

Christ The King

Today's readings are SO wonderfully put together now that we come to the close of our liturgical year.

I watched the funeral of the Thai King recently, and was awed by the reverence the people paid to their beloved King who served his people so humbly and tirelessly. The Thai people approached their sovereign on bended knees and with heads bowed as they sought his favour for their well being. The King indeed looked after them and protected them especially when the country was in turmoil with frequent military coups. He loved his people and in return they loved him to the end.

Singapore has no King. For us Christians, however, we do have Jesus as our King! His kingship is not political, but pastoral.

Jesus Christ is our shepherd who will protect us and guide us to green pastures. And, He will bring us home to eternal rest as promised in the Psalm and the Gospel.

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The favourite Psalm for most of us is Psalm 23. The words reassure us that the Good Shepherd is in control of all aspects of our life and no harm will come to those who believe in Him and follow in His paths. We can always find rest for our drooping spirits when we surrender our will to Him.

It is tough for me sometimes to remember that I should seek His help in times of stress and distress. Instinctively, I tend to react negatively when I don't get my way. I forget I have the King of the Universe as my Lord and Saviour, whom I can call on anytime, anywhere. No Wifi connection required! He is only a prayer away.

Seriously, my fellow Catholics, we are so blessed to know Jesus and to receive the Good News of His love and care for us. The Sacraments and especially the Holy Eucharist are gifts for us to receive the graces to live our lives - free from fear and free from evil.

Let us pay homage to our Heavenly King, Jesus Christ, who served us so lovingly and gave His life for us on the throne of His Cross. May we, in return, offer Him our love and service all the days of our life.

Novena notes

Sun. 26 November

Mon. 27 November

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Feast Of Christ The King 34th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A **Readings & Responses for the Week** 26 November 2017 Ez 34:11-12.15-17: 1 Cor 15:20-26.28: Mt 25:31-46 The Lord is my shepherd: there is nothing I shall want. Dan 1:1-6.8-20: Lk 21:1-4 To you glory and praise for evermore.

Tue, 28 November Dan 2:31-45: Lk 21:5-11 Give glory and eternal praise to him! Wed. 29 November Dan 5:1-6.13-14.16-17.23-28: Lk 21:12-19 Give glory and eternal praise to him! Thu, 30 November Rom 10:9-18: Mt 4:18-22 St Andrew, Apostle Their word goes forth through all the earth. Fri. 1 December Dan 7:2-14: Lk 21:29-33

Sat. 2 December

Dan 7:15-27: Lk 21:34-36 Give glory and eternal praise to him!

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WEEKDAY MASS (MON - FRI) Time: 6.30am, 12.15pm, 6.30pm Confession: Half an hour before Mass

SUNSET MASS (SAT) Time: 6.30pm

SUNDAY MASS Time: 8am, 10am, 12noon, 5.30pm

PUBLIC HOLIDAY Time: 8am, 6.30pm SATURDAY MORNING MASS Time: 7am

SATURDAY NOVENA DEVOTION English: 8am, 9.30am, 11am, 1pm, 4pm, 5.30pm Mandarin: 2.30pm Confession: After every Novena Service except after the 11am service.

DAYS OF OBLIGATION Time: 7pm (Eve of Day of Obligation) 6.30am, 12.15pm, 7pm

Novena notes

"DAWN Skill Development Programme for foreign domestic workers" Registration is open for the following courses:

Courses on Baking, Cooking, Cake Decoration, Sewing and Handicraft from January 2018 till June 2018

Caregiving Course will be conducted on 2nd & 4th Sunday of each month.

Dates : 26th November 2017 and 3rd December 2017 Time: 10 am to 2 pm Venue: DAWN, Good Shepherd Place. 9, Lorong 8, Toa Payoh. Singapore 319253. Contact: 96702880 (Suzeth) or 82333728 (Sr. Barbara)

Novena Church Carpark

Please note that cars will have to double park for all Novena Devotions and Masses. Carpark Wardens will be there to assist vou and direct vou. We seek vour co-operation with them, kindly remove vour car immediately after the session.

Advent Novena

Our Advent Novena to prepare for Christmas will begin on Saturday, 28th October 2017. The Theme for this special Novena is: "When A Child Is Born." It is not too late to join us. All are welcome and bring along your family and friends.

28 Oct : We are Children of God

4 Nov : Dependence and Trust

11 Nov : Innocence and Purity

18 Nov : Humility and Wonder

25 Nov : Growth and Maturity

2 Dec : Discipline and Obedience

9 Dec : Teaching and Learning

16 Dec : Honour and Respect

23 Dec : Jesus: A Child is Born

Testing of Car Park Ticketing System

Please be informed that we shall be carrying out a testing of the Car Park Ticketing System from Monday, 20th November to Sunday, 26th November. All drivers are asked to be patient while the testing is to be done. There will be no charge during this period. Thank you for your co-operation.



Donations for our new pews

The pews give us the place to sit in silence, pray and worship. Your gift would be etched on a plaque affixed to the side of the pews.

Brochures can be obtained from the Reception desk.

Kingsmead Centre's Programmes

In line with its vision of being a living spiritual spring for all seeking the love of God. generous support. Kingsmead Centre for Ignatian Spirituality and Counselling conducts variety of а programmes including retreats, workshops and talks to meet the spiritual needs of people.

For enquiries, please visit the website at www.kingsmeadcentre.sg

Maintenance of the new church

Now that our building fund target has been met, all further donations will go towards our Church Maintenance Fund.

You can donate by cheque. You can now also donate via GIRO.

Kindly issue your cheque pavable to: **Redemptorist Fathers**

Maintenance Fund.

Those who wish to donate via GIRO, please obtain the GIRO Form from the Reception desk.

Our credit card machine can now accept donations to the Maintenance Fund via Pav Wave.

Thank you very much for your