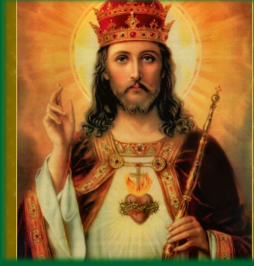




**ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI
CATHOLIC CHURCH**



November 23, 2025
**Our Lord, Jesus Christ,
King of the Universe**

Empowered by the Holy Spirit, St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church aspires to be a vibrant and welcoming community of disciples committed to worship, grow, and serve. We invite all to a personal encounter with Jesus Christ, accompany them on their journey, and send them forth to be His witnesses.

Sunday Masses

- 05:00 p.m. (Saturday Vigil)*
- 07:30 a.m.*
- 10:00 a.m.*
- 12:30 p.m. (Spanish)*
- 04:30 p.m. (Historic Church)

*27th St. Church; livestreamed on the Parish Website

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Leadership
Team**

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Daily Masses:

T–F: 7:00 a.m. (in the St. Clare Chapel)
Adoration follows until noon (T, Th, F)

T–F: 12:15 p.m. (Historic Church)
Adoration follows until 6:00 p.m.

Saturday: 8:00 a.m. (Historic Church)

Reconciliation  Confessions:

- Saturday: 27th St. Church 3:00 to 4:30 p.m.†
- Tuesday: 27th St. Church 7:30 to 8:00 a.m.
- Saturday: Historic Church 8:30 to 9:00 a.m.

†Except on Holy Saturday—No Confessions

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M, T, Th 8:30–4:30 / W 10:30–4:30 / F 8:30–NOON

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Lava and Franklin)



Our Lord, Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

1. What the Feast Celebrates

The Solemnity, sometimes called Christ the King, celebrates the universal kingship of Jesus Christ over all creation. It was instituted by Pope Pius XI in 1925 in the encyclical *Quas Primas*, during a period of rising secularism and ideologies opposed to Christian principles.

The Pope wanted to remind the world that Christ's authority is supreme over individuals, societies, and nations, and that true peace comes when all submit to His reign.

Key points from *Quas Primas* (1925):

- Christ's kingship is not just spiritual, but moral and social, ordering human society according to God's will.
- The faithful are called to recognize Christ as the ruler of their hearts and of social institutions.
- The celebration is a response to the challenges of secularism, materialism, and the rejection of God in public life.

2. Biblical Foundation

The Church bases the solemnity on several biblical passages:

Luke 1:32-33—"He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give him the throne of his father David, and he will reign over Jacob's descendants forever."

John 18:36-37—Jesus explains to Pilate that His kingdom is not of this world, but it transcends earthly power.

Revelation 11:15—"The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ."

These passages show that Christ's kingship is both spiritual and cosmic, not limited to political authority.

3. Theological Significance

According to the Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC):

- Christ is the King of Glory and Lord of Lords (CCC 430).
- His kingship is manifested in love, service, and truth, not oppression.
- By recognizing His reign, the faithful are called to live lives of justice, peace, and charity, aligning society with God's moral order.

Thus, the feast emphasizes that Christ's authority is a call to conversion, not coercion.

4. Liturgical Meaning

The solemnity is celebrated on the last Sunday of the liturgical year (usually late November). This placement is intentional: it reminds the Church that all creation and human history find their fulfillment in Christ.

Liturgically, the readings highlight Christ as ruler and judge, encouraging reflection on how His kingship affects personal life and society.

5. Magisterial Teaching on Social Implications

Quas Primas emphasizes that the recognition of Christ's kingship should extend to:

- Personal life—Christians submit to Christ's authority in conscience and moral choices.
- Social order—Nations and institutions should be guided by Christian principles of justice and human dignity.
- Public life—Christ's moral law should shape laws, culture, and social policies, ensuring that freedom and peace flourish in accordance with God's plan.

