



# ST. FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH

NOVEMBER 22, 2020

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST KING OF THE UNIVERSE

*'Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!  
Blessed is the kingdom of our father David that is to come!'*

- Mark 11:9,10

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## Welcome!

In light of Missoula County Health Department's guidelines and Bishop Vetter's directive, we have arranged for over-flow setting in Reidy Hall. If the main worship space reaches capacity, the Ushers will start directing people to Reidy Hall; communion will be brought downstairs at the proper time.

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*Bishop Vetter has extended the Suspension of Sunday Obligation for all.*

*Thank you for wearing a mask in church under the Governor's mandate and the Bishop's directive. If, for any reason you chose to not wear a mask, we are asking you to stay home. If you are uncomfortable about how others are wearing or not wearing masks, we are asking you to stay home.*

*Fr. C. Hightower, SJ*

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### FIRST READING

EZEKIEL 34:11-12, 15-17

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 23

*'The Lord is my shepherd;  
there is nothing I shall want.'*

### SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28

### GOSPEL

Matthew 25:31-46

JESUS SAID TO HIS DISCIPLES: "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit upon his glorious throne, and all the nations will be

assembled before him. And he will separate them one from another, as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. He will place the sheep on his right and the goats on his left. The king will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father. Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me, naked and you clothed me, ill and you cared for me, in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him and say, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and gave you drink? When did we see you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and clothe you? When did we see you ill or in prison, and visit you?' And the king will say to them in reply, 'Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of the least brothers of mine, you did for me.' Then he will say to those on his left, 'Depart from me, you accursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me no drink, a stranger and you gave me no welcome, naked and you gave me no clothing, ill and in prison, and you did not care for me.' Then they will answer and say, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or ill or in prison, and not minister to your needs?' He will answer them, 'Amen, I say to you, what you did not do for one of these least ones, you did not do for me.' And these will go off to eternal punishment, but the righteous to eternal life."

## RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL PROMISES:

Dear brothers and sisters, through the Paschal Mystery we have been buried with Christ in Baptism, so that we may walk with him in newness of life. Let us renew the promises of Holy Baptism by which we once renounced Satan and his works and promised to serve God in the holy Catholic Church.

And so, I ask you:

Do you reject Satan? **I do**

And all his works? **I do**

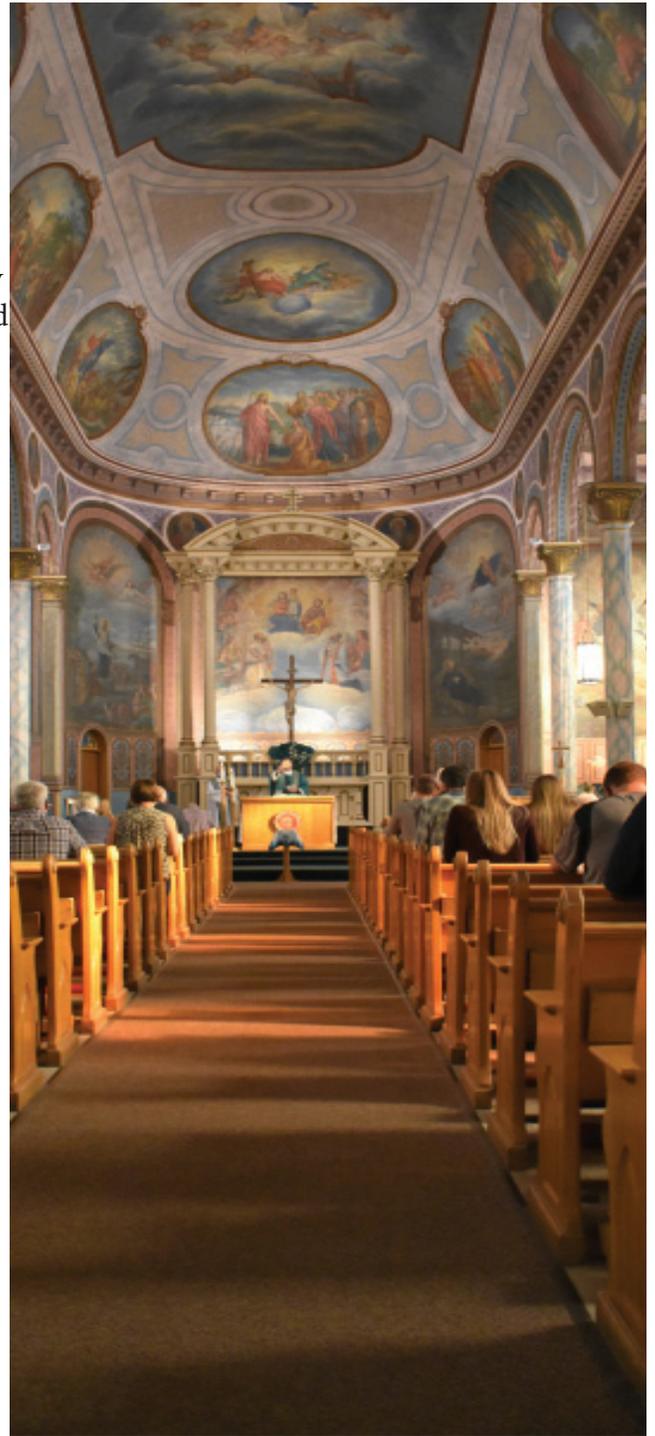
And all his empty show? **I do**

Do you believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth? **I do.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was born of the Virgin Mary, suffered death and was buried, rose again from the dead and is seated at the right hand of the Father? **I do**

Do you believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting? **I do**

And may almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us new birth by water and the Holy Spirit and bestowed on us forgiveness of our sins, keep us by his grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord, for eternal life. **Amen**



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Communion: Bishop Vetter has directed that distribution of the Eucharist be by the hand during these COVID times. This directive is temporary. If you feel you are unable to follow the Bishop's request, we ask that you come forward to receive on the tongue at the end of the communion line. This is so the priest or extraordinary minister may sanitize between each recipient. As we do not use a Prie Dieu or have a communion rail, it is not proper nor theologically sound to receive while kneeling.

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Your generosity, so needed to sustain our parish in these uncertain times, is so greatly appreciated. Thank you in advance for your generosity to the Parish and to the Diocesan Annual Catholic Appeal.