JESUS-CHRIST KING OF THE UNIVERSE

The Feast of Christ the King was established by Pope Pius XI in 1925 as an antidote to secularism, a way of life which leaves God out of man’s thinking and living and organizes his life as if God did not exist. The feast is intended to proclaim in a striking and effective manner Christ’s royalty over individuals, families, society, governments, and nations.

Today’s Mass describes the qualities of Christ’s kingdom. This kingdom is: 1) supreme, extending not only to all people but also to their princes and kings; 2) universal, extending to all nations and to all places; 3) eternal, for “The Lord shall sit a King forever”; 4) spiritual, Christ’s “kingdom is not of this world”.

— Rt. Rev. Msgr. Rudolph G. Bandas

Scripture for the week of November 22, 2015

22 SUN Dn 7:13-14/Rv 1:5-8/Jn 18:33b-37
23 Mon Dn 1:1-6, 8-20/Lk 21:1-4
24 Tue Dn 2:31-45/Lk 21:5-1141
25 Wed Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28/Lk 21:12-19
26 Thu Dn 6:12-28/Lk 21:20-28
27 Fri Dn 7:2-14/Lk 21:29-33
28 Sat Dn 7:15-27/Lk 21:34-36
29 SUN Jer 33:14-16/1 Thes 3:12-4:2/Lk 21:25-28,34-36

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FROM THE PASTOR’S DESK

Sunday Readings

Christ the King as Represented in the Liturgy

The liturgy is an album in which every epoch of Church history immaterializes itself. Therein, accordingly, can be found the various pictures of Christ beloved during succeeding centuries. In its pages we see pictures of Jesus suffering and in agony; we see pictures of His Sacred Heart; yet these pictures are not proper to the nature of the liturgy as such; they resemble baroque altars in a gothic church. Classic liturgy knows but one Christ: the King, radiant, majestic, and divine.

With an ever-growing desire, all Advent awaits the “coming King”; in the chants of the breviary we find repeated again and again the two expressions “King” and “is coming.” On Christmas the Church would greet, not the Child of Bethlehem, but the Rex Pacificus — “the King of peace gloriously reigning.” Within a fortnight, there follows a feast which belongs to the greatest of the feasts of the Church year — the Epiphany. As in ancient times oriental monarchs visited their principalities (theophany), so the divine King appears in His city, the Church; from its sacred precincts He casts His glance over all the world....On the final feast of the Christmas cycle, the Presentation in the Temple, holy Church meets her royal Bridegroom with virginal love: “Adorn your bridal chamber, O Sion, and receive Christ your King!” The burden of the Christmas cycle may be summed up in these words: Christ the King establishes His Kingdom of light upon earth!

If we now consider the Easter cycle, the luster of Christ’s royal dignity is indeed somewhat veiled by His sufferings; nevertheless, it is not the suffering Jesus who is present to the eyes of the Church as much as Christ the royal Hero and Warrior upon the battlefield of Golgotha struggles with the mighty and dies in triumph. Even during Lent and Passiontide the Church acclaims her King. The act of homage on Palm Sunday is intensely stirring; singing psalms in festal procession we acclaim our Saviour singing: Gloria, laus et honor tibi sit, Rex Christe, “Glory, praise and honor be to Thee, Christ, O King!” It is true that on Good Friday the Church meditates upon the Man of Sorrows in agony upon the Cross, but at the same time, and perhaps more so, she beholds Him as King upon a royal throne. The hymn Vexilla Regis, “The royal banners forward go,” is the more perfect expression of the spirit from which the Good Friday liturgy has arisen. Also characteristic is the verse from Psalm 95, Dicite in gentibus quia Dominus regnavit, to which the early Christians always added, a ligno, “Proclaim among the Gentiles: the Lord reigns from upon the tree of the Cross!” During Paschal time the Church is so occupied with her glorified Savior and Conqueror that kingship references become rarer; nevertheless, toward the end of the season we celebrate our King’s triumph after completing the work of redemption, His royal enthronement on Ascension Thursday.

Neither in the time after Pentecost is the picture of Christ as King wholly absent from the liturgy. Corpus Christi is a royal festival: “Christ the King who rules the nations, come, let us adore” (Invit.). In the Greek Church the feast of the Transfiguration is the principal solemnity in honor of Christ’s kingship, Summum Regem gloriae Christum adoramus (Invit.). Finally at the sunset of the ecclesiastical year, the Church awaits with burning desire the return of the King of Majesty.

