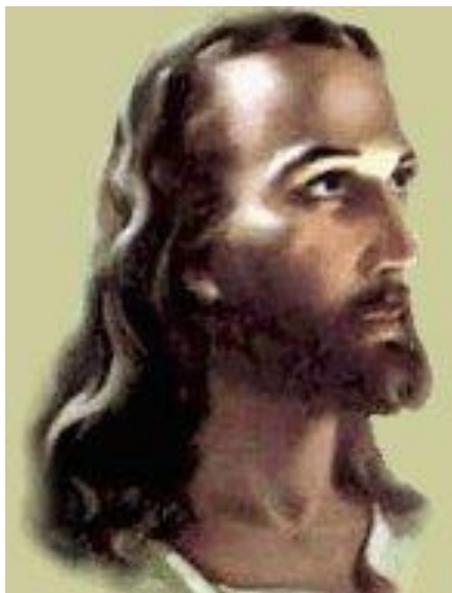


Solemnity of Christ the King

<Parish or Location>

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Love Christ. Serve People. Build the Church.

PROGRAM OF EVENTS

- 1:30 p.m. Arrival**
- 1:35 p.m. Testimonies**
- 2:00 p.m. Eucharistic Celebration**
- 3:30 p.m. Reception & Apostolic Displays on Lower Level**

Consecration to Christ the King

Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, King of our lives and of our families, we come to You to offer You all that we are and all that we have: our thoughts, our concerns, our qualities, our desires, and our weaknesses. We wish to put them at your service, in order to collaborate with You in the salvation of mankind and the extension of your Kingdom in the world.

Receive with love the consecration of our lives that we make to You today. Accept it as our thanksgiving for all that we have received from your hands.

Grant us the grace to follow the path of holiness by imitating your virtues and publicly showing our faith in You, so that all those around us will find in us authentic disciples of Christ, bearing the stamp of universal charity, consistency between faith and works, and a burning desire to see your Kingdom established on earth.

Place in our hearts the same zeal for the salvation of every single person that You had when You took flesh and when You died on the cross.

Grant that we faithfully may live your command of charity, which You left us as your legacy.

Inflame our hearts, enlighten our minds, strengthen our resolve, and lead us always along the path of fidelity to your command.

Transform us from all fear and selfishness; strengthen our faith in the charism that You have entrusted to us; and grant us the courage to respond with absolute fidelity to your call. Amen.

INTRODUCTORY RITES

Entrance Hymn: Crown Him with Many Crowns

Crown him with many crowns,
the Lamb upon his throne,
Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own.
Awake, my soul, and sing of him who set us free,
and hail him as your heavenly King through all eternity.

Crown him the Lord of life,
who triumphed o'er the grave,
and rose victorious in the strife for those he came to save.
His glories now we sing, who died, and rose on high,
who died, eternal life to bring, and lives that death may die.

Crown him the Lord of love;
behold his hands and side,
rich wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified.
No angel in the sky can fully bear that sight,
but downward bend his burning eye at mysteries so bright.

Crown him the Lord of peace,
whose power a scepter sways
from pole to pole, that wars may cease, absorbed in prayer and praise.
His reign shall know no end, and round his pierced feet
fair flowers of paradise extend their fragrance ever sweet.

Crown him the Lord of years,
the risen Lord sublime,
Creator of the rolling spheres, the Master of all time.
All hail, Redeemer, hail! For you have died for me;
Your praise and glory shall not fail throughout eternity.

Greeting *In the name of the Father R/: and also with you.*

At end of greeting/responses, commentary person goes to the microphone.

Opening Commentary: Christ the King! Christ our King! He is our Lord, our Master, and our Sovereign. In today's feast we recognize that he is everything. He is our God, and we are the people he shepherds, the flock he guides. For dominion is the Lord's, and he rules the nations. All the families of the nations shall bow down before him. Let us bow before our King and Creator in this Mass to pledge him our allegiance and welcome him into our hearts.

Penitential Rite *As we prepare to celebrate the mystery ...*

Kyrie (Choir)

Gloria (Choir)

Opening Prayer *Let us pray ...*

At end of opening prayer, commentary reader goes to the microphone.

Readings Commentary Christ our King! Christ our Shepherd. He himself will pasture his sheep. He himself will give them rest. The lost he will seek out, the strayed he will bring back. He will shepherd them rightly, and reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet; until death, the last enemy, is destroyed forever, and God is all in all. This is our King. Come, let us adore him.

