



Our Lord Jesus Christ the King

November 26, 2006

Jesus Christ is the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead and ruler of the kings of the earth.

— Revelation 1:5

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Upcoming Parish Events

Mon. Nov 27—
Bible Study & Prayer Group, 7:30 pm, Chapel

Wed. Nov 29—
Boy Scouts, 7:30 pm. Carroll Hall

Fri. Dec 1—
AACC Youth Grp, 6:30 pm, Scanlan Hall

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, 7 pm, Chapel

Holy Mass, 8 pm Church

Sat Dec 2—
RCIC, 9 am, Sacristy
Teen Confirmation, 10:30, Sacristy

Prayer Group, Scanlan Hall 6:30pm

For good reason, Americans have been ambivalent about “kings” for many years, even long before George III’s troops were sent packing in 1776. To say Christ is our King is to make a statement not about our politics, but about the dignity of our own identity. At our baptism, the crown of our head was once slathered (or at last dabbed) with oil while the Church prayed “as Christ was anointed priest, prophet and king, so may you live always as his body.” To celebrate Christ’s kingship, then, is to claim our own identity.

Your head was anointed just as Samuel poured oil over David’s head. David had his gifts, but he was no prize, and perhaps that might comfort you as you think about your call, out of the messiness of your own life, to stretch into a lifestyle that is marked by worship, by prophetic speech and deeds, and the kingly ability to fashion a world (or at least a patch of it) where relationships are marked by justice, mercy, and cultivation of the good. It is precisely because of this kingly role that our faith community has something to say about the environment, about the dignity of human life, just wages, access to health care and education, the building of peace, and avoidance of war. In a few weeks’ time we will hymn the coming of the “newborn king,” but today we sketch out the meaning of his reign, and our own incorporation into his work for the life of the world.

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK, SAINTS & SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sun, Nov 26: **Our Lord Jesus Christ the King**; Dn 7:13-14; Ps 93; Rv 1:5-8; Jn 18: 33b-37
Mon Thirty-fourth or Las week in Ordinary Time; Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5; Lk 21:1-4
Tue **Rv 14:14-19; Lk 21:5-11**
Wed Rv 15:1-4; Lk 21:12-19
Thu **St. Andrew**; Rom 10:9-18; Mt 4:18-22
Fri **First Friday**; Rv 20:1-4, 11-21:2; Lk 21:29-33
Sat **Blessed Virgin Mary; First Saturday**; Rv 22:1-7; Lk 21:34-36
Sun, Dec 2: Jer 33:14-16; Ps 25; 1 Thes 3:12-4:2; Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

Full Plate Program: Thanks for your support of this program. Pls. bring your donations of canned foods and dry goods & place them in the green bins at the church entrance. Nov. menu items: 1 bag of mashed potatoes, 1 can of meat gravy, 1 can of cranberries, 1 canned turkey (or chicken meat), 1 fruit juice. No glass items, please. Thanks.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Thank you to **Merly, Josephine and their crew** for working on the Luau. Thank you too, to everyone who came and made the event possible, including those who bought raffle tickets but were unable to enjoy the work of Merly, Josephine and her crew. By the way, the drawing of the raffles has been moved to after the 10:00 AM Mass on Christmas Day.

*Thank you very much to all who have sent in their names and donations for the **Missalettes**. In a couple of weeks we will publish the names as an insert to the bulletin. If you sent in a donation, please go through that list to make sure we have the names right and that we did not inadvertently leave anyone out. For those who haven't done it yet, **it is not too late to send in your names and donations.**

*As you may notice, there are more **"No Parking"** signs on the golf course driveway which is the only path for emergency vehicles **going** into or leaving the golf course. Please, please heed those signs! Vehicles parked there will be towed immediately.

***Mark your calendars: WALK FOR LIFE on January 20, 2007** starts at 11:00 AM, Justin Herman Plaza, at the Embarcadero and ends at the Marina Green. Join thousands of pro-life women, men, friends and families as we take our message to the streets proclaiming "women deserve better than abortion"! Walk to proclaim that Life is the best choice for women.



***Pilgrimage to the Holy Land** (Nazareth, Bethlehem, Jerusalem, Tiberias), schedule: The group will leave on **Thursday April 19 and return on Friday April 27, 2007.** If interested please the office or our travel agents at OASIS Travel, 415-664-8400 as soon as possible. Fr. Labib and Fr. Rick will both go on this pilgrimage.

***East Timor truth commission urges continued international support.** Sydney, Australia (CNS)—An East Timor truth commission has recommended the international community continue financial assistance and training, including the strengthening of the judicial system & training of police, so that civil society in East Timor may develop. It also urges Indonesia to declassify documentation held by its security forces so that it is available for judicial processes and to call for reparations for the Timorese victims of torture, murder, rape & starvation and for costs of their ongoing medical care and treatment. The commission's report, "Chega!" — Portuguese for "Enough!" — was launched in Sydney Nov 12, the 15th anniversary of the Santa Cruz massacre, when Indonesian troops fired upon a peaceful memorial procession to a cemetery that had turned into a pro-independence demonstration in Dili, East Timor. More than 271 East Timorese were killed that day.

MASS INTENTIONS

Nov. 16— Dec 2, 2006

- 11/26 Sun 10:00 am People of STM
8:00 pm Raquel Aguilar†
- 11/27 Mon 8:30am Valentino Alfonso†
- 11/28 Tue 5:30 pm Iluminada Sotto(Sp. Int.)
- 11/29 Wed 8:30am Souls in Purgatory†
- 11/30 Thu 10:00 am Vincent Cruz (Sp. Int.)
- 12/01 Fri 8:30 am Lito Silverio†
8:00 pm Oscar Villamor†
- 12/02 Sat 8:30 am Special Intention
5:00 pm Pedro Manrique, Sr. & Estanislao Rescordado

Please call the office to schedule. Participating in the Mass you offer is appreciated.



All the sick people in our parish especially John Silva, Eddie Bernal, Zenaida Salamat, Martha

Panaszewicz, John Silva, Rhona Palencia, Mary Lee Burke, George Crawford, William & Deena Tannous, Nazzal Nazzal; for those recently deceased in our parish and for all the poor souls in purgatory.

Your **offerings** for the weekend of **November 12th:**
\$ 3,034

Second collection: \$746
(Approx.)

Thank you for your contributions.

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School News

*Our STM Archdiocesan School students will be treated to the play, **Jesus of Nazareth**, a presentation by the **Grail Theatre Group of Britain**. Performances are at **9:30 AM and 10:45 AM in Carroll Hall tomorrow. Everyone is invited. Admission is free!**