The Solemnity of Christ the King is a celebration of Jesus' universal authority, a reminder that **true kingship is exercised in love and service**, and an invitation for both individuals and societies to align themselves with His reign. It calls the faithful to acknowledge Christ as Lord of history, conscience, and public life, not merely as a religious figure but as the sovereign King whose rule brings justice and peace. —*Fr. Victor Mena*

MASS INTENTIONS / SCRIPTURE READINGS

<u>DATE</u>	<u>CHURCH</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>FOR</u>	<u>REQUESTED BY</u>
Saturday Vigil Mass, November 22nd 2 Sm 5:1-3; Col 1:12-20; Lk 23:35-43	[M]	5:00 p.m.	Karen McDougall (D)	Jenny McDougall
Sunday, November 23rd	[M]	7:30 a.m.	St. Francis Parish (L)	Fr. Victor Mena
2 Sm 5:1-3	[M]	10:00 a.m.	Kathy Sansom (D)	St. Francis Choir
Col 1:12-20	(Spanish Mass) [M]	12:30 p.m.	Paula Baza (D)*	Miriam Rodriguez
Lk 23:35-43	[H]	4:30 p.m.	Maria Bastora (D)	Cristina Martin
Monday, November 24th	[C]	7:00 a.m.	—NO MASS—	
Dn 1:1-6, 8-20; Lk 21:1-4	[H]	12:15 p.m.	—NO MASS—	
Tuesday, November 25th	[C]	7:00 a.m.	Doug Rude (D)	St. Clare Helpers
Dn 2:31-45; Lk 21:5-11	[H]	12:15 p.m.	William Callender (D)	St. Francis Parish
Wednesday, November 26th	[C]	7:00 a.m.	Srs of Mary of Kakamega (L)	St. Clare Helpers
Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28; Lk 21:12-19	[H]	12:15 p.m.	John Landsiedel (D)	Dahlberg/Matsuyama Family
Thursday, November 27th	[C]	7:00 a.m.	—NO MASS—	
Dn 6:12-28; Lk 21:20-28	(Bilingual Mass) [M]	10:00 a.m.	Ana Maria Nuñez (D)	Magali Tejada
Friday, November 28th	[C]	7:00 a.m.	Maria Guadalupe Jacobo (D)	Magali Tejada
Dn 7:2-14; Lk 21:29-33	[H]	12:15 p.m.	James Rausch (D)	The Rausch Family
Saturday, November 29th	[H]	8:00 a.m.	Sheila Lynn Kelly (D)	Priscilla Steward

*10-Year Anniversary

[M] = Main Church † [C] = St. Clare Chapel † [H] = Historic Church † (L) = Living † (D) = Deceased
 To Schedule a Mass Intention, Please call the Parish Office at (541) 382-3631 by 4 p.m.
 on Thursday, 9 days prior to the next publication.



Adorers are most needed for these hours:

Contact **Judy Kennedy**: judyekennedy@icloud.com / (541) 389-5964 to commit to one of these hours:

DAY	TIME	TIME	TIME	TIME	TIME	TIME	TIME	TIME
Monday								
Tuesday	8-9 a.m.	9-10 a.m.	11 a.m.-12 p.m.			3-4 p.m.	4-5 p.m.	
Wednesday					2-3 p.m.	3-4 p.m.		5-6 p.m.
Thursday				1-2 p.m.				5-6 p.m.
Friday	8-9 a.m.							

[Holy hours after 7 a.m. Mass are in the St. Clare Chapel. Holy hours after 12:15 p.m. Mass are at the Historic Church.]



Family Advent Retreat

Take a sacred pause this Advent and gather as a family to prepare your heart for Jesus. Join the Salesian Sisters and the Sisters of Kakamega for an evening of prayer, reflection, and joyful family activities centered on the theme **"Trusting God's Plan: Waiting in Hope."** Like Mary and Joseph on their journey to Bethlehem, let us learn to trust God's loving presence and guidance.



When: Friday, Dec. 5, 2025
Where: Community Center
 27th Street
Time: 5:30 - 7:30 PM
 All families welcome
Please RSVP by Dec. 2, 2025
smathai@saintfrancisschool.net

Stewardship of Giving

Date	Weekly Offering	Weekly needed	Difference	YTD Offering
November 15-16, 2025	\$ 9,598	\$25,774	(\$16,176)	\$1,140,969
November 8-9, 2025	\$29,070	\$25,774	\$3,296	\$1,131,371
November 1-2, 2025	\$25,397	\$25,774	(\$377)	\$1,102,301
October 25-26, 2025	\$34,755	\$25,774	\$8,981	\$1,076,904

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 Y-T-D Budget vs. Y-T-D Actual Variance
 \$1,181,104 vs. \$1,140,969 (\$40,135)

