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THE SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE NOVEMBER 24TH 2024 "YOU SAY I AM A KING"

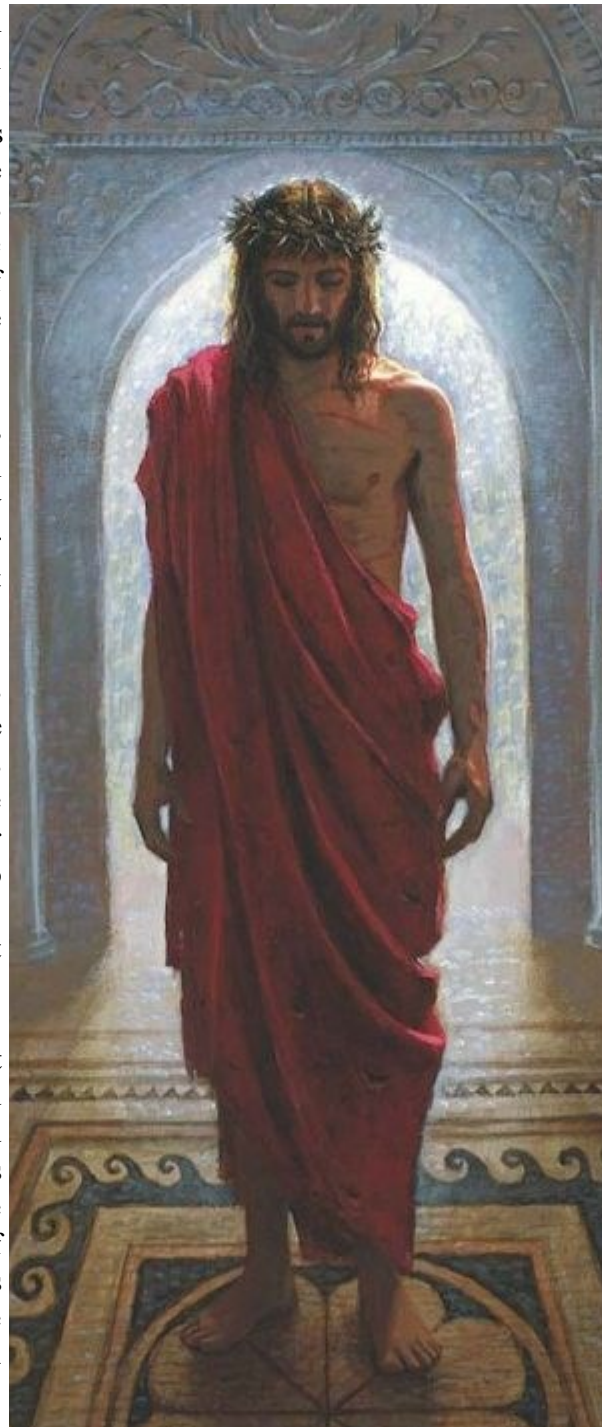
This Sunday is the last Sunday of the Church's liturgical year. On this Sunday we celebrate the Solemnity of Christ the King. Each year we set aside this Sunday to reflect upon this title that we have given to Jesus. In today's reading, we hear one of two dialogues between Jesus and Pilate that are reported in John's Gospel. Pilate questions Jesus about the charges brought against him. Caiaphas and the high priests have charged Jesus with a political crime, one that would require a punishment of death. Pilate distances himself from the Jewish leaders who accuse Jesus; he is not a Jew, and he seems to want little to do with this Jewish affair.

In his responses to Pilate's questions, Jesus distinguishes his kingdom from the political powers of this world. King and kingdom may be appropriate terms for Jesus' mission and promise, but only by analogy. Jesus is king, but not the kind of king we imagine or expect. He was certainly not the kind of king Pilate feared he might be.

Jesus refers to a kingdom that does not belong to this world. This has been mentioned earlier in John's Gospel. In today's reading, we see Jesus identify the final proof that his kingdom is not of this world: If his kingdom were of this world, then there would be people fighting to save him. It is helpful to return to the first chapter of John's Gospel to understand the context for Jesus' words to Pilate. Jesus came into the world, but the world did not know him. In John's language, the world prefers the darkness, and yet the light will not be overcome by the darkness.

