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King of the Universe Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ Thoughts on Today's Liturgy

Reading 1: Daniel 7:13-14 His dominion is an everlasting dominion.
Reading 2: Revelation 1:5-8 The ruler of the kings of the earth has made us into a kingdom, priests for his God and Father.
Gospel: John 18:33b-37 You say I am a king.

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Saturday	24	5:30 p.m.	ML	Herb Durant	King of the Universe Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ
Sunday	25	8:30 a.m.	SH	For Vocations to the Priesthood	King of the Universe Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ
Sunday	25	10:30 a.m.	KW	Parishioners	King of the Universe Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ
Tuesday	27	9:00 a.m.	ML	No Mass	
Wednesday	28	8:30 a.m.	SH	For Persecuted Christians	Wednesday of the Thirty-Fourth Week in Ordinary Time
Thursday	29	8:30 a.m.	KW	In Time of War or Civil Disturbance	Thursday of the Thirty-Fourth Week in Ordinary Time
Friday	30	8:30 a.m.	SH		Feast of Saint Andrew
Saturday	01	5:00 p.m.	SH	Parishioners	First Sunday of Advent
Sunday	02	8:30 a.m.	ML	Francis Bittle	First Sunday of Advent
Sunday	02	10:30 a.m.	KW	Vocations to the Consecrated Life	First Sunday of Advent

Sacrament of Reconciliation 30 minutes prior to Mass or by appointment

Reflection: For Love's Sake Alone. At first glance, the solemnity we observe today looks woefully outdated. Christ the King? Unless we live in a monarchy, we don't do kings – right? And regardless of where we live, our prized individualism makes it hard for us to see why *anybody* would kneel before a monarch – even those glamorous and bejeweled creatures we become temporarily obsessed by every time Masterpiece Theater launches a new series. Yet in our zealous embrace of modern democratic ideals, we have forgotten the original reason for kings. A king was supposed to exemplify the highest ideals of his people. His authority was bestowed on him by God, or so it was believed, and thus his responsibility to the nation was fearsomely weighty. The ceremony and ritual that surrounded him were not about “celebrity” but instead a sign of respect for the awesome role he fulfilled. Nobody in his right mind ever envied a king. Nor did Jesus. And he made it abundantly clear that he had no kingly aspirations, neither on earth nor in heaven. What we honor in this solemnity is not some divine version of a golden-crowned, ermine-robed BBC monarch but Christian the many impossible roles he took on for love and love's sake alone: Only Begotten Son, Lamb of God, Wonderful Counselor, Prince of Peace, Savior of the World, Lord of All That Is and Ever Shall Be. ~Paula Huston

Word of Life

“Let us rededicate ourselves this year to recognizing the reign of Jesus Christ and his Sacred Heart in every aspect of our lives.”

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PRAYER INTENTIONS

For the Sick and Shut-Ins:

Peyton Theis, Wanda Harding, Helena Rempel, Carl Schield, Ronnie Ringer, Kay Rankin, Steve Eck, Helen Eck, Betty Schmidt, Sandy Ricke, Ruth Blick, Gladys Christensen, Deven Leis, Lawrence Rausch, Sister Catherine Therese, Laurie Hiltner, Sue Smith, Miles Sheldon, Sammy Flyingout, Norman Fischer, Edna Swayden, John Dohm, Cindy Archuleta

For the Faithful Departed:

Herb Durant, Bishop Gerber, Sister Philamenia Hrencher, Lorena Angell, Ron Swonger, Donna Rowe, Susie Reed, Alice Burenheide, Jerry Arensdorf, Marilyn Eck, Eddie Schmidt, Grace Burenheide, Elmer Angell Jr. and all the souls in Purgatory. May they rest in perfect peace.

For the Military:

Christopher Coggins, Nicholas Noland, Dylan Allison, Sheldon Hart, Bianca Lewis

CHURCH NEWS

MASS TIMES CHANGING

Please note the weekend of December 2nd, Mass times will change to 5:00pm on Saturday in Sharon, 8:30am on Sunday in Medicine Lodge and 10:30am on Sunday in Kiowa.

St. John Adoration

Immediately following communion at St. John on December 2nd, we will have an hour of adoration. Please feel free to stay or come and go.

St. John Christmas Gathering

The Women of St. John Christmas gathering is Wednesday December 5, 2018. All women in the parish are invited. This will be held in our Parish Hall from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Please come and enjoy some snack and good conversation.

Pilgrimage to Italy

Postcards with information about the pilgrimage to Italy are available in the back of the church. Father Mark has a limited number of brochures and registration forms, see him after Mass.

Christmas Sing-A-Long

The St. Boniface PSR students will host a "Christmas Singalong", immediately after the 5:00 p.m. Mass on December 8th at the Parish Center. Cookies and drinks will be served. Please plan to attend.

AROUND THE DIOCESE

Called and Gifted Workshop

The Called and Gifted Workshop will guide you to recognize gifts given to you by the Holy Spirit. These gifts enable you to accomplish things for God above and beyond your natural abilities. The workshop will run from 8:30am-5:00pm on Saturday, January 12, 2019 and the cost is \$25.00. To register, contact Coleen Stein 620-227-1538 or cstein@dcdiocese.org. The registration deadline is January 3rd.

Solemnity of Christ the King

Celebrated on the last Sunday of the liturgical year, the Solemnity of Christ the King was **instituted by Pope Pius XI in 1925 with his encyclical *Quas primas*** in response to growing secularism. He recognized that attempting to "thrust Jesus Christ and his holy law" out of public life would result in continuing discord among people and nations. In 2018, the Church faces pressures from without and crisis from within. In addition to the challenges that Christians in a secular society must confront, the body of Christ must also tend to the wounds inflicted on the Church by priests and bishops who either committed acts of sexual abuse themselves or failed to respond to abuse with justice when they had the opportunity. The Solemnity reminds the faithful that Christ reigns as king of the entire world forever. Let us rededicate ourselves this year to recognizing the reign of Jesus Christ and his Sacred Heart in every aspect of our lives.

Ministry Schedule December 1st – 2nd

Week 1	St. Boniface	St. John the Apostle	Holy Rosary
Lector 1	Briana Stephenson	John Miller	Kay Koger
Cantor	Choir	Choir	Volunteer
Lector 2	Steve Eck	Rick Hitchcock	Volunteer
General Intercessions	Jacob Eck	Rick Hitchcock	Linda Sheldon
Eucharistic Ministers	Dean Eck Jacque Totty Paul Totty Lawrence Smith Sheila Ricke	Delores Moreno Glenna Reif Melvin Reif	Michael Lynch Myra Dick Julie Warner Marge Wright Volunteer
Servers	Jack Schreiner Mindy Wells Drake Schmidt	Allie Hoch	Volunteers
Musician	Ruth Schmidt or Kathy Dohm	Nikki Brattin	Ruth Schmidt or Kathy Dohm
Greeters		Graves Family	Miles and Linda Sheldon
Sacristan	Sheila Ricke	Danny Archuleta	Marge Wright
Rosary	Lawrence Smith		Brenda Wright