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SUNDAY 20 NOVEMBER 2022

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

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ST. PADRE PIO CHURCH PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday – Friday 8:30am – 3:30pm
Closed 12:00pm – 12:30pm

SUNDAY

8:00am Mass
10:00am Mass

MONDAY

No Mass and Office closed

TUESDAY TO FRIDAY

9:00am Mass

SATURDAY

9:00am Mass
Novena to St. Padre Pio
9:30am Sacrament of Penance
5:30pm Saturday Vigil Mass

BAPTISMS

11:30am 1st, 2nd, and 3rd
Sundays. Please contact the
Parish Office. Presentation and
Baptism Information morning
are held every 4th Sunday

FIRST FRIDAY ALL-NIGHT

ADORATION

8:00pm – 9:00am Saturday Mass
3:00am Divine Mercy Chaplet

FRIDAY PLAYGROUP

9:30am – 11:30am 0-6 years
Bethany Catholic Primary School
Hall Contact Joanne D'Agostino,
via the Parish Office.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMS

Please contact the Parish Office.

Dear Friends,

Christ our King is victorious.

He has defeated Satan and rules our hearts and minds forever by the paschal mystery that is by His suffering, death on the Cross and ultimate Resurrection.

Let us celebrate our King in our lives. He has given us new life. His Kingdom will never end.

Jesus' birth was in a simple stable and not in a grand palace. He didn't wear magnificent purple clothing that royal people wear but He was clothed in righteousness. He didn't ride on horses or chariots but on simple donkey. He didn't carry a scepter but a Cross for our salvation. He didn't die surrounded by His soldiers but surrounded by thieves who were crucified with Him. He wasn't buried in a palace but in a tomb which was hewn for someone else.

So, from birth to death, He led a life of humility and simplicity, yet we call Him King of the universe. What makes Him the King?

First, He is the only begotten Son of God. The God who is the source of everything that exists and who is the creator of the entire universe. The whole universe 'came to be' by Logos – the Word. All things are made by Him and through Him. We are not talking merely of the planet earth but of the entire universe!

The world has seen numerous kings, governors, rulers and dictators but no one remained in the history of humanity as Jesus did. He continues to rule the lives of the people whether they accept Him or not. He is the source of life and we come from Him, and we will return to Him. The chaos in the world is the result of going away from God. We need to be aware that God must be the center of our lives, our politics, our education, our families, our business, our relationships and our whole being. When we bring in anything contrary to the Gospel in our world and lives, then it results in confusion and guilt.

The good thief who repented at the last moment of his life, reminds the entire humanity that there is always hope in repentance. God gives and forgives whereas we get and forget. Let Jesus be our King now and forever.

I wish all of you a very Happy Feast of Christ the King. Let us be faithful citizens of His kingdom.

God Bless..

Kind regards,

Fr. Suresh Kumar
Parish Priest

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What is the meaning of Christ the King?

Christ the King is one of the most important titles of Jesus. Even though Jesus Christ was not a king in the earthly sense, He is the divine King of the Universe, who unites all of creation with the Father. As St. Paul tells us, 1 Cor. 15:25-28 "For [Christ] must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death. For God has put all things in subjection under his feet. . . . When all things are subjected to him, then the Son himself will also be subjected to Him who put all things under him, that God may be all in all."

When is Christ the King celebrated?

Each year we celebrate Christ's sovereignty on the last Sunday of the liturgical year, the 34th Sunday in Ordinary Time. This year the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe is on November 20th, 2022.

When did the liturgical feast of Christ the King start?

Pope Pius XI instituted this feast in 1925, but it was first celebrated in 1926. Originally, it was designated for late October, but Pope St. Paul VI changed it to the final Sunday of the liturgical year, which is the Sunday before the beginning of Advent. This corresponds well to the end of history when Christ returns as King, a subject which the liturgies of the first half of Advent will take up.

Why did Pope Pius XI institute this feast of Christ the King?

When Pope Pius instituted this feast, it was in response to an increase in secularism and atheism. Christ the King was – and is – the answer to all human problems. Thus, in the encyclical *Quas Primas*, the Pope wrote, "We remember saying that these manifold evils in the world were due to the fact that the majority of men had

thrust Jesus Christ and his holy law out of their lives; that these had no place either in private affairs or in politics: and we said further, that as long as individuals and states refused to submit to the rule of our Savior, there would be no really hopeful prospect of a lasting peace among nations. Men must look for the peace of Christ in the Kingdom of Christ; and that We promised to do as far as lay in Our power. In the Kingdom of Christ, that is, it seemed to Us that peace could not be more effectually restored nor fixed upon a firmer basis than through the restoration of the Empire of Our Lord."

Is Christ referred to as a king in Sacred Scripture?

Pope Benedict XVI said, "The kingship of Christ remained completely hidden until he was 30 years old, years spent in an ordinary life in Nazareth. Then, during his public life, Jesus inaugurated the new Kingdom which "does not belong to this world" (Jn 18: 36), and finally, with his death and Resurrection, he fully established it."

The text the Pope references continues with John 18:37, "Pilate said to him, 'So you are a king?' Jesus answered, 'You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I have come into the world, to bear witness to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth hears my voice.'"

Matthew 28:18 likewise says, "And Jesus came and said to them, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.'"

There are other references to Jesus' kingly reign, such 1 Corinthians 15:25-28 and Philippians 2:10-11: "... at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father."

Doesn't the title INRI on crucifixes point to Christ's Kingship?

Yes, these are the initials for the Latin *Iesus Nazarenus Rex Iudaeorum*, which means "Jesus of Nazareth, King of the Jews." Pilate ordered that a sign with these ironic words be placed on Jesus' cross above His head. Even though this was done to justify the Crucifixion, and not because Pilate believed it to be true, it was still fitting that the Cross in some way acknowledged Jesus' Kingship.

