

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

November 25, 2018

Mass Intentions

Saturday, December 1st

5 P.M. – Marie Harrell

Sunday, December 2nd

7 A.M. – Janice Janecek

9 A.M. – Pat, Lucy & Edward Hermes

Sanctuary Candle Intention

The Sanctuary Candle will burn this week in memory of Ben Kopecky.

This Sunday's Holy Scriptures

Dn 7:13-14; Rev 1:5-8; Jn 18:33b-37

Your Gift to God: November 18th

Sweet Home	\$1,252
Online Giving	\$520
Building Fund	\$40
Cemetery Fund	\$25
DSA	\$10
Special Collection	\$179
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DSA	\$5
Special Collection	\$101

May God reward your generosity!

Celebrate the Lord's Abundant Mercy

Each Saturday the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Penance/Confession) is available from 4:00 P.M. to 4:40 P.M. in the Sweet Home confessional.

Special Collection

A special collection for the Retired Religious Fund will be taken up at all Masses the weekend of December 7-8.

*"I am the Alpha and the Omega,
the one who is and who was and
who is to come, the almighty."*

2019 Calendars

The parishes are grateful to Thiele-Cooper Funeral Home for sponsoring the 2019 Catholic Calendars. They are available in the church entrance.

Little Blue Books

With Advent starting we have available in the church each entrance the "Little Blue Book" devotionals. These simple and brief daily reflections can assist us in making the Advent and Christmas seasons a truly spiritual journey.

CDA Meeting

There will be a Catholic Daughters meeting/Christmas celebration on **Monday, December 3rd at 6:00 P.M.** at the Family Center. Members are asked to bring Christmas "goodies" to share along with a donation to the Food Pantry.



Fr. Dominic's Arrival

Fr. Dominic arrives this Monday, November 26th. He mentioned Bishop Cahill will come on **Saturday, December 15th** at the 5:00 P.M. Mass for his formal installation. Those who've expressed interest in assisting with some sort of welcoming reception should focus on this date according to Fr. Dominic's own expressed wishes. Start thinking/planning so that when he arrives planning can progress.

Advent Penance Services

All services begin at 5:30 P.M.

Monday, December 10 – Moulton

Tuesday, December 11 - Hallettsville

Thursday, December 13 – Shiner

Friday, December 14 - Yoakum

SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING

Celebrated on the last Sunday of the liturgical year, the Solemnity of Christ the King was **instituted by Pope Pius XI in 1925 with his encyclical**. . . *Quas primas* to respond to growing secularism. He recognized that attempting to "thrust Jesus Christ and his holy law" out of public life would result in continuing discord among people and nations.

In 2018, the Church faces pressures from without and crisis from within. In addition to the challenges that Christians in a secular society must confront, the body of Christ must also tend to the wounds inflicted on the Church by priests and bishops who either committed acts of sexual abuse themselves or failed to respond to abuse with justice when they had the opportunity. The Solemnity reminds the faithful that Christ reigns as king of the entire world forever. Let us rededicate ourselves this year to recognizing the reign of Jesus Christ and his Sacred Heart in every aspect of our lives.

We profess with our whole lives that Jesus is Lord.

"If to Christ our Lord is given all power in heaven and on earth; if all men, purchased by his precious blood,

are by a new right subjected to his dominion; if this power embraces all men, it must be clear that not one of our faculties is exempt from his empire. He must reign in our minds, which should assent with perfect submission and firm belief to revealed truths and to the doctrines of Christ. He must reign in our wills, which should obey the laws and precepts of God. He must reign in our hearts, which should spurn natural desires and love God above all things, and cleave to him alone. He must reign in our bodies and in our members, which should serve as instruments for the interior sanctification of our souls, or to use the words of the Apostle Paul, 'as instruments of justice unto God.' – *Quas primas*, 33

We recognize the reign of Christ in public life, as well as private life.

"The whole Church must work vigorously in order that men may become capable of rectifying the distortion of the temporal order and directing it to God through Christ. Pastors must clearly state the principles concerning the purpose of creation and the use of temporal things and must offer the moral and spiritual aids by which the temporal order may be renewed in Christ. The laity must take up the renewal of the temporal order as their own special obligation. [...]Everywhere and in all things they must seek the justice of God's kingdom. The temporal order must be renewed in such a way that, without detriment to its own proper laws, it may be brought into conformity with the higher principles of the Christian life and adapted to the shifting circumstances of time, place, and peoples." – *Apostolicam actuositatem*, 7

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*Blessed is he who comes in the name
of the Lord!"*

*"Blessed is the kingdom of our father
David that is to come!"*

Anima Christi

Soul of Christ, sanctify me; Body of Christ, save me; Blood of Christ, inebriate me; Water from the side of Christ, wash me; Passion of Christ, strengthen me; O good Jesus, hear me; Within your wounds hide me; Separated from you, let me never be; From the evil one protect me; At the hour of my death, call me; And close to you bid me; That with your saints, I may be, praising your forever and ever. Amen.

