



Christ the King

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The Pope's Prayer Intention for November:

We pray for the Holy Father; as he fulfills his mission, may he continue to accompany the flock entrusted to him, with the help of the Holy Spirit.



SCHEDULE

<u>Sunday Masses:</u> Saturday Vigil 4:00PM, 5:30 PM, (en español)

Sun. 8 AM, 9:15AM, 10:30AM, 11:45AM, 1:15 PM (en español), 4:00PM, 5:30PM

Weekday Masses: Mon.—Fri. 8:00AM, 12:05PM, 4:45PM Saturday 9:00AM, 12PM

<u>Confessions:</u> Mon.—Fri. 8:30 -11:50AM, 12:30-4:40PM Saturday 9:30 - 11:45 AM, 12:30-3:30PM

Devotions: Tuesday after Mass: Our Lady Wednesday after Mass: St. Joseph Thursday after Mass: St. Jude

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Mon.—Fri. 8:30-11:50AM, 12:30-4:30PM; Sat. 9:30-11:30AM, 12:30-3:30PM; Sunday 2:30-3:30PM

<u>Gift Shop Hours:</u> Monday—Friday 10:00AM - 4:30PM*; Saturday 9:30AM - 6:00PM*; Sunday 8:45AM - 6:00PM* (*Closed during Masses)

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Reflection by Venerable Bruno Lanteri

Let us not measure God by our own limitations, imagining him to be what in reality he is not. Because in such fashion we do him a great wrong and injury, but at our own expense, reducing the bounds of his mercy as though he were a wretched man like ourselves. And therefore we do not dare to go and seek his forgiveness when we fall in our good proposals and return to our former sins, having such concept of his Divine Majesty as if he were of our condition and would grow weary of so much instability, weaknesses, and forgetfulness, and therefore would revenge himself upon our sins by taking away his helps, and allowing us to fall Into even greater ruin, and believing that we, by our sins, hinder him from granting us graces, and other such similar foolish things, worthy of our ignorance. Our God is not so: let us attribute to him that which truly befits him. that is, that he is good, merciful, compassionate, a loving father who bears with us and forgives us. With this understanding of God, as is properly his due, he allows himself to be obliged to be merciful in dealing with us.

Hold in great esteem and be glad to value all the tender devotions which help in loving God. And avoid the spirit of presumption which seeks to persuade us that true devotion, solid virtue, does not consist in these, and which thus disdains them because its arrogance is not capable of receiving those caresses which the sons of God enjoy. The saints made use of these devotions, and esteemed them highly, knowing that as the leaves of a tree protect its principal fruit, so tender motivations nourish solid virtue.

Having resolved to serve God with perfection, let him not be shamed to manifest it to all; rather, let him openly show himself honored to be a good Christian, who holds his God as his King and not the world and its laws, and should he be laughed at and ridiculed let him clearly understand with perfect judgment that in this they honor him greatly, and place a crown upon his head. Therefore, having once resolved to be of God, let him not be so unstable and so ungallant that he be ashamed to manifest himself as such, and should his friends call him a 'holier than thou' or deride him as a victim of scruples, let him call them blind and ignorant, and attend to serving God with full dedication. Let him give thanks that he does not belong in their gatherings, and he will be held as great by God in his kingdom.

The Feast of St. Andrew—November 30

Beginning on St. Andrew the Apostle's feast day, November 30, the following beautiful prayer is traditionally recited fifteen times a day until Christmas. This is a very meditative prayer that helps us increase our awareness of the feast of Christmas and helps us prepare ourselves spiritually for His coming.

Prayer:

Hail and blessed be the hour and moment In which the Son of God was born Of the most pure Virgin Mary, at midnight, in Bethlehem, in the piercing cold. In that hour vouchsafe, O my God, to hear my prayer and grant my desires, [here mention your request]

through the merits of Our Savior Jesus Christ, and of His blessed Mother. Amen.

O Glorious St. Andrew,

you were the first to recognize and follow the Son of God. With your friend, St. John, you remained with Jesus, for your entire life, and now throughout eternity. Just as you led your brother, St Peter, to Christ and many others after him, draw us also to Him. Teach us how to lead them, solely out of love for Jesus and dedication to His service. Help us to learn the lesson of the Cross and carry our daily crosses without complaint, so that they may carry us to God the Almighty Father. Amen.



MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Sunday, Nov. 26

8:00 AM +Matthew McCrann 9:15 AM Paul McDonagh 10:30 AM Mark Hanrahan 11:45 AM +Adriana Condemi 1:15 PM +Maria Gomez 4:00 PM Helen Brogan 5:30 PM +Barbara Sullivan

Monday, Nov. 27 8:00 AM Keating Family 12:05 PM Daniel De Barros 4:45 PM +Ali Mansouri

Tuesday, Nov. 28

8:00 AM +Brian Hand 12:05 PM +Michael Zlody & +David Rivera 4:45 PM Doctor Frank—birthday

Wednesday, Nov. 29

8:00 AM +Zeferina Mascarenhas 12:05 PM Anthony Berry—birthday 4:45 PM +Maria Kao Yue Jiao

<u>Thursday, Nov. 30</u>

8:00 AM +Marilyn Hertz 12:05 PM +Peter & +Mary Tran & relatives 4:45 PM +Napoleon Baeas

<u>Friday, Dec. 1</u>

8:00 AM Souls in Purgatory 12:05 PM Norma Lorenzana—health 4:45 PM +Robert Riley

Saturday, Dec. 2

9:00 AM Maria Trewhitt—health 12:00 PM +Ercilia Nunez 4:00 PM Deceased members of Mahon Family 5:30 PM +Benigno Portillo Maldonaldo

Prayer Before Mass



by Ven. Bruno Lanteri

My God, I offer you this holy sacrifice to proclaim, honor and glorify your infinite greatness, and in recognition of the supreme dominion which, as the first principle and last end, you have above all created things. I give you this homage for all those who still do not know you or do not want to recognize you.

I offer this too in thanksgiving for the benefits that I and all the world have received and will receive from your infinite goodness; in satisfaction for my sins and those of the whole world; to implore the graces that are necessary for my eternal salvation and for all mankind. Oh, my God, I offer to you the merits of Jesus Christ; grant me at this Holy Mass a profound adoration of him.

My God, my Creator, I implore you to grant me the grace of final perseverance. I know by faith that I do not deserve it, nor can I deserve it, but your Divine Son deserves it for me with all his virtues and with all the wounds he shows you in his Most Holy Body, on behalf of my wounded love. Amen. 2

Plenary Indulgence for Christ the King

Requirements:

- Public recitation of the prayer "Most Sweet Jesus, Redeemer - Act of Dedication of the Human Race to Jesus Christ King" (listed below)

- Say one "Our Father" and one "Hail Mary" for the intentions of the Pope

- Make a Sacramental Confession within a week of (before or after) the Feast of Christ the King

- Worthily receive Holy Communion (ideally on the Feast of Christ the King)

- that one be free from all attachment to sin, even venial sin.

From The Handbook on Indulgences

1. An indulgence is the remission in the eyes of God of the temporal punishment due to sins whose culpable element has already been taken away. The Christian faithful who are rightly disposed and observe the definite, prescribed conditions gain this remission through the effective assistance of the Church, which, as the minister of redemption, authoritatively distributes and applies the treasury of the expiatory works of Christ and the Saints."

"20. 1. To be capable of gaining indulgences a person must be baptized, not excommunicated, and in the state of grace at least at the time the prescribed works are completed.

2. Actually to gain indulgences the person must have at least the general intention of doing so and must perform the acts enjoined at the time stipulated and in the manner required according to the tenor of the grant."

23. 1. Besides the exclusion of all attachment to sin, even venial sin, the requirements for gaining a Plenary Indulgence are the performance of the indulgenced work and fulfillment of three conditions: Sacramental Confession, Eucharistic Communion, and prayer for the Pope's intentions.23.2. Several Plenary Indulgences may be gained on the basis of a single

Sacramental Confession; only one may be gained, however, on the basis of a single Eucharistic Communion and prayer for the Pope's intentions. 3. The three conditions may be carried out several days preceding or following performance of the prescribed work. But it is more fitting that the Communion and the prayer for the Pope's intentions take place on the day the work is performed.

4. If a person is not fully disposed or if the prescribed work and the three mentioned conditions are not fulfilled, the Indulgence will only be partial ..."

5. The condition requiring prayer for the Pope's intentions is satisfied by reciting once the Our Father and Hail Mary for his intentions (Pater Noster and Ave Maria); nevertheless all the faithful have the option of reciting any other prayer suited to their own piety and devotion."

Prayer: Dedication of the Hyman Race to Jesus Christ King

Most Sweet Jesus, Redeemer - Act of Dedication of the Human Race to Jesus Christ the King

Most Sweet Jesus, Redeemer of the human race, look down upon us humbly prostrate before You. We are Yours, and Yours we wish to be; but to be more surely united with You, behold each one of us freely consecrates himself today to Your Most Sacred Heart. Many indeed have never known You; many, too, despising Your precepts, have rejected You. Have mercy on them all, most merciful Jesus, and draw them to Your Sacred Heart.

Be King, O Lord, not only of the faithful who have never forsaken You, but also of the prodigal children who have abandoned You; grant that they may quickly return to their Father's house, lest they die of wretchedness and hunger.

Be King of those who are deceived by erroneous opinions, or whom discord keeps aloof, and call them back to the harbor of Truth and the unity of Faith, so that soon there may be but one flock and one Shepherd.

Grant, O Lord, to Your Church assurance of freedom and immunity from harm; give tranquility of order to all nations; make the earth resound from pole to pole with one cry: Praise to the Divine Heart that wrought our salvation; to It be glory and honor forever. Amen.