



November 24, 2024

Our Lord, Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Nov. 24, 2024 – The Three Stories of Thanksgiving Day

In reflecting on this Day of Thanksgiving, I thought of three stories that are bound up in this National Holiday.

1)The story of the first Thanksgiving – The classic story of Thanksgiving Day, is of course, the Colonists and the Native Americans came together as a people to share a meal together, and to give thanks for the harvest. “Breaking bread” together is a sign of being at peace with someone, a sign of brotherhood, of harmony. And if we look at our history and we look at the poor treatment of Native Americans, this seems to be more reason why we should emphasize *this* story; a story to remind us that it is possible for people to sit down and break bread together, in peace, in reconciliation, as a brotherhood that crosses cultural, ethnic, and tribal boundaries.

2)The Second Story is how Thanksgiving came to be a national holiday. In the middle of a divided nation fighting the American Civil War, President Abraham Lincoln saw the importance of re-emphasizing, *this* story of peoples from various backgrounds, various worldview, various ideologies, coming together to share a meal in peace and thanksgiving.

Here is an excerpt from Abraham Lincoln’s formal proclamation instituting Thanksgiving as a National Holiday:

I do therefore invite my fellow-citizens in every part of the United States, ...to set apart and observe the last Thursday of November next, as a day of Thanksgiving and Praise to our beneficent Father who dwelleth in the Heavens. And I recommend to them that while offering up the ascriptions justly due to Him for such singular deliverances and blessings, they do also... ...commend to his tender care all those who have become widows, orphans, mourners or sufferers in the lamentable civil strife in which we are unavoidably engaged, and fervently implore the interposition of the Almighty Hand to heal the wounds of the nation and to restore it as soon as may be consistent with the Divine purposes to the full enjoyment of peace, harmony, tranquility and Union.

As our world today has ongoing conversations about race, justice, oppression in various forms, it seems all the more reason why we need this story; Not ignoring wrongs that have been done in the past, but both asking for forgiveness AND laying down our bitterness and resentment for wrongs done to us, to break bread together in peace.

This brings me to the third story

3)The Last Supper – bound up and at the heart of these two is the story of Christ’s Last Supper where he took the bread and wine and said: “This is my Body given up for you; This is the cup of my blood, poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins.” A meal of peace and thanksgiving together that has at its heart the commemoration of a person unjustly and wrongfully hurt; yet choosing love instead of bitterness; choosing to offer peace to those who inflict hurt Him. For us as Catholics, *this* thanksgiving meal of Christ (that we call “Eucharist” which means “thanksgiving”) is at the heart of our worship, and in a way, is at the heart of every story worth telling. It is *this* story – the story of Christ’s Sacrifice and the way that we are mystically drawn into that through this meal together – that shapes all other stories.

Peace and Blessed Thanksgiving Day!

-Fr. Kevin

St. Mary St. Patrick

24 de noviembre – Las Tres Historias del Día de Acción de Gracias

Reflexionando en este Día de Acción de Gracias, pensé en tres historias que están ligadas a esta Fiesta Nacional.

1) La historia del primer Día de Acción de Gracias – La historia clásica del Día de Acción de Gracias es, por supuesto, la reunión de los colonos y nativo americanos como pueblo para compartir una comida y dar gracias por la cosecha. “Partir el pan” juntos es señal de estar en paz con alguien, señal de hermandad, de armonía. Y si miramos al pasado y observamos el maltrato hacia los nativos americanos, esta parece ser una razón más por la que deberíamos enfatizar *esta* historia; que nos recuerda que es posible que la gente se siente a partir el pan juntos, en paz, en reconciliación, como una hermandad que cruza fronteras culturales, étnicas y tribales.

2) La segunda historia es cómo el Día de Acción de Gracias llegó a ser un feriado nacional – En medio de una nación dividida que luchaba en la Guerra Civil estadounidense, el presidente Abraham Lincoln vio la importancia de volver a enfatizar esta historia de pueblos de diversos orígenes, distintas visiones del mundo, diversas ideologías, que se unieron para compartir una comida en paz y en agradecimiento.

Aquí, un extracto de la proclamación formal de Abraham Lincoln que instituyó el Día de Acción de Gracias como feriado nacional:

Por lo tanto, invito a mis conciudadanos en todas partes de los Estados Unidos ... apartar y observar el último jueves del mes de noviembre próximo, como día de Acción de Gracias y Alabanza a nuestro Padre benéfico que habita en los Cielos. Y recomiendo que, al tiempo que ofrecen las atribuciones que le corresponden justamente por tan singulares liberaciones y bendiciones, también lo hagan encorramados a su tierno cuidado a todos aquellos que han quedado viudas, huérfanos, dolientes o víctimas del lamentable conflicto civil en el que inevitablemente estamos involucrados, e imploramos fervientemente la interposición de la Mano Todopoderosa para sanar las heridas de la nación y restaurarla tan pronto como sea compatible con los propósitos Divinos para el pleno disfrute de la paz, armonía, tranquilidad y unión.

