



21 November 2021
OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST
THE KING OF THE UNIVERSE



INTRODUCTION:

Today we celebrate Christ, the Universal King, the King of all who are on the side of truth and who listen to his voice; the King who died for us and whom God the Father raised to life and exalted him, bestowing on him the name which is above every name, so that every knee should bow and every tongue confess Jesus Christ is Lord and King. Let us rejoice and share in the reign of Christ Our King, which is the reign of Love.

READINGS:

First Reading: Dan 7:13-14
Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 93:1abc,1d-2,5
Second Reading: Revelation 1:5-8
Gospel: Jn 18:33b-37

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL:

Celebrant: On this last Sunday of the liturgical year, as we honour Christ, the Universal King, let us place our petitions before him:

Response: Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray for Pope Francis, the Bishops, the Priests and the Religious that they may govern the people of God with justice and truth. We pray to the Lord...

We pray for all the people of our world that realizing our finiteness, every one may acknowledge the reign of God and surrender to it. We pray to the Lord...

We pray for all Christians, that accepting the Kingship of Christ, we may all work for Unity and peace in the world. We pray to the Lord...

We pray that as belonging to the Kingdom of God, we may all work together to empower those who are voiceless, poor and the weak. We pray to the Lord...

We pray that as body of Christ, we may not get closed-in on ourselves but open ourselves to the Pluralism of Religions and Cultures, and in collaboration with them work for God's Kingdom. We pray to the Lord...

We pray for our personal intentions (pause). We pray to the Lord...

Celebrant: Heavenly Father, we thank you for Jesus Our Universal King and that through him you have set up your Kingdom. Grant that we may work for your Kingdom by reaping even richer spiritual harvests. We ask this through Christ Our King. Amen.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF FROM THE CORONA VIRUS:

Almighty and merciful God, who show Your love to all creation everywhere, hear graciously the prayers we make for all those affected by the Corona Virus in various parts of the world. We come before You asking for an efficacious control of the outbreak, for a healing of those affected, for the victims and their families.

We thank You for blessing the efforts of our research scientists working on the development of a vaccine. We pray that these vaccines will be effective in combating the virus and its mutants, and in controlling the spread of the pandemic. We pray that the vaccine be available for all our people even the poor and those in rural areas.

We pray for doctors, nurses and health workers who are in the frontline of this battle, that they be kept safe and have the strength and courage to continue their heroic efforts.

We pray for the Government and health authorities that they take appropriate steps for the good of the people. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen.