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FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING

Sunday Mass Readings

First Reading:

Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17

Responsorial Psalm:

Psalm 22 (23): 1-3a, 5-6

Second Reading:

1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28

Gospel:

Matthew 25: 31-46

*"Come, you whom my Father has
blessed, take for your heritage the
kingdom prepared for you since the
foundation of the world."*



Hear

Grab your Bible and look up the Gospel reading. Don't have one? No worries, you can find the text [here](#).

Pray

Find a quiet place to sit, reflect and pray with Psalm 23.

Watch: [Psalm 23 for Kids](#)

As you watch the video with your children, pay attention to how they connect the Psalm to their relationship with Jesus.

Listen: [Psalm 23 for Adults](#)

As you listen to this song what feelings resonate with you? How do the words of the song relate with your relationship with God?

Talk

In the first reading and the psalm we are reminded that our God is not a distant God. He is always with us in good times and in challenging times too.

- What blessings have you received from God this past week?
- What are some of the challenges you are facing in school or at work at the moment?
- How can you show the love of Jesus to others this coming week?
- How can you invite Jesus to be the King of your heart and of your home?

Family Challenge!

Visit your local Church this week and spend some time in the presence of the King of Kings hidden in the tabernacle.

LEARN A NEW SONG!

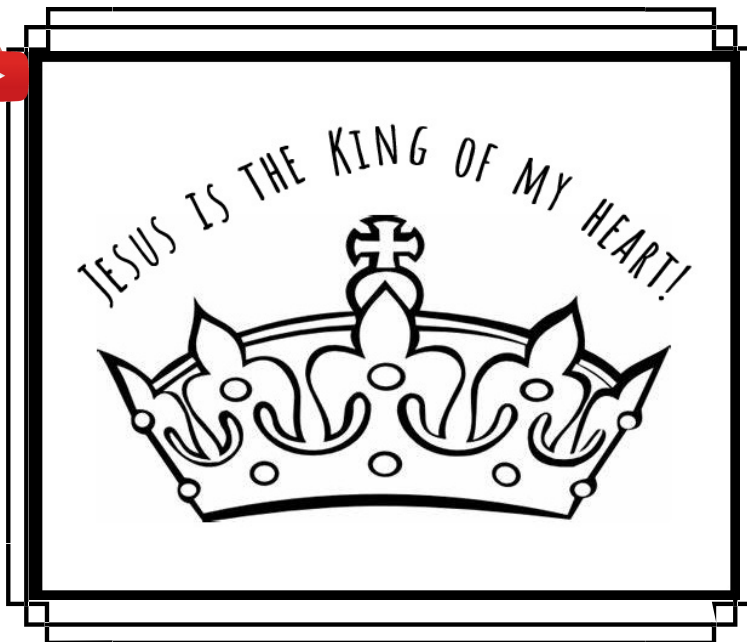
"WE WANNA SEE"

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Kids' Corner

For every jewel you colour in Jesus' crown, say a little prayer, something like "I love You Jesus, thank you Jesus, bless my family."



CHRIST, THE UNIVERSAL KING

When we think of a king what picture comes to mind? Maybe you think of castles or palaces, with courtiers and guards, and perhaps lavish feasts and banquets, all far removed from the lives of ordinary people. But with today's feast, of Christ the Universal King, the opposite is true. We have a divine, eternal king who is not distant or far removed from us.

Our Heavenly King has come to us and he unites us intimately with himself through the Sacraments, through his living Word in the Scriptures, and especially through the Eucharist, his Body and Blood, our food for eternal life. Jesus has come as our King to bring us into communion with the Blessed Trinity in the deepest possible way.

In today's Gospel Jesus speaks about the final judgement on the last day. The people are judged according to how they have lived, and in particular, how they have loved. In other words, what quality of love is present in my life? How am I loving God? How am I loving others? How is that love made manifest, and how have I received or accepted love? Do I accept and believe that I am a beloved child of God, made in his image and likeness?

Not only is Christ our King, but we, through our Baptism, are anointed with royal status. We are his brothers and sisters, members of God's royal family. That's not just a pious platitude or wishful thinking. It's really true! Baptism consecrates us as priests, prophets and kings. Reflect on that fact this week. You and I are children of the true King of Kings and heirs to the Kingdom of Heaven.

By Fr Shane O'Neill

EVENTS

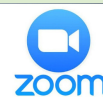
"The Joy of Anticipation"

Free Online Advent Series:

Dec 1, 8, 15, 22: 7.30 - 8.30pm

Based on the Sycamore video series, an informal course about the Christian faith and its relevance for life today.

Register before Nov 27th by emailing events@waterfordlismore.ie or by calling 085 8623705



Family Prayer

*"The Lord is my Shepherd,
there is nothing
I shall want.
He leads me
beside still waters.
He restores my soul."
Psalm 22 (23)*

Carlo's Corner

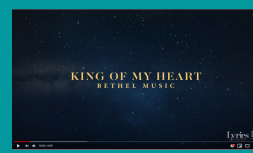


Blessed Carlo Acutis
- Pray for us!

WHO IS THE KING OF YOUR HEART?

*"To be always united with Jesus,
this is my plan of life."*

Carlo's greatest friend was Jesus. He wanted to be close to Him at every moment, and spend eternity with Him in heaven. Jesus was definitely the King of Carlo's heart; Carlo just wanted to know, love and serve Him and help others do the same. Take a few minutes this week, to sit before an image of a crucifix, and listen to this song.



Listen to "King of my Heart" - Bethel

CHECK IT OUT: THE CHOSEN TV SERIES



"The Chosen is the first-ever multi-season TV show about the life of Jesus. Created outside of the Hollywood system, The Chosen allows us to see Jesus through the eyes of those who knew him. No matter where you are at in your journey with Jesus Christ, this TV show is for you."

