

# *Our Lady of Lourdes Parish*

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## WELCOME!

Thank you for celebrating with us today. We invite you to come and worship with us again. If you would like to be a member of our faith community, please take a moment to register. We would love to have you as our spiritual companion.

## MASS SCHEDULE

### SATURDAY

5:00 pm Vigil Mass (Vietnamese)

### TUESDAY - FRIDAY

6:00 pm (Vietnamese)

### SUNDAY

8:30 am Mass (English)

10:30 am Mass (Vietnamese)

Livestream (Facebook and Youtube)

12:30 pm (Vietnamese for Youth)

## ANOINTING OF THE SICK MASS

1st Friday of the Month - 5:30 pm Adoration  
6:00 pm Mass

## CONFESSIONS

Saturday 4:30 pm - 4:50 pm  
Sunday 8:00 am - 8:20 am  
Tuesday - Friday 5:30 pm - 5:50 pm

## Our Lady of Lourdes Parish



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### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Saturday, Sunday, Monday: Closed  
Tuesday - Friday: 9:00am - 3:00pm

Please Call for Appointment

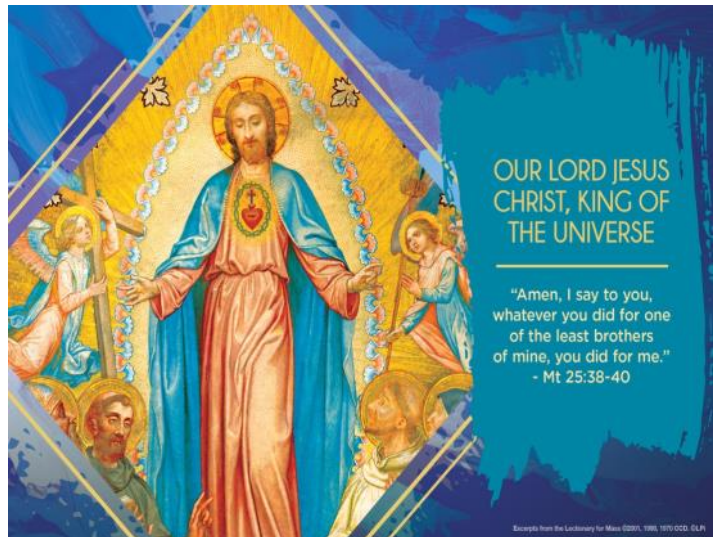
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Sacrament of Anointing the Sick: Ext. 1  
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Administrative Support: Ext. 3

Please leave a message if no one answers and your call will be returned.

### FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP (NOV. 18TH & NOV. 19TH)

Donation	\$4,946.00
Donation Online	\$1,365.00
Maintenance Fund	\$30.00
Debt Reduction	\$0
<b>Total Donation</b>	<b>\$6,341.00</b>



#### First Friday Healing Mass

with Fr. James Northrop

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**December 1, 2023**

8 AM Adoration, 8:30 AM Rosary, 8:50 AM Litany of the Sacred Heart, 9 AM Anointing of the Sick Mass

**ALL ARE WELCOME!**

St. Thomas Parish - 4415 S 140th ST, Tukwila, WA 98168



### PANCAKE BREAKFAST!

**St. Thomas Social Hall**  
4415 S 140th St, Tukwila, WA 98168

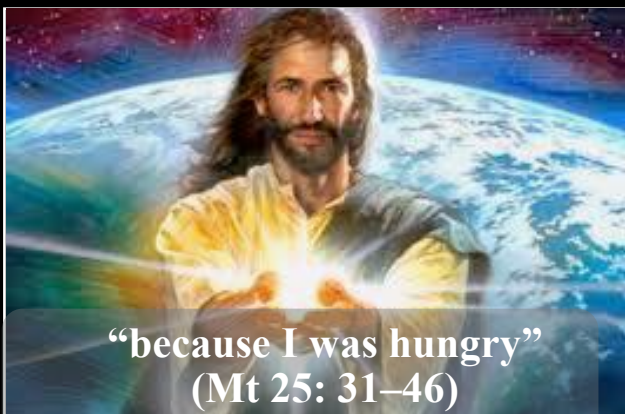
**Sunday, December 3rd at 9:00 AM**

**Children 5 and under \$2.00,  
All Others \$8.00**



St. Thomas Council 11253  
Tukwila, Washington





**“because I was hungry”  
(Mt 25: 31–46)**

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE  
HOMILY BY FATHER PAUL VU

## **The Judgment of the King Jesus**

Today is the last Sunday of the Liturgical Year: the last Sunday reminds us of the end of everything, of time and also of the end of our lives. Towards the end, the Church invites us to honor Jesus Christ as the King of the Universe, and also the King of each of us, of our lives, this life and the next. The gospel today tells us about the day of judgment at the end of

time. The judge will be The King Jesus. The way the King's judgment will surprise everyone, the righteous and the wicked. The King will ask us about our mercy to others.

