

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.

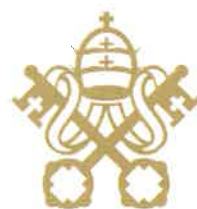
In the Gospels, Jesus preaches that the kingdom of God is now in our midst. The good news is that all of us can enter this kingdom (Mark 1:15).



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JESUS CHRIST AS KING OF THE WORLD BY KARL VON BLAAS, 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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The second collection this weekend will help groups of low-income people in our diocese and across the country in efforts to provide access to affordable housing, health care, jobs, employee-owned businesses, and rights for immigrants. Please be generous as you support this worthwhile cause.

Parish Staff

Deacon: Michael Sullivan
Parish Secretary: Sheila Royal
Office Assistant: Shirley Rivers
DRE: Jean Rains
Groundskeeper: Michael Beasley
Housekeeper: Pam Little
Music Director: Justin Lincecum


Masses


Anticipated Mass: Saturday, 4:00 PM
Sunday: 8:00 AM (@ St. Terence)
11:00 AM (with Children's Liturgy)
Tuesdays: 5:00 PM
Wednesday—Friday: 8:00 AM
First Saturdays: 8AM

Las Lecturas de Hoy

24th Noviembre
2 Samuel 5: 1-3
Salmo 121
Colosenses 1: 12-20
San Lucas 23: 35-43
Misa en español el primer domingo de cada mes a las 5PM; Confesiones a las 4PM

Prayer List: Pat & Elaine Martinez, Brenda DeVaney, Timothy D. Rivers, Bessie Mowad, Fr Ken Williams, Flavia Pratt, Madison Richards, Bill Andries, Vivian Halleck, Vicki Martin, Margie Remedies, Jackie Miller, Bobby Slaydon, Tammy Wallace, Brayson McLain, Eddie Richard, Janice Murphy, Clifford Shuff, Audrey & Richard Doggett, Daphne Moore, Mark Roberts, Adela Serio, Kathryn McCormick, Allison Brewer, Jerry Riser, Patti Dugan, Wayne Stephensen, Skyler Easterling, Curtis Fissette, Frances Sepulvado, Angela Osborn, Fr Richard Norsworthy, Shayna Tilley, Randy Richter, Janice A Sepulvado, Jimmy Gates, Robbin Meshell, Cassidy Byles, Amelia Dougherty, Baby Jack Edward Duck, Juanita Ford, Bernadette Bitting, Diane Reaux, Joanna Pousseau, Kristin Williams Sepulvado, Ron Rivers, Bailey McConnell, Nelda Laffitte, Ricky Gates, Ronnie Salley, Charles Adams, Caleb Ezernack, Joan Sneed, Earl Anderson, Vicci Thibodeaux, Joanne Hansen, Evelyn Bouillion, Chris Moran, Tom Hambleton, Cambree Jewell Parrie, Selena Rodriguez, Edan Leane, Bennett King, Andrew Rains, Wanda J Rivers, Keith Festervan, Boone Porche, Murrel Blake, Raphael Meche, Norma Bergeron, Kaleb Johnson, Ace Bowling, Michael Mancil, Jr., Norma Bergeron, Bailey Leach, Seth Freeman, Joshua Nichols, Dr. Liang Sien Oey, Fr. Ken Williams & Miles Meche

 **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** is held at St. John's on Wednesdays from **8:30AM to 6PM**. Recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet and Benediction begin at **5:30PM**. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet are held at St. Terence each Friday at **3PM**

 **The Sanctuary Candle**
November 24th—30th, 2019
St John + Dr Robert Brocato
St Terence *Dr. Liang Sien Oey (SI)*

Parish Support
(Thank you for your generosity!)
Weekend of Nov. 16th-17th, 2019

St John	\$ 4357.52	Attendance: 238
St Terence	\$ 1944.00	Attendance: ---

~This Week~

Sun, Nov. 24th Faith, Food & Fun. 4:30PM
Mon, Nov. 25th Choir Practice. 6PM
Thurs, Nov. 28 Thanksgiving Day

Office Schedule

The office will be closed **Thursday and Friday, November 28th-29th** for the Thanksgiving holiday.

Faith Formation

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, Tuesdays, 6:00PM
Parish School of Religion, Wednesdays, 5:30PM, Sept. to May.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

At St. John's each Wednesday, 8:30AM to 6PM; Sept.- May

Recitation of the Holy Rosary

Everyone is invited to join us in the recitation of 30PM the holy rosary before weekend masses: Saturdays, 3:30 PM at St. John, Sundays, 7:30 AM at St. Terence and 10:30 AM at St. John.

Anointing of the Sick /Ministry to the Sick

Please call the church office if someone is in a hospital, nursing home, shut-in, and would like to be visited or receive the sacraments.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:00 - 3:45 pm at St. John; Sunday: 7:15-7:45AM at St. Terence; Seasonal Penance Services; and, by appointment

Sacrament of Baptism

Call the office in advance to register for seminar.

