A NOTE FROM FATHER EICKHOFF

This week's bulletin always seems to write itself. There are two big events this week that go together well. The first is this Sunday's great Feast of Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. This Feast marks the end of the Church Year. After this weekend we will move to the beginning of the Church Year with the Season of Advent. Since it is the end of the Church Year, it is good to give thanks to God for all that we have accomplished with His help this past year. This leads to the second reason why it is easy to write a bulletin article this week. As Americans we will be celebrating Thanksgiving this Thursday. See what I mean about how these two events work really well together!

Since we are coming up on the Season of Advent, I would like to share with you the dates for some important events we will be having at St. Anne in the first part of December.

There will be a Parish Reconciliation Service on Sunday, December 4 beginning at 4pm. A large number of priests will be here to help with confessions. The best way to start off the new Church Year and to prepare spiritually for Christmas is to make a good confession.

The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception is Thursday, December 8. This is a Holy Day of Obligation. Mass will be said at 7am, 12pm, and 7pm here at St. Anne in the church.

This December St. Anne will have a special Eucharistic Exposition on Saturday, December 17 from 2pm to 5pm. During this afternoon the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed for adoration. There will be periods of quiet time for prayer and meditation, periods of time filled with music from our parish music ministry, and periods of time with inspirational readings from the saints. You are welcome to come for the entire afternoon of adoration or just a small part. Even if you have only 15 minutes during the afternoon, I encourage you to come and quiet your mind and pray before the Lord. There will also be confessions being heard from 2.30pm to 4.30pm that afternoon.

Yours in Christ,

Fr. Stephen Eickhoff
Pastor