

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE SUNDAY

NOVEMBER 20, 2022

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

— Psalm 122:1

THE TRUE KINGSHIP OF JESUS CHRIST

What kind of King is Jesus? How do you envision him? Remembering that they were promised a king from the line of David, the Israelites hoped for a Messiah who would set their political problems aright and bring about a worldly kingdom of Judaic power. Even Psalm 122 seems to describe this type of ruler. Luke's Gospel today shreds that image after the whip of the Roman soldiers tore at Jesus' flesh. Still, the Romans flaunted the traditional notion with their ironic inscription above King Jesus' crown of thorns. Soldiers and ordinary people jeered the royal title at him. Yet the throne of Jesus was the cross of Christ, from which he dispensed kingly mercy and justice toward the humble criminal who shared his execution. Writing to the Colossians, Saint Paul describes the truth about Jesus and his kingship, using words like fullness, peace, and forgiveness. So let us go rejoicing!

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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	\$2,758.00	\$1,848.00
Number of Families contributing	63	54
Total Pledge for 2022	\$160,375.00	\$163,292.00
Pledged to Date (44 Weeks)	\$140,496.00	\$143,064.00
Received to Date	\$140,496.00	\$102,966.00
Envelopes Outstanding	\$6,375.00	\$40,098.00

LADIES OFFERTORY RECORD

Amount given last week	Amount given to Date in 2022
\$98.00	\$9,689.00

Sixteen ladies contributed last week.

PARISH LIFE CENTER HALL FUND WEEKLY REPORT

Amount given last week	Amount given to Date in 2022
\$3,195.00	\$99,349.00

Five people made a P.L.C. contribution last week.

BICENTENNIAL CAMPAIGN

GOAL	\$165,000.00
Total Pledged	\$210,300.00
Total Received	\$71,565.00

POOR BOX totaled \$104.00.

6 CHILDREN contributed \$21.00.

BAA totaled \$450.00.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

The ladies in the picture I just cut out of the paper are four of the happiest ladies I have seen in a long time. These ladies compose a world championship team that really makes the feather fly!

You may have guessed it by now. These ladies make up the world's champion chicken plucking team. They plucked three chickens each in a fraction over four minutes in Spring Hill, Florida, beating the time of all other would-be "chicken plucker" champions.

I think there is an area of dedication here that must be reckoned with. They accepted a challenge and would not take second best.

Every Christian would do well to put himself into the work of the Lord as completely as these ladies applied themselves to theirs. The verse for today says, "Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might." Then it reminds us that there is no work for us in the grave. If we are ever going to do anything for God, don't you think we ought to start today?

Remember the "chicken pluckers."

"Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might; for there is no work, nor device, nor knowledge, nor wisdom in the grave, whither thou goest."

—Ecclesiastes 9:10

FLOWERS IN THE CHURCH ARE OFFERED BY:

1. the Scully's' in loving memory of Scully's Ann on the 19th Anniversary of her death and in loving memory of Fr. Bill on his Birthday;
2. And a Parish Member in thanks to St. Expedite.

SPECIAL COLLECTION The second collection next weekend will be for the *Guatemalan Mission*. Please be generous in this collection.

THANK YOU to a parish member for a \$1,000 donation in thanks to the Infant Jesus and Padre Pio; and a member in thanks to St. Expedite.

THANKSGIVING DAY: NOVEMBER 25TH

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!

HISTORY OF THANKSGIVING Thanksgiving Day is a national holiday in the United States commemorating the Harvest of the Plymouth in 1621. When it was first inaugurated, only a few eastern states participated. However, through the effort of Sarah Hale a change was affected. To this end, she resolutely engaged the press with an endless flow of letters and articles to the various newspapers and journals of her time. In addition, she pleaded long and earnestly with three Presidents: Fillmore, Pierce and Buchanan during the period of 1852. At last, her campaign succeeded in uniting 29 states in marking the last Thursday of November as "Thanksgiving Day."

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*.