Thanksgiving Day Mass & Adoration

On **Thursday, November 27th**, we will celebrate a bilingual Thanksgiving Day Mass at **10 a.m.** in the Main Church. **However, there will be NO ADORATION on the Thanksgiving Holidays,—Thursday, November 27th, and Friday, November 28th.**

Thanksgiving Parish Office Closure

In observance of the Thanksgiving holiday, the Parish Office will be closed **Thursday, November 27th, and Friday, November 28th.** It will reopen on **Monday, December 1st.**

Christmas Cards

The Knights of Columbus Christmas Card Sales begins **next weekend, November 29/30**, after all the Masses at the Main Church on 27th Street, **through the weekend of December 6/7.** They will also be available at the Parish Office.

—*Thank you, Frank Krupicka*

Christmas Luncheon

All the women of the parish are invited to the Altar Society's **Annual Christmas Luncheon on Wednesday, December 3rd, at 1 p.m., at Chan's Chinese Restaurant.** For reservations, call **Judy Kennedy** at (541) 389-5964 by **Monday, December 1st.**

Christmas Flowers

The Altar Society will be collecting money for Christmas flowers after Mass on the weekends of **December 6/7 and December 13/14.**

Thank you for your generosity.

The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary



The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary is on **Monday, December 8th.** This Holy Day of Obligation proclaims our belief that Mary was conceived without sin. Under the title of the Immaculate Conception, Mary is the patroness of the United States.

Mass Schedule:

7:00 a.m. — Main Church*
12:15 p.m. — Historic Church
5:30 p.m. — Main Church*
7:00 p.m. — Main Church* (Spanish Mass)
 *27th Street



Christmas Basket Food Drive

The annual Christmas Basket Food Drive continues until we fill and deliver 100 baskets. We are collecting the following nonperishable food and toiletry items: **sugar, flour, cooking oil, peanut butter, jam or jelly, rice, pancake mix, and syrup.** Please place your donated food items in the narthex bins or outside the Parish Office. Monetary donations are also needed to purchase **ham, produce, eggs and dairy products.** Please write "Christmas Baskets" on the memo line of your check, or donate using online giving.

Applications to receive a food basket are available at the Parish Office and online at the Parish website.

Please sign up your family or someone you know who is in need of food assistance in the Bend area.

► **VOLUNTEERS WILL BE NEEDED TO DELIVER BASKETS** ◀

► **ON SATURDAY, DECEMBER 20TH.** ◀

If you have any questions, email **Gina Lorenz** at: gmlorenz63@gmail.com.

Thank you for your generosity!

—*The Christmas Basket Team*

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Retrouvaille is a program designed to help struggling couples regain and renew the life and health of their marriage. It helps a husband and a wife rediscover or reawaken the love, trust and commitment that originally brought them together.

The program is highly successful in saving hurting—or even broken marriages—and bringing reconciliation to couples who have already separated or divorced.

Retrouvaille is a peer ministry of volunteer couples who can help you learn the tools of healthy communication, build intimacy, and heal—just as they have done in their own marriages.

Join Oregon Retrouvaille as we host a working weekend for couples struggling in their marriages by couples who have been there in the struggle. Come **January 30–February 1, 2026** in Canby, OR. For confidential information or to register for the program call 1 (503) 225-9191 or email: StevenAndSuzanne@helpourmarriage.org or visit us at Helpourmarriage.org.

Save the Date!

Chesterton Academy of Mater Dei High School invites you to our Annual Vision Dinner: "A Joyful Adventure" on **Saturday, February 7th**, at the **Bend Elks Lodge.** Enjoy an evening of fellowship and inspiration! Learn more at: chestertonmaterdei.org.

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CATHOLIC CHURCH

Jan-Sep 2025 Financial Report

Income:

Offertory Collections	\$988,284
Miscellaneous	\$137,977
Operating Income	\$1,126,261

Expense:

Priest & Staff Salaries / Taxes	\$353,100
Health Insurance / Retirement	\$95,293
Parish Assessment	\$95,283
Rectory Supplies	\$4,916
Faith Formation / Religious Supplies	\$31,571
School Support	\$203,468
Utilities	\$125,199
Repairs & Maintenance	\$18,666
Eq. Leases/Prog. Supplies/Gen. Op.	\$148,817
Operating Expense	\$1,076,313

