

#### .Anima Christi

Soul of Christ, sanctify me.

Body of Christ, save me.

Blood of Christ, fill me with love.

Water from Christ's side, wash me.

Passion of Christ, strengthen me.

Good Jesus, hear me.

Within your wounds, hide me.

Never let me be parted from you.

From the evil enemy, protect me.

At the hour of my death, call me,

and tell me to come to you,

that with your saints

I may praise you through all eternity. Amen.

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# Remember In Prayer

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# November 26, 2023 Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

#### .A PLAN LAID OUT IN LOVE

As we celebrate the solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, many of the traditional hymns and images for the day are joyful and triumphal. For some, these connotations may be perceived as negative. In these days when there are strong divisions within the Church, and when some government leaders are so far away from the people, we need to hear all of today's scriptures, and draw a bigger, fuller picture of Christ as servant king. In Ezekiel, we see God as both the tender, loving shepherd and the one who will judge at the Second Coming. This ties in with Matthew's Gospel and the separation of the sheep and the goats and "whatsoever you do." We pray Psalm 23 with great familiarity and hope. First Corinthians carefully explains to us the order in which all will happen. This is not an evil dictatorship, or a powerhungry leader, but the culmination of a plan that was carefully laid out in love.

#### **OUR FASCINATING FAITH**

#### **Christ the King**

Jesus Christ is not only our Savior and Redeemer, he is also our Lord and Master. To him we owe all honor and glory by serving him in the poor and marginalized so that his reign of justice and love will grow. The universal Church has honored Christ with the title of King since 1925, but the Church has always taught that the poor Jesus of Nazareth is our Master and Judge and against him the forces of evil will not prevail. For that reason, it is just and necessary to remember and celebrate that Jesus Christ reigns forever as Son of Man. He will return to judge the living and the dead according to their actions for or against those who are the poorest and most oppressed.

Today's celebration of the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, is a fitting ending to the year as we dedicate ourselves again to the service of Christ who is our King. But this presence of Christ the King in our lives should be a daily presence. Indeed, in all places where injustice seems to dominate, Christ the King is a continuous reminder of the divine promise, of hope for a better world, not only in heaven but here on a renewed Earth. Let us therefore end the year shouting, "Long live Christ the King!"

#### GRATITUDE

Let gratitude for the past Inspire us with trust for the future.

## TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — I will rescue my scattered sheep (Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17).

**Psalm** — My shepherd is the Lord; I shall not want (Psalm 23).

**Second Reading** — As in Adam all die, so too in Christ all shall be brought to life (1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28).

**Gospel** — Whatever you did to the least ones, you did to me (Matthew 25:31-46).

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Dn 1:1-6, 8-20; Dn 3:52-56; Lk 21:1-4

Tuesday: Dn 2:31-45; Dn 3:57-61; Lk 21:5-11

Wednesday: Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28; Dn 3:62-67;

Lk 21:12-19

Thursday: Rom 10:9-18; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 4:18-22

Friday: Dn 7:2-14; Dn 3:75-81; Lk 21:29-33

Sunday: Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7;

Saturday:

Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19; 1 Cor 1:3-9;

Dn 7:15-27; Dn 3:82-87; Lk 21:34-36

Mk 13:33-37

#### **HIDDEN TALENT**

No one respects a talent that is concealed.

## SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Our Lord Jesus Christ,

King of the Universe

Monday: Thirty-fourth or Last Week in

**Ordinary Time** 

Thursday: St. Andrew

Friday: First Friday; World AIDS day

Saturday: First Saturday; Blessed Virgin Mary

Dec **2023** 

DEC 3rd

LECTOR MARK

SERVERS LESLIE & MARINA

COUNTER TOM & BEVERLY

DEC10th

LECTOR JANET&MARINA

MARY & ANN F

SERVER CARLOS & MAX

COUNTER

**DEC 17** 

LECTOR PEGGY

SERVERS JESUS & LESLIE

COUNTER TOM & BEVERLY

DEC 24th

LECTOR JEFF

SERVER CARLOS & MAX

COUNTER MARY & ANN F

DEC 31st

Lector Mark

Server Jesu

Counter Tom

2024 Church calendar is available in the front of the church and the new envelopes are here ,be sure to pick them up

Friday Dec. 8th is the feast of the Immaculate Conception at 5;00 pm

# Nov 19th 2023

Sunday collection

\$1335.00

B&M

50.00

Spaghetti

\$250.00