

Our Lady Queen of the World Church

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OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

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Office Hours

Monday – Friday: 9:00am—1:00pm

Masses

Saturday Vigil 5:00 pm (English)
7:00 pm (Spanish)

Sunday 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 12 noon (English)
4:00 pm (Vietnamese)

Weekdays: Mon-Fri. 7:30am, Sat. 8:00am
First Friday: 7:30 am with Adoration after Mass

Devotions

Adoration & Benediction: Fridays 6:00pm- 7:30pm
Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena:
Wednesdays after morning mass
Chaplet of the Divine Mercy: Mondays to Saturdays
after morning mass
Exposition & Benediction : Fridays 6:00pm- 7:30pm

Confessions

Saturday 4:00pm—5:00pm or by appointment

Baptisms

Pre-Baptism classes for parents and godparents held every second Tuesday of the month. Contact the parish office.

* *Spanish Classes*, contact Paty Ruvalcaba 925-395-1835.

* *Vietnamese* baptisms, contact Fr. Thomas Khue at the parish office.

Marriage

Contact the parish office at least six months in advance.

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• Religious Education

RCIA Non-Catholic Adults seeking Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist, & membership in the Catholic Church. (Effective 2025)

• St. Vincent de Paul

Food pantry opens Saturdays 12:00 noon to 1:30 pm in the Parish hall

SOLEMNITY OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

11/24/2024

On the last Sunday of each liturgical year, the Church celebrates the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, or Christ the King.

Pope Pius XI instituted this feast in 1925 with his encyclical *Quas primas* (“In the first”) to respond to growing secularism and atheism. He recognized that attempting to “thrust Jesus Christ and his holy law” out of public life would result in continuing discord among people and nations. This solemnity reminds us that while governments come and go, Christ reigns as King forever.



During the early twentieth century, in Mexico, Russia, and some parts of Europe, militantly secularistic regimes threatened not just the Catholic Church and its faithful but civilization itself. Pope Pius XI’s encyclical gave Catholics hope and—while governments around them crumbled—the assurance that Christ the King shall reign forever. **Jesus Christ “is very truth, and it is from him that truth must be obediently received by all mankind” (*Quas primas*, 7).**

Christ’s kingship is rooted in the Church’s teaching on the Incarnation. Jesus is fully God and fully man. He is both the divine Lord and the man who suffered and died on the Cross. One person of the Trinity unites himself to human nature and reigns over all creation as the Incarnate Son of God. “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).

The Church calls us to acknowledge Christ’s kingship with our whole lives:

*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, or to use the words of the Apostle Paul, ‘as instruments of justice unto God.’ -*Quas primas*, 33*

Today, religious freedom for many people means that we can believe whatever we want in private, but when we enter the public square or the marketplace, we may not speak of anything that relates to our faith. However, the Church acknowledges the reign of Christ, not only privately, but publicly. **This solemnity encourages us the celebrate and live out our faith in public.** “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).

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 of the Church and of the entire universe.

Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



Monday, November 25

7:30 am All Souls

Tuesday, November 26

7:30 am All Souls

Wednesday, November 27

7:30 am All Souls

Thursday, November 28

10:00 am All Souls

Friday, November 29

7:30 am All Souls

Saturday, November 30

8:00 am Erlinda Dungca

5:00 pm Perla Bautista

7:00 pm (SP) Zoila Rosales †

Sunday, December 1

8:00 am Tranquilino Nilo †

10:00 am World Peace—Bautista Family

12:00 pm Jasmin Toledo Thanksgiving

4:00 pm (VN)



PARISH ORGANIZATIONS & CONTACTS

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GOSPEL READING

Jn 18:33b-37

Pilate said to Jesus,
"Are you the King of the Jews?"
Jesus answered, "Do you say this on your own
or have others told you about me?"
Pilate answered, "I am not a Jew, am I?
Your own nation and the chief priests handed you
over to me.
What have you done?"
Jesus answered, "My kingdom does not belong to
this world.
If my kingdom did belong to this world,
my attendants would be fighting
to keep me from being handed over to the Jews.
But as it is, my kingdom is not here."
So Pilate said to him, "Then you are a king?"
Jesus answered, "You say I am a king.
For this I was born and for this I came into the
world,
to testify to the truth.
Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my
voice."

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Logan Kenney, Father Tom, Jasmin Toledo, Carlo Lagarejos, Patricia Diokno, Grace Feliciano, Adele Frijas, Elouise Nicolas, Betty Tecson, Efrén Lopez, Bert Tomas, Patrick Embody, Aida, Jerome Francis, Vincent Francis, Joseph S., Kathy Lirio, Mario & Emma Dolor, Theodore Rosauero, Kalia Santos, Lisa Kjome, Jovita Domingo, Lily Francis, Jiten Prasad, Virginia Francis, Sherry Ingram, Hoang Le, Baby Kade Benson, Gina Masangcay, Josefina Matias, Maria Martinez-Gonzalez, Lyn & Travis Swan, all those in the Parish who are sick and all those listed in the Book of Intention.

