

St. Aloysius, Gate of Heaven & Sacred Heart Church

CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME NOV 24, 2019

Reflection on Sunday's Readings

Scripture readings summarized:

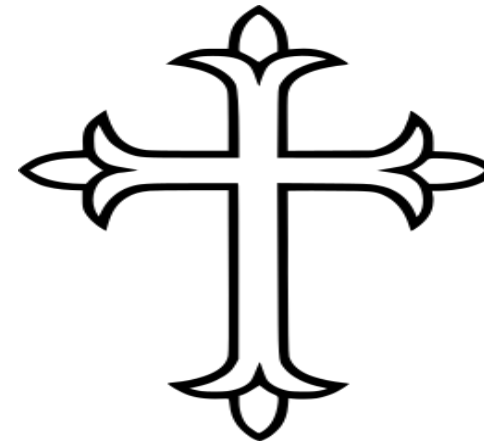
The first reading describes the choosing of Israel's second king, the great David. His successful 40-year reign became the model for the hoped-for Messiah or Christ the anointed one in later Judaism. In the second reading, Paul quoting an early Christian hymn, assures the Colossian Christians of: (1) the primacy of Christ over and above all angels and cosmic powers; (2) the value and necessity of the cross; and (3) the cosmic effects of salvation. Today's gospel, referring to the sign board hung by the order of Pilate on the cross of Jesus, "*Jesus the Nazarene, King of the Jews,*" presents it as an imperial admission of the kingship of Christ, although it was intended to serve as a three-fold mockery. It prompted the Jewish leaders to call out, "*He saved others, let him save himself if he is the messiah of God*" and the soldiers to shout at Jesus, "*If you are the king of the Jews, save yourself*" and the thief on the left side to challenge Jesus, "*Aren't you the Messiah? Then save yourself and us.*" Pilate probably had his own reasons to write the inscription on the board. It was to protect himself from being charged with bowing to the pressure of the mob; to mock Jesus and thereby to appease the Jewish leaders; and to forewarn other would-be revolutionaries that their rebellion against the empire would be similarly extinguished. But Pilate was unknowingly accepting the person and mission of Jesus as King and Savior. The repentant thief accepts Jesus as his Savior, calling Jesus *Jeshuah*, or Jesus, meaning "the Lord saves!" Jesus assured the thief that he had the power to promise a share in his everlasting reign

Life messages:

1) We need to accept Christ the King as our Lord, King and Savior and surrender our lives to him. We surrender our lives to Jesus every day when we give priority to his teaching in our daily choices, especially in moral decisions. We should not exclude Christ our King from any area of our personal or family lives. In other words, Christ must be in full charge of our lives, and we must give him sovereign power over our bodies, our thoughts, our heart and our will.

2) We need to be serving disciples of a serving King. Jesus declared that he came not to be served but to serve and showed us the spirit of service by washing of the feet of his disciples. We become Jesus' followers when we recognize his presence in everyone, especially the poor, the sick, the outcast and the marginalized in the society and render humble and loving service to Jesus in each of them.

3) We need to accept Jesus Christ as the King of love. Jesus came to proclaim to all of us the Good News of God's love and salvation, gave us his new commandment of love: "*Love one another as I have loved you,*" and demonstrated that love by dying for us sinners. We accept Jesus as our King of love when we love others as Jesus loved, unconditionally, sacrificially and with *agape* love.



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Mass Schedule

Saturday	4:00 PM	St. Aloysius
Saturday	5:30 PM	Sacred Heart Church (July 4th to Labor day)
Sunday	9:00 AM	St. Aloysius
	11:00 AM	Gate of Heaven

Weekday

M/T/F	8:15 AM	St. Aloysius
Thursday	12:00 PM	St. Aloysius
First Saturday	8:15 AM	St. Aloysius

Adoration

M/T/F	7:30 to 8:15 AM
Friday	9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Holy Day of Obligation

Holy Eve:	5:30 PM	Gate of Heaven
Holy Day:	9:00 AM	St. Aloysius
	7:00 PM	St. Aloysius

Sacraments

Confession: Before all masses.
Baptism: Call the rectory to make arrangements.
Marriage: Call the rectory to schedule your Wedding and pre-Cana classes.

Pastoral Visitation

When confined at home, please call the rectory to arrange for a visit and Holy Communion. Please call the rectory if you are facing surgery or hospitalization and would like the Sacrament of the Sick.

