

November 21, 2021
Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

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From Father Kasel

Praised be Jesus Christ through Mary!

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ Jesus,

During this month of November we remember and pray for the souls of our brothers and sisters in Purgatory: *Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let Perpetual Light shine upon them.*

May they rest in Peace. Amen. May all the souls of the faithful departed rest in Peace! Amen. This Sunday, I share with you a reflection on reign of Christ the King. I encourage you to reflect over this message a few times this week:

“Christ the King - The Reign of Christ: A reign of justice and love: *The Lord will reign for ever and will give His people the gift of peace.* (Communion Antiphon, Ps. 28:10-11)

These are the words of today’s Communion Antiphon.

The Solemnity of Christ the King *is as it were a synthesis of the entire salvific mystery.* (John Paul II, Address, 20 November 1983) This Feast brings the liturgical year to a close. Over the past months we have celebrated the mysteries of the life of the Lord. Now we contemplate Christ in His glorified state as King of all Creation and of our souls. The Feasts of the Epiphany, Easter and the Ascension also relate to Christ as King and Lord of the Universe, but the Church has wanted to have this Feast as a special remembrance to modern man, who seems somewhat indifferent to His supernatural destiny. (cf. Pius XI, Encyclical, *Quas Primas*, 11 December 1925)

The texts for today’s Holy Mass emphasize the love of Christ the King. He did not come to establish His Kingdom by force. His ‘weapons’ are goodness and a shepherd’s solicitude: *I Myself will search for My sheep, and will seek them out. As a shepherd seeks out his flock when some of his sheep have been scattered abroad, so will I seek out My sheep; and I will rescue them from all places where they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness.* (First Reading, Year A, Ezek. 34:11-12) The Lord tends to His lost sheep, to those men and women who have gone astray through sin. He takes care to heal their wounds. He goes so far as to die for His sheep. *As King, He came to reveal God’s Love, to be the Mediator of the new Covenant, the Redeemer of mankind. The Kingdom which Jesus initiated works in its interior dynamism as ‘leaven’ and a ‘sign of salvation’ to build a more just, more fraternal world, one with more solidarity, inspired by the evangelic values of hope and of the future happiness to which all are called. Therefore, the Preface of today’s Eucharistic celebration speaks of Jesus who has offered to the Father ‘a Kingdom of truth and life, of holiness and grace, of justice, love and peace’.* (John Paul II, Address, 26 November 1989) This is what the Kingdom of Christ is all about. Each one of us is called to participate in this Kingdom and expand it through our apostolate. The Lord should be present in our families, among our friends, neighbors and colleagues at work... *Against those who reduce*

Welcome to the Churches of

St. Paul &

St. Michael



We are happy that you are here! If you are new to our parishes, please call or stop at the Parish Office. We would love to meet you and answer any questions that you might have!

SACRAMENTS

Confession - Saturday 4:00pm at St. Michael; Sunday 8:25am at St. Paul and 8:00am before daily weekday Holy Mass at both parishes.

Baptism - Please contact the parish office.

Matrimony - Please call Father Kasel at least six months prior to make arrangements.

Anointing of the Sick - This is for someone who is seriously ill, dealing with major surgery or infirm. Please contact Father Kasel to make arrangements.

WEEKEND HOLY MASS SCHEDULE:

Church of Saint Paul - Sunday Confessions at 8:25am, Rosary at 8:20am, Mass at 8:45am

Church of Saint Michael - Saturday Confessions at 4:00pm, Rosary at 4:35pm, Mass at 5:00pm

Church of Saint Michael - Sunday Mass at 7:00am, Rosary at 10:05am, Mass at 10:30am

WEEKDAY HOLY MASS SCHEDULE

Church of Saint Paul - Tuesday and Thursday Confession 8am & Mass 8:30am, Rosary at 8:10am before Mass

Church of Saint Michael - Wednesday and Friday Confession 8am and Mass 8:30am

religion to a set of negative statements, or are happy to settle for a watered-down Catholicism; against those who wish to see the Lord with His face against the wall, or to put Him in a corner of their souls, we have to affirm, with our words and with our deeds, that we aspire to make Christ the King reign indeed over all hearts, theirs included. (J. Escriva, *Furrow*, 608)

Christ must reign in our mind, our will and our actions: *Oportet autem illum regnare... For He must reign....* (Second Reading, Year A, 1 Cor. 15:25)

St. Paul teaches us that while Christ’s Kingdom is achieved in time and space, it will attain its definitive fullness at the Last Judgment. The Apostle depicts this epochal event as a rite of homage to the Father: Christ will present all Creation to Him as an offering. Then all things will be subjected to His rule. (cf. *ibid.*, 1 Cor. 15:23-28) His Second Coming will establish a new Heaven and a new earth. (Rev. 21:1-2) He will thereupon vanquish the devil, sin, pain and death. (cf. *The Navarre Bible*, note to 1 Cor. 15:23-28)

Meanwhile, we Christians cannot be passively waiting for these momentous events to unfold. We have to desire (continued on pg. 3)

Holy Masses for Thanksgiving:

8:30am on Thurs., Nov. 25, at St. Paul, Zumbrota

9:30am on Thurs., Nov. 25, at St. Michael, Pine Island

There will be a collection to assist the poor!