Truth has been another important theme in John's Gospel. We see it emphasized in the conclusion of the dialogue between Jesus and Pilate. Those who know the truth will recognize Jesus as king and will know how to interpret this insight. Yet Jesus' kingship was hidden from many of his contemporaries. Only those chosen, those who have the eyes of faith, are able to see. As modern disciples of Jesus, we also struggle at times to recognize Jesus as king. Today's Gospel invites us to see with eyes of faith that we might recognize that Jesus, through his crucifixion and death, is indeed king and Savior of all.

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SOLEMNIDAD DE NUESTRO SEÑOR JESUCRISTO, REY DEL UNIVERSO "TÚ LO HAS DICHO. SOY REY"

Este domingo es el último domingo del año litúrgico de la Iglesia. En este domingo celebramos la solemnidad de Cristo Rey. Cada año reservamos este domingo para reflexionar sobre este título que hemos dado a Jesús. En la lectura de hoy, escuchamos uno de los dos diálogos entre Jesús y Pilato que se relatan en el Evangelio de Juan. Pilato interroga a Jesús sobre los cargos presentados contra él. Caifás y los sumos sacerdotes han acusado a Jesús de un delito político, uno que requeriría una pena de muerte. Pilato se distancia de los líderes judíos que acusan a Jesús; él no es judío y parece querer tener poco que ver con este asunto judío.

En sus respuestas a las preguntas de Pilato, Jesús distingue su reino de los poderes políticos de este mundo. Rey y reino pueden ser términos apropiados para la misión y la promesa de Jesús, pero solo por analogía. Jesús es rey, pero no el tipo de rey que imaginamos o esperamos. Ciertamente no era el tipo de rey que Pilato temía que pudiera ser.

Jesús se refiere a un reino que no pertenece a este mundo. Esto ya se ha mencionado antes en el Evangelio de Juan. En la lectura de hoy, vemos a Jesús identificar la prueba final de que su reino no es de este mundo: Si su reino fuera de este mundo, entonces habría gente luchando por salvarlo. Es útil volver al primer capítulo del Evangelio de Juan para entender el contexto de las palabras de Jesús a Pilato. Jesús vino al mundo, pero el mundo no lo conoció. En el lenguaje de Juan, el mundo prefiere la oscuridad, y sin embargo la luz no será vencida por la oscuridad.

La verdad ha sido otro tema importante en el Evangelio de Juan. La vemos enfatizada en la conclusión del diálogo entre Jesús y Pilato. Aquellos que conocen la verdad reconocerán a Jesús como rey y sabrán cómo interpretar esta percepción. Sin embargo, la realeza de Jesús estuvo oculta a muchos de sus contemporáneos. Solo los elegidos, aquellos que tienen los ojos de la fe, pueden ver. Como discípulos modernos de Jesús, también luchamos a veces para reconocer a Jesús como rey. El Evangelio de hoy nos invita a mirar con ojos de fe para reconocer que Jesús, a través de su crucifixión y muerte, es realmente Rey y Salvador de todos.

CARDINAL PAROLIN: STOP ESCALATION IN UKRAINE WAR BEFORE THE IRREPARABLE TAKES PLACE

Cardinal Pietro Parolin addressed pressing international concerns, calling for immediate action to prevent further escalation of war in Ukraine and emphasizing the urgency of ending the conflict. **By Salvatore Cernuzio**

The Vatican Secretary of State conveys the Holy See's deep concern over recent developments in the Ukrainian war, including the deployment of long-range missiles and the rising threat of a broader global conflict. Cardinal Parolin expressed the same preoccupation with the situation in Ukraine and the possible consequences of the decision to fire British and American-made missiles into Russian territory and Putin's threats regarding a global conflict.



"I echo the thoughts and concerns of the Holy Father: we must stop now, while there is still time. This escalation could spiral out of control, with consequences no one can foresee," Cardinal Parolin warned.

