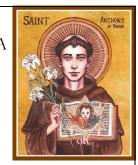


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Sunday 22nd November 2020 SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING

<u>Entrance Antiphon</u>

Communion Antiphon

How worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and divinity, and wisdom and strength and honour. To him belong glory and power for ever and ever

The Lord sits as King for ever. The Lord will bless his people with peace.

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From a homily of Pope Francis on Christ the King...

The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, is the crown of the liturgical year The Gospel in fact presents the kingship of Jesus as the culmination of his saving work, and it does so in a surprising way. "The Christ of God, the Chosen One, the King" (Lk 23:35,37) appears without power or glory: he is on the cross, where he seems more to be conquered than conqueror. His kingship is paradoxical: his throne is the cross; his crown is made of thorns; he has no sceptre, but a reed is put into his hand; he does not have luxurious clothing, but is stripped of his tunic; he wears no shiny rings on his fingers, but his hands are pierced with nails; he has no treasure, but is sold for thirty pieces of silver.

Jesus' reign is truly not of this world (cf. Jn 18:36); but for this reason, Saint Paul tells us in the Second Reading, we find redemption and forgiveness (cf. Col 1:13-14). For the grandeur of his kingdom is not power as defined by this world, but the love of God, a love capable of encountering and healing all things. Christ lowered himself to us out of this love, he lived our human misery, he suffered the lowest point of our human condition: injustice, betrayal, abandonment; he experienced death, the tomb, hell. And so our King went to the ends of the universe in order to embrace and save every living being. He did not condemn us, nor did he conquer us, and he never disregarded our freedom, but he paved the way with a humble love that forgives all things, hopes all things, sustains all things (cf. 1 Cor 13:7). This love alone overcame and continues to overcome our worst enemies: sin, death, fear.

... We joyfully share the splendour of having Jesus as our King: his rule of love transforms sin into grace, death into resurrection, fear into trust. It would mean very little, however, if we believed Jesus was King of the universe, but did not make him Lord of our lives: all this is empty if we do not personally accept Jesus and if we do not also accept his way of being King...

Pope Francis: Homily for Christ the King 2016

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LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING A reading from the Prophet Ezekiel

(34: 11-12, 15-17)

The Lord says this: I am going to look after my flock myself and keep all of it in view. As a shepherd keeps all his flock in view when he stands up in the middle of his scattered sheep, so shall I keep my sheep in view. I shall rescue them from wherever they have been scattered during the mist and darkness. I myself will pasture my sheep, I myself will show them where to rest – it is the Lord who speaks. I shall look for the lost one, bring back the stray, bandage the wounded and make the weak strong. I shall watch over the fat and healthy. I shall be a true shepherd to them. As for you, my sheep, the Lord says this: I will judge between sheep and sheep, between rams and he-goats.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM *Ps* 22 The Lord is my shepherd, there is nothing I shall want.

SECOND READING A reading from the First Letter of St Paul to the Corinthians (15: 20-26, 28)

Christ has been raised from the dead, the first-fruits of all who have fallen asleep. Death came through one man and in the same way the resurrection of the dead has come through one man. Just as all men die in Adam, so all men will be brought to life in Christ; but all of them in their proper order: Christ as the first-fruits and then, after the coming of Christ, those who belong to him. After that will come the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, having done away with every sovereignty, authority and power. For he must be king until he has put all his enemies under his feet and the last of the enemies to be destroyed is death. And when everything is subjected to him, then the Son himself will be subject in his turn to the One who subjected all things to him, so that God may be all in all.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Alleluia! Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David! Alleluia!

GOSPEL A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew

(25: 31- 46)

Jesus said to his disciples: 'When the Son of Man comes in his glory, escorted by all the angels, then he will take his seat on his throne of glory. All the nations will be assembled before him and he will separate men one from another as the shepherd separates sheep from goats. He will place the sheep on his right hand and the goats on his left. 'Then the King will say to those on his right hand, "Come, you whom my Father has blessed, take for your heritage the kingdom prepared for you since the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food; I was thirsty and you gave me drink; I was a stranger and you made me welcome; naked and you clothed me, sick and you visited me, in prison and you came to see me." Then the virtuous will say to him in reply, "Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you; or thirsty and give you drink? When did we see you a stranger and make you welcome; naked and clothe you; sick or in prison and go to see you?" And the King will answer, "I tell you solemnly, in so far as you did this to one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did it to me." 'Next he will say to those on his left hand, "Go away from me, with your curse upon you, to the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you never gave me food; I was thirsty and you never gave me anything to drink; I was a stranger and you never made me welcome, naked and you never clothed me, sick and in prison and you never visited me." Then it will be their turn to ask, "Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty, a stranger or naked, sick or in prison, and did not come to your help?" Then he will answer, "I tell you solemnly, in so far as you neglected to do this to one of the least of these, you neglected to do it to me." 'And they will go away to eternal punishment, and the virtuous to eternal life.'



PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We, the Catholic people of Corio & Lara Parish guided by the Spirit, participate in Christ's Mission. With our gifts we create a parish that welcomes all people.

Our Parish is committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults

Scripture Readings this week

Monday: Revelation 14:1-5 & Luke 21:1-4

Tuesday: Memorial of St Andrew Dung Lac & Companions: Revelation 14:14-19 & Luke 21:5-11

Wednesday: Revelation 15:1-4 & Luke 21:12-19

Thursday: Revelation 18:1-19:9 & Luke 21:20-28

Friday: Revelation 20:1-4,11 & Luke 21:29-33

Saturday: Revelation 22:1-7 & Luke 21:34-36

Parish Prayer

We, the people of Corio & Lara Catholic Parish give thanks and praise to God the Father. By the power of the Holy Spirit, may we become more like Jesus: listening to the Word of God and celebrating the Eucharist; sharing each other's lives and forgiving one another; respecting creation and taking responsibility for our world. Like St Francis Xavier, may we offer light to those in darkness, and warmly welcome all people. Like St Anthony of Padua, may we nourish the hungry with wise words and kind deeds. St Francis Xavier, pray for us. St Anthony of Padua, pray for us.

Amen

As a community we pray for

The Sick: Maria do ceu Fernandes, Jessica De Grandis, Victor Lombo, Vince Marshall, John Thomas, Judith Cummins, Bill Rinaldi, Peter Franchina, Nicholas Francis, Bonnie Gilson, Ibi Bolyos.

Recently Deceased: Miguel Gaa

The Pope's Prayer Intention for this month:

For all those who work and live from the sea, among them sailors, fishermen and their families.

Vocations! This month's Vocation View: Why is it that we lack real trust when the Lord calls us? We think we may drown, or have to give up too much, or fear failure. These attitudes can help to strengthen our faith in the Lord.

Please contact the Parish Office to have the names of any loved ones who are seriously ill, recently deceased or have coming anniversaries included in the bulletin.

Home Altar Supply Station: If you have empty holy water bottles, please drop them off at the parish house/supply station. They will be sterilised, refilled and put back out for people to take.

Columban Calendars: Now available from the piety stalls. They are \$10 each.

Working Bee, Corio: On Saturday, 21st November there will be a working bee at St Francis Xavier. Due to Covid regulations, please let us know of your attendance by calling/SMS to Carolyn on 0409548740. (Please leave your name/ number if the phone is not answered)

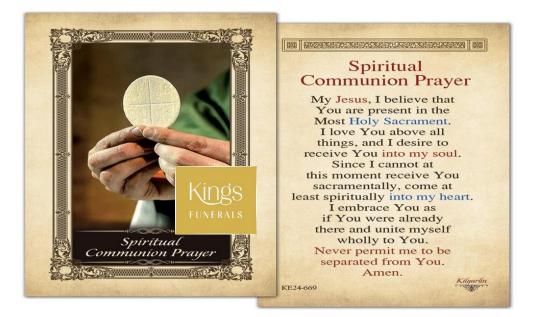
Thanksgiving Envelopes – Thank you to all who have been dropping their envelopes off at the Parish Office. While these are unprecedented times, please prayerfully consider if you are able to keep your pledges and contributions. Online donations are also available at the following: Account Name: St Francis Xavier Church BSB: 083347 Account Number: 543292126. Thank you.

Parish Thanksgiving: Please consider joining the Parish Thanksgiving Programme. To set up the thanksgiving by direct debit/ credit card please contact the parish office on 0342120791 or email <u>fxcorio@iinet.net.au</u>

BOOKING A PLACE FOR MASS

Mass times: Saturday Vigil 7PM (Corio); Sunday 9AM (Lara) & 11AM (Corio) Tuesday & Thursday 9:15AM (Corio) & Tues 6PM Holy Hour (Corio) Wednesday & Friday 9:15AM (Lara)

Attendance at a mass is by prior booking only. To book a place please call **0435 699 399** from **Tuesday to Friday: 12 Noon – 5PM.** If you're unable to call during these times, please contact the Parish Office and we can work something out, however a place is only assured once your name is recorded in the booking diary. Please note that as this phone will be transferred between volunteers after 5pm each night, voicemails will not be checked regularly and do not guarantee a place at mass.



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