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Meditation for Christ the King Sunday

“Christ must reign until God has put all enemies under his feet.”

Kings traditionally are concerned about pomp and circumstance, military might, taxes, palaces, and monuments. King Jesus is altogether different. When King Jesus “comes in his glory, escorted by all the angels of heaven, he will sit upon his royal throne, and all the nations will be assembled before him”. He will judge on behalf of refugees, the naked, the sick, and the imprisoned. He has no Pentagon, no military budget, and no national debt. He commands: “Owe no debt to anyone except the debt that binds us to love one another”.

The poor are his priority. He commands us to serve the poor. Material poverty in the world indicates our spiritual poverty in the Church. If we bowed before Jesus as King, the poor would have the Good News preached to them and be set free. If we had faith in King Jesus, we would “love in deed and in truth and not merely talk about it”.

King Jesus not only helped the poor but became poor. “You are well acquainted with the favor shown you by our Lord Jesus Christ: how for your sake he made himself poor though he was rich, so that you might become rich by his poverty”. He chose to be born in a stable at Bethlehem, live in lowly Nazareth, work at manual labor, and even die like a slave on a cross. King Jesus is a different kind of king. He’s the King of the poor, and the King of kings.

Prayer: King Jesus, take over my life totally.



MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Masses are Canceled this weekend.

No Masses this weekend Nov. 21 & 22

Fr Bill remains quarantined.

No Mass Mon. & Tuesday this week.

Wed. Nov. 25, 8:00 am †John Schaeffbauer [Rdr: Jeff]

Thu. Nov. 26, 8:00 am †Lolis Linde [Rdr:Audrey]

Fri. Nov. 27, 8:00 am †Kevin Mulloy [Rdr: JoAnn]

Sat. Nov. 28, 4:00 pm †Barb Erdmann

Sat. Nov. 28, 5:30 pm †Bob Pembroke

Sun. Nov. 29, 8:00 am †Lolis Linde

Sun. Nov. 29, 10:00am *People of the Parish*

Happy Thanksgiving!

Give God thanks for his many blessings

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Nehemiah Bauer, Carol Day, Rose Barton, Catherine Luckhurst, Mary Thares, Ava Gill, Darlene Raba, Kara Riley, Verna Ehnes, Alice Clausen, Judy Holzer, Mary Lou Scherer, Carol Collignon, Steve Schatz, Luella Bosch, Mary Fredricksen, Bill Klucas, Bob Lipp, Maria Procida, Jr. Neumiller and family, Carol Slaughter, Rachel Hoisington, Bob Zerr, Pat Laintz, Jack Perman, LaVonne Dietrich, Bobby Zerr, Colleen Froseth, Sharon Neuharth, Laura Goldade, Mark Nordstrom, Lisa Anderson, Jeff Pfeifle.

No Confessions this Saturday, Nov. 21

Deepest Sympathy and Prayers: Our sincere condolences are extended to Mary Ann Knudson and family in the loss of her nephew Justin Cronin and to Jeff (Marilyn) Anderson in the deaths of his aunt Gail and his uncle Frank Ducheneaux. **Prayer for Our Faithful Departed** God of mercy, hear our prayers and be merciful to your servants whom you have called from this life. Welcome them into the company of your saints, in the kingdom of light and peace. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

This Feast was established by Pope Pius XI in 1925 as an antidote to secularism, a way of life which leaves God out of man’s thinking and living and organizes his life as if God did not exist. The feast is intended to proclaim in a striking and effective manner Christ’s royalty over individuals, families, society, governments, and nations.

Titles for Christ’s royalty over men:

- 1) Christ is God, the Creator of the universe and hence wields a supreme power over all things; “All things were created by him”;
- 2) Christ is our Redeemer, he purchased us by his Precious Blood, and made us his property and possession;
- 3) Christ is Head of the Church, “holding in all things the primacy”;
- 4) God bestowed upon Christ the nations of the world as his special possession and dominion.

The qualities of Christ’s kingdom. This kingdom is:

- 1) supreme, extending not only to all people but also to their princes and kings;
- 2) universal, extending to all nations and to all places;
- 3) eternal, for “The Lord shall sit a King forever”;
- 4) spiritual, Christ’s “kingdom is not of this world.”

Let us Pray:

Almighty ever-living God, whose will is to restore all things in your beloved Son, the King of the universe, grant, we pray, that the whole creation, set free from slavery, may render your majesty service and ceaselessly proclaim your praise. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

A Day of Eucharistic Adoration: This Friday, November 27th with Mass at 8:00 am - Exposition at 8:30 am and Benediction at 8:15 pm. Please sign up at the main entrance to the Church.

Knights of Columbus Meeting has been moved this month to this Monday, November 23 in the KC Hall at 7:00 pm. If you are able to attend, your help and input is most welcome. Wearing a mask is appreciated.

