# Christ, the King

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## St. Raphael Roman Catholic Parish

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# **Mission Statement**

Called by God, centered in Christ and empowered by the Holy Spirit, the Roman Catholic faith community of Our Lady of the Valley and St. Raphael embrace a vision of full, conscious and active participation in the total life of the church. We are committed to form a single Christian community which honors our diversity through vibrant liturgy, engaging faith formation for all ages and outreach to people in need.

### Weekend Mass Schedule

Our Lady of the Valley Church

Saturday: 4:00 pm Sunday: 7:30 am, 10:30 am 12:30 pm *Holy Family Chaldean Mission* 5:00 pm *Filipino Community* at Our Lady of the Valley

St. Raphael Church

**Saturday:** 5:30 pm **Sunday:** 9:00 am, 12 Noon

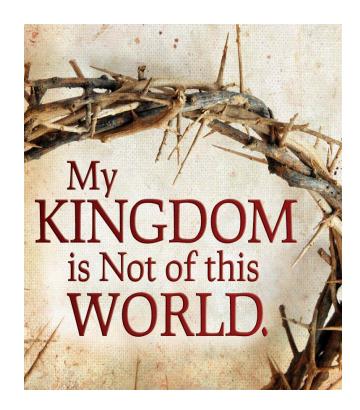
### Weekday Mass Schedule

Our Lady of the Valley Church Monday, Wednesday & Friday: 9:00 am

> St. Raphael Church Tuesday & Thursday: 9:00 am

### Readings for the Week of November 23

Monday Tuesday Wednesday	Dn 1:1-6, 8-20; Dn 3; Lk 21:1-4 Dn 2:31-45; Dn 3; Lk 21:5-11 Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28; Dn 3;
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Thursday	Dn 6:12-28; Dn 3; Lk 21:20-28
Friday	Dn 7:2-14; Dn 3; Lk 21:29-33
Saturday	Dn 7:15-27; Dn 3; Lk 21:34-36
Sunday	Jer 33:14-16; Ps 25; 1 Thes 3:12-4:2;
	Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

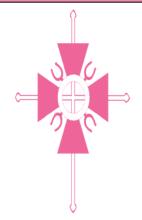


### **Today's Readings**

**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).



## Marking our Gratitude

In these last days of the church year our Scriptures focus on the end of time and the Lord's return in glory. Marking this final Sunday of the church year with the Solemnity of Christ the King helps to put the coming of the Day of the Lord into perspective. For those who strive to live the reality of the Kingdom of God here and now, the Day of the Lord is not a day of fear or gloom. This day will vindicate our acts of kindness modeled after the compassion, mercy and forgiveness of Christ. It is not just about going to church or supporting church events and organizations, it is about conforming our lives to the life of Christ at the core of our being as evidenced by the manner in which we treat one another, especially those whose outlook on life may be radically different from our own.

Our liturgical focus on the end time, and our longing for the Lord's return in glory, generally falls within the same week that our nation celebrates a national Day of Thanksgiving. In establishing this annual observance, President George Washington (1789) issued a proclamation, supported by both houses of Congress, that clearly identifies the focus of our gratitude, "Whereas it is the duty of all Nations to acknowledge the providence of Almighty God, to obey his will, to be grateful for his benefits, and humbly to implore his protection and favor..." Every act of gratitude has an object, and the object of our gratitude is not the Butterball hotline people, the NFL or the merchants who shatter the solemnity of this national Day of Gratitude by opening their doors for business before the table is cleared. By decree of our founding fathers, God alone is the object of our gratitude on this Thanksgiving Day.

To this end, I invite the people of Our Lady of the Valley and St. Raphael, and all your family and friends, to join me this Thursday, November 26, to begin our Thanksgiving Day with a festive Mass of Thanksgiving at 9:00 am at St. Raphael Church. Eucharist means thanksgiving, and there can be no better way to mark this cherished holiday than to gather for the greatest act of thanksgiving, the Mass.

At this Mass, as has been our custom for the past eleven years, our monetary offerings and gifts of non-perishable food items will support the ministry of charity extended by our local St. Vincent DePaul conferences to people in need within our own neighborhood. These gifts will be presented in an offertory procession of the whole congregation along with our gifts of bread and wine.

