

**OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST,
KING OF THE UNIVERSE**

NOVEMBER 25, 2018

SCRIPTURE REFLECTIONS for December 2nd First Sunday of Advent
Jeremiah 33:14-16

Where is justice needed in your family? church?

Where is justice needed in our nation?

1 Thessalonians 3:12-4:2

In what (area of) conduct do you need greater progress?

How are you conducting yourself in a way pleasing to God?

Luke 21:25-36

What catastrophe or chastisement do you most fear?

What worldly cares still preoccupy you?

WEEKDAY MASSES November 27 - 30

Tues: 5:00 pm In Honor of Joshua Spenst

Wed: 8:40 am **School Mass** +Dennis Lyons

Thurs: 5:00 pm +Dan Schneider

Schneider Family

Fri: 10:15 am **Maple Manor** Living & Deceased Members of Tony & Dorothy

WEEKEND MASSES December 1 - 2

Sat: 5:00 pm St. Edward's - Nekoma +Fr. Dan Mrnarevic

7:30 pm St. Alphonsus +Dorothy Jakoubek

Reader: Holly Lyons

EMHC: Holly Lyons

Servers: Philomena & Maria Muhs

Musicians:

Sun: 8:30 am St. Alphonsus +Jean Kram

Reader: Darlene Brooks

EMHC: Bill Brooks

Servers: Joshua Spenst

Musicians: Bob & Choir

9:00 am St. Michael's – Wales People of the Parishes

10:30 am St. Alphonsus +Paul Kram

Reader: Dennis Horpestad

EMHC: Dennis Horpestad

Servers: Sean Gette

Musicians: Bob & Choir

Fellowship Hall Host: LaVern & Margaret Chaput

Fr. Phil's cell phone: 701-740-7593 and Fr. Will's cell phone: 701-640-2858

Website for St. Alphonsus Parish – <http://www.stalphonsuslangdon.com/>

Sacrament of Reconciliation – Tuesday after 5:00pm Mass, Wednesday after 8:40am Mass, Thursday after 5:00pm Mass & Saturday at 6:45

Weekly Reflection for November 18, 2018: This week's reflection of the parishioner's relationship with God and with the parish

Adult Envelopes	\$2,991.00
Intentional Givers	\$3,328.67
Plate	\$268.00
Fuel	\$75.00
Total	\$6,662.67

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Jesus proclaimed his kingdom on the Mount of Beatitudes overlooking the Sea of Galilee. It is a place of great beauty and calm peace. In this place he spoke of those who would inherit the kingdom of God: the poor in spirit, the humble, the meek, people who work for justice, the peacemakers, those who suffer for their faith and do good. They seem an unlikely group of people who will triumph over time and become a strong and powerful kingdom in contrast to those whose power is violent and harsh.

In today's Gospel Jesus tells Pontius Pilate that his kingdom is not of this world but is a kingdom that bears witness to the truthfulness of who people are, the goodness of relationships, and is a place where people show mercy to those in need. In this kingdom people look after one another and care for one another. They are generous to those who are poor and share their goods with others. Jesus speaks of bearing witness to the truth that each person is created good by God, given the gift of human freedom, and called to love others in rich and strong relationships. Jesus witnesses to this kingdom when he helps the woman who is bent double to stand up straight. He continues this in forgiving those who have sinned. He washes the feet of his friends to show them the example of love. His kingdom is of service in which the power of love shines out. We call him our servant king and may think of the words of a well-known hymn, "This is our God, the Servant King." Taken from The Living Word

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"...whatever you did for one of the least of my brothers, you did for me" – MATTHEW 25:40

Most of us are generous when it's convenient for us. We are generous when we have the time or the money. But, generosity is the opposite of that. It means giving of one's time, money, compassion, forgiveness or mercy when it's not convenient; when it's not on our schedule, but on the other person's schedule.

CD of the Week: The Treasure of Our Soul - Dr. Scott Hahn, internationally known theologian and author, explains the inestimable value of the Creed as a sure means of communicating the life-giving faith of the Apostles and as an indispensable source of unity for the Church. Dr. Hahn also brings to light how the Creed has served as a time-tested wellspring of meditation by which a believer can deepen his or her relationship with Christ, making it, in the words of St. Ambrose, "the treasure of our soul." **Be sure to check out all the new titles in the kiosk!**

Best Advent Ever – Advent is a time to prepare our hearts for Christmas, but we often get distracted and busy. Don't let this Advent pass you by. Slow down and focus on what matters most with BEST ADVENT EVER. Each Day, you'll receive an email with short inspirational videos from Allen Hunt and Dominick Albano, practical tips for your everyday life, and real-life stories to encourage you in your faith journey. All you have to do is sign up at BestAdventEver.com.

