

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

NOVEMBER 20, 2016

I rejoiced because they said to me, "We will go up to the house of the LORD."

— Psalm 122:1

KINGSHIP

The book of Samuel recounts for us today the anointing of David as king of Israel. It was the elders of Israel who declared David king that day, but it was God who called David to shepherd Israel. Thus mandated by the citizens of his kingdom and by his God, David took his place in a long line of kings.

The apostle Paul speaks to us of kingship as well, but on a much higher plane: the kingship of Jesus our Lord. As great as David was, he and all earthly monarchs who came before and after him in their kingdoms around the world are minor kings by comparison to the true King. And lastly, we hear the story of that true King in perhaps his weakest moment: near death, hanging on a cross, taunted by a common criminal and by the world at large.

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — David is anointed king of Israel

(2 Samuel 5:1-3).

Psalm — Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord

(Psalm 122).

Second Reading — The Father delivered us to the kingdom of his beloved Son (Colossians 1:12-20).

Gospel — The repentant criminal receives Jesus' promise of Paradise (Luke 23:35-43).

OUR GIFTS RECORD

	Offertory	Development
Last Week's Collection	\$5,430.00	\$5,512.00
Number of Families contributing	123	85
Total Pledge for 2016	\$171,467.00	\$185,504.00
Pledged to Date (45 Weeks)	\$150,990.00	\$162,138.00
Received to Date	\$177,961.73	\$128,063.23
Envelopes Outstanding	(\$26,971.73)	\$34,074.77

LADIES OFFERTORY RECORD

Amount given last week	Amount given to Date in 2016
\$486.00	\$10,047.00

Forty-six ladies made a contribution last week.

BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL WEEKLY REPORT

2016 Parish Goal	\$23,330.00
Amount Received to Date	\$11,756.52
Amount Outstanding	\$11,573.48

Twelve people made a B.A.A. contribution last week.

HALL RENOVATION FUND WEEKLY REPORT

Amount given last week	Amount given to Date in 2016
\$25.00	\$10,953.00

Three people made a Hall Fund contribution last week.

PARKING LOT totaled \$4.00.

25 **CHILDREN** contributed \$127.00.

POOR BOX totaled \$78.00.

The **ATTENDANCE** for last Saturday 4:00 P.M. Mass was 180 and Sunday 10:00 A.M. Mass was 230.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

A few years ago, at the Seattle Special Olympics, nine contestants, all physically or mentally disabled, assembled at the starting line for the 100 yard dash.

At the gun, they all started out, not exactly in a dash, but with a relish to run the race to the finish and win. All, that is, except one little boy who stumbled on the asphalt, tumbled over a couple of times, and began to cry. They slowed down and looked back. Then they all turned around and went back...every one of them. One girl with Down's syndrome bent down and kissed him and said, "This will make it better." Then all nine linked arms and walked together to the finish line. Everyone in the stadium stood, and the cheering went on for several minutes.

"What matters most in this life is more than just winning for ourselves, but helping others win, even if it means slowing down and changing our course. Jesus summarized the Commandments into Love of God and Love of neighbor."

FLOWERS IN THE CHURCH ARE OFFERED BY:

1. Tommy A., Christina, Tommy Faro and Jim Richmon in thanks for Upton Carroll on her 2nd Birthday;
2. the Scully's in loving memory of Scully's Ann on the 14th Anniversary of her death and Fr. Bill Blier on his 63rd Birthday;
3. a Parish Family member in thanks to the Sacred Heart;
4. and a Parish Family member in thanks to St. Expedite.

DAY OF PRAYER FOR CONTINUED STRENGTH AND HEALING

As it is instructed by Bishop Robert E. Guglielmone we shall observe this Tuesday, November 22nd as the *Day of Prayer for Continued Strength and Healing* across the State and give thanks for the blessings. We shall celebrate the Mass at 12:00 NOON this Tuesday followed by the Rosary with Holy Sacraments exposed.

THANKSGIVING DAY: NOVEMBER 24TH

Thanksgiving Day in America is a Day set aside each year for giving thanks to God for the blessings received during the year. It is also a Day of family gatherings and holiday meals.

Father Cherian wishes everyone a Happy Thanksgiving Day!

THANKSGIVING DAY HEALING MASS

Rev. Sunil from New York will celebrate 10:00 A.M. Mass on Wed., Nov. 23rd and at 7:00-8:00 P.M. will have a Guided Adoration with Healing Prayers. He will also celebrate the Healing Mass on Thanksgiving Day at 5:00 P.M. There will be individual and group healing sessions during the service. All are welcome to this spiritual banquet to get ourselves healed and comforted by the Holy Spirit.

