

# Solemnity of Christ the King

22<sup>nd</sup> November 2020



## OPENING HYMN

The King of love my shepherd is,  
Whose goodness faileth never.  
I nothing lack if I am His,  
And He is mine forever.

Where streams of living water flow,  
My ransomed soul He leadeth;  
And where the verdant pastures grow,  
With food celestial feedeth.

Perverse and foolish, oft I strayed,  
But yet in love He sought me;  
And on His shoulder gently laid,  
And home, rejoicing, brought me.

In death's dark vale I fear no ill,  
With Thee, dear Lord, beside me;  
Thy rod and staff my comfort still,  
Thy cross before to guide me.

Thou spreadst a table in my sight;  
Thy unction grace bestoweth;  
And oh, what transport of delight  
From Thy pure chalice floweth!

And so through all the length of days,  
Thy goodness faileth never;  
Good Shepherd, may I sing Thy praise  
Within Thy house forever.

FIRST READING: Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17

*As for you, my sheep, I will judge between sheep and sheep.*

PSALM RESPONSE:

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

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28

*He will hand over the kingdom to God the Father, so that God may be all in all.*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia. Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord!

Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David. Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Matthew 25:31-46

*He will take His seat on His throne of glory, and He will separate men one from another.*

NICENE CREED

**I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through Him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation He came down from heaven, (as we**

*say the words in italics, we bow) and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and His kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.*

#### ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

*As we are currently unable to gather for Mass and to receive the sacraments, you are invited to pray a prayer of Spiritual Communion:*

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

#### RECESSIONAL HYMN

Hail Redeemer, King divine!  
Priest and Lamb, the throne is Thine;  
King, whose reign shall never cease,  
Prince of everlasting peace.

*Angels, saints and nations sing:  
"Praised be Jesus Christ our King;  
Lord of life, earth, sky and sea,  
King of love on Calvary!"*

King, whose name creation thrills,  
Rule our hearts, our minds, our wills;  
Till in peace, each nation rings  
With Thy praises, King of kings.

King most holy, King of truth,  
Guard the lowly, guide the youth;  
Christ the King of glory bright,  
Be to us eternal light.

Shepherd-king, o'er mountains steep  
Homeward bring the wandering sheep;  
Shelter in one royal fold  
States and kingdoms, new and old.