We will overlook further considerations in favor of a glance at the daily Offices. How often do we not begin Matins with an act of royal homage: “The King of apostles, of martyrs, of confessors, of virgins — come, let us adore” (Invit.). Lauds is often introduced with Dominus regnavit, “The Lord is King”. Christ as King is also a first consideration at the threshold of each day; for morning after morning we renew our oath of fidelity at Prime: “To the King of ages be honor and glory.” Every oration is concluded through our Mediator Christ Jesus “who lives and reigns forever.” Yes, age-old liturgy beholds Christ reigning as King in His basilica (etym.: “the king’s house”), upon the altar as His throne.

Excerpted from The Church’s Year of Grace, Pius Parchs.
Le Christ, Roi de L’Univers Année  B

David 7 : 13-14
Psalms 92
Apocalypse 1 : 5-8
Jean 18, 33b-37

La bible ne cesse de proclamer la royauté universelle de Dieu sur tout l’univers. Il a ressemblé un peuple pour en être le seul Seigneur. Il a suscité des rois chargés d’en faire un royaume avec pour charité la Loi donnée à Moïse. Lorsque l’un d’eux se montrait infidèle à sa mission, il l’écartait pour en établir un autre. Parmi eux, David est resté dans la tentation l’exemple du roi selon le cœur de Dieu, et la figure de celui qui devait venir. Et effet, les promesses « jurées » à ce « fils de Jesse » et à sa descendance garantissaient qu’un jour, grâce à un fils issu de cette lignée, le royaume voulu par Dieu adviendrait. C’est ainsi qu’est née l’Espérance de l’avènement d’un roi parfait, « fils de David ». Dans la première lecture, Daniel témoigne de cette espérance et décrit l’avènement de celui dont « la royauté ne passera pas ».

Lorsque Jésus paraît, comme le vrai amour parfait du Père, dont l’autorité en paroles et en actes dépasse tout ce qu’on a jamais entendu et vu, et qui annonce la venue prochaine du Royaume, beaucoup ont pensé jusqu’à aujourd’hui qu’il l’instaurerait sur terre. Un jour, après la multiplication des pains, il a dû se dérober parce que la foule voulait le prendre de force pour le faire roi (Jean 6, 15). Entretenue de plus ou moins bonne foi, l’erreur sur sa royauté resurgit périodiquement, jusque dans les temps modernes, où le titre de « Christ roi » est parfois utilisé à des fins politiques.

Bien-aimés, contrairement à toutes les autres, sa royauté « ne vient pas de ce monde », et il ne l’exerce pas en recourant à la force. Il est le témoin de la vérité sur Dieu, le monde et l’homme, le chemin vers le Royaume, la vie de Dieu qu’il communique à ceux et celles qui croient en lui.

Rév. Paul Charly Chéry

SUBMIT PARISH BULLETIN NOTICE ON MONDAY

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MASS INTENTIONS
11/22/15 Thanksgiving Mass: Ketlie Lafrance
11/24/15. Thanksgiving Mass: Famille Simeon /Millard

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MWA Janvier
Sermoni Batèm:
Sen Matye: Samdi 9 janvier 2016 a 2 zè nan apremidi
Klas pou batèm:
Pou manman, papa, maren ak parenn: Samdi 2 janvye, 2016, a midi,nan St. Matye.

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**SAINT ANGELA**

**BAPTMISM**

**Baptism for January 2016**
Pou Batèm an kreol inskripsyion kòmanse
Registration in English is started.

**Instruction:**
- English: Saturday, January 9th, 2016; 12:00 noon
- Français: Samedi, 9 janvier, 2016 à 12:00 midi

**Baptism Date:**
- Français: Samedi, 16 Janvier 2016 à 2:00 pm
- English: Saturday, January 23, 2016 @ 2:00 pm

**Woule Woch:** 5 décembre 2015@ 7:00pm

**Louanges Mariales:** 6 décembre, 2015 @ 7:00pm

**Pa bliyè! Pa blye!**

13 décembre 2015, à 7:00 tè nan aswè
Mès an lòt Notre Dam Fatima, apre Mès la posesyon nan lari Mattapan, pote balèn nou.

