

## Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe November 25, 2018

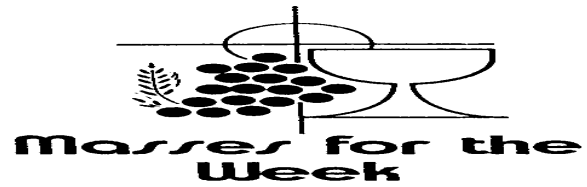
The solemnity of Christ the King was established in 1925, in the aftermath of the Great War and rise of nationalism, which served to divide people and often cultures. Since nations put their own self-interest above all, conflict naturally arose. Today, nearly one hundred years later, the powers of the world are no closer to a just and lasting peace than they were after any major war. But in Jesus, the King of all Kings, the ruler of a kingdom that is not of this world, we have found that just and lasting peace.

In Revelation we hear that Jesus Christ “has made us into a kingdom” (Revelation 1:6). The kingdom, as Jesus testifies to Pilate, is not of this world, in the sense of belonging to this world. But it is in this world, for we are the kingdom of God. It is, therefore, our responsibility, our mission, to build up that kingdom. We are entrusted to this mission by our common priesthood, this identity we received in baptism when we put on Christ. We may be citizens of our country, but we belong to the body of Christ.

Jesus does not answer Pilate’s question directly because he realizes a simple answer would be misleading. Both Pilate and the Jewish authorities hold assumptions that do not apply to his kingship. He is not the kind Messiah the Jewish people were expecting, nor is he the kind of revolutionary who aimed to take political power by force. Jesus is beyond both, with a greater mission and a greater kingdom than either was expecting.

### Question of the Week

In what way is Jesus king in my life? How do I live in this world while living for God’s kingdom?



**Saturday, November 24, 2018**

**Vigil of the Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**4:00.m.** Darrell and Elodie Gabriel – Bruce Gabriel – Francis Hai Cao – Joseph Ngan Cao and Mary Pham – Sandra Lewis – Tu Tran – Joseph Cong Cao – Audrey Jefferson – Leonard Belton – Danny Jon Singletary – George Marcell – Khai Nguyen – Vernon Mercadel – Audrey Porter – Intentions of Vinet Family – Robert Wickens – The McKinney Family

**Sunday, November 25, 2018**

**Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**8:30a.m.** Darrell & Elodie Gabriel – Bruce Gabriel – Joseph Ngan Cao & Mary Pham – France Hai Cao – Earthy B. Lazard – Walter Banks, III – Melvina Kepp – Calvin Tate – Corrine Singletary – Vernon Mercadel – Tu Tran – Joseph Cong Cao – Khai Nguyen – Mary Pham – Joseph Nguyen – Audrey Porter – Intentions of Stacey Martin and Family – Stacy and Chris Simon – Eloise C. Parker – All poor souls in purgatory

**10:30a.m.** Lamar & Shirley Smith – Lordeas Glapion Nix – Sandra Lewis – James Duplessis, Jr. – Melvin Thomas – Gary and Linda Angelocci – Intentions of Stacey Martin – Ryan Thomas – In Thanksgiving for Deacon Poncho

**12:00p.m.** Byron Brooks, Jr. – Gloria Curtis – Forest Buxton – Intentions of St. Maria Goretti Parish

**Monday, November 26, 2018**

**8:30a.m.** Joseph Ngan Cao & Mary Pham – Katherine Bertrand – Tu Tran – Khia Nguyen – Mathilda Olivier – Deacon Poncho – Natrice Higginbotham – Mary Pham – Joseph Nguyen – Joseph Cong Cao – Joseph Nguyen – Intentions of James and Tamerle Young – Stacey Martin and Family – All Poor Souls

**Tuesday, November 27, 2018**

**8:30a.m.** Joseph Ngan Cao & Mary Pham – Deacon Poncho – Mary Pham – Joseph Nguyen – Tu Tran – Khia Nguyen – Joseph Cong Cao – Intentions of Leonard Gauthreaux – James & Tamerle Young – Stacey Martin – Eloise C. Parker – Poor Souls

**Wednesday, November 28, 2018**

**8:30a.m.** Joseph Ngan Cao and Mary Pham – Joseph Cong Cao – Peter & Mary Kham Nguyen – Tu Tran – Khia Nguyen – Mary Pham – Joseph Nguyen – Deacon Poncho – Lois White – Intentions of Stacey Martin and Family – James & Tamerle Young and Family

