



# SAINT ANTHONY of PADUA

*Catholic Community*

**SUNDAY MASS**

**12:30pm**

5649 Mount Gilead Road  
Centreville, VA

*Also streamed live on Facebook*

**YOUTH FAITH FORMATION**

**1st Sunday of Each Month**

*class is held during the 12:30pm mass and supplemental materials are made available on the parish website.*

**FELLOWSHIP SUNDAY**

**Last Sunday of Each Month**

*contact a member of the hospitality team if you'd like to bring a treat to share!*

**✠ Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe**

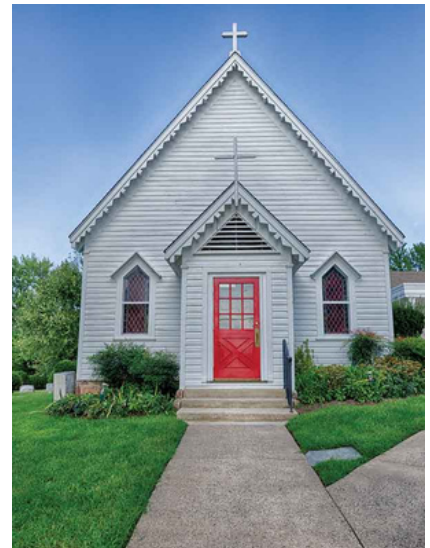
**JESUS CHRIST** is king of all creation. At the end of Matthew's Gospel, Jesus tells his disciples, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me" (28:18). The Book of Revelation calls him, "King of kings and Lord of lords" (19:16). People wanted to make Jesus a king after he worked the miracle of the loaves, but he went away by himself instead (John 6:15). They wanted a secular king to govern their land. Jesus wanted to rule their hearts.

The Catholic Church celebrates the kingship of Christ on the last Sunday of the Church year. The liturgical year reaches its climax in a celebration that honors the supreme command of Christ. He has dominion over all creation, and he rules every person who believes in him.

The Solemnity of Christ the King entered the Catholic calendar in 1925, which Pope Pius XI had set aside as a holy year. Pius thought the feast would bring the year to a solemn close, help combat the forces of secularism, and remind the world that Christ is its ultimate ruler. The pope chose the last Sunday of October because of its proximity to the end of the liturgical year and to serve as a prelude to All Saints Day on Nov. 1. The same day was already being observed as Reformation Sunday in the Protestant traditions.

Pope Paul VI moved the observance from the end of October to the very last Sunday of the Church year in order to exalt its theme even more. Now we end the year with an idea that sums up all that we have celebrated and that prepares us to start anew: this Jesus, whose birth we will soon celebrate, is the king of all creation.

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**YOUR PASTORAL TEAM**

Fr. Julian, Fr. Jason, and Fr. David are honored to walk with you on your journey of faith and to support your spiritual needs.

**MOST NEEDED ITEMS FOR WFCM**

**Food & Beverages**

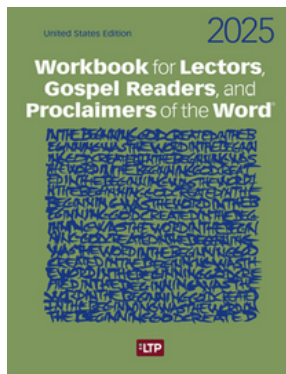
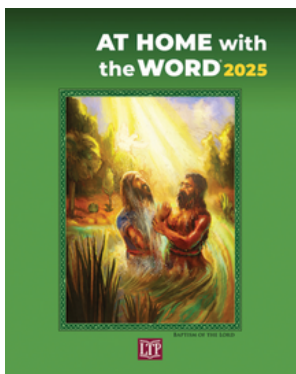
- Flour
- Sugar (1 or 2 lb. bags)
- Vegetable Oil
- Pasta Sauce
- Pasta
- Cereal (low sugar preferred)
- Pancake Mix
- Family Sized Snacks (pretzels, crackers, etc.)
- Canned Chicken

**FELLOWSHIP SUNDAY**

This weekend we will celebrate our monthly Fellowship Sunday, dedicated time after mass where we can chew and chat with other saints-in-the-making. Plan on staying after mass for some delicious bites, refreshing beverages, and an opportunity to socialize with like-minded Catholics with whom we share a journey of faith.

**2025 RESOURCES AVAILABLE!**

With the start of a new liturgical year on December 1, we begin a new cycle of readings at mass. “At Home with the Word” will be available beginning **November 24th** only while supplies last. All lectors can pick up their 2025 workbook in the sacristy before or after mass. These books are available now and will be helpful for your ministry preparations.



**ADVENT CALENDARS**

On December 1st, the Season of Advent sparks an intentional time to prepare for the coming of Christ in the Incarnation. As is parish tradition, we will bless and distribute chocolate Advent Calendars at mass on **Sunday, November 24th**. They are quite popular and will be available while supplies last.

**HAPPY THANKSGIVING!**

On behalf of the entire parish pastoral team, I would like to extend a happy celebration of Thanksgiving to you all. May this time of celebration be one of unity and offer a chance to reflect on the bounty of God’s love and mercy, so freely given to us all. If you are traveling, we bid you safe passage. If you are hosting others at your home, we wish you peace and joy. If you are working or unable to spend this time with others, know of our gratitude for your presence in the life of our parish. Don’t worry about calories - all diets are officially set to begin on December 1! Gobble, Gobble. -Fr. Jason



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