Exchange of prisoners and repatriation of children Reflecting on the severity of the conflict, Parolin remarked, "It's hard to say if there has ever been a worse time during this war," but he added, "The current developments are certainly deeply troubling." The Cardinal Secretary of State confirmed that the Holy See continues its efforts to facilitate prisoner exchanges and secure the return of Ukrainian children forcibly taken to Russia.

Though there are no new updates on these fronts, he reaffirmed the Vatican's determination to persist in these efforts. He said they are a humanitarian issue but also steps "towards eventual negotiations."

SCHEDULE

Weekday Mass

Wednesday — Friday, 12 noon

Weekend Mass

Saturday Vigil at 4:30 PM

Sunday at 9:00 and 11:00 AM in English,
Spanish Mass: 2nd Sunday of the Month at
1:00 pm in the Church.

4th Saturday of the month at 7:00pm in
Cachagua.

Reconciliation

Saturday at 3:30 PM and by appointment

New Office Hours

Wednesday — Friday:

1:00 pm—3:00 pm.

Sundays: 10:00 am—11:00 am.

The church is open Wednesday — Sunday
from 10 AM to 4 PM for personal prayer.

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4:30 pm Sat. Mass: Kim Hartford

9:00 am Sun. Mass: Stefania Ortiz

11:15 am Sun. Mass Parish Choir

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MASS INTENTIONS

Nov. 23rd - Dec. 1st 2024

Sat. Nov. 23RD 4:30: + Marilyn Staindrook

7:00pm Misa en Cachagua 18800 Cachagua Rd. # 9:

Cumpleanos de Flor Martinez & Guadalupe Resendiz.

Sun. Nov. 24th 9:00: + Pat Kelly

11:00: + Rosa Palma Morales

Wed. Nov. 27th 12:00: + Jim Luttrell

Thu. Nov. 28th 9am: THANKSGIVING BILINGUAL MASS

Fri. Nov. 29th 12:00: + Joyce Petriella

Sat. Vigil Nov. 30th 4:30: + Lois Lynn McCarthy
(4th Anniv)

Sun. Dec. 1st 9:00 + Marilyn Tully

11:00: + Jean Mouré

MAY THE SOULS OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED,
THROUGH THE MERCY OF GOD, REST IN PEACE. AMEN

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EVENT CALENDAR

Thu. Nov. 28th. **Thanksgiving**
Bilingual Mass 9:00 am

Sat. Nov. 30th & Sun. Dec. 1st. **First Sunday of Advent.** Begging of the 'C' Liturgical Year. Focus in Luke's Gospel.

Fri. Dec 6th, 5:30 PM **Natale Christmas Dinner**

Mon. Dec. 9th **Immaculate Conception (Holy Day of Obligation).**

12 Noon English Mass

Thru, December 12
Our Lady of Guadalupe:

- 6:00 AM Mananitas
- 6:30 PM Rosario
- 12 Noon Mass in English.
- 6:30 PM Danza Azteca
- 7:00 PM Misa con Mariachi
- 8:00 PM Convivio

Sun. Dec. 15 – Mon. December 23,
7 PM Posadas

SPAIN PILGRIMAGE

11 DAYS: SEPTEMBER 15-25, 2025

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DON'T MISS OUT! SIGN UP TODAY!



SAINTS OF THE WEEK: NOV. 25TH.

ST. CATHERINE OF ALEXANDRIA, VIRGIN AND MARTYR

Tradition identifies CATHERINE the daughter of the governor of Egyptian Alexandria during the reign of the emperor Maximian in the third century. A scholarly girl, she converted to Christianity. Later, when persecutions began she was reported to go to the emperor and rebuke him. Catherine was then scourged and imprisoned, and, failing to dissuade her to recant of her faith by torture, he was reported to have offered her marriage. She refused, declaring Jesus Christ as her spouse, to whom she had consecrated her virginity. She was condemned to death on a spiked breaking wheel, but it shattered, and she was finally beheaded.

