

November 22, 2020



St. Mark's Catholic Church

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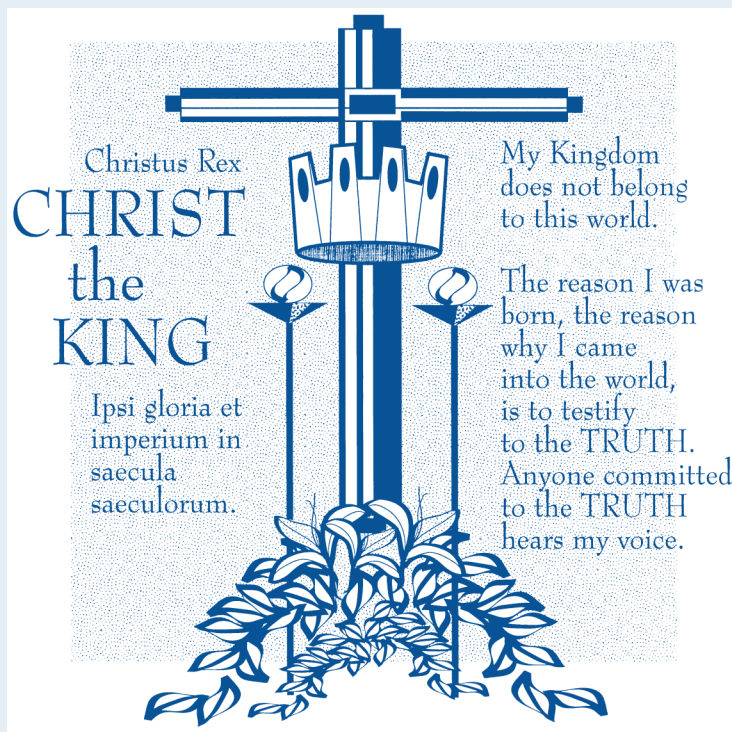
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The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe



Lectionary: 160

Reading 1

EZ 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.

Responsorial Psalm

PS 23:1-2, 2-3, 5-6

R. (1) **The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.**

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

In verdant pastures he gives me repose.

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

Beside restful waters he leads me; he refreshes my soul.

He guides me in right paths for his name's sake.

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

You spread the table before me in the sight of my foes; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

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

Only goodness and kindness follow me all the days of my life; and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD for years to come.

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Reading 2

1 COR 15:20-26, 28

Brothers and sisters:

Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits 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 first fruits; 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.

Alleluia

MK 11:9, 10

R. **Alleluia, alleluia.**

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!

Blessed is the kingdom of our father David that is to come!

R. **Alleluia, alleluia.**

Gospel

MT 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."

CHRIST the KING
to him be glory and power forever!

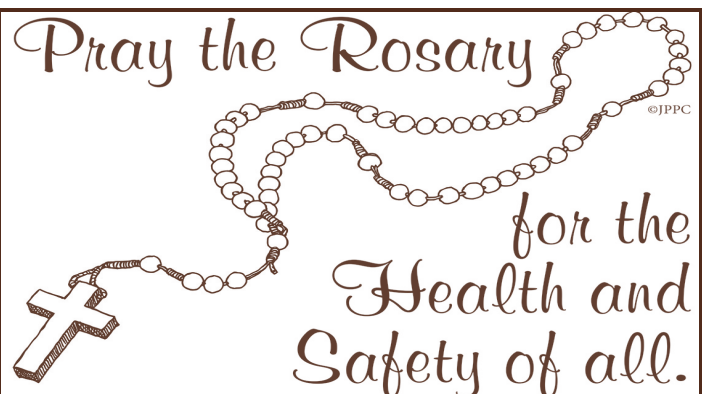


Any parishioner who has not been able to attend Mass and would like to have a Eucharistic Minister bring Holy Communion to them, please contact **Donna** at the rectory, 732-449-6364 x100 or email donna@stmarkseagirt.com

Rosary Makers will meet Monday, November 30th, at 1pm in the church basement. Masks must be worn.

A blessed and peaceful Thanksgiving Day to all.

"Dear blessed Mother Mary. Teach me loving acceptance of the divine will. May I be a true servant to the Lord, generous in doing all that pleases Him."



