November 25, 2018    Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Readings: pgs. 719-721
Ordinary of the Mass: pg. 850 Kyriale Simplex Mass I (5pm and 8am);
pg. 879 Missa Orbis Factor (11am)
Prayer of St. Thomas Aquinas: pg. 1000
Entrance Hymn: Crown Him With Many Crowns #136
Entrance Antiphon (@5pm and 8am): How worthy ...(pg. 960 #196); Dignus est Agnus @11
Responsorial Psalm: The Lord is king; he is robed in majesty.
Creed: Credo III (only sung at 11am) pg. 899
Offertory Hymn: Christ is Made the Sure Foundation #156
Communion: The Lord sits as King (pg. 960 #198); Sedebit Dominus Rex @11
Communion Hymn: Ave Verum Corpus #132
Communion Motet (@11): Jesu Rex Admirabilis-Palestrina
Marian Antiphon: Salve Regina #124
Recessional Hymn: To Jesus Christ Our Sovereign King #137
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**Mass Times:**
- Monday - Friday @ 12:00 Noon
- Saturday @ 5:00pm
- Sunday @ 8:00am, 11:00am & 5:00pm

**PARISH OFFICE**
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**St. Mary's Outreach Agency:**
- Food, Clothing and Prescription
- Medication Assistance

**Hours:**
- Wednesday & Thursday 9:00am - 3:00pm
- (816) 252-8649

*Please call for an appointment*

*Donations of food & clothing may be brought to the Ministry Center Monday - Thursday by 12:00 noon.*

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Kari Boutross - Office Assistant
Wed. & Thurs 9:00am - 12:00pm
**Altar Servers:**

Nov 24 & 25, 2018

4th Week

5:00pm - Volunteers
8:00am - A Rincon, W Pappas
11:00am - A Talato, N Smith, E & J Diamond, M Deggendorf

Lectors:

5:00pm - S. Leete
8:00am - D. Gilbert
11:00am - E. Ball

Dec 1 & 2, 2018

1st Week

5:00pm - Volunteers
8:00am - T&T Spooner, W Pappas
11:00am - A Talato, N Smith, E & J Diamond, M Deggendorf

Lectors:

5:00pm - T. Douglas
8:00am - M Pontalion
11:00am - E. Ball

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**PLEASE REMEMBER THESE PARISHIONERS and FRIENDS IN YOUR PRAYERS:**

Jeffery Klenklen, Joyce Klenklen, Betty Underwood, Annie Moran, David Barrett, Mary Pappas, Anthony Rizzi, Bob Trusty, KE Hun Ngo, Bob DeSchepper, Roberta Vargas, Tonya Huey, Brodie Gorbet, Michele Jordan, Pat Sicola, Jerry Belcum, Darlene Huey, Maggie Cruz, Rob Rector, Harold Mitchell, Beth Gibson

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**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY MEN & WOMEN:**

SFC. Christopher Kinnaman - Wainwright, Fairbanks AL. (Grandson of Betty Kinnaman)
Fr. CPT. Brian Klingele - Kreech AFB & Nellis AFB, Nevada. (Nephew of Ken & Karen Klingele)
Cpl Trevor Melton - Camp Pendelton, CA (Grandson of Marilyn Pontalion)
Rev. Joseph Reardon - Bahrain (Persian Gulf) Command Chaplain
SSGT Christopher Wood - Cherry Point, NC (Grandson of Jean Wilcox)
ICSN Josiah Smith - San Diego, CA. (Grandson of Mary Smith) & IC3 Christina Smith - Virginia (wife of Josiah)
CPT Eric Hoffman - US Air Force, Middle East (Nephew of Chuck & Karen Vlasin)

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Readings for the Week of November 25, 2018

**Sunday:** Dn 7:13-14/Ps 93:1, 1-2, 5 [1a]/Rv 1:5-8/Jn 18:33b-37

**Monday:** Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5/Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 [cf. 6]/Lk 21:1-4

**Tuesday:** Rv 14:14-19/Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13 [13b]/Lk 21:5-11

**Wednesday:** Rv 15:1-4/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 7-8, 9 [Rv 15:3b]/Lk 21:12-19

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

**Friday:** Rom 10:9-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [10 or Jn 6:63]/Mt 4:18-22

**Saturday:** Rv 22:1-7/Ps 95:1-2, 3-5, 6-7ab [1 Cor 16:22b; cf Rv 22:20c]/Lk 21:34-36

**Next Sunday:** Jer 33:14-16/Ps 25:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14 [1b]/1 Thes 3:12--4:2/Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

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The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combatting sexual abuse in the Church. If you are a victim of sexual abuse, or if you observe or suspect sexual abuse:

1. Call the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline at 1.800.392.3738 (if the victim is currently under the age of 18), and
2. Contact your local law enforcement agency or call 911, and
3. After reporting to these civil and law enforcement authorities, report suspected sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult to the Diocesan Ombudsman, Jenifer Valenti, at 816.812.2500 or JeniferValenti@att.net, if the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph. The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing care and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families. Please contact Victim Advocate, Kathleen Chastain, at 816.392.0011 or chastain@diocesekcsql.org for more information.
Gospel Reflection by Dr. Scott Hahn

What’s the truth Jesus comes to bear witness to in this last Gospel of the Church’s year?
It’s the truth that in Jesus, God keeps the promise He made to David of an everlasting kingdom, of an heir who would be His Son, “the first born, highest of the kings of the earth” (see 2 Samuel 7:12–16; Psalm 89:27–38). Today’s Second Reading, taken from the Book of Revelation, quotes these promises and celebrates Jesus as “the faithful witness.” The reading hearkens back to Isaiah’s prophecy that the Messiah would “witness to the peoples” that God is renewing His “everlasting covenant” with David (see Isaiah 55:3–5).