If you would like a name added to the prayer list, please call the rectory 925-458-4718.

STEWARDSHIP/FINANCE

Sunday Collection November 17: \$ 5,641.00

Campaign for Human Development: \$ 2,249.00

Assessment: \$51,581.00 Paid: \$42,984.20

Liability Insurance: \$20,261.00 Paid: \$16,208.80

Thank you for your contribution support to sustain the ministries & ongoing needs of our parish.

Please make all checks payable to either "OLQW" or Our Lady Queen of the World for both first and second collections. Also please put your envelope number on the Memo line.

Gospel Reflection

This Sunday is the last Sunday of the Church's liturgical year. On this Sunday we celebrate the Solemnity of Christ the King. Each year we set aside this Sunday to reflect upon this title that we have given to Jesus. In Lectionary Cycle C, we read a portion of the passion from the Gospel of John, which is also part of the Gospel reading proclaimed each year on Good Friday.

In John's Gospel, Pilate is shown in a more favorable light than in the other Gospels. In today's reading, we hear one of two dialogues between Jesus and Pilate that are reported in John's Gospel. Pilate questions Jesus about the charges brought against him. Caiaphas and the high priests have charged Jesus with a political crime, one that would require a punishment of death. Pilate distances himself from the Jewish leaders who accuse Jesus; he is not a Jew, and he seems to want little to do with this Jewish affair.

In his responses to Pilate's questions, Jesus distinguishes his kingdom from the political powers of this world. King and kingdom may be appropriate terms for Jesus' mission and promise, but only by analogy. Jesus is king, but not the kind of king we imagine or expect. He was certainly not the kind of king Pilate feared he might be.

Jesus refers to a kingdom that does not belong to this world. This has been mentioned earlier in John's Gospel. Recall that in his prayer during the Last Supper discourse (see John 17:6-18), Jesus prayed for his disciples who are in the world but do not belong to the world. Yet like Jesus, they are sent into the world for the world's salvation. In today's reading, we see Jesus identify the final proof that his kingdom is not of this world: If his kingdom were of this world, then there would be people fighting to save him. Again we hear echoes of John's theme—salvation is worked out through a cosmic battle. It is helpful to return to the first chapter of John's Gospel to understand the context for Jesus' words to Pilate. Jesus came into the world, but the world did not know him. In John's language, the world prefers the darkness, and yet the light will not be overcome by the darkness.

Truth has been another important theme in John's Gospel. We see it emphasized in the conclusion of the dialogue between Jesus and Pilate. Those who know the truth will recognize Jesus as king and will know how to interpret this insight. Yet Jesus' kingship was hidden from many of his contemporaries. Only those chosen, those who have the eyes of faith, are able to see. As modern disciples of Jesus, we also struggle at times to recognize Jesus as king. Today's Gospel invites us to see with eyes of faith that we might recognize that Jesus, through his crucifixion and death, is indeed king and Savior of all.

ST. JAMES OF MARCHE

Saint of the day: November 28



Meet one of the fathers of the modern pawnshop!

James was born in the Marche of Ancona, in central Italy along the Adriatic Sea. After earning

doctorates in canon and civil law at the University of Perugia, he joined the Friars Minor and began a very austere life. He fasted nine months of the year; he slept three hours a night. Saint Bernardine of Siena told him to moderate his penances.

James studied theology with Saint John of Capistrano. Ordained in 1420, James began a preaching career that took him all over Italy and through 13 Central and Eastern European countries. This extremely popular preacher converted many people—250,000 at one estimate—and helped spread devotion to the Holy Name of Jesus. His sermons prompted numerous Catholics to reform their lives, and many men joined the Franciscans under his influence.

With John of Capistrano, Albert of Sarteano, and Bernardine of Siena, James is considered one of the “four pillars” of the Observant movement among the Franciscans. These friars became known especially for their preaching.

To combat extremely high interest rates, James established montes pietatis—literally, mountains of charity—nonprofit credit organizations that lent money on pawned objects at very low rates. Not everyone was happy with the work James did. Twice assassins lost their nerve when they came face to face with him. James died in 1476, and was canonized in 1726.

Reflection

James wanted the word of God to take root in the hearts of his listeners. His preaching was directed to preparing the soil, so to speak, by removing any rocks and softening up lives hardened by sin. God's intention is that his word take root in our lives, but for that we need both prayerful preachers and cooperative listeners.

