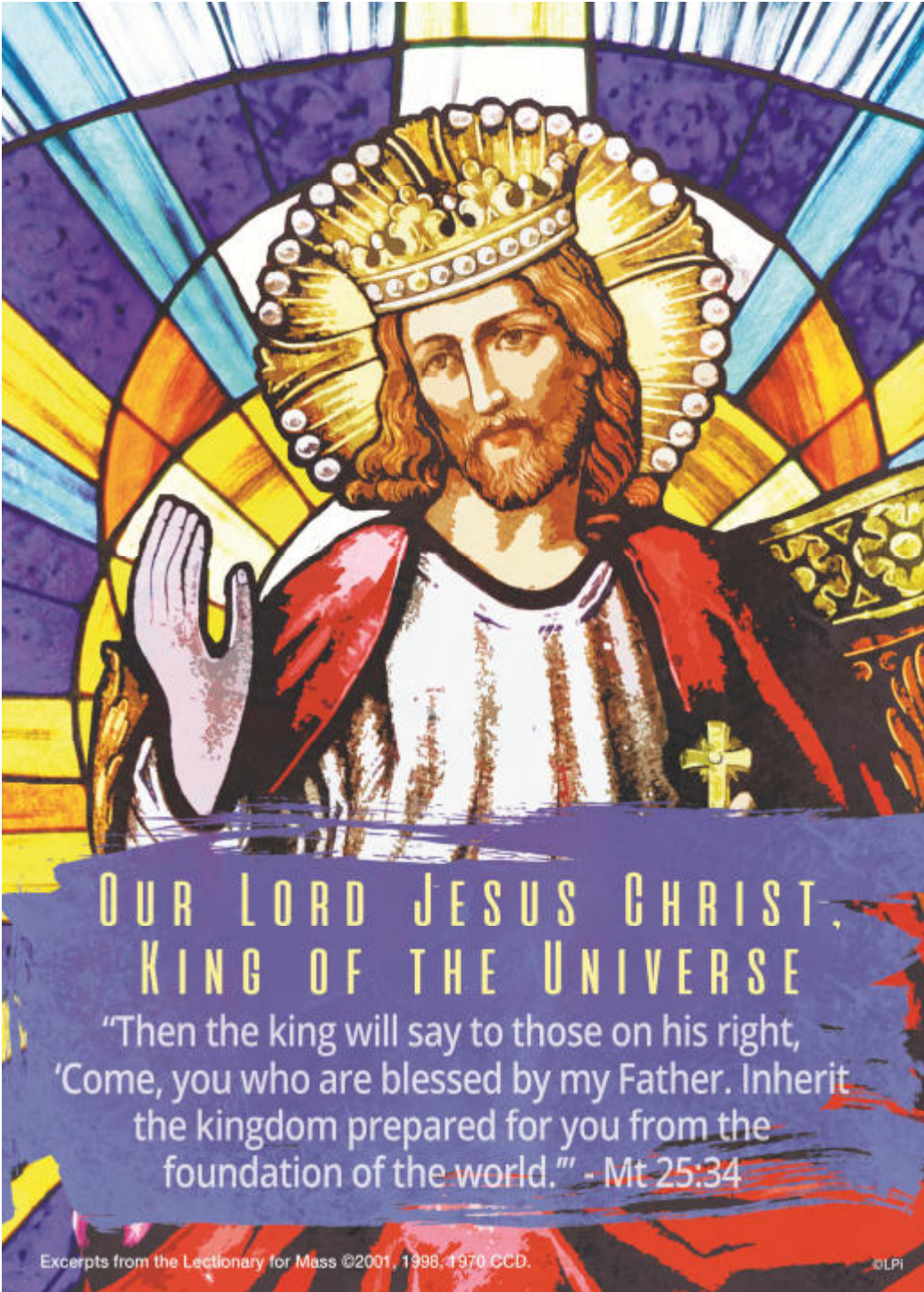


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OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

"Then the king will say to those on his right,
'Come, you who are blessed by my Father. Inherit
the kingdom prepared for you from the
foundation of the world.'" - Mt 25:34

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Office Hours:

Mon. - Thurs. 8:30am - 4:30pm

Fri. - 8:30am - 12pm

Sacraments & Liturgies

Sunday Masses:

Saturday Vigil: 5:30pm

Sunday: 8:00am (Spanish), 10:30am

Holy Days of Obligation:

9:00am & 7:00pm

Daily Mass:

Tues, Wed & Fri.: 9:00am

Thurs.: 5:30pm

First Friday Mass: 12:00 p.m. at

St. John's Chapel

Confession:

Saturday: 4:30-5:15pm & by appt.