At end of commentary, first reader bows to the altar and goes to ambo.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading: Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17

Thus says the Lord GOD: I myself will look after and tend my sheep. As a shepherd tends his flock when he finds himself among his scattered sheep, so will I tend my sheep. I will rescue them from every place where they were scattered when it was cloudy and dark. I myself will pasture my sheep; I myself will give them rest, says the Lord GOD. The lost I will seek out, the strayed I will bring back, the injured I will bind up, the sick I will heal, but the sleek and the strong I will destroy, shepherding them rightly. As for you, my sheep, says the Lord GOD, I will judge between one sheep and another, between rams and goats.

The Word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm 23 (Choir)

R/ "The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want."

At end of sung responsorial psalm, second reader bows to the altar and goes to ambo.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15-20-26, 28

Brothers and sisters:

Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. For since death came through man, the resurrection of the dead came also through man. For just as in Adam all die, so too in Christ shall all be brought to life, but each one in proper order: Christ the firstfruits; then, at his coming, those who belong to Christ; then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to his God and Father, when he has destroyed every sovereignty and every authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death. When everything is subjected to him, then the Son himself will also be subjected to the one who subjected everything to him, so that God may be all in all.

The Word of the Lord.

Alleluia (choir)

Gospel: Matthew 25:31-46

Jesus said to his disciples: "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit upon his glorious throne, and all the nations will be assembled before him. And he will separate them one from another, as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. He will place the sheep on his right and the goats on his left. Then the king will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father. Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me, naked and you clothed me, ill and you cared for me, in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him and say, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? When did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? When did we see you ill or in prison, and visit you?' And the king will say to them in reply, 'Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of the least brothers of mine, you did for me.' Then he will say to those on his left, 'Depart from me, you accursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me no drink, a stranger and you gave me no welcome, naked and you gave me no clothing, ill and in prison, and you did not care for me.' Then they will answer and say, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or ill or in prison, and not minister to your needs?' He will answer them, 'Amen, I say to you, what you did not do for one of these least ones, you did not do for me.' And these will go off to eternal punishment, but the righteous to eternal life."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Homily

Prayers of the Faithful readers – be prepared to go to the front at the * below.

Profession of Faith

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made, one in Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven:

[bow during the next two lines:]

*by the power of the Holy Spirit
he was born of the Virgin Mary, and became man.*

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered, died, and was buried.
On the third day he rose again in fulfillment of the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

* line up to go to front

We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the Faithful

Readers – line up behind ambo in order of reading.

Opening (Celebrant)

At the right hand of the Father, the King of Kings continues to intercede for us. He knows our love and desires, often out of proportion to our abilities and weakness. Let us approach him with humility and trust to make our petitions that his Kingdom will come.

1. That the Church, the visible sign of Christ's Kingdom on earth, will reflect more clearly and spread more widely the light of the Gospel message. *We pray to the Lord.*
2. That in the strength of God's grace our Holy Father Benedict XVI will continue to guide the People of God, as the one beacon of true hope for all people of good will in the new springtime of Christianity. *We pray to the Lord.*
3. That all bishops, in union with the Holy Father and guided by the Holy Spirit, will continue to shepherd their flocks; teaching them, healing them from their sins, nourishing them on the Bread of Life, and leading them by example to holiness of life and service to neighbor. *We pray to the Lord.*
4. That all priests, religious, and consecrated lay people will live their consecration honestly and sincerely, giving themselves totally to the service of God, persevering in their commitments to him and his Church, remaining faithful to the ir charism ~~of their founders~~ and fulfilling their particular mission in building up the Body of Christ. *We pray to the Lord.*
5. That all Regnum Christi members will actively build the Kingdom of Christ in their souls and in society through a vibrant life of grace and prayer, and through their patient, faithful, unstinting apostolic action. *We pray to the Lord.*
6. That our General Director will receive from God the graces he needs to guide us faithfully in our mission to love Christ, serve others, and build the Church. May he see the charism that God inspired multiply and grow throughout the world bearing the fruit God expects, transforming lives and society, by doing good to all. *We pray to the Lord.*

Closing (Celebrant)

Heavenly Father, you know what we need even before we ask. Purify our hearts to accept and love your will; strengthen us to do it; and inflame our hearts so as to live always in love, spreading your Kingdom always and everywhere as our greatest gift to others. We ask this through Christ our Lord and King who with you lives and reigns forever.

Readers return together to their seats after Father closes with prayer.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Ushers, be prepared: either go to the front of the church as song begins, or after Offertory gifts are presented.

Preparation of the Altar

Offertory Hymn: We are the Light of the World

1. Blessed are they who are poor in spirit,
Theirs is the kingdom of God.
Bless us, O Lord, make us poor in spirit;
Bless us, O Lord, our God.