This Week's Mass Intentions

Date	Intention	Requested by
Monday, November 23		
7:30 AM	† Dorothy Wright	Family
	† Marge Donovan	Sandra and Ed Zipf and Family
11:00AM	† Betsy Borowsky	Marybeth and Joe Walsh
	† William F. McIntyre	Leonhardt Family
	† Maria Rosato	Ed and Judy Blaha
Tuesday, November 24		
7:30 AM	† Mary Anne McLaughlin	Sandy and Barbara Samson
	† Muriel Mercer	Saint Mark's Parish Family
11:00 AM	† Margaret Ann D'Addario Gallo	Sharlene Dunn Reynolds
	† Maureen Larkin	Mary Campi Murphy
	† Mary "Molly" Tobin	Cathy Shalloo
Wednesday, November 25		
7:30 AM	† Carol Treger	Estate
	† Regina O'Connor	Saint Mark's Parish Family
11:00AM	† Robert Phillips	Pat Phillips
	† Anne Leddy	Nancy Introcaso
Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 26		
9:00 AM	† Joseph Bozza	Marianne Bozza
	† Oakley Debbs, 4th Anniversary	Mary Dougherty and Family
10:30AM	† Carlos Vinicio Zuna	Zuna Family
Friday, November 27		
7:30 AM	† Louis Pizzano	Lembo Family
	† Dorothy Wright	Family
	Ani Slevin (Special Intention)	Your Friends in Christ 7:30 Mass
11:00AM	† Robert (Beau) Truesdale	Mary and Charles Kavanagh
	† White Family and Babies	Family
	† Beverly Brandell	Family
Saturday, November 28		
7:30 AM	† Carl Barber	John and Piper Bruther
	† Edmund Burke	Family
4:30 PM	† George O'Neil	Barbara O'Neil
	† Mary Savino	Walking with Purpose
	† Mary Pingicer	Saint Mark's Parish Family
First Sunday of Advent, November 29		
8:00 AM	Heather Saake (Special Intention)	Family
	† Marian Maguire	Rita Ciocca
	† Kathleen Twigg	Family
10:00 AM	† Marguerite Catherine O'Regan	Michele and Jim McCarthy and Family
	† Maureen Leonhardt	Todd and Jamie Leonhardt
	† Dick Ludwig	Griffin Family
	People of the Parish	
5:00 PM	Maria Valdez (Special Intention)	Family and Friends
	† Silviano Ramirez	Daughter and Family
	† Henry Moro	Family

PRIEST,
PROPHET,
KING



**Readings for the Week
November 22, 2020**

Monday: Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5; Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6;
Lk 21:1-4

Tuesday: Rv 14:14-19; Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13;
Lk 21:5-11

Wednesday: Rv 15:1-4; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 7-8, 9;
Lk 21:12-19

Thursday: Rv 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9a; Ps 100:1b-2,
3, 4, 5; Lk 21:20-28

Thanksgiving Day: Sir 50:22-24; Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7,
8-9, 10-11; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Lk 17:11-19

Friday: Rv 20:1-4, 11—21:2; Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6a and 8a;
Lk 21:29-33

Saturday: Rv 22:1-7; Ps 95:1-2, 3-5, 6-7ab;
Lk 21:34-36

Sunday: Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7; Ps 80:2-3, 15-16,
18-19; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Mk 13:33-37

Please Note: At this time, because of Covid 19, we are not accepting clothing, or any personal books, devotionals, religious articles or Rosary beads. In the future we will gladly accept your donations, but at the present time and for the safety of all those concerned, we are asking that these items not be left at the church. Thank you.

Pray FOR THE SICK ©JPPC

The list of parishioners, relatives, and friends are in need of your prayers for healing. Note to ensure the consent of the person whose name appears here, the pastor's policy requires that only they or a family member may request a name be added to this list. Also if you or a loved one are unable to attend mass and would like to receive Holy Communion in a home or assisted living, please notify Donna at 732-449-6364 ext. 100.

Benjamin Ohlweiler
Jeremy Pavlick
Lucy Gargano
Julia Buonocore
Fred Buonocore
Christine Frauenheim
Alexandra Gavilanes
Sarah Gallagher
Jimmy Azzollini

Vivian Wilson
Ken Hauck
Dorothy Waugh
Patricia Cavanaugh
Rose Courtney
Grace Philhower
Jim Bogan
Maria Valdez
Ani Slevin

Eternal Rest grant unto them, O Lord, And let perpetual light shine upon them.