Immaculate Conception of Mary is Monday, December 8th: This is a Holy Day of Obligation. Mary was conceived in the state of perfect justice, free from Original Sin and its consequences, in virtue of the redemption achieved by Christ on the cross. In this sense, the privilege of the Immaculate Conception was the anticipated fruit of Christ's saving passion, death, and resurrection. It was only fitting that she who was to bear the Savior of the world should herself be preserved by him from sin and its consequences and so be the first to benefit from what he would obtain for the whole human race. Masses will be ***Monday***, Dec. 7, **5:30 pm** and ***Tuesday***, Dec. 8, **8 am & 5:30 pm**

St. Joseph Parish is looking for a person who can coordinate liturgies and provide music for weekend, holy day and special liturgies. If interested, please call Fr. Bill at 845-5212.

Best Advent Ever: The first day of Advent is November 29, and sign-ups for BEST ADVENT EVER 2020 with Matthew Kelly are now open! Each day, Matthew Kelly will be giving powerful daily video reflections on the Gospel readings. We're calling it *Let Your Soul Shine*.

Praying for the Faithful Departed: Prayer for the dead is one of the greatest acts of charity we can perform. Through our prayers, we can help the faithful departed during their time in Purgatory, so that they can enter more quickly into the fullness of Heaven. One form of prayer is to have a Mass prayed for deceased loved ones.

Family Rosary: Please join us at 5:00 pm on Thursdays to pray the Rosary in the church. The Rosary is a powerful prayer in this time of pandemic. Mary, Mother of God, pray for us!

The 24th Annual Christmas at the Cathedral goes Virtual! The live productions of the *24th Annual Christmas at the Cathedral* have been cancelled due to the rising numbers of COVID cases, hospitalizations and deaths in our state. A special pre-recorded production of *Christmas at the Cathedral* will air on **KELOLAND Television on December 25th at 6:30 PM**. To purchase a virtual code to view the program *before* December 25, please call our office at 605-988-3765 or email events@ccfesd.org.

Vocation Discernment Retreat: You can sign up at <https://seminarydiscernmentretreat2020.splashthat.com/>. Dec. 10-12, 2020 Men 18 & Older Broom Tree Retreat Center Irene, SD Cost: \$80 (Financial Assistance Available)

Community Thanksgiving Day Dinner: Everyone is welcome to join in this meal served this Thursday, November 26 from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm at the Moose Lodge but ***it is highly encouraged to do carry-out or delivery***. The dining room will have social distancing protocol. To have a meal delivered, please call the Moose Lodge by 11 am on Thanksgiving Thursday at 845-3637. To volunteer on Wed. or Thurs., or to donate salads, desserts, or cranberry sauce, call Jim at 845-6671 or the Moose at 845-3637. To donate turkeys, potatoes/sweet potatoes, or bread for stuffing, sign up at Paylessfoods or Merkel's Foods.

Memorial for Christmas Wreaths may be given for loved ones. A limited number of 36" indoor wreaths are available. You **must** call the parish office at 845-2100 prior to paying.

Flower Envelope Offering: This year, there will be envelopes in the pews to use for making an offering for Christmas flowers. If you would like to donate towards flowers as a memorial for deceased loved ones or in honor of someone living, please note the name/s clearly on the flap side of the envelope. Thank you.

Advent Baby Shower: You are invited to participate in the Annual Advent Baby Shower beginning with the 1st Sunday of Advent, November 29. Please bring NEW gifts, including clothing sizes newborn to 12 months, and place them in the cradle set up in main entrance. See posters at main entrance for further information.

Liberty and Justice: This day—and every day—we give thanks to God for all the good gifts given to us as a nation. We also remember how often we have failed to live up to these gifts, and we resolve to do better. Thanksgiving (“Eucharist,” for that is what the word means) is always unfinished business. Our land is one of promise and hope where our God leads each of us toward the new Jerusalem, the blessed place of his peace, where there is freedom to serve him faithfully. Alleluia! Text, Philip J. Sandstrom, S.T.D. © 2002, OCP. All rights reserved. Thanksgiving, Year A.

Blessing of an Advent Wreath: This prayer has been added to the Prayers button on myParish App. You are encouraged to use the prayer with your family as a way to bring Advent into your home. If you would like to use the App on your smartphone, text App to 88202 in Messages to download myParish App. The select our parish after opening.

Often we take everything for granted! This also happens with God. It is easy to approach the Lord to ask for something, but to return and give thanks... This is why Jesus so emphasizes the failure of the nine ungrateful lepers: “Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?” (Lk 17:17-18). (Pope Francis)

“At the end of our life we will be judged on love, that is, on our concrete commitment to love and serve Jesus in our littlest and neediest brothers and sisters. That mendicant, that needy person who reaches out his hand is Jesus; that sick person whom I must visit is Jesus; that inmate is Jesus, that hungry person is Jesus. Let us consider this.” –Pope Francis