But as Jesus tells Pilate, there’s far more going on here than the restoration of a temporal monarchy. In the Revelation reading, Jesus calls Himself “the Alpha and the Omega,” the first and last letters of the Greek alphabet. He’s applying to Himself a description that God uses to describe Himself in the Old Testament—the first and the last, the One who calls forth all generations (see Isaiah 41:4; 44:6; 48:12).

“He has made the world,” today’s Psalm cries, and His dominion is over all creation (see also John 1:3; Colossians 1:16–17). In the vision of Daniel we hear in today’s First Reading, He comes on “the clouds of heaven”—another sign of His divinity—to be given “glory and kingship” forever over all nations and peoples.

Christ is King and His kingdom, while not of this world, exists in this world in the Church. We are a royal people. We know we have been loved by Him and freed by His blood and transformed into “a kingdom, priests for His God and Father” (see also Exodus 19:6; 1 Peter 2:9).

As a priestly people, we share in His sacrifice and in His witness to God’s everlasting covenant. We belong to His truth and listen to His voice, waiting for Him to come again amid the clouds.

The Maidens of the Miraculous Medal will meet on Saturday, December 1st, from 8:30-11:30 AM, beginning with Mass at 8:30 AM. Girls and young ladies ages 7-16 are invited. To learn more about the Maidens of the Miraculous Medal, please contact Sr. Maria Josepha at filiaelaborismariae@gmail.com. The Maidens meetings are an opportunity to foster prayer among the young ladies, to serve in the sacristy on behalf of our community, and to work in imitation of our Lady—behind the scenes and all for Jesus!

Dr. Sasso will offer a three week bible course commencing on Tuesday November 27th at 6:30PM in the Board Room at the Ministry Center. The course is titled: “The Pastoral Epistles (Timothy and Titus) and the Book of Hebrews Description:

These pastoral epistles make a good introduction to the Letter to the Hebrews, which uniquely gives us many insights into the Old Testament in demonstrating the superiority of the priesthood of Christ. It "actualizes" Old Testament texts by applying them to Christ, which underscores the pre-ordained divine plan fulfilled in Jesus Christ. Understanding the priesthood of Christ is central to a Catholic understanding of the sacraments. We will, with the author, explore both Christology and eschatology as presented by the sacred writer in the light of the Holy Spirit.”
Blood Drive: **THIS TUESDAY, Nov. 27th** in Fitzgerald Hall from 3:00-6:30pm. To book your appointment TODAY, just go to: esavealifenow.org, enter Sponsor Code: stmarycatholic or you may contact Kathryn Falco at 816.797.5348

**Nut sales.** Order forms can be found at the entrances of the Church. Please place your order forms, along with payment, in an envelope and place in the collection box. Orders can be picked up the following week after your respective Mass. **Please note:** Select nuts will be available for cash & carry at the Christmas Sale.

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**St. Mary’s Outreach Mercy Tree Project**

Don’t forget to check the gift envelopes for gifts for our adopted families available in baskets at the Mercy Tree in the northwest corner of the church or the south vestibule.

Please purchase the items, wrap them, place the gift envelope designating the item enclosed on the outside of the package and include any gift receipts. **Please use plenty of tape** securing the gift envelope to the outside of the package.

The gift(s) you purchase should be brought to one of the weekend Masses and placed under the “Mercy Tree” which will be located at the northwest corner of the church. The may also be returned to the Outreach in the Ministry Center Wednesdays or Thursdays between the hours of 9:00am to 3:00pm no later than **Thursday, December 13, 2018**. Please be sure to hang the ornament included in the gift envelope on the tree.

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**We appreciate your continued donations of chili fixin’s.** We could also use a variety of soups and crackers and gently used winter coats of all kinds, especially men’s as well as men’s socks.

**Thank you again to everyone for supporting our Parish Outreach Center throughout the year!**

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**St. Mary’s Altar & Rosary News**

**December 5, 2018 DCCW Luncheon and Quarterly Meeting**

All ladies of the Kansas City/St. Joseph Diocese are encouraged to attend the DCCW (Diocesan Council of Catholic Women) quarterly meeting to be held on December 5, 2018 at St. Mary’s Church, 611 North Liberty St., Independence, MO.

Registration begins at 9:00 a.m. with coffee and goodies. The business meeting will start promptly at 9:30 a.m. at 10:30 a.m. guest speaker Annie Ogilvie topic “Finding Faith When The Well Runs Dry”, 11:30 a.m. rosary, 12:00 p.m. Mass, 50/50 drawing, and catered luncheon.

Luncheon is $12.00 and reservations must be made by no later than Friday, November 30th, by calling Carolyn Huff @ 816-690-4278 or by email to lthouse4@centurylink.net.

We are collecting hats, mittens, scarves, socks, and underwear for our Christmas project “Over the Toes and Under the Clothes” at the December general luncheon meeting. Please bring all your items to the meeting. These will be passed onto Catholic Charities and Bishop Sullivan Center. Thank you for your donations. Christmas and gift items will be available for purchase at the December general meeting. We ask any vendors that would like to participate to please donate 10% of your sale proceeds to DCCW. Please call Kathy Philpott at 816-350-1921 or email her at Kathleenheimpott@sbcglobal.net if you would like a table to display your products.

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**Married Couples**

It has been said that the greatest gift you can give your children is two parents very much in love with each other. Polish up this gift and put a bow on it at a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. You deserve the best and your children need to see you reaching for it. The next Weekend in Kansas City is **March 1-3, 2019**.

For more information or to apply, please visit our website: [www.wwme4youandme.org](http://www.wwme4youandme.org) or call Tony & Barb Zimmerman, 816-741-4066 or email tonybarbz@prodigy.net