

Introduction: We honour Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, who reigns not with power but with mercy. His kingship fulfils David's promise, reconciles all creation in love, and opens paradise to repentant hearts through the saving cross of our Redeemer. Let us rejoice and worship Jesus our Lord and King.

FIRST READING: 2 Samuel 5: 1-3
PSALM: 122: 1-2, 4-5
SECOND READING: Colossians 1: 12-20
GOSPEL: Luke 23: 35-43

Prayers of the Faithful

Celebrant: As we celebrate the Solemnity of Christ the King, we honour Jesus, the Shepherd and Ruler of all creation. United in faith, let us bring our needs before God who blessed us with Jesus. **Our Response is: GRACIOUS LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER**

For the Holy Father, Bishops, Clergy, Religious and the Lay faithful; that they may all reflect the kingship of Christ with humility, wisdom, and love... we pray...

For world leaders; that Christ the Servant-King may inspire their governance with humility, justice, and compassion for the poor and suffering of every nation... we pray...

For our families and communities, that that we may allow Christ to rule our hearts and make us live in faith, forgiveness, peace, and love toward one another... we pray...

For the suffering and forgotten; that they may find strength, healing, and hope in the disciples of Christ, the King who reigns with mercy and compassion... we pray...

For vocations to the priesthood and religious life; that generous hearts may respond to Christ's call to serve His people in love and dedication... we pray...

For our personal needs which we now offer with faith... *(pause for 10 seconds)* ... we pray...

Celebrant: Loving Father, we thank You for listening to the prayers we have made with faith in You and Your Son Jesus, Our King who lives and reigns in unity with the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever. Amen.