Funerals Arrangements may be made by calling the church office

Mission Statement

We, the people of St. John the Baptist Catholic Church and St. Terence Mission, in union with the Holy Father and our Bishop, being filled with the Holy Spirit, strive to promote and deepen the Catholic faith in the lives of all who share in our life together. As Disciples, we seek to worship God and find His kingdom among us and in the world around us. Our calling is to proclaim the Kingdom of God through the proclamation of the Word, the celebration of the Eucharist, the Sacramental life, community service, evangelization, and Christian education.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, 11/23/2019

- 4:00PM 1. +Lynde, Aidan & Grace Foust
2. +The Joyce Santos Family
3. +Benny Rivers
4. *Ace Bowling (SI)*
5. +Chris & Eunice Ebarb

Sunday, 11/24/2019

- 8:00AM 1. The Parish Family
2. *Norma Bergeron (SI)*
3. *Dr. Liang Sien Oey (SI)*
4. *Miles Meche (SI)*

- 11:00AM 1. +Bert Smith
2. +Gloria Alford
3. +Peter Anh Nguyen
5. +Benny Rivers
6. *Eddie Richard (SI)*
7. +Philip Filot
8. +Maria Hoa Nguyen
9. +Maria Loan Nguyen

Tuesday, 11/26/2019

- 8:00AM 1. +Nancy Rodrigues

Wednesday, 11/27/2019

- 8:00AM 1. +Holy Souls in Purgatory

Thursday, 11/28/2019

- 8:00AM 1. +Ernest & Shirley Rodrigues

Friday, 11/29/2019

- 8:00AM 1. +Terry Rivers

Date	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Altar Servers	Ushers
Saturday Vigil, November 30th, 4PM (Saint John)	Shirley Veuleman	Dale Porche Paul McCormic James Murphy	Masen Starks Emelyn Plascencia	Leo Springer Johnny Mowad Terry DeLatin Masen Starks
Sunday, December 1st, 8AM (Saint Terence)	Jan Collins	Frank Little Pam Little Rufus Shuff		Jimmy Martin Paul Guidry
Sunday, December 1st, 11AM (Saint John)	Rosie Sullivan	Beckie Bayer Amy Ebarb	Justin Koss Xyler Koss	George Koss Michael Beasley Marion Koss Jerry Mitchell



We Have a Bishop! Pope Francis Appoints Monsignor Francis Malone as Bishop-Elect of Shreveport

Pope Francis has appointed the Reverend Monsignor Francis Malone as Bishop-elect of Shreveport. Monsignor Malone is a priest of the Diocese of Little Rock and currently serves as Chancellor for Ecclesial Affairs and Pastor of Christ the King Church in Little Rock. The appointment was publicized on Monday, November 18th, by Archbishop Christophe Pierre, apostolic nuncio to the United States.

Bishop-elect Malone was born September 1, 1950 in Philadelphia, PA. He was ordained a priest for the Diocese of Little Rock on May 21, 1977. He holds a Bachelor of Arts in History (1973), and Masters in Divinity (1977), and Education (1977) from University of Dallas, TX, and a Licentiate of Canon Law (J.C.L.) from The Catholic University of America (1989). Monsignor Malone's ordination as Bishop of the Diocese of Shreveport will take place on January 28, 2020 at Saint John Berchman's Cathedral.

Church Directory

Thanks to everyone who has booked a photo appointment for our new church directory. If you have still not made your appointment and are interested in doing so, please call the church office.



Prepare for Advent

Next Sunday, **December 1st**, is the First Sunday of Advent. Here are some useful resources for Advent:

1. **Reconciliation opportunities:** Each Saturday at 3:15PM at St John and Sundays at 7:15AM at St Terence. Advent Penance Service on **Thursday, December 19th at 6PM** at St John
2. Pick up a copy of the **Advent Daybreaks**, a daily meditation. These will be in the back of the church next weekend.
3. Attend the 10AM **Sunday discussion group**.
4. Sign up for daily emails: www.BestAdventEver.com
5. Attend our **Advent Mission:** Dec. 15-17th, 6:30PM

Volunteers Needed

We are searching for volunteers to help with our welcome table during church directory pictures on **December 5th-7th**. If you are able to volunteer any amount of time, please contact the church office.



Jambalaya Fundraiser: Sunday, December 1st

On **Sunday, December 1st**, Saint Terence will be selling Jambalaya dinners after all Masses. The cost is \$8.00 per dinner. Advance orders will be taken next weekend after all Masses. We appreciate everyone's support.

Amazing Possibilities

Are you ready to have the Best Advent Ever? Amazing Possibilities. God sees them all. It's time for you to see them too. The Sunday Discussion Group will resume on **Sunday, December 1, 2019 at 10am** in the cafeteria, immediately before the 11am Mass. Visit BestAdventEver.com to sign up for daily e-mails during Advent as we prepare for Christmas. Call [Matthew Couyillion at 225.614.8402](tel:225.614.8402)

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

There will be no Adoration at St. John's on November 27, the Wednesday before Thanksgiving. Our normal schedule will resume on December 4.

Christmas Parade Float

The Many Christmas Parade will be held on **Saturday, Dec. 21st at 3PM**. At this time, St John the Baptist has no float entry. We are asking for an individual or organization to volunteer to be in charge of organizing and coordinating a church float so that our children may participate in this year's parade. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Ms. Jean Rains.

