November 29th** the Junior Knights of Council #114 in Bellevue will host a Teen Dance from 8:00 PM-Midnight in the Christ the King Mission Gymnasium in Bellevue. No one over 18 will be allowed. Food & drinks will be served. Cost is \$5.00.

### GIVE THANKS

*Happy are they who grieve not for what they have not, but give thanks for what they do have.*

### CHRIST, KING OF ALL

On this, the final Sunday of the liturgical year, we celebrate the solemnity of Christ the King. By concluding the year with this feast we are proclaiming our faith that Jesus Christ is the one and only king over all seasons, all peoples, and all of creation.

At the end of time as we know it, Christ's work of restoring all things to unity and harmony with their Creator God will be completed. This Sunday, when we claim Christ as both our Shepherd and our King, we recognize our own calling to participate in Christ's saving work by caring for those whom Jesus calls "the least ones" (Matthew 25:45).

The **Knights & Ladies of Meche Council #34** will have a Po Boy Sale on **Saturday, November 29th**, in downtown Grand Coteau near the red light. Please contact any member to place your order. Donation is \$5.00 each. Any questions, please contact Joe Landry at 945-4248 or Wallace Belson at 662-3584.

### A Message from our Bishop

The Grace and Peace of the Lord Jesus be with you! I urge you to give to the Catholic Campaign for Human Development when the annual collection is taken up in your parish the weekend of November 22-23, 2008. Join us in solidarity as we work to break the cycle of poverty in the United States. Visit [www.povertyusa.org](http://www.povertyusa.org) to learn more.

"The Catholic Church has a rich tradition of helping people at risk. Every believer is called to serve those in need. Through parishes and dioceses and through committees and organizations we house the homeless, feed the hungry, visit those in prison, welcome immigrants, and provide countless other services. While we can be proud of what the Church already does, let every believer commit today to greater personal involvement in meeting the demands of the Gospel and the needs of our sisters and brothers."

Please support the Catholic Campaign for Human Development.

With prayers for all of us as we strive to work for the common good of all in our communities, I am

Sincerely yours in our Lord,  
**Most Reverend Michael Jarrell**  
**Bishop of Lafayette**