

## Calendar

### Monday

NOVEMBER 25

#### Weekday

Dn 1:1-6, 8-20

Lk 21:1-4

### Tuesday

NOVEMBER 26

#### Weekday

Dn 2:31-45

Lk 21:5-11

### Wednesday

NOVEMBER 27

#### Weekday

Dn 5:1-6, 13-14,

16-17, 23-28

Lk 21:12-19

### Thursday

NOVEMBER 28

#### Weekday

Dn 6:12-28

Lk 21:20-28

### Friday

NOVEMBER 29

#### Weekday

Dn 7:2-14

Lk 21:29-33

### Saturday

NOVEMBER 30

St. Andrew,

Apostle

Rom 10:9-18

Mt 4:18-22

### Sunday

DECEMBER 1

First Sunday

of Advent (A)

Is 2:1-5

Rom 13:11-14

Mt 24:37-44

# Dear Padre,

**Why was the notion of kingship so important to Jesus and his disciples? Didn't the rulers of the day oppress Israel? You'd think they would have distrusted the Jesus-as-king idea.**

Although the idea of kingship is not very important to our modern thinking, it was very important to Israel. In the early years of the Hebrew nation, the population wanted to strengthen itself politically and militarily. The people went to Samuel, their leader, and begged him to appoint a king so that Israel could be the same as other nations (1 Samuel 8:4-5). In response, Samuel appointed Saul as Israel's first king. In Israel, the king became the prime instrument of God. David, the shepherd, was considered Israel's greatest king.

Later, that area came under the harsh domination of foreign powers—the Persians, the Macedonians, and ultimately, Rome. Many of these empires exercised their power by appointing a king, often a foreigner, to rule locally.

Since both the people of Israel and the early Christians understood the notion of kingship and recalled the glory days of David and Solomon, they developed a divinely inspired theology of the king as God's saving instrument. The theme of Jesus as king and prime instrument of God runs through the New Testament, reaching its fullness in Jesus' victory over death and his ascent to power at the right hand of the Father.

In the Gospels, Jesus preaches that the kingdom of God is now in our midst. The good news is that all of us can enter this kingdom (Mark 1:15).

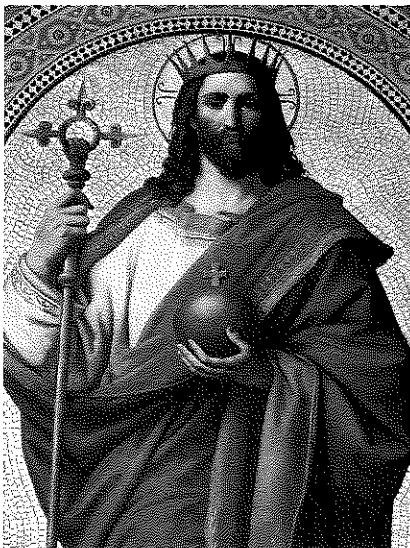
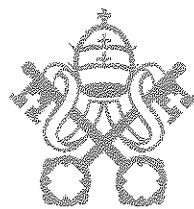


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JESUS CHRIST AS KING OF THE WORLD BY GIAN LUIGI BIANCHI NINETEENTH CENTURY

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and bestows this upon his Church.

## A Word from Pope Francis

[Jesus] shows us that he enjoys dominion because he is a servant, glory because he is capable of abasement, kingship because he is fully prepared to lay down his life. By his passion and death, he takes the lowest place, attains the heights of grandeur in service,

—Homily, October 18, 2015

# Our Parish COMMUNITY

November 24, 2019

Our Lord Jesus Christ,  
King of the Universe (C)

2 Sm 5:1-3

Col 1:12-20

Lk 23:35-43

## The Cross: Altar and Throne

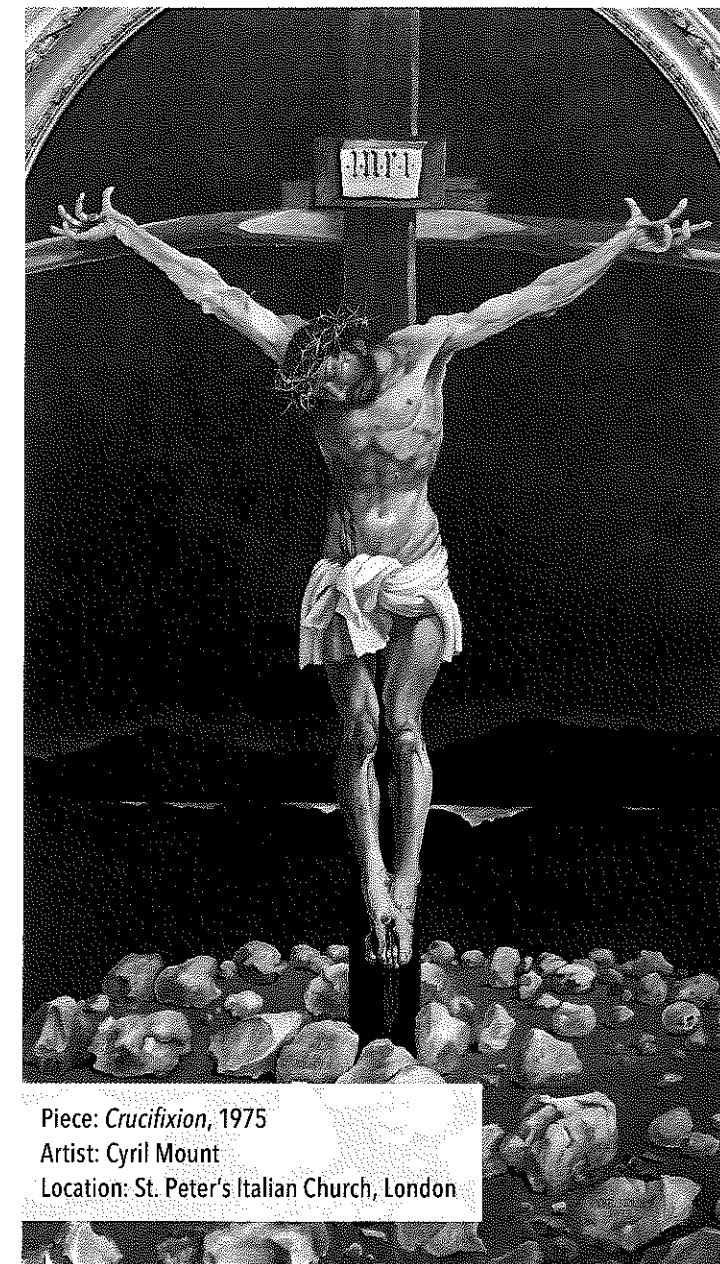
In his Gospel, St. Luke, the good doctor, often brings in kingly themes related to Christ's crucifixion. He does this to highlight that Jesus fulfilled the Jewish belief that the Messiah would unite the three important leadership roles—priest, prophet, and king. The inscription the Romans nailed to the cross above Jesus' head inadvertently supports the fulfillment of Old Testament prophecy—he was indeed the King of the Jews.

He was also the priest who offered his body as a sacrifice for the Chosen People: "It was Caiaphas who had counseled the Jews that it was better that one man should die rather than the people" (John 18:14). He is both the priest offering obedience to the Father, but he is also the victim who is offered on the altar of the cross. The cross is altar and throne because, as well as priest and victim, Jesus also is the king reuniting his kingdom under God the Father. In so doing, he undoes the sin of Adam, which had been the cause of this division.

Jesus' final prophetic words, "It is finished," means he has fulfilled his mission as priest, prophet, and king from the throne of the cross. The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* (1047) sums it up when it says that as king and high priest, his sacrifice is total, universal, and definitive. Now all of God's creatures, man and beast, both natural and in the heavens, can return to the one from whom they came forth and who declared each one good.

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

Editor's note: This is Fr. Mark Haydu's final reflection for Our Parish Community. He will continue as special advisor to the head of the Patrons of the Arts in the Vatican Museums. When a new liturgical cycle begins on December 1, 2019, we will welcome a new reflections writer, Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA. The people of Liguori Publications thank Fr. Mark for his three years of insightful reflections and his artwork selections and ideas. We wish him well.



Piece: *Crucifixion*, 1975  
Artist: Cyril Mount  
Location: St. Peter's Italian Church, London

## For Reflection

Do I realize the amazing power of what happens at the Mass?

Do I make the good thief's act of faith and confidence my own?

Above him there was an inscription that read, "This is the King of the Jews."

Luke 23:38

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**PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

*Horas De Oficina*

**Tuesday-Thursday 9:00am-6:00pm**  
**Friday 9:00am-2:00pm**  
 Cyndi in office Tues & Friday  
*10-2pm & by appointments.*  
 Patty in office Tues-Fri 9-2  
 Carol in office Tues-Thurs 2-6  
**Confessions: Saturday 4:00-4:40pm** Tues-  
 Fri before daily Mass 7:30-7:45am  
**Confessions: in GS Lometa**  
 Sunday 7:30-7:55am  
**Kitchen Hours/ Horas de Cocina:**  
 Tues- Fri 6:00-11:00am  
**Food Pantry/Dispensa de Comida:**  
 Wed & Fri 9:30-11:30am  
**Shared Blessing:**  
 Wed & Fri 9:30am-2:00pm  
**Baptismal Class**  
 Call the office for date.  
**Clase de Bautismo**  
 Llamar la oficina para la fecha.  
**Adoration:** Every Wednesday after 8:00am  
 Mass to 5:00pm and Thursday for one hour  
 after the 6pm Spanish Mass.  
*Adoración: Todos los miércoles después de*  
*la Misa de 8:00am hasta las 5:00pm. Y los*  
*jueves después de la misa de las 6:30pm*

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**

**Monday/Lunes, November 25**  
**8:00am:** Communion Service  
**Tuesday/Martes, November 26**  
**8:00am:** Teresa Stockdale  
**Wednesday/Miércoles, November 27**  
**8:00am:** Gift of Rain  
**Thursday/Jueves, November 28**  
**9:00am:** Thanksgiving Mass/Give thanks  
 to the blessings of our lives  
**Friday/Viernes, November 29**  
**8:00am:** †Mike Medina  
**Saturday/Sábado, November 30**  
**5:30pm:** †Tyler Garcia  
 Noah Joseph Garcia Birthday  
**Sunday/Domingo, December 1**  
**8:00am: (GS)** Souls of Purgatory  
**10:00am:** †Ed Dimas  
**12:15:** Antonia Sanchez

**Sacrificial Giving: November 17<sup>th</sup>**

1<sup>st</sup> Collection: \$3837.50  
 Children's Collection: \$22.56  
 Counters: November 26  
 Mary Cisneros/Libby Hidalgo

**LECTORS November 23/24**

Sat 5:30pm: Jonathan Marks  
 Sun 10:00am: Victor Olivarez  
 Simon Valles  
 Dom 12:15pm: Eugenia y  
 Giselle Ruperto  
**Lectors November 30/December 1**  
 Sat 5:30pm: Wanda Bunting  
 Sun 10:00am: Tony/Clara Gamez  
 Dom 12:15pm: Romelia Rivera  
 Juanita Mendoza  
**EMHC November 23/24**  
 Sun 5:30pm: Andrea Cardon  
 Carmen Coonrod  
 Sun 10:00am: Jan Millsap  
 Robert Stluka  
 Dom 12:15pm: Edwin Rivas  
 Eduardo y Rosa Arevalo  
**EMHC November 30/ December 1**  
 Sat 5:30pm: Mary Cisneros  
 Carmen Coonrod  
 Sun 10:00am: Andrea Cardon  
 Carol Boberg  
 Dom 12:15pm: Edwin Rivas  
 Eduardo y Rosa Arevalo

**Those Who Serve Our Country**

Jarren Morua, Anthony Morua, Mark  
 Argo, Jose Argo, Colton Currier, Luke  
 Argo, Lawrence Olivarez, Jesus Garcia,  
 Trenton Cavness, Dyran Self, Brandon  
 Crawford, Graham Hibbert, Edwin Rivas-

**For Our Sick/Nuestro Enfermos**

Rev. Paul Hudson, Pauline Swift, Joshua DeZarn & Family, Teri Clayton, Felix DeLeon, Father Jim Robertson, John Michael  
 Maldonado, Trinidad Rangel, Noah Garcia, Teresa Velasquez John Tracey, Cindy Sawyer, Ed Reigle, Jason Moreno, Shannon  
 Barnett, Anthony Ray Torrez, Fred Bartell, Willie Nuñez, Mary Tobin, Dorothy Jeter, Gilbert & Rudy Lozano, Teresa Gronau,  
 Bennie & Nancy Hromadka, Luis Lopez, Bill Nors, Robert Vasquez, Adrian Torrez, Chris Longoria, Robert Ramirez, Mary G Cortez,  
 Tom Rogers, Ann Hughes, Arielle Dayrit, Felix Gonzales, Felipe Rodriguez, Madisyn Morua, Adolfo Torrez, Evelyn Ahearn, Ann  
 Wilson, Anita Hyatt, Anna & Daniel Little, Richard Salazar, Melanie Bartek, Barbara Folks, Maggie Lopez, Henry Langford, Sylvia  
 Reber, Truman Crawford, Lilly & Raul Olivarez, David Hernandez, Mary S & Jesse Ramirez, Andres Moreno, Diana Harlow, Carlos  
 Jasso, Arturo Aragon, James Fioroni, Annabel Salazar, Marie Berger, Juan Torres, Donna Brewer, Lupe Rodriguez, Oliva Garcia,  
**Prayer:** All praise and glory are yours, Lord our God. You have called us to serve you and one another in love. Bless our sick  
 today so that they may bear their illness in union with Jesus' sufferings and restore them quickly to health. Bless those who  
 have grown old in your service and give them courage and strength in their faith. Lead us all to eternal glory. We ask this  
 through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives, and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and  
 ever. Amen.

**St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception Announcements**

**KNIGHT OF COLUMBUS:** Meets second Wednesday of the  
 month at 7:30pm in the KOC hall  
**GUADALUPANAS SOCIETY:** Meets every first Saturday of  
 the month @ 11:30am, starting with Rosary, Divine Mercy, Mass  
 and ending with Meeting.  
**GRUPO SAN BENITO:** Ven a sentir el abrazo de Jesús, nos  
 reunimos en los Lunes 7:00pm en el pasilo arriba de la cafeteria.  
**MENS PRAYER GROUP:** Men's prayer group, meets every  
 Thursday morning @ 6:00am in the upstairs hall.  
**ROSARY CRUSADE:** Every Wednesday @ 6:00pm, call  
 Vicki Franco 512-540-1199 for more info  
**CRUZADA DEL ROSARIO:** Cada Miercoles, las 6:00pm. Por  
 favor no dude en unirse con nosotros  
**RCIA CLASS:** Mondays @ 7:00pm  
**CONFIRMATION CLASS:** Meets Sundays @ 9:00am in  
 upper hall

**NO CCE WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 27<sup>TH</sup>**

**NO HABRA CATECISMO EL  
 MIERCOLES 27 DE NOVIEMBRE**

**THANKSGIVING MASS:**

Thursday, November 28<sup>th</sup> @ 9:00am  
 No 6:00pm mass

**MISA DE DIA DE ACCION DE GRACIA:**

28 de Noviembre a las 9:00am. No hay misa a las 6:00pm

**OFFICE CLOSED:**

Friday November 29<sup>th</sup>

**FOOD PANTRY CLOSED:**

Friday, November 29<sup>th</sup>

**SHARED BLESSING CLOSED:**

Wednesday & Friday, November 27<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup>

**KITCHEN CLOSED:**

Friday, November 29<sup>th</sup>

**HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE MEETING:**

December 1<sup>st</sup> @ 4:00pm

**WORLD YOUTH DAY:** Meeting December 12<sup>th</sup>

@ 7:00pm

**NOVENA:** Guadalupanas holding Novena December 4-11

@ 5:00pm in the chapel.