**CONFESSION & PATRONS' MEETING**

Tuesday, December 15th at 7:00pm
At Our Lady of Fatima Church, 33 Stanton Street, Dorchester

**SUSTAINING MEMBERS**

- Ms. Beulah Providence, 2015 Bishop James Augustin Sealy Healy Award Recipient
- Sr. Margaret A. Leonard, LSA, 2015 Robert L. Ruffin Award Recipient

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

**Religious Education program:** 9:00 am.-10:45 AM
Bernadette Obas: 617-298-0080

**Confirmation Class:** 12:30 –2:00 pm
Josette Beaubrun: 617-298-0080

Pope Saint John Paul II Catholic Academy,
Mattapan Campus: 120 Babson Street, Mattapan, MA 02126

**ANTI-HUMAN TRAFFICKING COALITION**

Anti-Human Trafficking Coalition is a network of Religious Sisters whose mission is to raise awareness of human trafficking present today and to educate parishioners of this modern day slavery.

A presentation by Sister Ellen Powers, CSJ and Sr. Peggy Cummins, SND

For the Dorchester parishes will take place on:

Tuesday, December 2nd at 6:15 pm
At the St. Gregory Gym.

Your help is needed to learn about this travesty and to help eradicate it. Please come on December 2nd.

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Please contact the Mattapan Campus.
Principal, Mrs. Aldridge at 617-265-0019 ext. 7201.

**HEALY DINNER UPDATE**

Bishop James Augustine Healy Award Dinner
November 21, 2015
6:30 reception 7:30 dinner Lombardo’s, Randolph
Please join us as we honor and celebrate
Ms. Beulah Providence, 2015 Bishop James Augustine Healy Award Recipient Sr. Margaret A. Leonard, LSA
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November 19, 2015 Please find the links for on-line registration & payment below or go to: www.catholicculturaldiversity.com and click on the Bishop Healy Crest

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**ELDERS’ APPRECIATION HEALTH FAIR**

**Elders’ Appreciation Health Fair**
The health care professionals from the Saint Angela and Saint Matthew communities will be providing free health services including blood pressure/diabetes/dental screenings and flu shots for the elderly of our parishes.

We will be hosting our first fair on **Saturday, November 28th** at Saint Angela’s Parish Hall from 10:00 am - 1:00 pm. Please bring a list of current medications, glucometers, inhalers and other medical supplies with you.

We hope to see you there!

For more information Jessica Pierre-Paul 617-447-9548 or Francesca Jean Pierre 857-207-9522

Jen adilt yo ki soti nan pawas Saint Angela ak Saint Matye pral bay sèvis sante gratis kap gen tansyon / dyabet / tes dantal ak vaksen grip (flu) pou tout granmoun nan pawas lan.

Nou pral prezante-l premye san patipri nan **Samedi, 28 Novanm** nan hall Saint Angela a 10:00 am - 1:00 pm. Tanpri pote yon lis medikaman avèk ou. Nou espere wè ou la!

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**LIFT MINISTRIES**

There will be Special Advent **LIFT WORSHIP NIGHT** hosted by LIFT Ministries.

This event will take place on Friday, December 4th, 2015 from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

At the Cathedral of the Holy Cross at :

1400 Washington Street in Boston.

Many teens and young adults will be in attendance. This will be an opportunity for them to see that there are others just like them outside of their own parish who are also attending this event. This is a free event but since we will be going by bus we will be asking for a fee of $10.00 for transportation.

Confirmation students along with the 7th and 8th grade from the Religious education program will be in attendance. If there are other young adults from the Parish Collaborative who are interested in attending please let us know. Thanks!

Josette Beaubrun: 617-620-1277

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Did you know that your tax dollars are being used to pay for abortions in Massachusetts?

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For more information call 781-312-8755 or email stoppublicfundingofabortion@gmail.com

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SAVE THE DATE---Please join us for an Advent gathering for priests, deacons and brothers in ministry in Boston.

Please join us on **Friday, December 4, 2015 from 6:30 pm on**

At Sacred Heart Rectory

169 Cummins Highway Roslindale, MA

Please come when you are able. We plan to eat at 7:30 p.m.

Please, extend an invitation to any one in your rectory or house whom we might miss with our invitation. We want the evening to be a support to one and all.

Please let us know that you can join us: Call the rectory and speak to Maggie Laboy, (617-325-3322) with a number from your house or email us at: secretary@sh-roslindale.org

Sincerely yours,

Frank Kelley, Mario Guarino, Gene Sullivan

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Holiday Masses: As announced

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