Baptism: By appointment, contact
Parish Office.

Weddings: Six months notice
required. Please contact the pastor
to begin the preparation process.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

Tuesday 9:30-10:30am & Friday

6:00-7:00pm.

November 22, 2020 • Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

GOSPEL MEDITATION

Many Americans are fascinated with England's monarchy. For many different reasons, we are drawn to the regal pageantry and all of the protocols associated with royal lifestyles. What's most amazing is that for all of the media attention focused on the comings and goings of English royalty, they really have very little effect on the day to day dealings of their country. Thoughts and images of kings and queens are often centered on this story book understanding of who and what they are. We associate protocols, etiquette, and proper words and actions to how we approach members of a royal family. These tools serve the necessary purpose of keeping them isolated, enthroned, and at a distance. There is something attractive about being an observer of ritual, pomp, and circumstance. It's almost theatrical.

Is this how we see Jesus Christ, too? We often behave as if Christ is an isolated, enthroned, royal, and even ineffective king. Jesus wants nothing to do with having the status of an earthly king. Jesus also does not want to be watched, observed, or set apart. He wants to get down and dirty with the very stuff of life especially the poor, marginalized, confused, hurting, lost, broken, imprisoned, and forgotten ones. Jesus is the king who turns the tables on us and wants not only our attention but our engagement and conversion. He wants us to get dirty too.

How we treat other people is at the heart of Christ's kingdom. "Whatever you did for one of the least brothers of mine, you did for me." At different times in our lives we are all counted among the "least" ones. We may not be physically poor, but we can easily become emotionally and spiritually poor. We may not be marginalized as many physically are, cast aside because they have too many needs or don't quite fit in. But who hasn't experienced isolation, loneliness, inner turmoil, angst, heartache, or loss? Almost every human being has experienced brokenness at one point or another, or will most definitely at some future point, facing discouragement, fear, insecurity. People are thirsty for more than water. We are imprisoned by our prejudices, misconceived notions and ideas, self-focused obsessions and ideologies. There is a lot of pain and many least ones around us. Stop, look and listen. This is what Christ the King is asking us to do. Look deeply into the eyes and soul of your sisters and brothers, all of them, and see Christ himself.

Being a spectator and observing all of the pageantry isn't enough. Jesus wants us to inherit the kingdom and live the kingdom. It is built on the blocks of love, mercy, compassion, hope, faith, and blessing. It engages those who want it, changes and informs minds, inspires and transforms hearts, converts and renews souls, and sets things right. There is such a great need around us. Be ready and willing to do whatever you can to serve in God's kingdom.

Catechetical Corner

*Religious Education Classes
Sunday mornings at 9:00 a.m.*

Prayers for the Sick:

Please pray for:

Juan Franco, Dale Wilson, Jean Beesley, Don & Mary Louise Boyne, Betty Conway, Don Perno, Rick Larson, Judy Diskin

Happy Birthday to:

David Fordonski, Demi Javier, Moises Garcia (22); John Ford, Gloria Roling (25); Dalila Baker (27).

Did we miss your birthday or anniversary? Please contact the office so we can update our information.

Mass Intentions: November 21st - 27th, 2020

Saturday Richard Lingo t / Catherine Ritchie
Sunday 8:00 Special Intentions
Sunday 10:30 Special Intentions
Tuesday Pat Chalfant / Jackie Chalfant
Wednesday Craig Boyne / Terry & Laurie Boyne
Thursday Special Intentions of Jean Beesley
Friday Special Intentions of Rick Larson

Readings for the week of November 22nd, 2020



Sunday: Ez 34:11-12, 15-17/Ps 23/Cor 15:20-26, 28/Mt 25:31-46

Monday: Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5/Ps 24/Lk 21:1-4

Tuesday: Rv 14:14-19/Ps 96/Lk 21:5-11

Wednesday: Rv 15:1-4/Ps 98/Lk 21:12-19

Thursday: Rv 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9a/Ps 100/Lk 21:20-28

Friday: Rv 20:1-4, 11-21:2/Ps 84/Lk 21:29-33

Saturday: Rv 22:1-7/Ps 95/Lk 21:34-36

Next Sunday: Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7/Ps 80/1 Cor 1:3-9/Mk 13:33-37

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Lectors: Saturday 1st & Second Readings

November 21st - Karen Sontag

November 28th - Mike Tanner

December 5th - Jeff Everard

December 12th - Karen Sontag

Lectors: Sunday 1st & Second Readings

November 22nd - Charles Gebetsberger

November 29th - Josette Haskell

December 6th - Sara Beuchat

December 13th - Nancy Wise

All other Ministries are on a volunteer basis until further notice.