How is Christ the King celebrated?

The most appropriate way is to attend Mass on the Solemnity. Since it is always a Sunday it is also always a Holy Day of Obligation.

As it is the final week of the liturgical year, the prayer *Te Deum* might be offered, whether individually or in the family. This prayer of praise and thanksgiving is prayed in the Liturgy of the Hours every Sunday, and is solemnly prayed at the close of each calendar year by the Pope.

ST. PADRE PIO PARISH INFORMATION

NOVEMBER MASS GIVING ENVELOPES

Please use them to offer Mass for the faithful departed. Suggested donation is \$20 per intention. The proceeds will go to help the Missions in India.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE AND RECONCILIATION 2023

The Parent Info Letter & Enrolment Form are now available on the Parish Website and the Welcome Table.

PREPARE FOR OUR SAVIOUR'S BIRTH

The Parish is running an Advent Programme.

When: Starting on this Wed 23 Nov, 7pm in the Church.

Along with Fr. Rizzo's talk on 16 and 17 December, this will be a wonderful way to prepare for Christmas.

BISHOP'S CHRISTMAS APPEAL: 26 & 27 NOVEMBER



No one should be homeless or without support. This Appeal gives homeless people practical and emotional support, and a safe place to call home. Thank you!

CHILDREN YOUTH GROUP

For children: Yr. 1 to Yr. 8. Rozet Roi, Melinda Almer & Joanne D'Agostino are running this on Saturdays, **starting Saturday 26 Nov, 4.30pm-5.30pm in the school hall.** Parents to sign sheet found on the Welcome Table.

FIRST FRIDAY ALL-NIGHT ADORATION

Would you come and spend an hour with Jesus?

Friday 02 December to Saturday 03 December

8:00pm: All-night Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

3:00am: The Divine Mercy Chaplet

9:00am: Adoration will conclude with Mass & Novena to St. Padre Pio. We encourage all parishioners to add their name to the sign-up sheet on the Welcome table.

NEW CHRISTMAS LIGHTS ARE NEEDED FOR THE CHURCH

If you can help with this, please give them to the Parish office or to Fr Suresh. Thank you.

NOVEMBER

Sunday 20: OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE Yr. C

Monday 21: The Presentation of Blessed Virgin Mary

Tuesday 22: St. Cecilia, *Virgin, Martyr*

Thursday 24: Sts Andrew Dung-Lac, *Priest*, and Companions, *Martyrs*

ROSARY PRAYER GROUP

Date: Tuesday 22 November

Place: Francis & May Ann Pabon 23 Kobina Ave, GP

Date: Tuesday 29 November

Place: Vangie & Shane McCaw 9 Waringa Crescent, GP

LEGION OF MARY ROSARY MEETING

Date: Every Thursday, 6:00pm

Place: Parish meeting room. All welcome to attend.

WORKING BEE #1: 03 December, after 9am Mass.

To put up the Christmas Decorations & do the cleaning on the outside of the Church and its surrounds.

WORKING BEE #2: 17 December, after 9am Mass.

To clean inside the Church.

We need many volunteers to help with both the Working Bees. Please add your name to the two sign-up sheets on the Welcome Table to assist where you can. Thank you!

ADVENT PARISH MISSION

We are organising a Parish Mission during Advent.

Theme: Bethlehem - House of Bread.

Preacher: Fr. John Rizzo

Dates: 16th Dec 2022 at 7pm & 17th Dec 2022 at 5.30pm.

Priests will be available for Confession. Come and receive the Grace of God from Adoration, Mass and Preaching.

All are welcome. **For more info:** Contact Fr. Suresh on 04 8844 8844. Please share this info with others so that others can benefit. FB event: <https://fb.me/e/2itSOhckf>

PILGRIMAGE 2023

Fr. Suresh will be leading a pilgrimage in October 2023. Places are: Holy Land, Assisi, Rome, Lanciano and Pietrelcina. For those interested, please add your details to the Expression of Interest sheet found on the Welcome Table.

MASSES OFFERED FOR THESE INTENTIONS: Holy Souls in Purgatory

Prayers for the Sick: Carey Weber, Georgina Rastegorac, Waled Hana, Maryrose Vella, John Vella, Catherine Vella & Lolyn Velayo, Normie Santos. *Please contact the Parish office if you would like a Mass offered for Recently Deceased, Death Anniversary, Prayers for the Sick, Thanksgiving or Birthdays.*

ST. PADRE PIO PARISH ROSTERS WEEK FOUR – FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE MONTH 26/27 NOVEMBER 2022

MASS TIME	5:30PM	8:00AM	10:00AM
COORDINATOR	Cristina Cignarella	help needed	help needed
ACOLYTE	Joe Badrov	Khalid Younan	Chris Hersey
SENIOR SERVER	Kylie Sultana	help needed	help needed
READER	1. Cristina Cignarella 2. Reginald Vibar	1. help needed 2. Jacinta Rastegorac	1. Eric Ruiz 2. help needed
MUSIC	Youth For Christ		
HOSPITALITY	help needed	Warda Family	help needed
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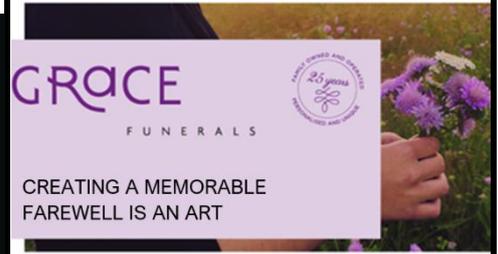
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