Let us thank God for all our blessings!



The next **Holy Hour for Women** will be **Sunday, November 28**, at 6:00pm at Church of St. Michael, PI. All women invited!

CHURCH OF SAINT MICHAEL NEWS

CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL FAITH FORMATION

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Christ Our King

“O Divine King, most amiable Jesus, my redeemer, my savior, my spouse, my master and model, I renew today the total consecration of my being to You, begging you to take absolute dominion over me. Be my sovereign, my ruler, my guide. Direct and govern me entirely, so that everything may turn to Your greater glory. Be King of my memory, of my intellect, of my will, of my emotions; I wish all to be completely subject to You and I invite You to reign in me.

Your Kingdom is a Kingdom of Truth, of Love, of Justice, and of Peace. Grant that Your reign of Truth may be established in my mind, destroying all error, deceit, and illusion. Enlighten me by Your Divine Wisdom. Grant that Your reign of Love may be completely established in my will, to move it, draw it, and direct it always, so that I may no longer be moved by self-love or by creatures but by Your Holy Spirit alone. Make this weak, mean, rebellious will of mine strong, generous, constant; make it grow stronger by the persevering exercise of virtue, and by the gifts of your Spirit. Grant that your reign of Justice may be established in all my actions so that all I do, having this characteristic, may be a work of holiness, accomplished with purity of intention and with the greatest fidelity in order to give You pleasure and accomplish Your Holy Will. Grant that Your reign of Peace may be established, not only in my soul but also in my sensibility, so that in harmony with the superior part of my soul it may give You glory and neither delay me nor be an obstacle to union with You.” *Sister Carmela of the Holy Spirit, O.C.D.* (Sister Carmela of the Holy Spirit († 1949) was an Italian Carmelite nun.)

WORDS TO LIVE BY:

“Jesus Christ, Lord of all things! You see my heart, You know my desires. Possess all that I am - You alone. I am Your sheep; make me worthy to overcome the devil.” St. Agatha
“It is better to be a child of God than king of the whole world.” St. Aloysius Gonzaga
“He who trusts in himself is lost. He who trusts in God can do all things.” “What does it cost us to say, ‘My God help me! Have mercy on me!’ Is there anything easier than this? And this little will suffice to save us if we be diligent in doing it.” St. Alphonsus Liguori
“How good and pleasant it is to dwell in the Heart of Jesus! Who is there who does not love a heart so wounded? Who can refuse a return of love to a Heart so loving?” St. Bernard of Clairvaux
“Nowhere other than looking at himself in the mirror of the Cross can man better understand how much he is worth.” St. Anthony of Padua

Pine Island Food Shelf: items requested for November:
Canned Soup and Stew

WEEKLY TITHING for November 13-14, 2021

Sunday Envelopes: \$ 3,351.00

Plate: \$ 696.00

EFT: \$ 607.50

Total: \$ 4,654.50

Kitui Mission Collection: \$ 481.85



HOLIDAY TEA

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

Saturday, December 4, 2021

9:00– 11:30am

Church of St. Michael, Pine Island

Please sign up to bring baked goods, and other food, and volunteer to work.

St. Pio KC Breakfast on November 21st at 8:00am-12:30pm

The St. Pio Knights of Columbus are holding a pancake breakfast on Sunday, November 21 at St. Michael, Pine Island. The breakfast will be a free will donation with proceeds going to support local programs, such as Coats for Kids and Pro-Life activities. VOLUNTEERS are still needed! Knights, please contact Ben Eirikson if you are available to help.



Congratulations to:

James & Minji Lee on the baptism of their daughters,
Miranda Sumin Lee, Samantha Jeongmin Lee,
and Alice Jimin Lee, on October 10, 2021.

Our **St. Michael Homeschool Co-op** is seeking donations of the following used items: a small, table-top Advent wreath with candles; Nativity sets (or partial set) with or without stable; child-sized tables and/or chairs. Thank you for your consideration! Please contact Jen Eirikson at Jkozely@gmail.com or the parish office at 507-356-4280.

