

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe November 24, 2019

I rejoiced because they said to me,

"We will go up to the house of the LORD."

— Psalm 122:1



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Dn 1:1-6, 8-20; Dn 3:52-56; Lk 21:1-4 Tuesday: Dn 2:31-45; Dn 3:57-61; Lk 21:5-11

Wednesday: Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28; Dn 3:62-

67; Lk 21:12-19

Thursday: Dn 6:12-28; Dn 3:68-74; Lk 21:20-28

Thanksgiving Day, Suggested:

Sir 50:22-24; Ps 145:2-11; 1 Cor 1:3-9;

Lk 17:11-19

Friday: Dn 7:2-14; Dn 3:75-81; Lk 21:29-33

Saturday: Rom 10:9-18; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 4:18-22

Sunday: Is 2:1-5; Ps 122:1-9;

Rom 13:11-14; Mt 24:37-44

THANKSGIVING

Gratitude is the inward feeling of kindness received. Thankfulness is the natural impulse to express that feeling. Thanksgiving is the following of that impulse.

-Henry Van Dyke

Happening in 2 weeks-annual Christmas Bazaar sponsored by the Parish Club on Dec. 7th from 8am-1pm.

Prayer group meets every Wednesday at 10am immediately following the 9:30am Mass

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Our Lord Jesus Christ,

King of the Universe

Monday: Thirty-fourth or Last Week in Ordinary Time; St. Catherine of

Alexandria

Thursday: Thanksgiving Day

Saturday: St. Andrew



THANKSGIVING DAY MASS WILL BE CELEBRATED ON THURSDAY NOVEMBER 28TH 9:30 AM WITH RECITATION (THE ROSARY BEGINNING A' 9AM



The Parish Club will again sponsor a toy/clothing/cash collection for the kids serviced by the HELP AGENCY OF THE FOREST. Gifts for children of any age are appreciated but, the most underserved are kids between the ages of 14 & 16. There is a box at the back of church. We need to deliver everything the week of December 9th. Thank you for your continued participation in this worthy cause.

FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING

The Gospel (LK 23:35-43) may seem an odd choice for the Solemnity of Christ the King until you ask, "What greater proof of kingship could there be than to rule even over death.?" To the good thief Jesus makes no ambiguous pledge, but a sure promise of new life and He does it while reigning from the throne of the cross. Luke presents Jesus as a compassionate Lord who never shuns the company of sinners and shows solidarity with them in death as He did in life.

The only person who understands Jesus' identity is one of the criminals hanging on a cross beside Him. While the other criminal reviles Jesus, this man admits his guilt and states that Jesus has done nothing wrong. His request of Jesus to remember him is a profound statement of faith. Jesus is to remember him as God remembers the covenant. In such remembering, God fulfills promises with saving acts of love and mercy. The words of Jesus, "Today you will be with me in paradise", implies that even on the cross Jesus is indeed a King. Paradise for the good criminal and for us is neither a reality apart from Jesus nor completely in the future. In the kingdom of God, we will live forever with Jesus, united with our compassionate King. Let us make paradise a present reality by praying, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom".

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Today's solemnity, the final feast of the Church year, is a youngster as feasts go. In 1925, Pope Pius XI was distressed by global political upheaval and the de-Christianizing of society. That year was a "Holy Year," keyed to the sixteen hundredth anniversary of the Council of Nicaea, when the words "and of his kingdom there will be no end" were added to the Creed. The Pope explained that although most feasts had developed over many centuries, the Church sometimes provided a new feast to address new needs. He pointed to the Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, showing Christ's love and compassion in a time when many people embraced a cold and gloomy spirituality. Originally on the last Sunday of October, in the late 1960s the solemnity of Christ the King was moved to the last Sunday of the year.

Fresh from baptism's waters, we are anointed with chrism "as Christ was anointed priest, prophet, and king." This feast is a key to our identity. On this feast, we recognize Christ as a king who breaks the usual mold of kingship, and who shapes his kingdom with our hands, our words, our deeds of love and service.

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We are in need of non-perishable food item so that we are able to provide food baskets to families in need during the Christmas /Easter seasons. What ever you can donate will be much appreciated.

Saturday Nov. 23rd 4pm: Repose of the soul of Charles & Barbara Robinson

Sunday Nov. 24^{th} 9am: Repose of the soul of Will Fralix

Tuesday Nov26th 9:30am Intention of Jack & Jan Lammers

Wednesday Nov. 27th 9:30am We ask healing for Chris Ulrich

Saturday Nov. 30th 4pm: Repose of the souls of Cliff & Florence Sheer

Sunday Dec. 1^{st} . 9am: Intentions of Pamela Fitzkee



Please remember to use your envelopes

Thank you for your continued support of St. Joseph Parish.

Prayer Requests

Averi Antich Blaine Marvin Bordetsky Dawn Brenan Janice Cahill Danny Canzolino Mary Canzolino Catherine Coleman Diane DaSilva Eric Day Thelma Einboden Ruth Faulkner Lorraine Fitzkee Pamela Fitzkee Kevin Fitzpatrick Dawn Fraher Gene Loosemore Mary Sutton Samantha Houldson Pamela Mickiewicz Mary Porter Patsy Beam Ruvia Doyle Petra Herb Peggy Dowd

Gail Garrett Martha Gartland Lisa Gibson Ben Hall Maggie Hall Lawrence Harris **Edward Hickey** Florence Humble Raymond Jaskiewicz Chris Keller Jeff Keller Rodney Keller Jennifer Kesse Caleb Knaggs Helen Kocijan Joan Langlie Laquttia Linquist Adam Linquist **Morris** Lunn Jim Mansfield Bob Benjamin Haley Falconbury Roger Soucey Christopher Cochran Diane Lemon

Rick Muhlig Joan Nehiley Carolina Pape Nancy Payne Madeline Pynn Marie Sample Concetta Santangelo Woody Salisbury **Dennis Soucey** Kitty Thompson The Homebound **Greg Trace** Michael Vilt Adele Ward Margaret Wimberly-**Charles Young** Adele Fournier Carolyn Ashe Jackie Nezille **Chris Jones** Shaunee March **Charles Dougherty** Francis Carrizzo Chris Ulrich