

Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ the King

November 20, 2022

Let us go rejoicing
to the house of the Lord.



Masses For The Week

Sun 20 Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

08:00 am +Gilbert & June Leyendecker (Sandy Leyendecker)
+Patricio Soto (Maria Castillo)
+Alonzo Soto (Maria Castillo)

Thr 24 Thanksgiving Day

St Andrew Dúng-Lac, Priest & Companions
10:00 am +Gilbert & June Leyendecker (Sandy Leyendecker)

Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

"The Solemnity of Christ the King was established by Pius XI in 1925 and, later, after the Second Vatican Council, it was placed at the close of the liturgical year. The Gospel according to Saint Luke presents, as in a great painting, the kingship of Jesus at the moment of his crucifixion. The leaders of the people and the soldiers taunt 'the firstborn of all creation' and put him to the test to see whether he has the power to save himself from death. Yet precisely on the cross, Jesus is exalted to the very 'height' of the God who is love. It is there that he can be 'known.' Jesus gives us life because he gives us God. He can give God because he himself is one with God. From the One who 'is before all things, and in him all things hold together.' The so-called 'Good Thief' straightaway receives forgiveness and the joy of entering the kingdom of Heaven.... Jesus, from the throne of the cross, welcomes every human being with infinite mercy."—Pope Benedict XVI

The Sanctuary Candle



This Week will be Burning for
+All Souls in Purgatory (Sandra Leyendecker)

Good News!

November 20, 2022

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe (C)
2 Sm 5:1-3; Col 1:12-20; Lk 23:35-43

The readings for today's feast create a collage of images that capture different characteristics of Christ's kingship. "Shepherd" assures us his kingly rule is characterized by tenderness. "King of Israel" locates him squarely within human time and space. "Image of the Invisible God" acclaims his divine origin. "Firstborn of all Creation" places him over the entire created world. "Source of all Created Things" acknowledges him as the model after which all things were fashioned. "Head of the Body, the Church" underscores the intimacy and interrelationship between him and all those joined to him through faith and baptism. "Firstborn of the Dead" acclaims his resurrection and guarantees the resurrection of those who will follow him into death.

The Gospel's image of Christ as the crucified king clearly interprets all the other images. He is a shepherd who protects his flock with his life, a king who rules with dedication despite shame and defeat, divine yet accepted death on a cross. He was God who became a vulnerable child of earth, a simple man who offered himself as sacrifice, the one through whom we will all enjoy resurrection from the dead.

In the last words of the Gospel, Jesus opens the gates of his kingdom to a repentant sinner: "Today you will be with me in Paradise." This is what all of us long to hear, words that are empty when coming from one who has no authority, but charged with power when spoken by the one who is king over us all.

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

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Mass Intentions

MASS INTENTION BOOK FOR THE YEAR 2023

Mass Intention Book for 2023 has opened. You may choose as many dates that are available. If you have intentions you would like to offer during a Mass, please bring them to the Parish Office. **NO intentions will be accepted by phone. All intentions must be made in person (Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday: 9a-12p & 1:30p-3:30p).** Your cooperation is greatly appreciated. Thank you. Fr. Nolasco.



SANCTUARY CANDLE FOR THE YEAR 2023

Anyone interested in making a \$10.00 donation to have the Sanctuary Candle burning weekly in memory of a loved one or for a special intention may do so in person in the Parish Office during regular hours on or after November.



THANKSGIVING DAY MASS

We invite you to join us for the celebration of Mass on Thanksgiving Day, November 24, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. We also ask that you bring some of the bread you will share at your Thanksgiving Day Meal so that Father Nolasco can bless it during the Mass. Let us join and thank God for His many blessings.

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED, THANKSGIVING DAY

On Thursday, November 24, the Parish Office will be closed in observance of Thanksgiving Day. The office will be open on Tuesday at its regular hours. Have a safe and happy Thanksgiving Day.



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LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH

Olga Gonzalez, Cristina Zarate, Mina Aldaco, Mario Garcia, Ramona Alaniz, Diana Reese, Edna Flores, Ana Maria Finley, Margarita Inocencio, Lucia Rodriguez, and Maria Teresa Cassiano.

Last Sunday's Collection

Envelopes: **\$1,340.00**
Loose: **\$51.00**
Children's Envelopes: **\$2.00**
Total Sunday Collection: \$1,393.00

Total Expenses Last Week: \$1,665.82

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Dear Padre

November 20, 2022

Can all good people go to heaven after they die, even if they haven't been a Christian? My dad is from India and grew up with another religion. The rest of my family is Catholic. I am afraid that we won't see each other again after we die.

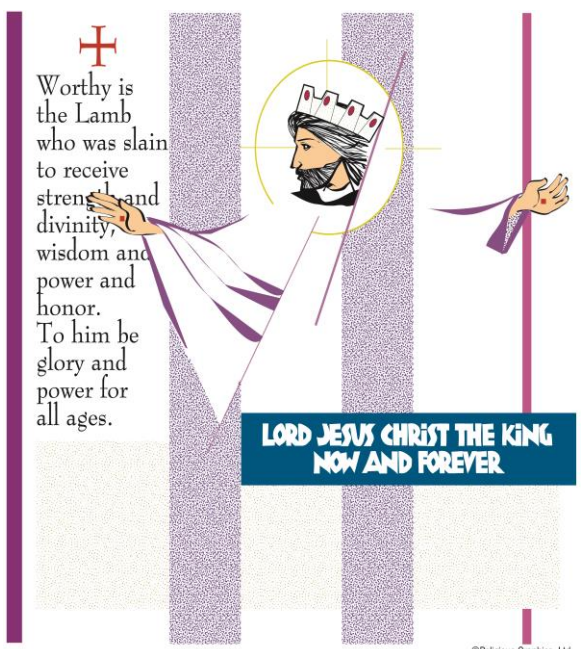
Put your mind at ease. A person who is not a Christian can go to heaven. Heaven is not just for Christians, but for everyone who loves God and responds to God's will in his or her life.

We know that God wants all people to be saved, not just Christians. Jesus began a Church to help people achieve salvation. The Church teaches that those who seek "the truth and [do] the will of God in accordance with their understanding of it can be saved" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 1260). What we know as Catholics is that God called us into the Church. It is there that we will work out our salvation. "Since Christ died for all, and since all are called to one and the same destiny, which is divine," we must believe that the Holy Spirit makes a way for everyone, a way that only God knows (CCC 1260).

You should pray for your dad and be a faithful Catholic. Perhaps your good example will help him become a Christian. Even if he never becomes a Christian, your prayers will help him work out his salvation without the benefit of the sacraments and a believing community. If he does what is right, God will reward him.

The Redemptorists
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