Total Income over Expense \$49,948

Budget v. Actual

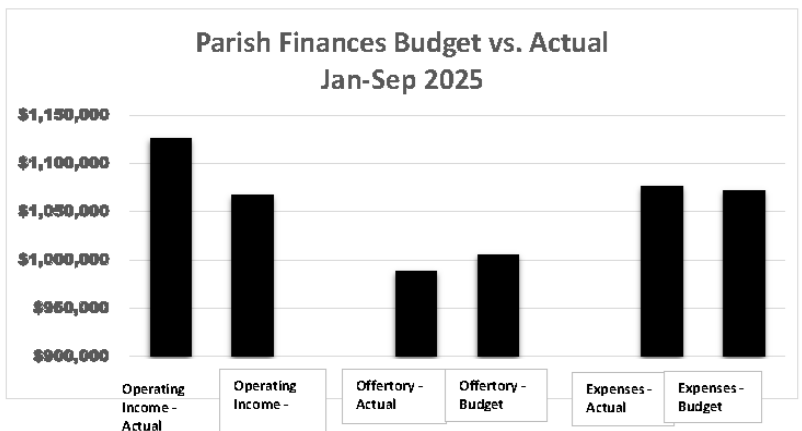
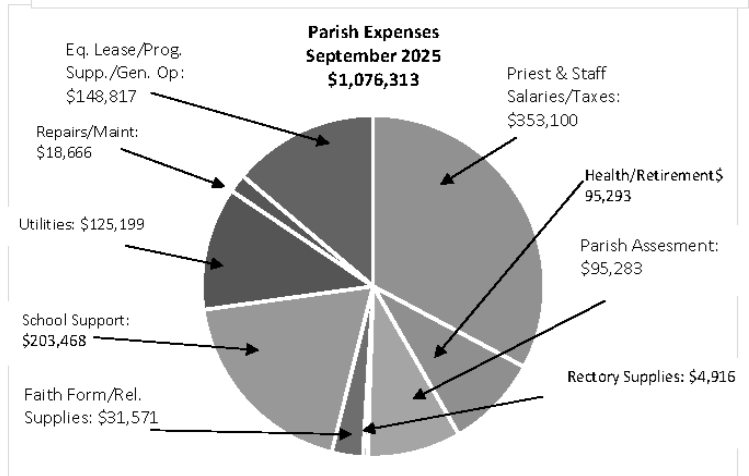
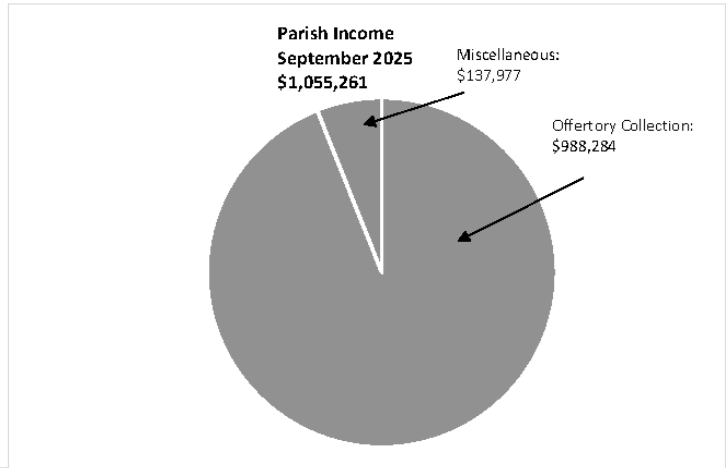
Total Income - Actual	\$1,126,261
Total Income - Budget	\$1,066,897

Offertory - Actual	\$988,284
Offertory - Budget	\$1,005,197

Expenses - Actual	\$1,076,313
Expenses - Budget	\$1,071,775

Historic Church Restoration Donations \$521,460

Reserve Balance as of 9/30/25	\$777,721
Scholarship Fund Balance as of 9/30/25	\$328,598
H/C Restoration Balance as of 9/30/25	\$63,317



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The mission of St. Francis of Assisi Catholic School is to educate the whole child in a Christ-centered community that values service, leadership, and academic excellence.

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Special thanks to all the Veterans who attended our Veterans Day breakfast. Thank you to Danielle Adedrabbo for the awesome video of relatives of school students/staff who have served in the Armed Services and to Commander Gompers for talking about his experience in the Coast Guard/Navy. I hope everyone had a great Veterans Day, and thank you for your service.



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