Please remember in your prayers those of our diocese, parish, friends, and family members who have recently died.

Thank You! We are so grateful to all those who financially sacrifice each week to support our parish and it's ministries!



We would especially like to thank all of those who faithfully use their weekly parish contribution envelopes and those who give online through the Parish Giving Program.



We would like to thank all those who have attended Mass the past few weeks, who wore a mask and adhered to the social distancing requirements. We wish to remind those who are afraid to come to Mass because of health issues, that the dispensation from Sunday and Holy Day obligation will remain in effect until further notice.

If you know someone who doesn't have access to the internet and would like a copy of the bulletin, please reach out to the **Rectory at 732-449-6364**.

Jesus Christ You traveled through towns and villages curing every disease and illness. At Your command the sick were made well. Come to our aid now in the midst of the global spread of the corona virus, that we may experience your healing love. Heal those who are sick with the virus, may they regain their strength and health through quality medical care. Heal us from our fear which prevents nations from working together and neighbors from helping one another.

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they can make informed decisions on whether they feel they would like to attend in person Masses. Social distancing with roped off pews which allows those present to sit at least 6 feet apart, all pews, door handles and railings are sanitized after every Mass daily and during the weekend Masses and Sacraments, sanitizer is at the front and side entrances, bathrooms are cleaned and sanitized on a regular basis, masks must be worn by everyone in the church, the priests and Extraordinary Ministers use hand sanitizer before distributing Communion, Communion is distributed one side at a time to allow for social distance, the windows are open during Mass to help circulate air, collection baskets are placed on the Altar rail rather than the Ushers handling the collection, weekend requirement is entrance thru the front doors for Parishioner count but you may exit thru all doors.

St. Mark's Altar Rosary Society



Happy Thanksgiving



The Christmas season is now upon us and The Giving Tree committee, through the Social Concerns ministry, is asking for your support. The response has always been exceptionally generous, and despite the challenges we face with the pandemic, we hope this year's efforts will continue to show our desire to share with others. St Mark's will continue to sponsor the residents of Habcore in Asbury with \$25 Target gift card donations as well as toys, hats and gloves for the children of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Epiphany House, Mercy Center and Madonna House.

With the safety of our parishioners and volunteers in mind, this year's Giving Tree procedures have been adjusted to be 100% non-contact. There are three ways to contribute:

- **Online gift donations:** We have set up online gift registries through Amazon, Walmart and Target. Gifts will be shipped directly to the Social Concerns and dropped off at our charities. **We ask that online orders are to be placed by Tuesday, December 1st** to ensure they arrive on time.

Target Registry Link

Type in: tgt.gifts/stmarksgivingtree

Walmart Registry Link

Type in: <https://bit.ly/2GJQJLU>

Amazon List Link

Type in: <https://amzn.to/3f9jRcn>



Gift Card donations: \$25 to either Target or Walmart. Please put in envelope and drop off at the rectory or mail to 215 Crescent Pkwy, Sea Girt, NJ 08750. **Return by Sunday, December 6th.** You can also purchase gift cards through the registry links.

- **Monetary donations:** We are accepting monetary donations to shop on your behalf. Any donation in either cash or checks, made out to St. Mark's Social Concerns with Giving Tree in the memo. Please put in envelope and drop off at the rectory or mail to 215 Crescent Pkwy, Sea Girt, NJ 08750. **Return by Sunday, December 6th.**

Please reach out to **Tricia Levin** at stmarksgivingtree@gmail.com with any questions.

Thank you and God Bless you for your generosity.

CYO News-from Mary Reilly-

All of us (including our teenagers and young children) have struggled greatly through this very difficult year of pandemic, horrible hurricanes, forest fires, and continual civil unrest.. People reach out to our priests and even to our parish ministers like myself for spiritual guidance. I share with you the spiritual guidance I received from my friend Fr. Stephen Kenyon (Shepherd of the Valley Church, Central Point, Oregon):

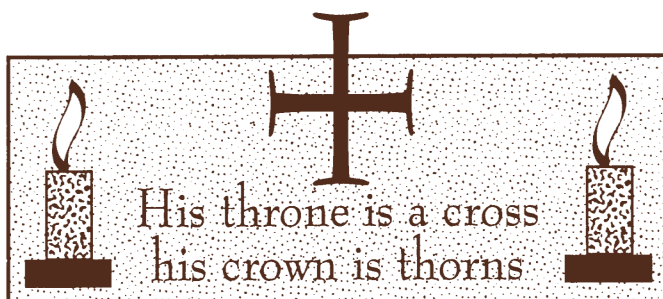
“Pray, hope, and don’t worry” – Padre Pio.