Our inter-parish Thanksgiving Day Mass is a personal high point for me each year. I am grateful for many things this Thanksgiving:

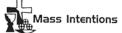
- I am grateful for our nation and for the freedoms our democratic process affords us; may we cherish them and extend them to every human being of all nations as we reverence their God given dignity.
- I am grateful for our Catholic faith and for the freedom to exercise it without constraint in a society which protects the religious freedom for all peoples of every belief.
- I am grateful for my religious family of Holy Cross, for their support, brotherhood and the shared vision of our founder, Blessed Basil Moreau, CSC.
- I am grateful for the gift of my priesthood and the opportunity to minister in the name of Jesus Christ, who came among us to serve, not be served.
- I am grateful for the people of St. Raphael and Our Lady of the Valley whom I have the distinct honor to pastor. I am grateful for the manner in which we, together, strive to realize the Kingdom God *now*, a kingdom of justice, love and peace.
- I am grateful for the manner in which our combined community joined together to mark my 40 years of priesthood and 10 years of pastorate this past summer.
- I am grateful to our parishioners and our parish staff who, with me, strive to build bridges and break down barriers; for those members of our community who have replaced competition with collaboration; to those who serve so generously in a variety of ministries, be it leadership, liturgical or catechetical ministries, ministries of charity to the sick, the poor or the enrichment of our church and civic communities.

To the God who is the giver of all good gifts, I offer grateful thanks and praise; and may each of you be blessed by the good that you do.

Fr. Ed Kaminski, CSC pastor

## St. Raphael and Our Lady of the Valley Parishes





Monday, November 23St. Clement IOur Lady of the Valley9:00 am † John Schoder

Tuesday, November 24St. Andrew Dung-Lac & CompanionsSt. Raphael9:00 am † Roman Jachimek

Wednesday, Nov. 25 Our Lady of the Valley St. Catherine of Alexandria 9:00 am † Sophie Sevada

Thursday, November 26Thanksgiving Inter-Parish MassSt. Raphael9:00 am Parishioners of OLV & STR

#### **Friday, November 27** Our Lady of the Valley

Our Lady of the Valley **9:00 am** † Sue Valrence

Saturday, Nov. 28Vigil - 1st Sunday of AdventOur Lady of the Valley4:00 pm † Fuad GanemSt. Raphael5:30 pm † M/M Anthony Sviatko

Sunday, November 291st Sunday of AdventOur Lady of the Valley7:30 am† Mayla SchemmelSt. Raphael9:00 amParishioners of STR & OLVOur Lady of the Valley10:30 am† Ray PaliottoSt. Raphael12:00 pmInt. of Maria PinheiroOur Lady of the Valley5:00 pmCelebrant's Intention



### St. Vincent de Paul Societies

Our Lady of the Valley and St. Raphael Conferences of the St. Vincent de Paul Society wish to thank everyone who donated food and money at our Annual Thanksgiving Food Drive. Your generosity allows us to feed many who would otherwise not be able to celebrate Thanksgiving Day. Thank you and may God bless you.

(The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is an independent ministry staffed by parishioners).

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# The Catholic Community of Our Lady of the Valley & St. Raphael cordially invite you to the Eleventh Annual Inter-Parish Thanksgiving Day Family Mass

Now thank we all our God with heart, and hands, and voices! Begin your Thanksgiving Day with the greatest act of thanksgiving, the Eucharist! The Thanksgiving Day Mass, featuring the combined ministries of both parishes and a congregational offertory procession with gifts of nonperishable food items and cash/check donations for the support of the St. Vincent de Paul Society of both parishes, will be celebrated at

9:00 am Thanksgiving morning at St. Raphael Church.

# St. Raphael

Monday, November 23 Knights of Columbus	7:30 pm	Club Rm		
<b>Tuesday, November 24</b> SVDP meeting	7:00 pm	Club Rm		
Wednesday, November 25 AA	Office closes 1 7:00 pm	<b>:00 pm</b> Tobiah Rm		
Thursday, November 26 Mass	Happy Thank 9:00 am	sgiving Church		
Friday, November 27 Holiday: office closed				
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Saturday, November 28 OLG ticket sales after Mas Shoebox collection AA meeting	ss 8:00 pm	Outside Tobiah Rm		
Sunday, November 29 OLG ticket sales after Mass Shoebox collection				
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### **OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE FESTIVITIES**

at St. Raphael Parish All are welcome to the bilingual Rosary Novena beginning **December 3** at 6:30 pm in St. Raphael chapel. Raffle tickets and calendars will be sold after all Masses at St. Raphael Parish the weekends of November 28/29 and December 5/6. Please join us.



Los Guadalupanos of St. Raphael

Workbooks for Lectors are available in the parish offices. \$10 contribution is suggested.







Music Ministry will be selling breakfast burritos on Sunday, November 29, after the Masses at St. Raphael in

the hall. Please come and support our Music Ministry!



# Our Lady of the Valley

Monday, November 23 SVDP pantry Confessions Rosary	9-11:45 am 6:00 pm 7:00 pm	Pantry Chapel Chapel		
<b>Tuesday, November 24</b> AA meeting	7:00 pm	Rm 8		
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Sunday, November 29 Shoebox collection				
Blood pressure checks aft Healthy snack after Mass Filipino community Filipino choir		Rm 6 Social Rm Rm 7 Church		

### **Our Lady of the Valley Women's Club**



This is the **last weekend** the Women's Club will be selling Advent candles and wreaths. Stop by and see a variety of items available for purchase. Celebrate and

participate in the Advent season by bringing an Advent wreath into your home. Homemade candy will also be sold for only \$1/bag!



