

READINGS

November 20, 2016

Christ the King

First Reading: 2 Samuel 5: 1-3

Second Reading: Colossians 1: 12-20

Gospel: Mark 11: 9-10

STEWARDSHIP

November 13th.....\$2,246
St. Vincent De Paul.....\$582

Our Lady of Wisdom relies on Bobcat Catholics like you for more than half the resources necessary to bring students of Texas State closer to their Catholic faith. Contact our Development Director, Daniel Glaze, to join this mission at 512-392-5925.

CHRIST THE KING

On the last Sunday of each liturgical year, the Church celebrates the Solemnity of Christ the King. Pope Pius XI instituted this feast in 1925 with his encyclical Quas Primas ("In the first") to respond to growing nationalism and secularism. His encyclical reminds the faithful that while governments and philosophies come and go, Christ reigns as king forever. *The Kingdom Demands Discipleship.* We must work every day, with the help of the Holy Spirit, to draw closer to Jesus. We cannot be complacent in our spiritual lives. To acknowledge the kingship of Christ means that we should dedicate ourselves to prayer, to building up our families and our parish communities, and to bringing healing to a broken world. *The Kingdom is Humble.* Jesus inaugurates a kingdom that grows through humble acts of service. The Church must patiently continue to serve the poor, educate the young, welcome the migrant, visit the prisoner, heal the sick, bury the dead, and love. "The

kingdoms of this world at times are sustained by arrogance, rivalries and oppression; the reign of Christ is a 'kingdom of justice, love and peace.' For a Christian, speaking of power and strength means referring to the power of the Cross, and the strength of Jesus' love: a love which remains steadfast and complete, even when faced with rejection, and it is shown as the fulfillment of a life expended in the total surrender of oneself for the benefit of humanity." -Angelus Address of Pope Francis, Solemnity of Christ the King 2015

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PLEASE CONSIDER BISHOP VÁSQUEZ' INTENTION FOR TODAY:
For the Church, that guided and sustained by the Holy Spirit, we may manifest the Kingdom of God by our service and mercy to all, as exemplified by Christ, our King ...

GOSPEL REFLECTION

We expect kings to have a luxurious life. Jesus' crucifixion presents a starkly different image of him as Servant-King. On the cross, Jesus was taunted by his executioners who expected him to save himself. But Jesus' death, like his life, was entirely about self-emptying mercy. Jesus transforms the Cross into the symbol of Christian living which is a life of self-giving. How do you imitate this self-giving service?

SCHEDULE CHANGE THIS MONDAY WE WILL HAVE A COMMUNION SERVICE AT 12:30PM, NO MASS. NO CONFESSIONS. TUESDAY WE WILL HAVE CONFESSIONS AND A MASS AT 4:45PM AND 5:15PM RESPECTIVELY.

CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

is dedicated to breaking the cycle of poverty by funding community programs that encourage independence. Your generous donations will give those in poverty the support they need to make lasting changes. Please donate prayerfully and generously. *USCCB*

Interested in leading a 9:30am Sunday morning Rosary? Even if you are inexperienced! Contact Sawndra in the office M-F 512-392-5925

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

ROSARY every Sunday 9:30am in the Chapel
ADORATION of the Blessed Sacrament *Tuesdays* 5:45-9pm and *Mornings* Mon-Fri 8:30-9:30am in the Chapel
NIGHT PRAYER hosted by the men of Lambda Omega Alpha, 1st and 3rd Tuesday evenings after Adoration.
FREE LUNCH every Tues., 11am-1pm in the Lobby
BIBLE STUDIES every day!
Visit

FULLNESS OF TRUTH CATHOLIC FAMILY CONFERENCE

Mary, the New Eve: Heaven's Strategy for Spiritual Warfare
Fri. & Sat., Dec. 2-3, 2016
Santa Cruz Catholic Church
1100 Main St. Buda
General Admission: \$35
VIP: \$70
Family Passes: \$85
Clergy & Religious: Free
Box lunch included with all tickets
For more information go to www.fullnessoftruth.org

ADVENT SILENT RETREAT FRI. DEC. 2ND- SAT. DEC. 4

It's that time of the year again. We know the hustle and bustle of the Advent and Christmas season can become hectic and chaotic. Here's an opportunity to prepare yourself for the spirituality of the season. We are offering our Silent Advent Retreat in the beauty and peace of Cedarbrake Catholic Retreat Center in Belton to reflect on the true meaning of the season. Spiritual direction will be provided during this retreat that runs from Friday Dec. 2nd to Sunday Dec. 4th. For more information or to register, call(254) 780-2436.

JOIN US!

Annual student Thanksgiving dinner **TODAY** Sunday, Nov. 20th at 6pm



THANKSGIVING BREAK the office and building will be closed Wednesday, Nov. 23rd at 1pm through Friday November 25th at 10pm. There will be NO Masses on Thursday November 24th or Friday November 25th **Normal business hours and Masses will resume Sunday November 27th.**

TAMALES FOR SALE Starting today, Nov. 13th, after all Masses. The men of Lambda Omega Alpha will be taking pre-orders for tamale dozens. These tamales will be homemade by the men and their mothers the weekend of Nov. 19th. All orders will be ready Sun., Nov. 20th. \$10 a dozen. Thanks for your support!

FR. CHARLIE BANKS is available for Spiritual Direction this Tues., Nov. 22nd. Sign up in the Lobby for 30 min. appointments.