Christ is King. He was King last week, and He will be King next week. Our hope should only be in Christ and His Blessed Mother. If you are feeling overwhelmed, turn off the news and pray. Pray and focus on your own holiness. Go to confession. Make acts of reparation for our nation. Do penance. Obtain indulgences. There are so many opportunities for plenary indulgences right now. Make acts of faith, hope and love. Dedicate more time to works of mercy—spiritual and corporal. And do not worry. Our Lord commanded us not to be anxious about anything. It may be that Our Lord leads us through a very dark time in the next few years. Do not be afraid. In His gracious will is our peace and He will lead us through any trial or hardship. It may be that He is calling us to suffer, and through that suffering to merit graces for the salvation of souls. Even persecution may come; and if it does, do not be afraid. By our long-suffering, we will obtain many graces and many souls may be saved through our suffering. Whatever you do imitate Our Lady and remain with Her in prayer under the Cross of Calvary. And ask the intercession of the Holy Martyrs. That we may have the courage that they had. The Martyrs embraced their martyrdom with joy and eagerness, for they trusted not in the powers and politics of this world but in Almighty God. May we embrace our martyrdoms as they did. Stay close to Christ and His church and all will be well. God bless you. And may the sweet mantle of Our Lady cover, comfort, and protect you.”

—Fr. Stephen Kenyon



Please join us on Friday's for Adoration immediately after 11:00 AM Mass with Benediction at 1:45 PM. It will be broadcast as well on livestream @ stmarkseagirt.com



Give Thanks
To The
Lord,
For He Is Good



Solemnity of Christ the King

The Solemnity of Christ the King was instituted by Pope Pius XI with the encyclical *Quas primas*. The Holy Father speaks directly to the problem of what he referred to as “anti-clericalism,” by which he meant the attitude of those who were seeking to extirpate Christian influence from political life. We see a version of anti-clericalism today, for example, when it is suggested that belief in Catholic teachings renders a person unfit for a judicial appointment.

When our nation is beset by civic unrest, racial tension, and a pandemic, we do well to turn to Our Lord, who reigns over every people and nation.

Jesus is the Word of God made flesh, the Incarnate Lord.

“His kingship is founded upon the ineffable hypostatic union. From this it follows not only that Christ is to be adored by angels and men, but that to him as man angels and men are subject, and must recognize his empire; by reason of the hypostatic union Christ has power over all creatures.” –*Quas primas*, 13

Jesus is fully God and fully man. He is both the divine Lord and the man who suffered and died on the Cross. In him, one person of the Trinity unites himself to human nature and reigns over all creation as the Incarnate Son of God.

Jesus shares a law of charity to show the way to communion with God.

“Not only do the gospels tell us that he made laws, but they present him to us in the act of making them. Those who keep them show their love for their Divine Master, and he promises that they shall remain in his love.” –*Quas primas*, 14

By being close to sisters and brothers who are suffering, we draw close to Jesus. We Catholics, as individuals and as parishes, can look for opportunities to minister to the needs of people who are hurting and, by doing so, we will be acknowledging the kingship of Christ.

The Church acknowledges the reign of Christ, not only privately, but publicly.

“Thus by sermons preached at meetings and in churches, by public adoration of the Blessed Sacrament exposed and by solemn processions, men unite in paying homage to Christ, whom God has given them for their King.” –*Quas primas*, 26

Today, religious freedom for many people means that we can believe whatever we want, but when we enter the public square or the marketplace, we must conform to secularist orthodoxy. For Christians, when our faith is repeatedly marginalized in public life, we can fall into the habit of compartmentalizing our lives. We love Jesus in our private lives, but we shrink from acknowledging the kingship of Christ in social life. When we celebrate the Solemnity of Christ the King, we declare to the world and remind ourselves that Jesus is the Lord, not only of the Church, but of the universe.