Please help us make a special Christmas for those less fortunate. Starting next weekend, November 28/29,

the Women's Club will be collecting **Shoe Boxes for** the Homeless. The collection boxes will be in the vestibules until December 6. Boxes are needed for both men and women at Andre House. Packages should be wrapped (indicating for man or woman). Items should include personal toiletries: deodorant, body wash, tooth brush/paste, combs, shampoo, disposable razors, shaving cream, white socks etc. Please contact Jovie Rodriguez (602-866-3664) with any concerns or questions.

### St. Raphael and Our Lady of the Valley Parishes

People who are in the habit of dying to themselves daily in the spirit of the gospel do not fear death. - Letters, Blessed Basil Moreau, CSC



In observance of the **Thanksgiving holiday** the parish offices will close at 1:00 pm on Wednesday,

November 25 and reopen on Monday, November 30.

### **Attention:**



The Men's Club of St. Raphael is inviting everyone for a Pizza & Wing night on Monday, November 23,

between 4:00 pm-8:00 pm. This is held at Pizza Hut (59th Ave & Bell). You may place an order for carryout or dine in (602-938-2323). The Men's Club will receive 15% of the sales during this period. You can catch the Monday night football while eating!



## **BOOKS BOOKS BOOKS**

Are you starved for reading materials? Stop by the Social Room at Our Lady of the Valley on hospitality Sundays after the 7:30 am & 10:30 am Masses beginning November 29. Books for sale by Young at Heart.

In In moriam

Remember those who have died recently, especially Michael Eagan and Marcia Gutierez.



Wally Trojanek and all those in need of our prayers. Anyone wishing to place someone on the prayer list may do so if they have their permission. Please spell the name **REQUESTS** clearly. Call Marilyn (602-938-0638) or email: ms-churchlady@hotmail.com.

#### Dates to remember:

- November 26 Thanksgiving Day Mass 9:00 am at St. Raphael
- November 29 Burritos (Music Ministry)

December 8 - Holy day (Tuesday) **Immaculate Conception** (Vigil Mass: STR 6:00 pm; Monday) (Day Masses: STR 9:00 am & OLV 7:00 pm) Week 20, 2015-2016 November 14-15, 2015 Our Lady of the Valley

Total of 3 Collections: \$9,332 Filipino Collection: \$920 Total of 4 Collections: \$10,252 Facilities Renovation: \$4,334

St. Raphael Sunday Offering for November 14-15, 2015 Total of 3 Collections: \$5,836 Facilities Renovation: \$3,419

> **Mission Sunday Collection** St. Raphael: \$932 **Our Lady of the Valley: \$496**

# Advent Fundraiser for the Youth Ministry



Teens Gathering In Faith will be selling ornaments, large crosses, magnets, and necklaces for Christmas gifts. Please come and support the youth ministry by purchasing handmade gifts for your loved ones on **December 5/6** after all Masses. The profits will support LA Youth Day trip in February.

The Knights of Columbus Council 7114 held the for the 120 Club. The winners are: sec

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Hank Reming #6	\$25		
Larry Robak #12	\$25		
Daryl Hartley #73	\$25		
Teresa Dupra #62	\$25		
Patty Pavlosky #89	\$100		
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Congratulations to the winners and thank you to all for supporting our sponsored seminarians.

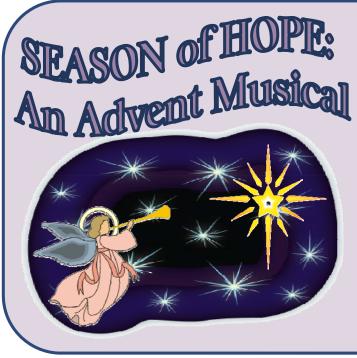
Merle Schmitz, 120 Club Chairman

Our warmest welcome to all who worship with our parish family, whether long time registered or newly arrived in our parishes. If you are not registered, please pick up a registration form located in the vestibules.



Volunteer teams from our various parish groups serve coffee & donuts after the morning Masses at Our Lady of the Valley in the Social Room, or e& after the 9:00 am Mass at St. Raphael in the Hall.

Everyone is welcome!



### A musical storytelling by our combined Music Ministry - 2 FREE PERFORMANCES

Thursday, December 10, 7:00 pm at Our Lady of the Valley Church

Tuesday, December 15, 6:00 pm at St. Raphael Church With Generations of Faith Families