Refrain

*We are the light of the world,
let our light shine before all,
That they may see the good that we do,
and give glory to God.*

2. Blessed are they who are meek and humble,
They will inherit the earth.
Bless us, O Lord, make us meek and humble;
Bless us, O Lord, our God.
3. Blessed are they who will mourn in sorrow,
They will be comforted.
Bless us, O Lord, when we share their sorrow;
Bless us, O Lord, our God.
4. Bless those who hunger and thirst for justice,
They will be satisfied.
Bless us, O Lord, hear our cry for justice;
Bless us, O Lord, our God.
5. Blessed are they who show others mercy,
They will know mercy too.
Bless us, O Lord, hear our cry for mercy;
Bless us, O Lord, our God.
6. Blessed are hearts that are clean and holy,
They will behold _ the Lord.
Bless us, O Lord, make us pure and holy;
Bless us, O Lord, our God.

7. Blessed are they who bring peace among us,
They are the children of God.
Bless us, O Lord, may your peace be with us;
Bless us, O Lord, our God.
8. Bless those who suffer from persecution,
Theirs is the kingdom of God.
Bless us, O Lord, when they persecute us;
Bless us, O Lord, our God.

Presentation of the Gifts

Offertory Gifts presenters (and Head Usher, if collection has already been taken), the deacon prepares the altar and then the sign is given to come forward.

In addition to the collections and the hosts and wine, the following will be brought to the altar:

A crucifix, symbol of the civilization of justice and love which Regnum Christi seeks to establish.

A lighted candle, symbol of the apostolic zeal which burns in the hearts of Regnum Christi members, who wish to carry the light of Christ to all men.

Stalks of wheat, making reference to the daily work offered to God as a means of sanctification.

A cluster of grapes, symbol of the union of Movement members in Christ who is the Vine.

Prayer over the Gifts *Let us pray ... through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

Commentary Reader goes to the microphone after Prayer over the Gifts.

Offertory Commentary: When the son of man comes in all his glory, all the nations will be assembled before him. Today we anticipate that blessed time, as we assemble before our King, the son of man, glorious but hidden behind the veil of bread and wine. Souls are hungry. Will we give them food? Souls are thirsty. Will we give them drink? In a few moments we will have Christ within us. Let us pray for the strength to give him to others.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

Preface Dialogue: The Lord be with you ...

Holy, Holy (Choir)

Memorial Acclamation (Choir)

Doxology (Celebrant)

Great Amen (Choir)

COMMUNION RITE

Lord's Prayer (Celebrant)

Sign of Peace Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles ...

Breaking of the Bread: Lamb of God (Choir)

Communion This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins...

Communion Hymns:

Alleluia, Sing to Jesus

Alleluia! sing to Jesus!
His the scepter, His the throne.
Alleluia! His the triumph, His the victory alone.
Hark! the songs of peaceful Zion
thunder like a mighty flood.
Jesus out of every nation
has redeemed us by His blood.

Alleluia! not as orphans
are we left in sorrow now;
Alleluia! He is near us,
faith believes, nor questions how;
Though the cloud from sight received Him
when the forty days were o'er
Shall our hearts forget His promise,
"I am with you evermore"?

Alleluia! bread of angels,
Thou on earth our food, our stay;
Alleluia! here the sinful
flee to Thee from day to day:
Intercessor, Friend of sinners,
Earth's Redeemer, plead for me,
Where the songs of all the sinless
sweep across the crystal sea.

Alleluia! King eternal,
Thee the Lord of lords we own;
Alleluia! born of Mary,
Earth Thy footstool, Heav'n Thy throne:
Thou within the veil hast entered,
robed in flesh our great High Priest;
Thou on earth both priest and victim
in the Eucharistic feast.

Alleluia! Alleluia!
Glory be to God on high;
Alleluia to the Savior
Who has won the victory;
Alleluia to the Spirit,
Font of love and sanctity;

Alleluia! Alleluia! To the triune majesty.

Jesus, My Lord, My God, My All
(Meditation song---Sung by the choir)

Jesus, my Lord, my God, my all,
How can I love Thee as I ought?
And how revere this wond'rous gift,
So far surpassing hope or thought.
Sweet Sacrament, we Thee adore.
O make us love Thee more and more!
O make us love Thee more and more!

Had I but Mary's sinless heart,
To love Thee with, my dearest King;
O with what bursts of fervent praise,
Thy goodness, Jesus, would I sing!
Sweet Sacrament, we Thee adore.
O make us love Thee more and more!
O make us love Thee more and more!

O, see, within a creature's hand,
The vast Creator deigns to be,
Reposing infant-like, as though
On Joseph's arm, on Mary's knee.
Sweet Sacrament, we Thee adore.
O make us love Thee more and more!
O make us love Thee more and more!