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Please support the NJ Right to Life

The pandemic has been devastating to **the NJ Right to Life** fundraising. Please consider making a donation directly to New Jersey Right to Life <https://njrtl.org/donate/> or contact **Marie Checton 732-245-8405**.

Proceeds will benefit New Jersey Right to Life, the state's oldest and largest pro-life organization, dedicated to protecting all human life from conception to natural death.

Please show your support for LIFE!

Make a gift today!

DONATE



**On Behalf of the Babies,
Thanks for Supporting Life!**



**Let's light up the town of
Manasquan in remembrance!**

Light a Life

Walk of Remembrance

TO BENEFIT COMMON GROUND GRIEF CENTER



DATE: Saturday, November 28th, 2020

Rain Date: December 5th, 2020

WHERE: Downtown Manasquan

TIME: Between 4pm-8pm

DONATION FOR LUMINARY: \$10.00

WHAT IS IT? Purchase a luminary in memory or honor of a special person. We will include the name of that person on the luminary. Luminaries will be lit and displayed along the streets of downtown Manasquan. Stroll the town anytime between the hours of 4-8pm.

Purchaser of luminary need not be present for walk.



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Four easy ways to order luminaries:

1. Online at commongroundgriefcenter.ejoinme.org/lightalife2020
2. Make a check payable to Common Ground and mail to Common Ground, 67 Taylor Ave., Manasquan, NJ 08736
3. Visit Squan Family Dentistry at 54 Broad St., Manasquan (Monday-Friday: 8am-6pm)
4. Visit Bouquets To Remember at 123 Main St., Manasquan (Tues-Fri: 10am-5:30pm; Sat: 10am-5pm)

**Together, in remembrance,
we can light up
the town of Manasquan!**

In collaboration with the Borough of Manasquan

Common Ground Grief Center is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization which provides on-going peer support groups for children, teenagers and their families who are grieving the loss of a parent, sibling or friend. The Center provides services free of cost to all participating families. Common Ground is supported solely by private donations through individuals, corporations, foundations, grants and fundraisers.



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Light a Life, Walk of Remembrance ORDER FORM

First Name

Last Name

Address

City

State

Zip Code

Telephone Number

Email Address

In Memory Of:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

In Honor Of:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

Please use the back of sheet for additional names

Quantity: _____ X \$10.00 = Total Amount Due: _____

METHOD OF PAYMENT (please select from below):

☐ CASH

☐ CHECK (Please make payable to: Common Ground)

☐ CREDIT CARD (please select one): ☐ American Express ☐ Visa ☐ Mastercard ☐ Discover

Name on Card

Credit Card Number

Exp. Date

CVC #

Billing Address (if different than above)

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harbor of our Faith.*

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this light shining brightly.**

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*Mañanitas a la Virgen de
Guadalupe*

La parroquia Católica de San Marcos, Sea Girt
les hace una cordial invitación:

A la Gran Fiesta de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe

Viernes 11 de Diciembre 2020

Comenzando a las 8:00 p.m.



**Ven a Festejar con Nosotros a Nuestra
Madre Celestial**



Programa:

Rosario

Bendición a los niños

Santa Misa 9:00 pm

Mañanitas a la Virgen

Refrigerios para llevar

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Tel (732) 449-6364 ext. 104 /105



Solemnidad de Nuestro Señor Jesucristo, Rey del Universo Último domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

Primera lectura: Ezequiel 34, 11-12. 15-17.

Esto dice el Señor Dios: “Yo mismo iré a buscar a mis ovejas y velaré por ellas. Así como un pastor vela por su rebaño cuando las ovejas se encuentran dispersas, así velaré yo por mis ovejas e iré por ellas a todos los lugares por donde se dispersaron un día de niebla y oscuridad. Yo mismo apacentaré a mis ovejas, yo mismo las haré reposar, dice el Señor Dios. Buscaré a la oveja perdida y haré volver a la descarriada; curaré a la herida, robusteceré a la débil, y a la que está gorda y fuerte, la cuidaré. Yo las apacentaré con justicia. En cuanto a ti, rebaño mío, he aquí que yo voy a juzgar entre oveja y oveja, entre carneros y machos cabrios”.