*Guadalupanas sosteniendo una Novena del 4 al 11 de*

*Diciembre a las 5:00pm en la capilla.*

**CELEBRATION OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE:**

December 12<sup>th</sup> Rosary @ 5:30pm, Mass @ 6:00pm in

Spanish. Reception after mass.

**CELEBRACION DE NUESTRA SENORA DE**

**GUADALUPE:** El 12 de Diciembre, Rosario a las

5:30pm, Misa a las 6:00pm en Español. Recepción después

de la misa.

**Kitchen needing help for December 11, 12, & 13,**  
 contact Clay Harrington, Pablo Mendez or call the  
 office.

**St. Mary/Good Shepherd Announcements:**

**PENANCE SERVICE DURING ADVENT:**

Good Shepherd – Wednesday December 11<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30pm  
 St. Mary – Tuesday December 17 @ 6:30pm

**POINSETTIAS:** It is time to think about ordering Christmas

Poinsettias for the altar @ \$15.00 each. If you would like to  
 give poinsettias in honor or in memory of someone - for  
**St. Mary parishioners** there is a form at the back of the  
 church please fill out and put in envelope and you can drop it  
 it with Sunday offering or at the office. **Good Shepherd**  
**parishioners** there are envelopes at the back of the church  
 for payment and either clip to clipboard or give to Heather  
 Oliver. **Deadline is Friday December 13, 2019.**

**MISSION:** Come to the Parish Renewal Mission,

**"FINDING INNER PEACE"** December 2<sup>nd</sup>  
 through December 4<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00pm at St. Mary and 11:00am  
 at Good Shepherd. Come join Deacon Eddie Ensley and  
 Robert Hermann on a contemplative journey...learn to  
 pray as Jesus and the early Christians prayed...and you  
 will find rest for your souls." - Matthew 11:29.

**AN OPPORTUNITY WE WOULD LIKE TO SHARE**

**WITH YOU!** One might rightly say that to be deep in  
 history is to be Catholic! In honor of St. John Henry  
 Newman. The Institute of Catholic Culture is proud to  
 release their new course: History 101: The Ancient and  
 Biblical! FREE OF CHARGE The Incarnation of Our Lord,  
 for which the Old Covenant was a preparation, occurred in a  
 world that was united by Roman statecraft and Greek culture  
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 to life. Taking the truth of Divine Revelation as its  
 methodological starting point, this course will trace the  
 history of the chosen people as presented in the Hebrew  
 Scriptures, examine the rise of classical Greek and  
 Hellenistic civilization, and follow the development of the  
 tremendously influential empire of Rome. This course will be  
 taught online. Certificate and audit tracks will be available.  
 Application is required. Applications are being received and  
 reviewed until December 15<sup>th</sup>. Classes start January 16 –  
 June 18, 2020, from 8:00 – 9:15pm, apply by going to  
<https://instituteofcatholicculture.org/talk/history-101/>

**Good Shepherd Announcements**

**Lectors:** Monica Ivey

**Altar Society:** Heather Oliver

**Flowers:** Heather Oliver

**EMHC:** Adela Perez, John Vasquez, Dianna Furlan

**DIVINE MERCY CENACLE:** Please join us Thursdays

@ 4:15 in the Family Life Center

**WEEKDAY MASS:** NO MASS THIS WEEK

**Sacrificial Giving: November 17<sup>th</sup>**

1<sup>st</sup> Collection: \$488.00