THANKSGIVING DAY HEALING MASS Rev. Jim Blount will celebrate a 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.

JOKE OF THE WEEK Two prisoners were making their escape over the jailhouse roof when one of them dislodged a tile.

“Who’s there?” shouted a guard. The first prisoner replied with a convincing imitation of a cat’s meow. Reassured, the guard went back to his rounds. But then the second prisoner dislodged another tile. The guard repeated, “Who’s there?” “Another cat,” answered the prisoner.

BEST EXERCISE IS WALKING

Walk away from arguments that lead to anger. Walk away from thoughts that steal your happiness. That more you walk away from things that destroy your soul,

THE HAPPIER YOUR LIFE WILL BE.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday:* Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
- Monday:* The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- Tuesday:* St. Cecilia
- Thursday:* Thanksgiving Day
- Friday:* St. Catherine of Alexandria
- Saturday:* Blessed Virgin Mary

MASS INTENTIONS

- Monday:* For the repose of the soul of Johnny Mumbo Carroll on the 17th Anniversary of his death.
- Tuesday:* For the repose of the soul of Starbuck’s Mary Catherine on the 16th Anniversary of her death on Billy O’Hara on the 1st Anniversary of his death.
- Wednesday:* In honor of the Infant Jesus of Prague and St. Joseph for all the sick and for all the holy souls in purgatory.
- Thursday:* In Thanksgiving.
- Friday:* In honor of the Infant Jesus of Prague and St. Joseph for all the sick and for all the holy souls in purgatory.

MAY OTHER SEE THEE IN ME

*Thank You, dear Father, for being there
When I have needed Thee,
And may I ever, always hear
Whenever You’re calling me.
To be Your faithful witness, Lord,
To others far and wide -
Telling them of Thy precious love
And concern, what e’er betide.
Give me the strength that I may need
And a heart so filled with care,
That others see Thee - living in me,
And with You all their burdens share.*

READERS

- Sat. Nov. 19th, 4:00 P.M.** Macy & Montela
- Sat. Nov. 19th, 7:00 P.M.** Jim Patrick & Paco’s Pete
- Sun. Nov. 20th,** Dominique & Lauren Ashley
- Sat. Nov. 26th, 4:00 P.M.** Cathy Lisa & Reed
- Sat. Nov. 26th, 7:00 P.M.** Carolyn & Natalie
- Sun. Nov. 27th,** Dominique & Lauren Ashley

READERS – WEEKDAYS

- Monday** - Reed
- Tuesday** - Savannah
- Wednesday** - Lauren Ashley
- Thursday** - Graclynn
- Friday** - Macy

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS - WEEKDAYS

- Monday** - Theresa Hun
- Tuesday** - Jack’s Mary Rita
- Wednesday** - Julie Ann
- Thursday** - Betty Jo
- Friday** - Rosie Cat

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS – WEEKEND

- Saturday 4:00 P.M.** **November 19th**
- Right** Winnie Ann
- Left** Bridget Rita

Saturday 7:00 J.P.M.

- November 19th** **November 26th**
- Jay Carroll Mary Regina & Julie Ann
- Sunday 10:00 A.M**
- November 20th** **November 26th**
- Nora Nora

5 THINGS A MOTHER WOULD NEVER SAY

1. “Let me smell that shirt – Yeah, it’s good for another week.”
2. “Well, if Johnny’s mom says it’s OK, that’s good enough for me.”
3. “The curfew is just a general time to shoot for. It’s not like I’m running a prison around here.”
4. “I don’t have a tissue with me ... just use your sleeve.”
5. “Don’t bother with a jacket- the wind- will keep you warm.”

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

**FOR ALL THE SOULS OF THE DEAD**

**O God, You willed that Your only begotten Son, having conquered death, should pass over into the realm of Heaven. I pray that all your faithful departed servants, who have left this earthly life, may join Your son, our Lord Jesus Christ, and gaze eternally on You, their Creator and Redeemer, in Heaven. Amen**