Sacred Heart Church Collections



November 8, 2020 Collection

Envelope\$ 2,099.00

Loose\$ 987.00

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Total Weekend Collection\$ 3,166.00

Capital Improvement\$ 583.00

November 1, 2020 Collection \$ 2,597.42

Honor the Lord with generosity Ecc.35:7



**"WHILE THE WORLD CHANGES,
THE CROSS STANDS FIRM"**

- Saint Bruno

**LIVE THE LITURGY -
INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK**

Titles and privileges, palaces and guards, banquets and benefits, servants and fine living, are all things earthly folks associate with kings and royalty. These have no place in Christ. To understand the kingdom of Christ and what it means to have Christ as our king, one must be willing and able to understand transformation, engagement and empowerment. To live in the kingship of Christ, we have to live deeply and contemplatively; allowing God to change not only how we act, but how we feel, think, and see. It is not an easy journey or one that is always welcomed. Sometimes, it is easier and safer to live as if Christ were our earthly king. It's a more black and white world. But the kingdom of Christ exists in a world of gray where the hungry, thirsty, those who are strangers, naked, ill, and imprisoned find a welcome home. It is a kingdom that doesn't always make sense, where the last are first and the weakest are most strong. World economics and secular philosophy doesn't like this kind of king. Maybe that is why they crucified him the first time and continue to. Whatever we do to the least of God's children, we do to God.

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**WHY DO WE DO THAT? -
CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED**

Question: What is Eucharistic Adoration?

Answer:

The practice of Eucharistic Adoration is a centuries old ritual and falls within a broader category of devotions and rituals that are associated with the Sacrament of the Eucharist. In a particular way, Eucharistic Adoration is an extension of the worship and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament that occurs in every Mass.

In a long-standing practice, a period of Eucharistic Adoration often ends with "benediction," the blessing of the faithful with the Blessed Sacrament.

Several parishes throughout the United States have introduced the practice of perpetual Eucharistic Adoration, while other communities have the custom of shorter periods of Eucharistic Adoration. Care should always be taken that these periods of adoration respect the instructions outlined in *Holy Communion and Worship of the Eucharist Outside of Mass*, the liturgical book that gives the instructions for the proper celebration of Eucharistic Adoration.

Although adoration of the Blessed Sacrament can never take the place of Eucharistic Communion, many Catholics find great comfort and consolation in their prayers before the Eucharist enshrined in the tabernacle or when it is exposed in the monstrance (both are equally valid, as the Christ is not more present in one than in the other). But when we consider our Eucharistic devotions, it is always important to remember the fundamental connection these acts of devotion have the celebration of the Eucharist in the Mass and reception of Christ in Communion.

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Parish Organizations

Knights of Columbus: The Sacred Heart Council meets at 7:00 pm on the 1st Tuesday of the month.

Contact Grand Knight Robert Mulvihill 918-906-7170.

Prayer Network: For prayer requests, contact Sheila Ford at (918) 695-8796 or email at skfgma14x@gmail.com or contact the office.

Women's Bible Study Group: Meets Tuesday mornings 10:30-11:45am. Contact Julie Pittman 918-519-2029.

Fatima Ladies: Every 3rd Sunday 9:00 a.m. & 11:45 a.m. Contact Sue Johnston 918-227-1431.

Grief Support Group: 2nd, 3rd & 4th Tuesdays/8 wk sessions Contact Connie Anderson by text at 319-470-2800.



GATHERING THE HARVEST - The Knights of Columbus are leading our 10th Annual Thanksgiving "Gathering the Harvest". They are asking that you consider helping others who are less fortunate by bringing non-perishable food items.

Mass will be celebrated at 9:00 a.m. on Thanksgiving Day.

The office will be closed in observance of the Thanksgiving Holiday from November 25th thru November 27th.

COATS OF COMPASSION: Winter is no fun without a warm coat to keep out our piercing Oklahoma wind. Let's make a difference for our neighbors in need by helping The Fatima Ladies collect new and gently used coats for Catholic Charities beginning the First Sunday of Advent. All sizes are needed - Men, Women, and Children.

Help the Fatima Ladies Trim the Tree with hats, scarfs, gloves/mittens, and socks for men, women & children beginning the First Sunday of Advent. All items will be distributed to local charities.



This Thanksgiving, let us remember all the good things, and people, who have come into our lives. We focus on thanking each one who has helped us, and ultimately thank God for the good gifts of this world.



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