PRO LIFE QUOTE

“Given the breakdown in family life, the wholesale attack on innocent and defenseless human lives, and the violation of the integrity of the union of marriage in our society, the call to the martyrdom of witness is ever more urgent.” -Cardinal Burke, *The Fall of the Christian West*, March 11, 2011

HOLY MASS TIMES

Wednesday, November 24, 2021

8:00am Confessions/8:30am Holy Mass

9:00am-5:00pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Thursday, November 25, 2021 Thanksgiving Day

9:30am Holy Mass

Friday, November 26, 2021

8:00am Confessions/8:30am Holy Mass

Saturday, November 27, 2021

4:00pm-4:50pm Confessions

5:00pm Holy Mass

Sunday, November 28, 2021

7:00am (Latin) Holy Mass

10:30am Holy Mass

HOLY MASS INTENTIONS



November 24, 2021 †Robert Felten (Paul & Mary Sutton)

November 25, 2021 Pam & Fletcher Freeman (Ocariz Family)

November 26, 2021 Burke Family (Christine Burke)

November 27, 2021 †Mary Elaine Coyne (James & Connie Swanson)

November 28, 2021 (Latin) Gene & Stephanie G. Family

November 28, 2021 Parishioners

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(from page 1) ardently the establishment of His Kingdom: *Oportet illum regnare!* First of all, the Lord must reign in our mind, in our will and in our actions. *He must reign in our minds, which should assent with perfect submission and firm belief to revealed Truths and to the Doctrines of Christ. He must reign in our wills, which should obey the laws and precepts of God. He must reign in our hearts, which should spurn natural desires and love God above all things, and cleave to Him alone. He must reign in our bodies and in our members, which should serve as instruments for the interior sanctification of our souls.* (Pius XI, Encyclical, *Quas Primas*, 11 December 1925, 21) *Our Lord and our God: how great You are! It is You who give our life supernatural meaning and Divine vitality. For love of Your Son, You cause us to say with all our being, with our body and soul: 'He must reign!' And this we do against the background of our weakness, for you know that we are creatures made of clay.* (J. Escriva, *Christ is Passing By*, 181)

Today's Feast is an anticipation of the Second Coming of Christ in power and majesty. His glorious return will fill the hearts of His faithful with joy and wipe away every tear. This Feast is also a summons for us to impregnate with the Spirit of Christ all temporal realities. The Second Vatican Council has declared: *The expectation of a new earth must not weaken but rather stimulate our concern for cultivating this one. For here grows the body of a new human family, a body which even now is able to give some kind of foreshadowing of the new age.*

Hence, while earthly progress must be carefully distinguished from the growth of Christ's Kingdom, to the extent that the former can contribute to the better ordering of human society, it is of vital concern to the Kingdom of God.

For after we have obeyed the Lord, and in His Spirit nurtured on earth the values of human dignity, brotherhood and freedom, and indeed all the good fruits of our nature and enterprise, we will find them again, but freed from stain, burnished and transfigured, when Christ hands over to the Father: 'a Kingdom eternal and universal...' On this earth that Kingdom is already present in mystery. *When the Lord returns it will be brought into full flower.* (Second Vatican Council, *Gaudium et Spes*, 39) We collaborate in the expansion of this Kingdom whenever we make our ordinary world more human and more Divine.

Extending the Reign of Christ: Jesus replied to Pilate's questioning: *My Kingship is not of this world...* At a later stage in the interview Jesus tells the Roman Procurator: *I am a King. For this I was born...* (John 18:36-37) Although the Reign of Christ is not of this world, it has its beginnings here. The Reign of Christ extends so far as there are men and (continued on page 4)

Thank You! The Catholic Daughters **thank you** for your support of Gummie Bears for Habitat. This year we supported building a quad home benefiting four families.

The Catholic Daughters will meet on Monday, November 22, at Holy Trinity Church in Goodhue, gathering at 6:30pm, meeting starting at 7:00pm.

WEEKLY TITHING for November 14, 2021

Sunday Envelopes:	\$ 975.00
Plate:	\$ 559.00
Total:	\$ 1,534.00

There will be Fellowship Sunday on November 28th after the 8:45am Holy Mass. All are invited!

Cemetery Collection: There will be a second collection November 21 to provide for the upkeep of the St. Paul Cemetery. Please be generous in remembering our beloved departed in prayer and alms.



