

Solemnity of Jesus Christ the King
November 22, 2015

Salesian Sunday Reflection

Today is the Feast of Christ the King. St. Francis de Sales stated that it was divine inspiration that the word “king” was inscribed on Jesus’ cross. He adds:

Our Lord came as a shepherd and as King of Shepherds. Shepherds represent those who make a commitment to lead a holy life. In this sense we are all shepherds, and Our Lord desires to favor those like Himself. As a good shepherd and lovable pastor of our souls that are his sheep, Jesus came to teach us what we ought to do so that we might be made whole through Him. He came to recreate what was lost, and no one has ever been betrayed by Him.

Jesus as a king was called to be Savior, and He desired that others should share in the glory of being leaders, especially his blessed Mother. Jesus made God’s goodness abound more than evilness. He overcame death, disease, toil, and abuse of our sensory desires. Jesus’ work is truly salutary when it touches our miseries and makes them worthy of love. When we possess God’s love, we are empowered to share in our Savior’s work.

God desired to save the Hebrew people through Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, and the other prophets. We are shown more fully God’s delight and care for the world by the sending of our Savior Jesus. We plant vines because of their fruit. Yet leaves and buds precede the fruit. Similarly, while Our Savior was first in God’s eternal plan of creation, the vine (the universe) was first planted. For this reason Jesus is called the “first-born of all creatures.” Like leaves or blossoms, the many generations that precede Jesus prepare the way for Him. How happy we are when we choose Jesus as our leader, who gives us unparalleled peace and calm if we follow Him. Our Savior shows us that God’s majesty will not be overcome by evil, but will overcome evil by good: the work of a true King.

(Adapted from the writings of St. Francis de Sales, especially Sermons, L. Fiorelli, Ed.)

He who is fretted with his own failings will not correct them. All profitable correction comes from a calm, peaceful mind.

- St. Francis de Sales



THANKSGIVING DAY MASS WILL BE CELEBRATED AT 9:00 AM

~ THIS WEEK Mass Schedule ~

Saturday 6:00 pm
Sunday 9:00 am
Sunday 6:00 pm (Spanish)
Tuesday, Wednesday 8:30 am
Thanksgiving Day 9:00 am



Extraordinary Jubilee Holy Year of Mercy

December 8, 2015, the Church throughout the world will begin our observance of this Jubilee Year. In our observance of the Jubilee, Pope Francis has invited us to renew our ministerial outreach in service to those who are most in need of the mercy and healing of Our Lord. Specifically, this means an opportunity for us to catechize and encourage the exercise of the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy and to have a renewed zeal for souls in the promotion of the Sacrament of Reconciliation, especially for those who are ill.

The Spiritual and Corporal Works of Mercy illustrate the ways to show charity toward others. –

The Corporal Works of Mercy

- Feed the hungry
- Give drink to the thirsty
- Clothe the naked
- Shelter the homeless
- Visit the sick
- Visit the imprisoned
- Bury the dead

The Spiritual Works of Mercy

- Admonish the sinner
- Instruct the ignorant (This and the next work are extremely pertinent categories today, when so many people are confused by what the Church teaches on contraception, abortion, homosexuality, etc.)
- Counsel the doubtful
- Comfort the sorrowful
- Bear wrongs patiently
- Forgive all injuries
- Pray for the living and the dead

Explaining the Catholic Faith

TODAY FOLLOWING THE 9:00 AM MASS, Fr Fred will continue with the program of **Explaining the Catholic Faith**. It will take place at the rectory. There will be a CD presentation followed by a discussion. **All are welcomed.**

The Reading for today’s Mass are found in the **Glory & Praise** at number **900**
1st Reading ~ Daniel 7:13 – 14
2nd Reading ~ Revelation 1:5 – 8
Gospel Reading ~ John 18:33b – 37

Our Stewardship 11/15/2015 Weekend

	<u>Buxton</u>	<u>Spanish</u>	<u>Ocracoke</u>
Offertory	\$990.00	\$7500	\$138.00
Debt Reduction	\$600.00		
Attendance	129	43	9

Principal Balance as of 10/30/2015 ~ \$227,151.31

Music for the Liturgy at 9:00 am

Processional: #423 The King of Glory

Gloria (Mass of Creation)

Psalm Response: "The Lord is king; he is robed in majesty."

Gospel Acclamation: Celtic Alleluia

Offertory: #419 Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

Communion: #524 Behold the Lamb; #499 One Bread, One Body

Recessional: #683 All the Ends of the Earth - vs. 1 & 2

If you can Bake, Bring IT!!!

Help make our Bake Sale a rousing *success!* Anyone (you too guys!) who can bake, please contact Marcie Shoemaker 996-0581 or Karen Kelmer at 986-2719 to let her know that you will bring your baked goods to the **Bake Sale TUESDAY, November 24TH**



WE ARE TRYING IT AGAIN

Our Annual Bake Sale will be held on TUESDAY, the 24th of November, 2 days before

Thanksgiving. Be sure to stop by **the Hall** to check out all the wonderful treats BETWEEN the HOURS OF 1:00 PM TO 3:00 PM



All the proceeds fund many of our faith community projects.

DONATING MADE EASY ON OUR WEBSITE!!!

If you're one of the "billions" of people, who do your charitable giving on line, then you will be glad to know that Our Lady of the Seas website now has the ability to accept on-line donations. It is a secure easy way to make your donation and is available 24-hours a day for your convenience. Currently four categories are available for donation: Offertory, Debt Reduction, Pastor Discretionary & Hurricane Relief. Your comments and suggestions on this new capability, or other aspects of our web site, are encouraged and welcomed.



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Hatteras Island Food Pantry

Our pantry is still busy and requires regular replenishment. Please consider adding a few items each time you shop. Since the size of the families accessing the food pantry varies, please avoid bulk sized items. Shopping suggestions and items needed are listed below

VISITORS: Save room packing! Donate any unopened non-perishable items at our convenient 24-hour drop box on the Social Hall porch.

Items Commonly Needed (Standard Sizes Preferred)

- Basic foodstuffs – vegetable oil, flour, sugar, coffee, tea, rice, pasta
- Canned meats/stews
- Canned vegetables – beets, tomatoes and greens are local favorites
- Cereals – both hot and cold
- Personal care products
- Paper Products – individually wrapped paper towels, toilet paper
- Laundry care and cleaning products
- Pet products

No time to shop? Checks may be made out to:

United Methodist Men, PO Box 1591, Buxton, NC 27920 **Thank you for your generosity!**



Angel Gift 2015

If you would like to volunteer to help this year please contact Karen Kelmer (252) 986-2719

Angel Gift forms for family needs are available at Dare County Department of Social Services (DSS) in Frisco (475-9320) or in the counselor office at both Cape Hatteras Elementary and Secondary Schools. Forms may be mailed upon request to a family to return via mail to DSS. Pastors may also contact DSS or United Methodist Church, Hatteras to make a confidential referral.

Anticipated distribution is around December 16th, and sponsored families will receive a letter in early December regarding pick-up.

If you know of a family that could use assistance in providing a brighter holiday, please encourage them to complete a form soon.

Thank you for all that you do for our community.

Have an item of interest that you'd like to share with the OLS community? Please submit it to olssecretary@aol.com by noon the prior Sunday. Song leaders will make any necessary announcements prior to Mass.