Save the Date! St. Alphonsus Church and School Presents: an Evening in December on Sunday, December 9th from 2:00 – 5:00pm. Christmas Tree Viewing, Hors d'oeuvres, Silent Auction. **Music by: Dakota Blende:** Keyboard & Violin/Fiddle Duo - Bonnie Deegan & Marcie Grohs and **Back by Popular Demand & Featured Act: The Wales Quartet** – Curt Kram, Kim & Steve Hart and Darby Hart

Donations for Christmas Flowers can be made by filling out the below form and can be placed in the collection marked "flowers" or brought to the parish office by Friday, December 14th. Thank You.

In Memory of/honor of

From

PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

Our Sympathy to the family of Mary Shankar who was called home last week. May she rest in the love of the Father.

You're invited to join us on Wednesdays at 12:05 PM as we pray the Rosary for the protection of the unborn. It will take place at the Church unless there is an afternoon funeral scheduled.

St Alphonsus School is selling raffle tickets for \$10.00 a piece to raise money for recess/gym equipment. **Prizes:** #1 \$2000.00 cash, #2 \$1000.00 cash, #3 Medora Getaway, #4 Frost Fire Family pkg. Tickets can be purchased from Jackie in the school office or families of the school. Drawing is Sunday, December 9th at the Christmas Tree Festival.

St. Alphonsus Fellowship Hall cleaning for November - 25-1 Dec. Julie Regner & Mauri Roy

Religious Ed – we are still in need of a 6th grade teacher to team teach with Fr. Will. Contact Carla at 256-5966 ext. 133

Warm Coats from Warm Hearts Coat Drive – Please bring your new or gently used coats to the box inside door #3(Lanai entrance) at St. Alphonsus School. All sizes from infant to adult are needed. Thank you from St. Alphonsus School student council.

St. Edward's Church cleaning for November/December – Janet Schill & Sarah
Schill

Knights of Columbus will be collecting non perishable food items for the Cavalier County Food Pantry. There is a purple plastic tote at the back of the church.

Communion for the homebound: do you know of someone who is not able to get to Mass due to medical or health reasons? Call Fr Phil or Fr Will to be put on our Communion Call List.

Calvary Cemetery would like to "Thank You" for your donations in the past. If you are interested in making a donation for the upkeep, maintenance and the purchasing of flowers for Calvary Cemetery there are envelopes at the back of the church. Make checks payable to Calvary Cemetery. You can mail them to Jack Wild at 11021 Highway 66, Osnabrock, ND 58269 or drop them off with Jackie at the Parish Office or drop in the collection box marked Calvary Cemetery.

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Cemetery would like to "Thank You" for your donations in the past, we appreciate you keeping us in your gift giving decisions through Memorials, Bequest, and Donations. Your gift helps us to offset the cost of improvements and general maintenance to keep our Cemetery a beautiful resting place for your loved ones. We ask that you consider making a donation in 2018 to continue keeping our Cemetery a place to honor your family and friends. Donations may be mailed to Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Cemetery, c/o Bev Metzger 10242 103rd Street NE, Wales, ND 58281

Fr. Damien Schill has written a cookbook. It is entitled "Cooking and Eating with Fr. Damien and Friends" It is a collection of recipes that he has collected over the years. The first volume is beverages, appetizers, salads, soups, vegetables, canning, grilling and so forth. The next volume will be entrees and the third volume will be desserts. The last two volumes are in productions still. If interested in a copy they are available for \$25.00 from Hurley's in Fargo, or email Fr. Schill directly at frdamien3@aol.com to order them.

Real Presence Radio - What is keeping you from becoming Catholic? This is the theme of a call-in show hosted by Dr. David Anders, catechist, speaker, writer, and former Protestant historian who now embraces the riches of the Catholic Church. "Called to Communion" answers questions about the Catholic faith and is very informative for non-Catholics as well as Catholics who want to learn more about what the Church believes and teaches. Tune in Monday – Friday at 1:00 p.m. on 1370AM (Grand Forks), 1280AM (Fargo/Moorhead), 98.9FM (Belcourt), 99.7FM (Jamestown).