**Thursday, November 29, 2018**

**8:30a.m.** Joseph Ngan Cao & Mary Pham – Tu Tran – Deacon Poncho – Mary Pham – Joseph Nguyen – Khia Nguyen – Joseph Cong Cao – Intentions of James and Tamerle Young – Rashad Pierre Oubre – Ralph, Earl and Darrel Pierre – Eloise C. Parker

**Friday, November 30, 2018**

**8:30a.m.** Joseph Ngan Cao & Mary Pham – Tu Tran – Deacon Poncho – Joseph Cong Cao – Joseph Nguyen – Khai Nguyen – Intentions of James and Tamerle Young – Stacey Martin – June Pierre – Gloria Bruno – Evangeline Madison – Pauline Bell – Chelsea Bouligny

**Saturday, December 1, 2018**

**8:30a.m.** All Poor Souls in Purgatory – Mary Pham – Joseph Nguyen – Melvin Orticke – The Living and Deceased Benefactors of the Catholic Negro American Mission.

Announcements

“Give of yourself this holiday season. Give true love, and respect to everyone you encounter.” Eucharistic Adoration Monday – Friday, 9:00a.m. –12:00 noon and Saturdays, 12:00p.m – 3:00pm.

**Bible Study**

The Bible Study theme for **Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe: TELL THE TRUTH!**

Popular religious culture is fascinated by the end times with their “cataclysms and their unsurpassed distress.” But what the end times more truly reveal is Christ's victory and our share in his glory. The Bible Study is based on the readings for Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe: **Reading I: Daniel 7:13-14; Responsorial Psalm: 93:1, 1-2, 5; Reading II: Revelations 1:5-8; Gospel: John 18033b-37.** The Bible Study can be downloaded for your personal use. Join us Monday, evening at 7:00p.m. in the Center.

Trust God and he will help you, make straight your ways and hope in him. Sirach 2:6

Be grateful to God for everything!



Thursdays, 8:00p.m. in the Center where you might win and have some fun with friends and family.

**RCIA**

Welcome someone back home this Christmas. Are your children still Catholic? Do they practice their faith? Do you know enough about your faith to help them? Every Catholic has a role in welcoming those seeking to join the Catholic Church. God has touched them in a special way that leads them to us. Let us get out of the pews and into the community.

The St. Maria Goretti RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is in its **Evangelization and Pre - Catechumenate phase.** Do you know someone who wants to be Catholic? Come and join us. Registration forms can be found in the rear of the church or by contacting RCIA team members.

The RCIA is in its Period of Inquire. This week we will discuss: **Do Catholics Believe in the Rapture?** For more information contact the RCIA Team: Deacon Terrel J. Broussard or any member of the RCIA Team or by email at [tbroussard@smgnola.com](mailto:tbroussard@smgnola.com), or visit the website at [smgnola.com](http://smgnola.com)

We welcome everyone into our parish. If you have not filled out a census card, the cards can be found on the table at the entrance of the church.



**Sanctuary Lamp**

The Sanctuary Lamp in the Church for this week will burn in memory of Tu Tran.

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*In Our Parish* 

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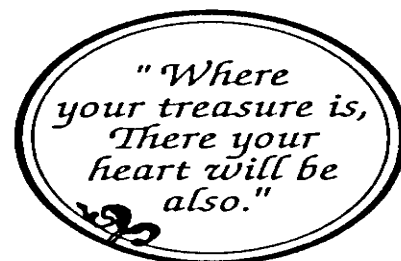
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7:00p.m. Holy Name and Altar Societies  
Christmas Party – Center Area

**Prayer for Hurricane Season**

O God, Master of this passing world, hear the humble voices of your children. The Sea of Galilee obeyed your order and returned to its former quietude. You are still the Master of the land and sea. We live in the shadow of a danger over which we have no control: the Gulf, like a provoked and angry giant, can awake from its seeming lethargy, overstep its conventional boundaries, invade the land and spread chaos and disaster.

During this hurricane season we turn to you, O Loving Father. Spare us from past tragedies whose wounds seem to refuse to heal. With passing of time. O Virgin, Star of the Sea, Our Beloved Mother, we ask you to plead with your son In our behalf, so that spared from the calamities common to This area and animated with a true spirit of gratitude, we will Walk in the footsteps of your Divine Son to reach heavenly Jerusalem where a stormless eternity awaits us. Amen.



Show your Love and Appreciation!