

Disciples of the Mission



November 21st, 2021

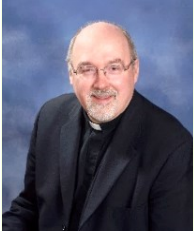
Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Dan 7:13-14

Ps 93:1,1-2,5

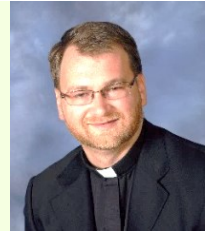
Rev 1:5-8

Jn 18:33b-37



Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe,

Today we celebrate the feast of Christ the King. We live in the hope of his reign in the world, in our nation and in our lives in these somewhat distressing or troubling times. The daily headlines speak of terror, political unrest, protest, hate crimes, the plight of immigrants, potential wars, the conflicts that arise from the covid pandem-



ic, and we could go on and on and on. At a time when strife is so prominent among us, the feast of Christ the King gives new direction for our times.

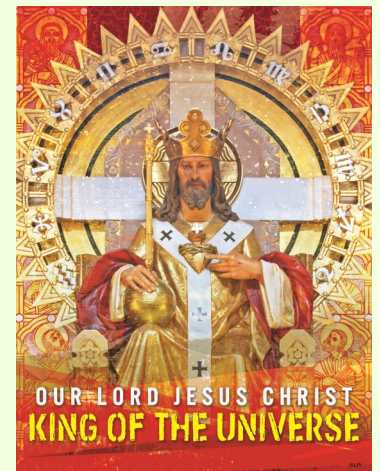
That is why today's feast of Christ as King and Lord of the universe is so important. It is held today on the final Sunday of Ordinary Time before Advent. It is a relatively new feast. Pope Pius XI introduced the Feast in 1925. At the time, political dictatorships were emerging throughout Europe. Some Christians had begun to question Christ's authority amid growing secularism. The feast reminds us how Jesus radically redefined the nature of Kingship. He was a King who acted as a humble servant. Jesus also called on his followers to be humble servants as well.

In the gospel, Jesus said, "My Kingdom does not belong to this world." If we accept Jesus Christ as our King, Lord and Savior, it challenges us with which kingdom we are a part of. We can be so engrossed in the strife around us we lose focus of what is really important. It challenges us with "How are we living out our lives." "How are we working for the New Kingdom that is eternal?" How can we make Christ our King rather than letting the world dominate our hearts and our lives?

Jesus comes as King to lead his flock. When we feel beat up by the world we can turn to Christ the King through whom Love of God is poured out into the world. When we follow his command, His Lordship, we enter into this new kind of kingdom. So what we are celebrating today is not only the Feast of making Christ the King of our own lives, but we are celebrating our own salvation. That is why today's feast day is so important.

May God Bless You All,

Fr. LeRoy



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Mass Times and Intentions

Tuesday, November 23rd:

8:30 am Sacred Heart, Urbank † Viola Becker
6:30 pm St Edward, Henning **Confirmation Mass** The Confirmands

Wednesday, November 24th:

8:30 am Our Lady of Seven Dolors, Millerville † Matthew Thoennes
7:00 pm Our Lady of the Lake, Battle Lake Spec Int of Paul & Marlys Dotzenrod

Thursday, November 25th: Thanksgiving Day

8:30 am St James, Maine Twp. Special Intention
9:00 am St Ann, Brandon † Mary Klimek
10:30 am St Edward, Henning † Ron Skydlarek

Friday, November 26th:

8:30 am St William, Parkers Prairie † Scott Steidl
NO MASS St Edward, Henning

Saturday, November 27th:

4:00 pm Our Lady of Seven Dolors, Millerville People of the Parishes
5:00 pm St James, Maine Twp. † Joseph Kaiser
7:30 pm St William, Parkers Prairie † Mandy Schmidt

Sunday, November 28th: First Sunday of Advent

8:30 am St Ann, Brandon † Jim Kaufman
8:30 am St Edward, Henning People of the Parishes
10:30 am Our Lady of the Lake, Battle Lake † Jim Hallberg
10:30 am Sacred Heart, Urbank †† Urban & Loretta Klimek

Confession

Tues: 8:00 am Sacred Heart, Urbank
Wed: 8:00 am Our Lady of Seven Dolors, Millerville
Thurs: 8:00 am St Ann, Brandon
Fri: 8:00 am St William, Parkers Prairie
Sat: 3:00 pm Our Lady of Seven Dolors, Millerville
4:30 pm St James, Maine Twp.
Sun: 8:00 am St Edward, Henning



Adoration

Tues: 9:00 -10:00 am Sacred Heart, Urbank
Wed: 9:00 -10:00 am Our Lady of Seven Dolors, Millerville
Thurs: 9:00 -10:00 am St Ann, Brandon
Fri: 9:00 -10:00 am St William, Parkers Prairie



Sacramental Preparation

Baptism: Parents are required to take a Baptism Class before their first child is Baptized. **St Ann, Seven Dolors, Sacred Heart, St William:** Contact Rose Suchy at 320-766-5312 to set up a time.

