

Daily Readings For The Week

Monday November 27th (34th and last Sunday / week in Ordinary Time)

Reading 1: **DANIEL 1: 1-6,8-20**
 Responsorial Psalm: **P S. 3: 52-56**
 Gospel: **LUKE 21: 1-4**

Tuesday November 28th

Reading 1: **DANIEL 2: 31-45**
 Responsorial Psalm: **PS. DAN.3: 57-61**
 Gospel: **LUKE 21: 5-11**

Wednesday November 29th

Reading 1: **DANIEL 5: 1-6,13-14,16-17,23-28**
 Responsorial Psalm: **PS. DAN.3: 62-67**
 Gospel: **LUKE 21: 12-19**

Thursday November 30th

St. Andrew, Apostle.
 Reading 1: **ROMANS 10: 9-18**
 Responsorial Psalm: **PS 19: 2-5**
 Gospel: **MATTHEW 4: 18-22**
50th Anniversary of the Episcopal Ordination of Most Rev. Edgerton R. Clarke, Archbishop Emeritus of Kingston.

Friday December 01st

Reading 1: **DANIEL 7: 2-14**
 Responsorial Psalm: **PS. DAN. 3: 75-81**
 Gospel: **LUKE 21: 29-33**

Saturday December 02nd

Reading 1: **DANIEL 7: 15-27**
 Responsorial Psalm: **PS. DAN.3: 82-87**
 Gospel: **LUKE 21: 34-36**

Announcements

1. A warm Welcome to all our visitors who are worshipping with us for the first time.
2. Happy Birthday and Anniversary to those celebrating their special day this week.
3. 2nd collection next week is for the expenses of the Archdiocese of Kingston.
4. 50th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION - of the Establishing of the Diocese of Kingston as an Archdiocese and the Episcopal Ordination of the Most Rev. Edgerton R. Clarke. Mass of thanksgiving at the Cathedral of the most Holy Trinity on Thursday, November 30, 2017 @ 5:30 p.m. All are invited.
5. 1st Sunday of Advent - next Sunday.
6. Please note December 17 will be a busy day—St. E's Basic School will be having their Concert @ 3:00 p.m. The more the merrier.
7. Our annual Pre Christmas Brunch will be held on Sunday, December 17, 2017. Cost is \$1,400.00.

Welcome to the Roman Catholic
 Community of St. Elizabeth's Church
 "A Catholic Community in the Passionist Tradition"



**Christ
 the
 King**

November 26, 2017

Theme: The Leadership of Our Lord.

Christ the King! Christ is king of our hearts and of our lives. Many of us today no longer think of actual kings but we can still understand the idea of a king. We should think of the struggle in the Old Testament, the Jewish Scriptures, when the Jewish people decided to ask for a king on this earth, rather than just staying with their covenant with God.

Celebrating the Eucharist

Sundays: 10:30 a.m. Tue, Fri: 8:00 a.m.

Wednesdays: 5:30 p.m.

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 Office is closed on Saturdays & Sundays.
 Pastor is available during office hours and by appointment.

Christ the King as a solemnity is about our covenant with God. Perhaps we don't often think that we have a covenant with God. Often we only think of our Jewish ancestors and their covenants with the Lord God. But our Scripture are called the New Testament and they refer to the New Covenant with the Lord God. The point where we made that covenant is our baptism: we were baptized into Christ and into the New Covenant with Him.

The first reading today comes from the Prophet Ezekiel and speaks of God as shepherd: "The lost I will seek out, the strayed I will bring back, the injured I will bind up, the sick I will heal, but the sleek and the strong I will destroy, shepherding them rightly." Always the strong words of the Old Testament cause dismay for people today. The Prophet Ezekiel, speaking in the name of God, tells us "the sleek and the strong I will destroy." This is not about God wanting to get rid of some of us. Rather it is the destruction of a person so that the person can be reformed in God's image. The sleek and the strong live in illusion because the only strength in this life is Jesus the Lord. The illusions need to be destroyed so that the sleek and the strong can form with God the same covenant as all the others. We must rely on God. None of us is strong in himself or herself.

The second reading comes from the First Letter to the Corinthians and speaks about the true goal of life is living in Christ and sharing the Resurrection of Christ. In the end, everything will according to the will of God and living according to God's plans. So why do we have freedom? So that we can freely give ourselves to the Lord and to the following of the Lord's ways. God is so patient with us and so willing to keep working with us, even when that work means destroying the parts of us that resist His will and His plans for us.

Today's Gospel is from Saint Matthew and tells us that the way that we treat others is the way that we treat Jesus Christ Himself. We know that intellectually but oftentimes pay no attention to it in our daily lives. We are challenged to see Christ in each other person, especially those who most irritate us and cause us negative feelings and reactions. That is why Jesus always tells us to love our enemies. It is easy to love our friends.

So if Christ is our King, then we need to live our Covenant with Him. We need to walk humbly in His ways and to trust in loving others that we ourselves will know God's love in our lives. This solemnity is not just about looking to God as our King or looking to Christ as our God-King. No, it is about our Covenant with our God and King and a deep commitment to live as He wants us to live: loving all because we love Him.



The Order of Mass

Gathering: *No. 100 "Gather, Christians"*

Lord Have Mercy

Gloria

Opening Prayer

First Reading: Ezekiel 34: 11-12,15-17

{Allan Chin}

Responsorial Psalm: 22{23}: 1-3,5-6

Response: The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15: 20-26;28

{Horace Whittaker}

Gospel Acclamation: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the kingdom of our father David that is to come!

Gospel: Matthew 25: 31-46

Homily

Song "*Nobody Greater*"

Universal Prayer

Greeting of Peace

Preparation of Gifts: *No. 106 "Glorious God, King Of Creation"*

Presentation of Gifts: *No. 217 "Life Is Your Gift, O Lord"*

Hosanna

Memorial Acclamation

Great Amen

Lord's Prayer

Lamb of God

Communion: *No. 399 "The King Of Love My Shepherd Is"*

Meditation: *No. 152 "How Lovely On The Mountains"*

Sending Forth: *No. 13 "All Hail The Pow'r Of Jesus' Name"*

Today's Extraordinary Ministers:

Ludel Arthur

Pearline Maxfield