Ya que nuestro mundo actual tiene conversaciones continuas sobre raza, justicia y la opresión en diversas formas, parece una razón más por la que necesitamos esta historia; sin ignorar los males que se han cometido en el pasado, sino pedir perdón Y dejar de lado nuestra amargura y resentimiento por los males que nos han hecho, para partir el pan juntos en paz.

Lo que me lleva a la tercera historia:

3) La Última Cena – Atado y en el corazón de estos dos está la historia de la Última Cena de Cristo, en la que tomó el pan y el vino y dijo: “Este es mi Cuerpo, entregado por ustedes; Ésta es mi Sangre, Sangre de la nueva alianza, que será derramada por todos, para el perdón de los pecados”. Una comida conjunta de paz y acción de gracias que tiene como centro la conmemoración de una persona injusta e injustamente maltratada; sin embargo, eligiendo el amor en lugar de la amargura; ofreciendo paz a aquellos que le infligen daño. Para nosotros católicos, *esta* cena de Acción de Gracias de Cristo (que la llamamos “Eucaristía” que significa “acción de gracias”) está en el corazón de nuestra adoración, y de alguna manera, está en el corazón de cada historia que vale la pena contar. Es *esta* historia – la del Sacrificio de Cristo y de la manera en la que estamos místicamente atraídos a ella a través de esta cena juntos – la que da forma a otras historias.

iPaz y que tengan un Bendito Día de Acción de Gracias!

– Padre Kevin

St. Mary

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Book Club

December 2- 6:30pm
The Frozen River
by Ariel Lawhon

Everyone is welcome to join! Great discussion and fellowship!

High School Youth
FOOD DRIVE
Sugar-Oil-Flour
Leave in the basket at the back of church!

Thank you

The Turkey Dinner Committee would like to thank everyone who helped with donations of food items for the making of the dinner. The people who helped with the making of the dinner and the people who helped with deliveries and the serving of the meal.

Thank you to the kids from Faith Formation who came and helped with the bagging of the meals. Thank You to Ackley Publishing for donating the tickets to the dinner. Everyones hard work helped us to have another successful Turkey Dinner.

The Turkey Dinner Committee

Coffee and Rolls
December 1 following Mass

Parish Hall

Everyone is welcome!

Changed back to the original date!!

Stewardship - Treasure

Sunday, November 17, 2024

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| Adult Envelopes | \$982 |
| Offertory | \$212 |

Give Online www.FranklinHardinCatholic.org/online-giving

Liturgical Ministers

December 1 – 1st Sunday of Advent

Lector: Rosie Lindaman, Scott O'Brien
Ushers: Jim Wessels, Angel Vera, Mike Bonewitz,
Duane Sudtelge

Eucharistic Ministers: Denise Sprain, Scott O'Brien

Money Counters: Denise Sprain, Judy Geiken

Altar Servers: Lucas Mausser

Lighting of Advent Wreath: Jaxon Schipper,
Josie Kuper, Diego Lazo

Sacristan: Jim Wessels

If you are unable to fulfill your duties please find your own replacement.

Eucharistic Adoration and Prayers in Spanish on
Saturdays at 5:30 p.m.

Everyone is welcome!

Cookie Walk

December 14 – 9-11:30 a.m.

Parish Hall

Box of cookies/candy will be \$14

Come and get your Christmas treats!!



Wow!

Thank you to everyone who attended the breakfast last Sunday, your support was overwhelming! The 5th grade class along with the high school youth did a fantastic job. Thanks to Robert Harms and Jessica Schipper for helping in the kitchen. Also thank you to the kids that stepped up and helped out! They will use the proceeds to fulfill a Works of Mercy "Clothe the Naked" the high school youth will make tie blankets and the 5th grade is going to purchase sweatshirts for Operation Santa Claus!

Receive forgiveness to give forgiveness!

*Thirsting for God
Mother Teresa*

St. Patrick

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9:00 AM-1:00 PM, excluding holidays.
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Liturgical Ministries

December 1st, 2024 – Diciembre 1st, 2024

Mass—December 1st, 2024 10:30 a.m.

Lector: Julie Streblow

Ushers: Sue Basye, Trace Brocka

Eucharistic Ministers; Joe & Lili Alonzo

Money Counters: Steve Pearson, Brenda Johansen

Altar Servers: Milly Aguilar, Alondra & Bella Duran

Sacristan: Samantha Markwardt

Linens: Judy Nelson

Spanish Mass—Diciembre 1st 2024 5:30 p.m.

Lector: Elbia Troches, Carmen Garcia

Ministros de Eucarísticos: Angel & Ambar Flores

Contador es de Dinero: Rafael Garcia, Anabel Alaniz

Monaguillos: Gabriel Espejo, Adan Rodriguez, Geovany

Marquez

Sacristan: Anabel Alanis

You are responsible to find your own replacement.

Usted es responsable de encontrar su propio reemplazo.



Hampton Community
Blood Drive

St. Patrick's Catholic Church
1405 N Federal | Hampton

Monday, November 25

12:30 PM - 6:00 PM

Text: LIFESERVE to 999.777 | Call: 800.287.4903 | Visit: lifeserve.info/schedule

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YOUR BLOOD. YOUR HOSPITAL. YOUR NEIGHBORS.

STEWARSHIP TREASURY

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 17, 2024

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| REGULAR | \$ 764.00 |
| OFFERTORY | \$ 462.00 |
| FOOD PANTRY | \$ 25.00 |

Give On-Line at www.franklinhardincatholic.org online-giving.
Dona en línea para www.franklinhardincatholic.org donaciones en línea.

Happenings Week of November 24, 2024

Tuesday/ Martes November 26th / Noviembre 26th

8:30 AM Mass

7:00 PM AA/AI-Anon (RE Center)

Wednesday/ Miércoles –November 27th / Noviembre 27th

10:00 AM-12:00 PM Food Pantry/Despensa de Alimentos

(Social Hall)

6:30 – NO Faith Formation

Thursday/ Jueves November 28th / Noviembre 28th

THANKSGIVING DAY

8:30 AM - Mass

6:00 – 8:00 PM Adoration

Sunday/ Domingo December 1st / Diciembre 1st

10:30 AM – Mass

5:30 PM - Mass



SCRIP INFORMATION/ INFORMACIÓN DE SCRIP

The Scrip program through October 31st has sold \$41,195.00 in Scrip Cards. This has resulted in \$1,806.75 of income to our General Fund.

Thank you for buying Scrip Cards after Mass on Sundays
NEED CHRISTMAS GIFT IDEAS:

WE have food, fuel cards along with, Amazon, Target, Walmart, Menards, Fleet Farm along with restaurants and many more

These make great STOCKING STUFFERS AND GIFTS for anyone you are buying for this Holiday Season!

Stop and pick up your Holiday gifts and help out St Patrick!

El programa Scrip hasta el 31 de octubre ha vendido \$41,195.00 en Tarjetas Scrip. Esto ha resultado en \$1,806.75 de ingresos para nuestro Fondo General.

¡Gracias por comprar Scrip Cards después de la Misa los domingos
NECESITO IDEAS DE REGALOS DE NAVIDAD:

Tenemos tarjetas de comida, combustible junto con Amazon, Target, Walmart, Menards, Fleet Farm junto con restaurantes y muchos más

¡Estos son excelentes RELLENOS DE CALCETINES Y
REGALOS para cualquiera que compre para esta temporada navideña!

¡Pase y recoja sus regalos navideños y ayude a San Patricio!



St. Patrick's Christmas Flower Remembrance:

Remembering Loved Ones Living or Deceased



If you would like to donate toward the Christmas altar flowers, please make a check out to St. Patrick, write *flowers* in the memo line and include the following information. (A minimum of \$10.00 is suggested) Place in an envelope marked Christmas Flowers and place in the collection basket, drop in the mail to St. Patrick, 1405 N. Federal Hampton or the parish office.

Donor Name: _____

Donation Amount: _____

Donated in Memory of: _____

Donated in Honor of: _____

Would you like to join the Catholic Church?

Father Kevin will begin classes for anyone who is interested in joining the catholic church. It will be a six-week course meeting twice a month starting in January. The classes will be held at St. Mary. If you have any questions or would like to attend contact Father Kevin.

Communal Reconciliation

December 4 – 7 p.m. – St. Mary

December 11 – 6:30 p.m. – St. Patrick



St. Mary and St. Patrick, along with all parishes in the archdiocese, is participating in a **Disciple Maker Index (DMI)** survey conducted by Catholic Leadership Institute. Many of us participated in the archdiocesan survey for the global synod during January and February of 2022. The DMI survey is the next step in an archdiocesan process that will lead to new mission and vision statements, and pastoral priorities. The survey assesses our unique strengths and opportunities. We are seeking as much input as possible regarding our shared mission, vision, and pastoral priority planning efforts. **The survey opens on December 5.** We will publish the link in our parish communications.

Pray for...

Cathy Kuper, Darwin Wikert,
Megan (Keninger) Hesnard,
Jacob Sudtelge



Please make use of your parish's prayer chain:

St. Mary, Ackley:

Jolene Harms at stmaryspatrick@gmail.com

St. Patrick, Hampton:

Mary Ann Patton at thepattons4@gmail.com



Blessings

Congratulations on her baptism

Emersyn Kay Lange

Parents: Cassidy and Josh Lange

Thank you

Thank you to Dawn Collins, Sue Garrett, Doreen Petersen for the lamps and plants for the Level II Atrium at St. Patrick

Thank you to Donna Speedy and crew for making the folders.

No Religious Education classes
November 27
Happy Thanksgiving!

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, November 25
8:30 a.m. Arlene Thuente St. Mary

Tuesday, November 26
8:30 a.m. Dave Rowen St. Patrick

Wednesday, November 27
8:30 a.m. Nick Stamat St. Mary

Thursday, November 28 - Thanksgiving
8:30 a.m. Julie Schall St. Patrick

Sunday, December 1
8 a.m. Arlene Thuente St. Mary
10:30 a.m. For the people St. Patrick
5:30 p.m. Anita Cordova St. Patrick
Spanish

Live stream of Mass
www.franklinhardincatholic.org/livestream
YouTube Channel: Franklin Hardin Catholic NOO MASS