Wedding: Contact Fr. LeRoy or Fr. Peter at least 6 months before wedding.

RCIA: Please contact Fr. LeRoy or Fr. Peter if interested in becoming Catholic.

Seven Dolors will begin "The Search" next Friday, December 3rd, at 7:00pm. If you would like to participate in this six week session, or are interested in becoming Catholic, please let Fr. Peter know: pmvanderweys@gmail.com or text to (320) 287-2926. We will take Christmas and New Years off.

Prayer List



Please remember the following in your prayers:

Jenn Hinrichs, Kayla Benzinger, Gail Klein, Levi Koep, Kathy Stratton, Carla Bettin, Mary Waldorf, Peg Lorsung, Rhonda Tuey, Cletus Bitzan, Theresa Lehn, Bev Dickey, Roger Klimek, Kimberley Mickelson, Ryan Carlson, Delores Fredrickson, the family of Neil Baker, Karen Otto, Darcy Frank, Bernadine Schiele, Angela Gilles, Jim Stenger, Paul Suchy, Therese Peterson, Pat Carroll, Dennis Hockert, Nancy Benzinger, Joslyn, Clarey Dorn, Ione Hanson, Savanna Sheppard, Dennis Fagerstrom, Bonnie Melville, Alayna Roers, Janine Roers, Patsy Shea, LaVerne Shea, Clarence Otto, Ava Ellingson, daughter of Scott and Peggy Ellingson and siblings Ganon and Anissa, Jeff Goodale, Joan Klinnert, Diane Gerst, Arlene Larson, LeRoy Thoennes, Viola Dorn, Danny Hendricks, Carole Hanish, Kim Hoffman, Tony & Ken Chermak, Betty Yelle, Pat McNelly, Donna Halbert, and the families affected by the Covid-19 pandemic.

Please Pray for a Priest or Seminarian each day in November

22-Deceased priests with November anniversaries
23-Rev David Grundman 24-Rev Joseph Herzing
25-Rev Mark Innocenti 26-Rev Gregory Paffel
27-Rev Michael Kellogg 28-Rev Julius Beckermann

Religious Education

Sacred Heart, St William, St Ann, Our Lady of Seven Dolors:
No Class—Thanksgiving Break

St James: No Class—Thanksgiving Break

St Edward: No Class—Thanksgiving Break

Our Lady of the Lake: There are no Edge/Life Teen classes on Wednesday, Nov 24 and no Sunday School classes on Sunday, Nov 28th.

Confirmation class for 11th grade students for all seven parishes will be Dec 5th, 2:00pm at Sacred Heart Parish Hall, Urbank. Please bring your three ring binder (given at the last class) Bible and Catechism of the Catholic Church books from your toolboxes.

Mass Schedule Change

To begin the weekend of Dec 4th & 5th

Saturday

4:00 pm Sacred Heart, Urbank

5:00 pm St James, Maine Twp.

7:30 pm St Ann, Brandon

Sunday

8:30 am Our Lady of Seven Dolors, Millerville

8:30 am St Edward, Henning

10:30 am Our Lady of the Lake, Battle Lake

10:30 am St William, Parkers Prairie



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St. Edward — Invites you to be our guest for Thanksgiving Dinner on November 25th, Thanksgiving Day. Turkey and all the trimmings will be served from Noon until 2 PM or until food is gone. Dinner is free — Proceeds from free-will donations will be given to local charities. Join us for food and fellowship. In case of inclement weather the dinner will be held on Sunday, November 28th.

St. Edward: Bishop Kettler will be here to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation on Tuesday, November 23rd at 6:30 PM. Everyone is encouraged to attend and support our young people.

St. Edward: Just a reminder that there are several openings to bring goodies for fellowship after Sunday Masses in December. Please sign up today, the sheet is next to the Parish Office.

St. Edward: Each year, Otter Tail County Human Services sponsors a Christmas Gift Drive providing for children in foster care, vulnerable and disabled adults, and families in need. In 2020, we were able to serve over 250 individuals through the generous donations of community members. We are so grateful that St. Edward's Parish Community has chosen to participate this year. There are tags in the fellowship area that have information on the recipients age, gender, and gift ideas. Gifts may be wrapped or unwrapped. Please return the tag along with the gifts, as this is how we ensure that the gifts reach the correct recipient. Kindly return to St. Edward's by Dec 10. We wish to extend an enormous amount of gratitude to you for your generosity this season. You are all helping to make Christmas a little brighter for those in our communities.

St. Edward: If you would like to give a donation for Christmas Flowers in memory or honor of a loved one; there are envelopes on the table in between the Parish offices.