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

As a parish, we strive to bring our communities of Catholic Christians together, as we have for over 100 years, by loving and serving God and Each other through Worship, education and service.

MASS INTENTIONS: Nov 16- Nov 24 , 2019

Saturday, Nov 23

4:00 PM- Christopher Canonico

Mon, Nov 25

8:15 AM - Helen Mrowka

Thurs Nov 28 (Thanksgiving)

9. AM- Neena Maria & Raymond

Saturday, Nov 30

4:00 PM- Vivian Kocher

Sunday, Nov 24

9:00 AM - Jamesena Linque

11:00 AM - James Green

Tues. Nov 26

8:15 AM - Moureen Lee

Fri. Nov 29

8.15 AM- Bruce Kocher

Sunday, Dec 1

9:00 AM- Fran Kurpil

11:00.AM- Mildred Irace

NOTE: No Gift can replace offering a mass for departed soul or welfare of living. We have openings for weekdays and weekend masses.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK & DECEASED

For the Sick: Joni & Vinny Salvatore, Colleen & Jerrilynn O’Neil; Nora Fernandez,; Laurie & William McMichael, Carol Faughn, Christopher Merklin, Jack Tempel, Robert Ackerly, Sr. Grace, Maureen Connolly, Dave Tucker, Shannon Bruning, Patty Lewis, Lynne Hyzer, Beth Marie Martin, Kristi Romolo, Erma Carlson , Jim Wilbur, Dom Formato, Darren Steele, Jonell Dalton, Carrie Neer-Molinari, Mary Muhlig, Scott Branning, Easton Gorr. Joe Salvia. Joe & Linda Mchugh, Jerry & Roe Mills, Ken & Arsenia Mchugh, Deniese Harting, Maureen Molloy, Frank Kinsley, Mary Jones.

For the Deceased: Kristinezeh. Jon Joseph Tusso, Wanda L. McGovern, Gail J. Staudt, Rita Ann Evans, Nickolaus Bermel Jr, Bill Guinan, Sr. Kenneth Reddington, Jim Englehardt, Ellen Krajcovic, John Augusta, Max Evans, Mildred Irace, Paula Jordan and Bernard Greenthal.

COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY

Is in need of spaghetti sauce, soup, tuna fish, jelly and cereal.

Collection for last Week. Thank you
First collection: \$ 1230

Readings for Next Sunday
Isaiah 2:1-5
Romans 13:11-14
Matthew 24:37-44

BIBLE STUDY
Good Soil Bible Study Group will meet this week.
Tuesday 4.00 PM at Rectory.

CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING

December 6, Friday 6.00 pm
Santa will visit at water wheel junction.
Hot chocolate, cookies will be served.
Christmas caroling.

ANNUAL SANTA VISIT

Come and visit Santa,
Enjoy some hot chocolate and cookies.
Children 10 and under are eligible to receive a gift.
Where: Livingston Manor Firehouse
When: Sunday, December 8, 2019 @ 1-2pm.

PARISH REGISTRATION

We would like to update parish families’ details. Please collect the form, fill it and submit to Fr. David or mail to the parish. This should be done by everyone even you registered already.

CHILDREN AT CHOIR LOFT

Children who are interested in singing are allowed to be in choir loft. Parents, please encourage your kids if they are interested.

GRAND OPENING

Nutrition sight
Starting November 7- Thursday 12.00 Noon to 1.00 PM.
At Presbyterian Church
Call for reservation 845-807-0241
Day before Tuesday & Thursday.

MASS OF THANKSGIVING

We wish our Parish family a very happy and blessed Thanksgiving! Mass on Thanksgiving will be celebrated at 9AM. All are invited to bring bread and/or wine to be blessed, and then taken home to share with family and friends around your Thanksgiving table.

Live This Day

A younger friend told me about a life crossroads, which felt weighted by conundrum. I asked, “So what’s next?” She replied, “I’m just waiting for God to show me what he wants from me.” “OK,” I said to her. “But in the meantime, until you have your life and self-figured out and straightened out, I have a suggestion: Live this day, with this self, without holding back. Today; savor, doubt, embrace, question, wrestle, give, risk, love, fall down, get up, accept your incomplete and fractured self, know that anything worth doing is worth doing badly, speak from your whole heart, and whenever you can, lavish excessive compassion and mercy and healing and hope and second chances and grace and restoration and kindness on anyone who crosses your path. Who knows, we may love one another into existence. And I’m sure God won’t mind.”

