

# Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

November 26, 2017

## ~ Advent Mass Schedule ~

First Friday:	8 am ~ St. Peter 9:30 am ~ St. John
Tuesdays:	8 am ~ St. Peter 9:30 am ~ St. John
Wednesdays:	8 am ~ St. Peter 9:30 am ~ St. John
Thursdays:	8 am ~ St. Peter 9:30 am ~ St. John

### “Conversation, Questions, & Answers”

On Tuesday, December 12, at 7 pm in Father Willis Hall the Knights of Columbus will sponsor “Conversation, Questions, and Answers” with Father Golding. Some topics to be discussed: the 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Reformation and an overview of Catholicism. Light refreshments will be provided.

Next Knights Meeting: 12/4, 6 pm at St. Peter.

### St. Peter Advent Reconciliations

St. Peter’s Communal Reconciliation will be held Tuesday, December 5, at 7 pm, and Individual Reconciliation will be on Wednesday, December 7, at 7 pm.

### Dominican Retreat Center 518.393.4169

**December 1-3:** Advent Silent Men and Women’s Retreat: *“Too Blessed or Too Stressed.”* Jesus invites all who labor and are heavy burdened to come to Him so that He can give us rest and replace our burdens with the yoke of Christ. Come reflect on the forces that push and drive our choices and priorities and examine what we may be able to lay down, and finally, to discern what burdens, crosses, or yokes we are being asked to carry by Christ. Director: Fr. Raymond Dlugos, OSA \$205

**December 8 & 9:** Yoga for Men & Women. Enjoy a holiday break for yoga and guided meditation for the mind, spirit, and body. Sonya Boesse \$100 includes overnight accommodation.

**December 31:** A New Year’s evening of reflection: *Behold! I Make All Things New!* How to cope with change when all things seem constantly new; how can all things be made New when Christ is the same yesterday and today? Fr. Daniel P. Dwyer, OFM \$25 (or \$50 with overnight and breakfast).

### Giving Tuesday

This Tuesday, November 28, Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Albany will be celebrating #GivingTuesday, a global day dedicated to giving. In this spirit of generosity, Alpin Haus along with some other generous donors, will match online donations dollar-for-dollar up to \$5,000. To make that even better, the match is beginning on Nov 19 and extends all the way to Nov 28th!

To help us meet this generous challenge in support of those we serve, you can make a gift by clicking here. As an added incentive, the first 25 people who give \$100 or more will receive two tickets to the Siena Saints basketball game on January 5, 2018 OR you may gift your tickets to Catholic Charities clients.

#GivingTuesday is a way to support your favorite charities and give to others at a time of year when holiday shopping is taking center stage. You can help those who are struggling to make ends meet this holiday season. Your gift will stay local and help people right here in our community! We invite you to join the movement, help Catholic Charities, and have your gift doubled!

### Marriage Moments Susan Voigt

Ways to Turn Your Beloved Off #5: Let bargain hunting rob you of time - - time to serve those who don’t have the money even for a bargain. Let Matthew 25 ring in your ears: *“I was hungry, thirsty, a stranger, naked, ill, in prison...”* As Christmas approaches spend some time and money responding to this sales pitch from Christ the King.

### Blood Drive

A blood drive is scheduled for Thursday, December 7, from 11:30 am to 5:30 pm, at United Presbyterian, East and North Streets in Walton. To make your appointment (required), please call 800.REDCROSS.

Reconciliation Saturday  
at St. John from 3 to 3:30 pm.

### Family Perspective Bud Ozar

Families feed the hungry, give drinks to thirsty toddlers, and welcome stranger (an even estranged relative) into our homes. We clothe children and visit family members who are sick and imprisoned. The routine actions of family life are religious and priestly for we make Christ present in what we do. Family life is Beatitude life.

### Walton Food Bank

Please bring a needed item or two when you attend Mass: hot and cold cereals; pastas: elbow, ziti, shells, etc; tuna fish: chunk lite or solid white in water; cake mixes for Christmas; toilet paper, shampoo, deodorant, laundry soap.

### Christmas Light Show

Our Lady of Martyrs Shrine will hold a drive through Christmas Light Show: *“Light the Knight”* December 1/2, 8/9, and 15/16 from 6 to 9 pm. Hosted by Notre Dame Bishop Gibbons High School, revel in the wonderful light display, warm up in the Visitor Center with cocoa and cookies, your kids can participate in free arts and crafts, and do some of your Christmas shopping in the gift shop. Donation: \$5 per car.

### Parenting Pointers Susan Voigt

Thanksgiving is over, let the shopping begin! Or must it? Buying gifts isn’t inherently bad, but giving an experience is often more memorable. Why not stay home and play a game instead.

### Not Able to Get Out to Mass?

If you can’t make one of our Masses, the Diocese streams Mass live each week on its website, [www.rcda.org](http://www.rcda.org), and if you have cable, tune in on EWTN.

Advent Vespers at First Presbyterian, Delhi  
December 3 at 5 pm

### A Visit with St. Paul at St. Paul the Apostle

St. Paul the Apostle Church, Hancock will present “A Visit with St. Paul” November 26 at 2:30 pm. Performed by Glenn Smith, who travels the US and China, there will be a freewill offering to benefit China missionary work. Info: [visitwithstpaul.com](http://visitwithstpaul.com).

### Gifts of Advent Family Evening

Sacred Heart Church in Sidney will start off this year’s Advent with “Come Open the Gifts of Advent” program Sunday, December 3. Dinner begins at 5 pm -- don’t forget to bring a dish-to-pass for the pot luck dinner.

### Life-Giving Gift Ideas for Christmas

CRS: Want a creative gift idea which will have a long-lasting impact? Catholic Relief Services has gift ideas that have the power to change of lives of people facing hunger and poverty, and will show your loved ones just how much you care!

Just a few gifts available: \$25 provides health exams for 12 children; \$60 buys two pigs to help increase farmers’ earnings; \$80 buys one lamb or kid which aids farm families diets and income; \$165 buys a survivors kit for girls rescued from trafficking providing a month’s supply of food, medicine, bedding, clothing, etc.

Pick your gifts online at [gifts.crs.org](http://gifts.crs.org) and dedicate a special card for your gift recipients notifying them of your life-giving gift!

Samaritan’s Purse: For life-transforming gifts which spread the hope of the Gospel, Samaritan’s Purse has 42 gifts of hope. Some ways to touch people’s lives around the world: \$25 (to share the \$2,500 cost) to repair an entire home of a persecuted Christian; \$75 to save the lives and improve the health of mothers and their babies (\$9 to feed a hungry baby for a week); \$25 (share the \$250 cost) to provide treatment for children with crippling birth defects or injuries; \$100 provides emergency medical care after a catastrophic event. Also gifts for our military personnel as well as gifts your kids can give: [samaritanspurse.org/catalog](http://samaritanspurse.org/catalog).