Our Lady of the Lake: The Angel Tree is Here

The Angel Tree is in the gathering space. The tags on the tree will have an item written on the back of the tag indicating something that an area child is wishing for this Christmas. Select a tag from the tree, shop for the item, wrap the gift, attach the tag to the gift and return your wrapped gift to Our Lady of the Lake Church by December 14th. We will collect the gifts here and deliver them to the school for you. We are partnering with Amor Lutheran Church, First Lutheran Church and Eagle Lake Lutheran Church again this year. With this combined effort, we are able to provide each child in need with a new shirt, a pair of pants and 2 toys. We will also be buying gift cards at Larry's so that each family can purchase groceries for a holiday meal. If you would like to make a contribution to that, there will be a donation box provided near the Angel Tree. Checks should be made payable to OLL.

Disciples of the Mission continued

The OLL parish office will be closed Thursday and Friday in observance of the Thanksgiving Holiday

Our Lady of the Lake: The 2022 Calendars are here and also the Little Blue Books. These are wonderful books with daily prayers and reflections for the Advent and Christmas Seasons and are available for you to pick up in the Narthex.

Our Lady of Seven Dolors: Wedding Banns I Brittany Meissner and Aaron Hoppe.

Our Lady of Seven Dolors: Calendar Winners

Nov 22-\$50.00 Kate VanderWeyst

Nov 23-\$100.00 Dennis Schmidt

Nov 24-\$50.00 Harold Jennissen

Nov 25-\$25.00 Joe Grecula

Nov 26-\$100.00 Kristan McCarthy

Nov 27-\$75.00 Marilyn Bitzan

Nov 28-\$50.00 Ann Pohlman

St Ann: The Knights of Columbus will be having their annual Pro-Life Bingo February 6th at St. Ann's in Brandon. Time is still to be determined. They are looking for donations for raffle prizes if anyone is interested please contact Greg Roers 320-834-2582 or Dan Schaffer 320-760-4041. Thanks!

Sacred Heart: We are looking for a chairman for the Sacred Heart Church Bazaar in 2022. If anybody is interested please contact Connie at 218-639-4266.



The Parish of Sacred Heart would like to welcome and congratulate Collins Kathryn daughter of Casey & Cassandra Kowalski who received the Sacrament of Baptism.

Sacred Heart: On December 4th we are going to have a Christmas Parish Potluck after Mass. We will have a surprise visitor from the North Pole also. There will be a demonstration on the online giving.

Sacred Heart: Fall Bingo and Raffle will be on Sunday, Nov 28th at 1:30 p.m. at the Parish Hall, everyone welcomed. Lunch will be served.

Circle 3's Answer to Christmas Shopping. Let Circle 3 make your shopping experience safe and easy this year. Circle 3 will have available Rada knives and dishcloths which can be used as wonderful gifts for the holidays and throughout the year. If interested contact Barb Harthun at 826-6238.

St James: The Catholic Church sets aside the month of November to remember and pray for our loved ones who have died. We are encouraged to write the names of our deceased family and friends in the Book of Remembrance which is on the chest in St. James' entry. Prayers for them will be offered during Mass.

Disciples of the Mission continued

St James: Circle 3 Sponsored Christmas Giving: The Christmas Tree is Coming to the entry way soon. Gift tags will be available after November 12. The tags on the tree will have an item written on the back of the tag indicating something that an area child is wishing for this Christmas. Select a tag from the tree, shop for the item, wrap the gift, attach the tree tag to the gift and return your wrapped gift to St. James by December 11th. We will collect the gifts here and will deliver them to the school to be presented to the child prior to Christmas. This enables us to provide each child in need with a clothing item and 2 toys. If you prefer not to do the shopping this year, Circle 3 has a "shopping committee" that can do the shopping for you. Just send a donation to Circle 3, attention Bonnie Jennen, 32354 Heilberger Dr., Erhard, MN 56534, or place check (no cash) in her mailbox at church. May you be blessed by your giving heart, and may you make some child's day by your thoughtfulness. Thank you.

SUNDAY LUNCH AT ST JAMES:

Serving from 12:00 noon until 1 p.m. followed by "The Search" video. All ages are welcome! Child Care is provided.

Questions? Contact B Novacek by texting 218-770-7427 or email novacekb@yahoo.com.



Ann's House - Brandon

Are you interested in different ways to pray? If so, come to Ann's House on Monday, November 22 at 2 p.m. To register: call 320-834-5095.