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

The Church Office will be closed this *Wednesday, November 23rd and Thursday, November 24th* in observance of the Thanksgiving Holiday and will reopen *Monday, November 28th*.

CONGRATULATIONS to Noah Gorman for making the A-B Honor Roll and Sage Riley for being Student of the Month in her class at Our Lady of Peace School.

SATURDAY 7:00 P.M. MASS will begin Saturday, December 3rd.

JOKE OF THE WEEK *One New York City man is going to jump off the building. Up rushes a good Irish cop. Cop yells up to the man: "Don't jump! Think of your father!"*

Man replies: "Haven't got a father. I'm going to jump!" The Cop goes through a list of relatives: mother, brothers, sisters, etc. Each time the man says: "Haven't got one. Sure I am going to jump."

Desperate the cop yells up: "Don't jump! Think of the Blessed Virgin." Man replies: "Who is that?" Cop yells: "Jump, Protestant! You're blocking traffic!"

THANK YOU to a Parish member for their \$100 donation in thanks to St. Expedite; a member for a donation in thanks to St. Martin De Porres; and to two members for their donations in thanks to St. Expedite.

SUGGESTIONS FOR PRACTICING MERCY

- Resist sarcasm; it it's the antithesis.
- Do something kind and helpful for someone who you don't get along with, or who has wronged you.
- Offer to run an errand (groceries, dry cleaning pick-up, dog-walking) for a busy parent or homebound person.
- Make a point to smile, greet or make conversation with someone who is not in your everyday circle.

MASS INTENTIONS

- Monday:** In thanks for Upton Carroll on her 2nd Birthday.
Tuesday: In loving memory of Starbuck's Mary Catherine on the 10th Anniversary of her death.
Wednesday: In honor of the Holy Souls and St. Joseph.
Thursday: In honor of St. Kateri, St. Expedite, St. Joseph, and the Infant of Prague for a special intention.
Friday: For the suffering souls in Purgatory.

SOMEHOW GOD KNEW

*Somehow God knew way before you were born,
All that you'd need to brave every storm.*

*He gave you the graces and the intellect, too,
For all the things you were meant to do.*

*He perfectly made you to accomplish each task.
Putting all things in place even before you would ask.*

*Somehow God knew and gave without haste
All the blessings of Heaven, Love, and good Faith.*

*So then, do not question the might of your heart,
For all that you've needed has been there from the start.*

READERS

Sat. Nov. 19th, 4:00 P.M.
Rita Weaver &
Rosie Cat

Sun. Nov. 20th, 10:00 A.M.
Jimmy Joseph &
Rose Marie

Sat. Nov. 26th, 4:00 P.M.
Ann T. &
Grace

Sun. Nov. 27th, 10:00 A.M.
Jimmy Joseph &
Rose Marie

READERS – WEEKDAYS

Monday	Dominique
Tuesday	Julie Ann
Wednesday	Scott's Mercedes
Thursday	Natalie
Friday	Erin

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS – WEEKEND

Saturday 4:00 P.M.
Front
Left Cup

November 19th
Bridget Ann
Winnie Ann

Sunday 10:00 A.M.

November 20th
Pete Man's Nora
Rose Marie

November 27th
Pete Man's Nora
Rose Marie

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS - WEEKDAY

Monday	Mary Cat
Tuesday	Pete Man's Nora
Wednesday	Ann T.
Thursday	Rose Marie
Friday	Bridget Ann

SOME INTERESTING ANSWERS

1. When a man opens the door of his car for his wife, you can be sure of one thing:
Either his car is new or the wife.
2. A bookseller conducting a market survey asked a woman: "Which book has helped you most in life?"
The woman replied: "My husband's check book!"
3. A prospective husband in a book store asked: "Do you have a book called *Husband, the Master of the House?*"
The salesgirl replied: "Sir, Fiction and Comics are on the 1st floor!"

~~~~~**PRAYER CORNER**~~~~~

**THANKSGIVING FOR ALL GOD'S GIFTS**

*O God, whose mercies are without number, and whose goodness is an inexhaustible treasure, I give you thanks for the gifts You have given me, evermore beseeching Your goodness, that while you hear the prayers of all those who ask, You also prepare the, for the blessings yet to come. Amen.*