Thy body, soul, and Godhead, all--
O mystery of love divine!
I cannot compass all I have,
For all Thou hast and art are mine.
Sweet Sacrament, we Thee adore.
O make us love Thee more and more!
O make us love Thee more and more!

Sound, sound His praises higher still,
And come ye Angels to our aid;
'Tis God, 'tis God, the very God,
Whose power both man and angels made.
Sweet Sacrament, we Thee adore.
O make us love Thee more and more!
O make us love Thee more and more!

PRAYER FOR THE POPE AND THE CHURCH



Christ Jesus, King and Lord of the Church,
in your presence I renew my unconditional loyalty
to your Vicar on earth, the Pope.
In him you have chosen to show us
the safe and sure path that we must follow
in the midst of confusion, uneasiness, and unrest.
I firmly believe that through him
you govern, teach, and sanctify us;
with him as our shepherd, we form the true Church:
one, holy, catholic, and apostolic.

Grant me the grace to love, live and spread faithfully
our Holy Father's teachings.

Watch over his life,

enlighten his mind,

strengthen his spirit,

defend him from calumny and evil.

Calm the erosive winds of infidelity and disobedience.

Hear our prayer and keep your Church united around him,

firm in her belief and action,

that she may truly be the instrument of your redemption. Amen.

PRAYER FOR THE GENERAL DIRECTOR OF REGNUM CHRISTI

Lord Jesus, King of the Legion and Regnum Christi,

instill in the heart of our general director

all the distinctive virtues of your divine Heart,

especially prudence, fortitude, and charity.

Fill him with your light, so that he can direct and govern us

in the most beneficial way for the salvation of souls

and the triumph of your Kingdom. Amen.

Prayer after Communion (Celebrant)

Lord, you give us Christ the King of all creation,
As for for everlasting life. Help us to live by his Gospel
And bring us to the joy of his kingdom where he lives and
reigns for ever and ever.

CONCLUDING RITE

Greeting *The Lord be with you ... and also with you.*

Commentary reader goes to the microphone after the greeting.

Closing Commentary Whatever you did for one of the least brothers of mine, you did for me. Christ our King, a king of love and mercy, leaves us this request. Let us ask him for the grace to live our charism of love, his new commandment: Love one another as I have loved you. With this mission let us leave this Mass committed to spread Christ's Kingdom of love, one heart at a time.

Final Blessing (Deacon/ Celebrant) *Bow your heads ...*

Dismissal (Deacon) *The Mass is ended ...*

Recessional Hymn: To Jesus Christ, Our Sovereign King

1. To Jesus Christ, our Sov'reign King,
Who is the world's salvation,
All praise and homage do we bring,
And thanks and adoration.

Refrain:

*Christ Jesus Victor, Christ Jesus Ruler!
Christ Jesus, Lord and Redeemer!*

2. Your reign extend, O King benign,
To ev'ry land and nation,
For in your kingdom, Lord divine,
Alone we find salvation.

(Refrain)

*Christ Jesus Victor, Christ Jesus Ruler!
Christ Jesus, Lord and Redeemer!*

3. To you and to your Church, great King,
We pledge our hearts' oblation,
Until before your throne we sing,
In endless jubilation.

(Refrain)

*Christ Jesus Victor, Christ Jesus Ruler!
Christ Jesus, Lord and Redeemer!*

Today's Offertory collection will be taken up for the worldwide needs of the Legion and Regnum Christi. Please make checks payable to:
Legion of Christ

Special Plenary Indulgence

The Holy See has granted to the members of Regnum Christi and ECYD the possibility of obtaining a plenary indulgence several times a year, one of which is the Solemnity of Christ the King. This grace is an invitation for each of us to strengthen our friendship with God, our sacramental life, and our desire to build the Kingdom of Christ.

The conditions for obtaining the plenary indulgence are:

- 1) One must be free from attachment to sin, make a Sacramental Confession (within several days before or after), receive Holy Communion, and pray for the intentions of the Holy Father;
- 2) In addition, for the solemnity of Christ the King, one must recite the Creed and the Our Father before the Blessed Sacrament or an image of the Blessed Virgin.

A plenary indulgence may be applied to the one who obtains it or to a deceased person (cf. Catechism of the Catholic Church number 1471 and following). The indulgence consists in the remission of all temporal punishment due for sins already forgiven that must be satisfied either in this life or after death prior to entering full communion with God in Heaven.

On behalf of the Regnum Christi <Your Section>, we would like to thank you for your participation in today's activities. Please be assured of our continued prayers! <Location of reception>