God's Share - Financials

	11/14/2021	Weekly Budget
<i>thank you!</i> Our Lady of the Lake	\$7,126.00	\$4,026.00
St Ann	\$1,861.25	\$2,130.00
Seven Dolors	\$1,286.90	\$2,850.00
St Edward	\$4,380.25	\$2,650.00
Sacred Heart	\$1,171.88	\$1,845.00
St James	\$1,195.00	\$1,665.00
St William	\$1,105.90	\$1,780.00



Pope Francis November Prayer Intention: People Who Suffer from Depression

We pray that people who suffer from depression or burn-out will find support and a light that opens them up to life.

A Vocation View: To testify to the truth; this is why Christ came, this is the mission of the priest and religious. Has your life testified to the truth that Christ is King?

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, Cycle B

Sunday, November 21, 2021

First Reading

Daniel 7:13-14

Daniel prophesies about the coming of the Son of Man.

Responsorial Psalm

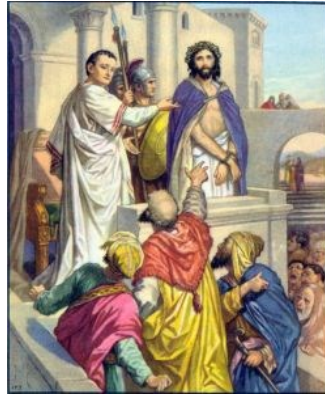
Psalm 93:1,1-2,5

A prayer of praise to God our king.

Second Reading

Revelation 1:5-8

Jesus is the firstborn of the dead and the ruler of all.



Gospel Reading

John 18:33b-37

Jesus is questioned by Pilate about the charge brought against him that he is “King of the Jews.”

Background on the Gospel Reading

This Sunday is the last Sunday of the Church’s liturgical year. On this Sunday we celebrate the Solemnity of Christ the King. Each year we set aside this Sunday to reflect upon this title that we have given to Jesus. In Lectionary Cycle C, we read a portion of the passion from the Gospel of John, which is also part of the Gospel reading proclaimed each year on Good Friday.

In John’s Gospel, Pilate is shown in a more favorable light than in the other Gospels. In today’s reading, we hear one of two dialogues between Jesus and Pilate that are reported in John’s Gospel. Pilate questions Jesus about the charges brought against him. Caiaphas and the high priests have charged Jesus with a political crime, one that would require a punishment of death. Pilate distances himself from the Jewish leaders who accuse Jesus; he is not a Jew, and he seems to want little to do with this Jewish affair.

In his responses to Pilate’s questions, Jesus distinguishes his kingdom from the political powers of this world. King and kingdom may be appropriate terms for Jesus’ mission and promise, but only by analogy. Jesus is king, but not the kind of king we imagine or expect. He was certainly not the kind of king Pilate feared he might be.

Jesus refers to a kingdom that does not belong to this world. This has been mentioned earlier in John’s Gospel. Recall that in his prayer during the Last Supper discourse (see John 17:6-18), Jesus prayed for his disciples who are in the world but do not belong to the world. Yet like Jesus, they are sent into the world for the world’s salvation. In today’s reading, we see Jesus identify the final proof that his kingdom is not of this world: If his kingdom were of this world, then there would be people fighting to save him. Again we hear echoes of John’s theme—salvation is worked out through a cosmic battle. It is helpful to return to the first chapter of John’s Gospel to understand the context for Jesus’ words to Pilate. Jesus came into the world, but the world did not know him. In John’s language, the world prefers the darkness, and yet the light will not be overcome by the darkness.

Truth has been another important theme in John’s Gospel. We see it emphasized in the conclusion of the dialogue between Jesus and Pilate. Those who know the truth will recognize Jesus as king and will know how to interpret this insight. Yet Jesus’ kingship was hidden from many of his contemporaries. Only those chosen, those who have the eyes of faith, are able to see. As modern disciples of Jesus, we also struggle at times to recognize Jesus as king. Today’s Gospel invites us to see with eyes of faith that we might recognize that Jesus, through his crucifixion and death, is indeed king and Savior of all.

Daily Readings

Monday, November 22

Saint Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr

Dn 1:1-6,8-20

Dn 3:52,53,55,56

Lk 21:1-4

Tuesday, November 23

Weekday

Dn 2:31-45

Dn 3:57,58,59,60,61

Lk 21:5-11

Wednesday, November 24

Saint Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest

Dn 5:1-6,13-14,16-17,23-28

Dn 3:62,63,64,65,66,67

Lk 21:12-19

Thursday, November 25

Weekday

Dn 6:12-28

Dn 3:68,69,70,71,72,73,74

Lk 21:20-28

Friday, November 26

Weekday

Dn 7:2-14

Dn 3:75,76,77,78,79,80,81

Lk 21:29-33

Saturday, November 27

Weekday

Dn 7:15-27

Dn 3:82,83,84,85,86,87

Lk 21:34-36

Sunday, November 28

First Sunday of Advent

Jer 33:14-16

Ps 25:4-5,8-9,10,14

1 Thes 3:12-4:2

Lk 21:25-28,34-36

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