

The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe  
St Stephen Deacon & Martyr Parish  
November 22, 2020

Entrance Hymn: "Crown Him With Many Crowns"

Crown him with many crowns,  
The Lamb upon his throne;  
Hark! how the heav'nly anthem drowns  
All music but its own.  
Awake, my soul, and sing  
Of him who set us free,  
And hail him as your heav'nly King  
Through all eternity.

Crown him the Lord of life,  
Who triumphed o'er the grave,  
And rose victorious in the strife  
For those he came to save.  
His glories now we sing,  
Who died and rose on high,  
Who died, eternal life to bring,  
And lives that death may die.

Reading 1

EZ 34:11-12, 15-17

Thus says the Lord GOD:

I myself will look after and tend my sheep.

As a shepherd tends his flock

when he finds himself among his scattered sheep,

so will I tend my sheep.

I will rescue them from every place where they were scattered

when it was cloudy and dark.

I myself will pasture my sheep;

I myself will give them rest, says the Lord GOD.

The lost I will seek out,

the strayed I will bring back,

the injured I will bind up,

the sick I will heal,

but the sleek and the strong I will destroy,

shepherding them rightly.

As for you, my sheep, says the Lord GOD,

I will judge between one sheep and another,

between rams and goats.

Responsorial Psalm

PS 23:1-2, 2-3, 5-6

R. (1) The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

In verdant pastures he gives me repose.

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

Beside restful waters he leads me;

he refreshes my soul.

He guides me in right paths

for his name's sake.

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

You spread the table before me

in the sight of my foes;

you anoint my head with oil;

my cup overflows.

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

Only goodness and kindness follow me

all the days of my life;

and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD

for years to come.

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

Reading 2

1 COR 15:20-26, 28

Brothers and sisters:

Christ has been raised from the dead,

the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.

For since death came through man,

the resurrection of the dead came also through man.

For just as in Adam all die,

so too in Christ shall all be brought to life,

but each one in proper order:

Christ the firstfruits;

then, at his coming, those who belong to Christ;

then comes the end,

when he hands over the kingdom to his God and Father,

when he has destroyed every sovereignty

and every authority and power.

For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet.  
The last enemy to be destroyed is death.  
When everything is subjected to him,  
then the Son himself will also be subjected  
to the one who subjected everything to him,  
so that God may be all in all.

Alleluia

MK 11:9, 10

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!

Blessed is the kingdom of our father David that is to come!

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel

MT 25:31-46

Jesus said to his disciples:

"When the Son of Man comes in his glory,

and all the angels with him,

he will sit upon his glorious throne,

and all the nations will be assembled before him.

And he will separate them one from another,

as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats.

He will place the sheep on his right and the goats on his left.

Then the king will say to those on his right,

'Come, you who are blessed by my Father.

Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world.

For I was hungry and you gave me food,

I was thirsty and you gave me drink,

a stranger and you welcomed me,

naked and you clothed me,

ill and you cared for me,

in prison and you visited me.'

Then the righteous will answer him and say,

'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you,

or thirsty and give you drink?

When did we see you a stranger and welcome you,

or naked and clothe you?

When did we see you ill or in prison, and visit you?'

And the king will say to them in reply,

'Amen, I say to you, whatever you did

for one of the least brothers of mine, you did for me.'

Then he will say to those on his left,

'Depart from me, you accursed,

into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels.

For I was hungry and you gave me no food,  
I was thirsty and you gave me no drink,  
a stranger and you gave me no welcome,  
naked and you gave me no clothing,  
ill and in prison, and you did not care for me.'

Then they will answer and say,  
'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty  
or a stranger or naked or ill or in prison,  
and not minister to your needs?'  
He will answer them, 'Amen, I say to you,  
what you did not do for one of these least ones,  
you did not do for me.'

And these will go off to eternal punishment,  
but the righteous to eternal life."

## PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

For the Church, that we may hasten our work to feed the hun-gry, clothe the naked, shelter the homeless, and comfort the neglected, let us pray to the Lord.

That world leaders may be inspired by Jesus' call to care for the least ones among us and develop policies and laws that show compassion to those in need, let us pray to the Lord.

For the most vulnerable, those living on the peripheries of so-ciety, the forgotten, the overlooked, the abandoned, that they may find comfort and dignity, let us pray to the Lord.

For all who are seeking the Lord in today's complicated world, that they may see the face of Christ reflected in the goodness and mercy of those who serve others in need, let us pray to the Lord.

For all of us celebrating Thanksgiving this week, in thanksgiv-ing to God for all the blessings we have received this past year, let us pray to the Lord.

That especially during this month of November we may re-member those who have gone before us and find comfort in our generous and merciful God, let us pray to the Lord.

For all who are ill with the coronavirus: that God's healing love will touch them, relieve their suffering, and restore them to health, let us pray to the Lord.

For all those who work to provide essential services during this pandemic, that they may find the strength and energy to continue the work they are doing and they be kept safe in all that they do for those in their care, let us pray to the Lord.

For all those who have died, especially those who have died from the Corona Virus pandemic, that we may know their presence eternally in the communion of saints, let us pray to the Lord.

For Stacie Pavalon Kathy Kelly, Robert Hallberg, Theresa Manikowski, Lisa Causley, Wally Lakomy, Hugh Twomey, Don Schmidt, Robert Przybylski, Della Dileep, and Bonnie & Barrett Dames, for whom this Mass is being offered, let us pray to the Lord.

For all the prayers in our parish intention book, for the prayer requests that have been sent in and for all the prayers we hold in the silence of our hearts (PAUSE)..., let us pray to the Lord

Recessional Hymn: "To Jesus Christ Our Sovereign King"

To Jesus Christ, our Sov'reign King,  
Who is the world's salvation,  
All praise and homage do we bring,  
And thanks and adoration.  
Christ Jesus Victor, Christ Jesus Ruler!  
Christ Jesus, Lord and Redeemer!

Thy reign extend, O King benign,  
To ev'ry land and nation,  
For in Thy kingdom, Lord divine,  
Alone we find salvation.  
Christ Jesus Victor, Christ Jesus Ruler!  
Christ Jesus, Lord and Redeemer!