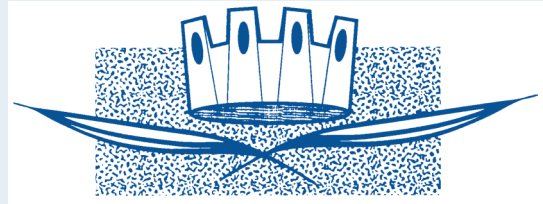
Salmo Responsorial: Salmo 22, 1-2a. 2b-3. 5-6.

El Señor es mi pastor, nada me faltará.

El Señor es mi pastor, nada me falta:
en verdes praderas me hace reposar.
y hacia fuentes tranquilas me conduce
para reparar mis fuerzas.

El Señor es mi pastor, nada me faltará.

Tu mismo me preparas la mesa,
a despecho de mis adversarios;
me unges la cabeza con perfume,
y llenas mi copa hasta los bordes.



El Señor es mi pastor, nada me faltará.

Tu bondad y tu misericordia me acompañaran
todos los días de mi vida;
y viviré en la casa del Señor
por años sin término.

El Señor es mi pastor, nada me faltará.

Segunda lectura: 1 Corintios 15, 20-26. 28.

Hermanos: Cristo resucitó, y resucitó como la primicia de todos los muertos. Porque si por un hombre vino la muerte, también por un hombre vendrá la resurrección de los muertos.

En efecto, así como en Adán todos mueren, así en Cristo todos volverán a la vida; pero cada uno en su orden: primero Cristo, como primicia; después, a la hora de su advenimiento, los que son de Cristo. Enseguida será la consumación, cuando, después de haber aniquilado todos los poderes del mal, Cristo entregue el Reino a su Padre. Porque él tiene que reinar hasta que el Padre ponga bajo sus pies a todos sus enemigos. El último de los enemigos en ser aniquilado, será la muerte. Al final, cuando todo se le haya sometido, Cristo mismo se someterá al Padre, y así Dios será todo en todas las cosas.

Aclamación antes del Evangelio: Marcos 11, 9. 10.

R. Aleluya, aleluya.

¡Bendito el que viene en el nombre del Señor!

¡Bendito el reino que llega, el reino de nuestro padre David!

R. Aleluya.

Evangelio: Mateo 25, 31-46.

En aquel tiempo, Jesús dijo a sus discípulos: “Cuando venga el Hijo del hombre, rodeado de su gloria, acompañado de todos sus ángeles, se sentará en su trono de gloria. Entonces serán congregadas ante él todas las naciones, y él apartará a los unos de los otros, como aparta el pastor a las ovejas de los cabritos, y pondrá a las ovejas a su derecha y a los cabritos a su izquierda. Entonces dirá el rey a los de su derecha: ‘Vengan, benditos de mi Padre; tomen posesión del Reino preparado para ustedes desde la creación del mundo; porque estuve hambriento y me dieron de comer, sediento y me dieron de beber, era forastero y me hospedaron, estuve desnudo y me vistieron, enfermo y me visitaron, encarcelado y fueron a verme’. Los justos le contestarán entonces: ‘Señor, ¿cuándo te vimos hambriento y te dimos de comer, sediento y te dimos de beber? ¿Cuándo te vimos de forastero y te hospedamos, o desnudo y te vestimos? ¿Cuándo te vimos enfermo o encarcelado y te fuimos a ver?’ Y el rey les dirá: ‘Yo les aseguro que, cuando lo hicieron con el más insignificante de mis hermanos, conmigo lo hicieron’. Entonces dirá también a los de su izquierda: ‘Apártense de mí, malditos; vayan al fuego eterno, preparado para el diablo y sus ángeles; porque estuve hambriento y no me dieron de comer, sediento y no me dieron de beber, era forastero y no me hospedaron, estuve desnudo y no me vistieron, enfermo y encarcelado y no me visitaron’. Entonces ellos le responderán: ‘Señor, ¿cuándo te vimos hambriento o sediento, de forastero o desnudo, enfermo o encarcelado y no te asistimos?’ Y él les replicará: ‘Yo les aseguro que, cuando no lo hicieron con uno de aquellos más insignificantes, tampoco lo hicieron conmigo’. Entonces irán éstos al castigo eterno y los justos a la vida eterna”.