PARISH EVENTS

POPE FRANCIS' MONTHLY PRAYER INTENTIONS:

November 2024: For anyone who has lost a child

We pray that all parents who mourn the loss of a son or daughter find support in their community and receive peace and consolation from the Holy Spirit. Church.

THANKSGIVING DAY

Thursday, November 28th

Our Thanksgiving Day mass will be at 10:00 am. Bring your basket to be blessed by Father to the step in front of the altar before the start of the mass. There will be no 7:30 am mass this day.

ALL SOULS ENVELOPES

All weekday mass intentions in November will be for All Souls, all your intentions will be placed at the Altar.

All Souls Envelopes are available on the table at the Church entrance.

Please Pray for the Repose Soul of :

Kathleen Embody	Debra Solomon
Rodolfo Dimalanta	Proceso Belleza
Jack Mallet	Lourdes Prajes
Rena De Marco	Van Nguyen
Bob Hoppenhauer	Victoria Lapid
Nancy Dongallo	Rina Anthony
Leslie Gehrke	Rosalina Masangcay
Michael Gott	Raymond Conner
George Wildes	Peter Hoang Le

*May the Perpetual Light shine upon them.
May they Rest in Peace.*

WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE

Monday, November 25

5:00 pm Hall: Hispanic Community

Tuesday, November 26

8:30 am Hall: Thanksgiving Basket Pickup

7:00 pm P#1 or 2: Choir

Wednesday, November 27

11:30 am P#2: Legion of Mary

Thursday, November 28

7:00 pm P# 2: Divine Mercy Prayer

Friday, November 29

Gift Giving Tree Set up

9:00 am Hall: SVdP

6:00 pm Adoration

7:00 pm P#1: Hispanic Choir

7:00 pm Hall: Filipino Association

Saturday, November 30

12:00 pm Hall: St. Vincent de Paul

3:00 pm Hall: Filipino Association

Sunday, December 1

1:00 pm Hall, P#3&4: Vietnamese School

2:00 pm P#2: Vietnamese Choir

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE FEAST DAY

The Hispanic Community would like to invite you to celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe on Thursday, December 12th. The mass will be at 6:00 pm in Spanish with a reception to follow at Palis hall.

HALL EXPANSION CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

The Building Fund 2nd collection will be for the Hall Expansion Capital Campaign. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. Thank you.

Our Lady Queen of the World
Christmas Party
December 7, 2024
 Doors open 6:00 PM
 Dinner: 7:00 PM
 Donation DJ: Dynamic DJ
Adults: \$10.00
Kids (Age 5 & Below): Free
 For ticket information contact OLQW at 925-458-4718
 or Winston Graham at 925-389-0068.
Deadline to buy tickets: December 1, 2024.
No tickets will be sold at the door.

ADVENT SCHEDULE

Monday, December 9th: 7:30 pm Feast of Immaculate Conception

Tuesday, December 10th: 7:00 pm Communal Penance

Wednesday, December 11th: 7:00 pm Hall: Apparitions of Guadalupe

Thursday, December 12th: Hispanic Community Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe

December 15-December 23:

Simbang Gabi

Weekdays: 7:30 pm

Saturday: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 6:00 pm

Fellowship to follow at the Hall after each mass.

Tuesday, December 24th: Christmas Eve

6:30 pm Spanish

8:30 pm Vietnamese

11:30 pm Carols

12:00 am English

Wednesday, December 25th

8:00 am, 10:00 am and 12:00 noon English
 4:00 pm Vietnamese

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We also accept gifts of stock. For more information, please contact the Office for Mission Advancement at 510-267-8314.

También aceptamos donaciones de acciones. Para obtener más información, comuníquense con la Oficina para el Avance de la Misión al 510-267-8314.

Payments should be mailed directly to:

Los pagos deben enviarse por correo directamente a:

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Attention: 2024 Bishop's Ministries Appeal

All contributions to the Bishop's Ministries Appeal are tax deductible to the full extent of the law.

Todas las contribuciones a la Campaña de los Ministerios del Obispo son deducibles de impuestos en todo el peso de la ley.



Christmas Gift Giving

December 21, 2024

9:00 AM – 12:00 Noon

**Help us help the Knights of
Columbus bring a little
Christmas to children
between ages 2 and 17!**

**Pick up a card from the
Christmas Tree at the front
entrance of the church and
you will be able to help a child
this Christmas Season!**

**From Nov. 28th thru Dec. 15th,
you can give your donation
after each mass or at the
rectory office! Wrapping of
gifts will be on December 20th
at 5 pm in the hall.**

**You may contact any Knight or the
Rectory for additional information.**