The righteous are astonished that in caring for the needs of sufferers they are ministering to the Lord Himself. What kind of King disguises Himself as poor and wretched? Isn't it odd that most of us would not think to look among the lowly for God's Presence, even though the scripture is quite clear about this? The readings for this last Sunday of the liturgical year lift up the corporal works of mercy: feeding the hungry, giving drink to the thirsty, sheltering the homeless, clothing the naked, visiting the imprisoned, caring for the sick, and burying the dead. It is quite literally a key to find God. On that day, the righteous will be the King's subjects, and will be happy with Him forever and ever.

In 1980 in Paris (France), a priest dressed in poor clothes knocked on the door of a pastor's house asking to stay overnight. The pastor welcomed the guests very indifferently, then directed that priest to the attic of the rectory... That priest was John Bosco, who came from Italy to Paris to raise money to build a school to educate young people. Many years later, the Church canonized Father John Bosco as a saint. When he heard that news, the pastor said: - If only I had known at that time that he was John Bosco, I would not have let him stay in that attic, on the contrary, I would have reserved the most luxurious living room for him. When we regret treating our fellow humans poorly, it is already too late.

After a period of time, God allows us to live in this world to earn merit, to renew our sinful lives, the time will come when God will require us to give account. At that time, the time to show God's mercy will be over, and the time to show God's justice will be fulfilled. Bad people will tremble before God's majesty, while good people will rejoice because they receive God's mercy. Because God is not merciful when he judges those who do not know how to be merciful. But whoever is merciful does not care about judgment (James 2:13).

Be a reflection of what you'd like to receive. If you want love, give love. If you want truth, be truthful. If you want respect, give respect. If you want to be forgiven, then forgive. If you want to be merciful, be merciful. What you give out will return to you.

Celebrating the Feast of Christ the King today, let us first thank God for inviting and allowing us to become subjects of King Jesus Christ. We also thank God for pouring out all blessings on us, on family, community and Church throughout a liturgical year. At the same time, let us apologize to God for the shortcomings in our duties as citizens of His Kingdom. May God help each of us to always know how to live worthy of being God's subjects as God desires. Amen.

# Liturgical Life

## (PRACTICING) CATHOLIC

### The King Comes Holding a Mirror

Of all the many wonderful, thorough examinations of conscience I have come across, the one I normally utilize is very simple, and perfectly suited to someone like me who is not capable of profound thought at the end of the day.

It's just one very short question: Which Christs did I not recognize today?

The King always comes in disguise, and I know I miss him in so many ways every single day. I miss him in people ignored or dismissed. I miss him in opportunities avoided and in moments that could have turned into prayer but instead turned into phone-scrolling. I miss him when he is right in front of me, holding up a mirror and calling my name, begging for my conversion of heart.

The Christian life calls us to constant self-scrutiny. It's not a comfortable life, always thinking about what you could do better, but the Lord shepherds us rightly. His pastures have nothing to offer those who are perfect and strong.

He has gone in search of the lost. He has reclaimed those who have strayed, healed those who were injured, given rest to those who were weary.

We can't be followers of Christ if we are not willing to own our sins. God's mercy does not dismiss our sins, as if they never existed and were not important.

No, it does something far, far better — God's mercy absolves our sins. It sets us free from them. But to be truly free, you have to understand the tyranny of what once enslaved you.

"And he will separate them one from another, as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats."

— Matthew 25:32

Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

## Why do we do that? Catholic Life Explained

### Question:

Why are some saints honored as "patron saints"?

### Answer:

Each person is unique and each of us has different gifts, interests, talents, and, yes, even struggles and areas where we need to grow. This is no less true of those holy women, men, and children who have been canonized or beatified.

Because we believe that the saints and blessed are both models of faith and intercessors, Christians have looked to certain holy people as role models and heavenly protectors for occupations, spiritual charisms, and even places. Although the Church sometimes names a person as a patron saint (e.g. Saint Philip Neri as the patron of Rome, Saint Clare of Assisi as the patroness of television, or Saint Aloysius Gonzaga as the patron of youth and young adults), more often it is popular devotion that inspires lay Christians to turn to a particular saint or blessed for heavenly help and support. This is how, for example, Saint Cecilia came to be honored as the patroness of musicians, Saint Toribio Romo as patron of migrants coming into the United States, and Saint Gertrude of Nivelles as patroness of cat lovers. Although there are official and unofficial lists of patron saints, we should always feel free to ask any and all the saints to give us their patronage and protection in whatever it is that we need.