Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ the King

November 22, 2026

Hail Christ the King of salvation!

Dios es el Rey del universo, el pastor de la humanidad y el juez supremo de vivos y muertos (PRIMERA LECTURA). San Mateo (EVANGELIO) reproduce las palabras de Jesus, quien anuncia: “Cuando venga el Hijo del hombre, rodeado de su gloria, acompañado de todos sus ángeles, se sentará en su trono de gloria”. Su Padre, al resucitado de entre los muertos, hizo de el, como dice san Pablo (SEGUNDA LECTURA), la primicia de la humanidad nueva.

Masses For The Week

sab 21 **Vigilia de Nuestro Senor Jesucristo, Rey Del Universo**
04:30 pm +Rene & Mercedes Ramirez (Sus Hijos)
+Oscar R. Noriega (Familia)
+Jose Maria Martinez (Su Esposa)
+Ruben & Dora Rodriguez (Sus Hijos)
+Zolia S. Meza (M/M Jose Luis Martimez & Family)
+John Albert Martinez (His Wife Nancy Martinez)

Sun 22 **Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe**
11:30 am Missa Pro Populo

Mon 23 **NO MASS**

Tue 24 **Saint Andrew Dung-Lae, Priest, Martyr, and Companions, Martyrs**
08:00 am +All Souls in Purgatory

Wed 25 **Votive Mass of St. Joseph**
08:00 am +All Souls in Purgatory



Thr 26 **THANKSGIVING DAY**
08:00 am +Veronica S. Viera (Family)

Fri 27 **NO MASS**

Sat 28 **Votive Mass of the Immaculate Heart of Mary**
08:00 am +All Souls in Purgatory

The Sanctuary Candle



This Week will be Burning
In Thanksgiving for the 28th Anniversary of the Prayer Group

Good News!

November 22, 2026
Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe (A)
Ezekiel 34:11–12, 15–17 / 1 Corinthians 15:20–26, 28 / Matthew 25:31–46

MIGUEL DULICK

For his last sermon, Jesus revisits his first. In the Sermon on the Mount, if you are poor, or in mourning, or meek; if you hunger and thirst for righteousness; if you are merciful or clean of heart or a peacemaker or even persecuted, you are blessed! Now, Jesus reframes the Beatitudes as blessings bestowed, ultimately, on Jesus himself, in the persons of his “least brothers” with very specific needs: I was hungry; I was thirsty; I was a stranger; I was naked; I was sick; I was in jail. “Whatever you did, you did for me!”

Indeed, Jesus may be anticipating the last few days of his own life, when he will himself know every need: he will be hungry, thirsty, displaced, naked, hurt, and jailed, at least for one wicked night. Who “did” for him?

Once, I visited friends with their first baby. They said, “Oh, Miguel, we admire you so much. You’re always helping people.” This—while they’re holding their newborn!

I just laughed and quoted Jesus: “When I was hungry, when I was thirsty, homeless, naked, sick, in prison…. You do *all* of this every day with your baby—except for the jail thing! Who is more ‘least’ than a newborn?”

“We never thought of it like that.”

“Yes! Your baby is Jesus!”

And maybe Jesus is always a baby. Even Michelangelo’s *Pieta* depicts Jesus as the size of a child in a teen mother’s lap. ●

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Dear Padre

November 22, 2026

Why do some parishes have only priests who can’t speak English well?

The short answer to your question is that in many instances, a diocese does not have enough priests to staff all its parishes. In this case, the bishop “recruits” priests from parts of the world where the number of priests is more abundant.

This is not a new practice. In the 1830s, American bishops were recruiting priests from Europe to staff the parishes in the United States. As a result, men like St. John Neumann and Blessed Francis Seelos came to the United States. They worked not only for the German immigrants, whose language they knew because they were German themselves, but also for the Irish, the French-speaking, the Native Americans, and any other Catholic group that needed Catholic pastoral service.

In the first half of the twentieth century, the American Church was able to send missionaries to Latin America, Asia, and Africa, where there were not enough Catholic priests. The Maryknoll Missionaries, for instance, were founded for this purpose.

Today, the situation has reversed. The places with the most Catholic priests are in Asia, Africa, and some Latin American countries, as well as in Eastern Europe. If these men are willing to make the sacrifice of leaving their homeland, family, and friends to serve us, shouldn’t we make the effort to show some gratitude and hospitality to them? ●

Fr. Gary Lauenstein, CSsR / DearPadre.org

Do you have a question for the Padre?
Go to ***DearPadre.org*** to send your question and to learn more about ***Dear Padre***.

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THANKSGIVING DAY MASS

We invite you to join us for the celebration of Mass on Thanksgiving Day, November 26, 2026, at 8:00 a.m. We also ask that you bring some of the bread you will share at your Thanksgiving Day Meal so that Father Nolasco can bless it during the Mass. Let us join and thank God for His many blessings.

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED—THANKSGIVING DAY

On Wednesday, Thursday & Friday, November 25, 26 & 27, the Parish Office will be closed in observance of Thanksgiving Day. The office will be open on Monday at its regular hours. Have a safe and happy Thanksgiving Day.



LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH

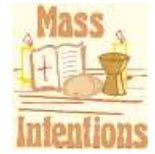
Justin Pecina, Irma Santos, Gerardo Castro, Guadalupe Ortiz, María E. Maldonado, Alicia Guardiola, Delia Hinojosa, Rebecca Quintero, Herminia Torres, Vladimiro Checchin, Lalo Uribe, María Elena García, Aida Ramírez, Rebecca, Carlos Quintero and Diana Solis.



Colecta de la Semana Pasada
Envelopes: ***$ 2,079.00***
Loose: ***$ 122.00***
Children’s Envelopes: ***$ 2.00***

Total Sunday Collection: $ 2,203.00

Total Expenses Last Week: $ 10,029.23



MASS INTENTION BOOK FOR THE YEAR 2027

The new Mass Intention Book for 2027 has opened. You may choose dates that are available. If you have intentions you would offer during a Mass, please bring them to the Parish Office. **NO intentions will be accepted by phone. All intentions must be made in person (M-F: 9a-12p & 1:30p-3:30p).** Your cooperation is greatly appreciated. Thank you. Fr. Nolasco.



SANCTUARY CANDLE FOR THE YEAR 2027

Anyone interested in making a $10.00 donation to have the Sanctuary Candle burning weekly in memory of a loved one or for a special intention may do so in person in the Parish Office during regular hours.

SCHEDULED SECOND COLLECTIONS FOR DECEMBER

Retirement Fund for Religious--December 12 & 13;
Christmas Charities--December 19 & 20;
Christmas Collection--December 24 & 25.
Charities that benefit from Christmas Charities and Christmas Collections:
1. St. Jude's Research Hospital
2. Wounded Warrior Project
3. Bethany House

Thank you for your generosity. Fr. Nolasco.

Segunda Colectas Fijas Durante el Mes de diciembre
Fondo del Retiro de Religiosos--*diciembre 12 & 13;*
Caridades de Navidad—*diciembre 19 & 20;*
Navidad Colecta--*diciembre 24 & 25.*
Caridades que benefician de las colectas de Caridades Navideñas y el día de Navidad:
1. St. Jude's Research Hospital
2. Wounded Warrior Project
3. Bethany House

Gracias por su generosidad. Padre Nolasco.

