# **Sunday**

November 26, 2017



Mass Intentions

Monday, 11/27 7:00 a.m. Butch Spagnola by Terry & Matt Kurzius

Tuesday, 11/28

7:00 a.m. Theodore Kotz by St. John's Staff

Wednesday, 11/29

7:00 a.m. Eugene Rabouin by the Chesler family

Thursday, 11/30

7:00 a.m. Clem Santy by Geri O'Hehir

Friday, 12/1

7:00 a.m. Pat Urenovich by Bill, Pat & Will Hughes

Saturday, 12/2

5:00 p.m. Frances, Terry & Eileen Dosch by family

Sunday, 12/3

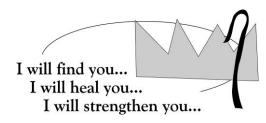
8:30 a.m. Charles Agnello by

Donna Frabizzio

10:30 a.m. Parishioners of St. John's & Troia & DeMaggio families by Jennie DeMaggio

This week our Sanctuary lamp is lit in memory of **Roberto Loo Hernandez** by **Manny & Lynne Jacalan.** 

This week our Chapel Candle is lit in memory of **Roberto Loo Hernandez** by **Manny & Lynne Jacalan.** 



# **OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE**

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

This passage beautifully describes how the Lord God, as shepherd, will tend his flock. He will rescue those who are lost, bring back those who stray, heal the sick, and "pasture" all.

# Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28

Paul once again stresses the significance of Christ's resurrection in the total divine plan, emphasizing that Christ's rising means that those who believe in him will also rise after death. Christianity, he argues, is meaningless if it concerns only this life on earth. In the end, even death will be destroyed, and "God will be all in all."

### Gospel: Matthew 25:31-46

With words both poetic and vivid, Jesus tells the disciples that since he is present in all people, whatever they do to "one of my least brothers" they do to him; and whatever they fail to do to his "least," they fail to do to him.

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# READINGS FOR THE WEEK

#### Sunday

Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; 1 Thes 5:1-6; Mt 25:14-30 or 25:14-15, 19-21

#### Monday

1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63; Lk 18:35-43

# Tuesday

2 Mc 6:18-31; Lk 19:1-10

# Wednesday

2 Mc 7:1, 20-31; Lk 19:11-28

#### **Thursday**

1 Mc 2:15-29; Lk 19:41-44

#### Friday

1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59; Lk 19:45-48

Saturday

# OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

"Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you are blessed by my Father. Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food. I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me, naked and you clothed me, ill and you cared for me, in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him and say, 'Lord when..."

It is easy to recall this teaching, the well known corporal works of mercy. It is easy to place a name and face on friends or agencies who carry out their tremendous works of service. It is easy to offer support through donations to enable others to carry out their mission.

As we reflect upon these signs of compassion and concern, and admire the dedication of those who serve the needs of others, why not ask the question that causes people to be in such vulnerable conditions. A famous Brazilian bishop once declared, 'When I take care of the poor, people praise me. When I ask why they are poor, I am called a communist.' Dom Helder Camara wants us to ask the question which leads me to help alleviate the suffering of others. It may be my active involvement in direct service or maybe indirect service through legislative action, helping understand the issues involved or both.

On this great feast of Christ the King take time to answer the question posed to Jesus and myself 'When...?'

# **HIS WORD TODAY**

BY REV. WILLIAM J. REILLY

A FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON THE SUNDAY READINGS

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