This weekend we celebrate the Feast of Christ Our King which is the last week in our Liturgical Year. Next week, we begin anew with Advent, our preparing of our hearts, minds and soul to see the Light of Christ in Christmas. But first this week, we celebrate the American Feast of Thanksgiving dating back to the time of the Pilgrims.

I love Thanksgiving! Thanksgiving is not about buying and giving of gifts but a wonderful time with family and friends to gather and give thanks. As Catholics, we give thanks to our God for all His goodness and Love that He shares with us. When we put on our eyes of Faith, we can see the goodness of God surrounding us. We can see His loving hand touching us and ever-present with us. The height of giving thanks for us, is our celebration of the Eucharist, our act of Thanksgiving. If your schedule allows you to come, consider joining in our 9:00am Eucharist on Thanksgiving Day. Take a moment to give thanks in your day for the Love and Goodness that God has created you in. To connect your Thanksgiving Dinner to our Eucharist, you can bring something that you will serve at your Thanksgiving Dinner – possibly wine or bread – and any gifts for the poor or homeless. May we ALL experience the blessing of God as we begin our Holiday Season. I encourage you, to make Thanksgiving an Act of Thanksgiving.

I mailed to our registered parishioners a letter and a schedule of coming Liturgies and Events. There are many opportunities for us to gather and to be of support as a Community of Faith, Hope and Love. May we know the blessings of God!

-Fr. Ray