Church of St. Paul Men's Club Pancake Breakfast and the St. Paul CCW Annual Bake Sale



*****Sunday, December 5, 2021 from 8:00am-12:30pm***
Free-will offering. Plan now to attend!**

Christmas Sharing Collection: We will again be collecting items for those in our community that are need this Christmas - through the Community Connections Event. This is the same collection as in the past, however no need to pick an ornament from the tree. Choose whatever requested item you wish and return to the vestibule or church office by December 5. Items requested are: Household products such as paper products, laundry detergent, soap, shampoo, toothpaste. Gift cards are also welcome. You could donate either local cards, or Target, or Walmart - preferably \$20 increments so that all are the same value. Thank you for your generosity in sharing God's gifts with those in need. Please contact Maggie Eggerichs at 507-951-2316 with questions.

Prayer to Christ our King

O Jesus Christ, I acknowledge you as universal King. All that has been made has been created for You. Exercise all Your rights over me. I renew my Baptismal Vows. I renounce Satan, his pomps and his works; I promise to live as a good Christian.



And, in particular do I pledge myself to labor, to the best of my ability, for the triumph of the rights of God and of Your Church. Divine Heart of Jesus, to You do I offer my poor services, laboring that all hearts may acknowledge Your sacred kingship, and that thus the reign of Your peace be established throughout the whole universe. Amen.

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8:00am Confessions/8:30am Holy Mass

9:00am-5:00pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Thursday, November 25, 2021 Thanksgiving Day

8:00am Confessions/8:30am Holy Mass

Sunday, November 21, 2021

8:20am Rosary/8:25am Confessions

8:45am Holy Mass - On 1st, 3rd, & 5th Sundays of the month
versus populum; 2nd & 4th ad Orientem

HOLY MASS INTENTIONS

November 23, 2021 Steve & Dianne Kemmetmueller Family

November 25, 2021 John & Ellen Huneke (Louise Gerken)

November 28, 2021 Parishioners



NEWS FROM SAINT MICHAEL AND SAINT PAUL

(from page 3) women who know themselves to be children of God, who are nourished by Him, who live for Him. Christ is a King who has been given all power in Heaven and on earth, but He governs like one *gentle and lowly of heart*. (cf. Matt. 11:29) His rule is to serve others. *The Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give His life as a ransom for many*. (cf. Matt. 10:28) His throne was a manger in Bethlehem and then was a Cross on Calvary. He is *the ruler of kings on earth* (Second Reading, Year B, Rev. 1:5) whose tribute is the proof of our Faith and Love.

The first person formally to recognize Christ as King was a condemned criminal. He captured the Lord's Heart with that humble request: *Jesus, remember me when You come in Your Kingly Power*. (Luke 23:42) This man was able to grasp the real meaning of Christ's Kingship even though it was the object of merciless ridicule from the clamoring throng. His Faith deepened as Christ's Divinity became increasingly obscured. *The Lord always grants us more than what we ask for. The thief merely asked to be remembered, but the Lord said: 'Truly, I say to you, today you will be with Me in Paradise'. The essence of life is to live with Jesus Christ. And where Jesus Christ is, there is His Reign to be found*. (St. Ambrose, *Commentary on St. Luke's Gospel, in loc.*)

Jesus speaks to us on the occasion of this solemn Feast: *For I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope*. (Jer. 29:11) Let us resolve to make our hearts conform to the Will of God. Let us ask His blessing on our efforts to extend His Kingdom through our apostolate of friendship and confidence. *This is the calling of Christ, that is our apostolic task, the desire which should*

consume our soul: to make this Kingdom of Christ a reality, to eliminate hatred and cruelty, to spread throughout the earth the strong and soothing balm of love. (J. Escriva, *Christ is Passing By*, 183)

If we are to make these ideals into reality we must turn once again to Our Lady. *Mary, the holy Mother of our King, the Queen of our heart, looks after us as only she knows how. Mother of Mercy, throne of grace: we ask you to help us compose, verse by verse, the simple poem of Charity in our own life and the lives of the people around us; it is 'like a river of peace' (Is. 66:12). For you are a sea of inexhaustible Mercy*. (ibid., 187)" (From: *In Conversation with God* by Francis Fernandez)

Through the intercession of Mary, Mother of Mercy, St. Joseph, St. Michael, St. Paul, and all the Holy Angels, may God grant us the Grace to love and serve Christ our King!

In Christ through Mary,
Fr. Kasel

Our Lord, King of all!

We pray to You, O Lord, who are the supreme Truth, and all Truth is from You. We beseech You, O Lord, who are the highest Wisdom, and all the wise depend on You for their Wisdom. You are the supreme Joy, and all who are Happy owe it to You. You are the Light of minds and all receive their Understanding from You. We love, we love You above all. We seek You, we follow You, and we are ready to serve You. We desire to dwell under Your power for You are the King of all. Amen. *By St. Albert the Great (1200-1280) Doctor of the Church*

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