



# St. John The Apostle Catholic Church

**November 22, 2020**

**The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King**

**Opening**

**Crown Him with Many**

**#722**

1. Crown him with many crowns,  
The Lamb upon his throne;  
All kingdoms of the earth resound  
In praise of him alone.  
Awake, my soul, and sing  
Of him who died for thee,  
And hail him as thy risen King  
For all eternity.

2. Crown him the Lord of life,  
Who triumphed o'er the grave,  
Who on the third day did arise  
And hope to sinners gave.  
His glory now we sing,  
Who died and rose on high,  
Who came eternal life to bring,  
Who lives, no more to die.

3. Crown him the Lord of heav'n,  
Where angels sing above;  
Crown him the King, to whom is giv'n  
The wondrous name of Love.  
Crown him with many crowns,  
As thrones before him fall.  
Throughout the earth his praise resounds  
For he is Lord of all.

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## **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.

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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;



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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



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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."

**Offertory      Jesus The Lord      #392**

*Jesus. Jesus. Let all creation bend the knee to the Lord.*

1. In him we live, we move and have our being;  
in him the Christ, in him the King. Jesus, the Lord.
2. Though Son, he did not cling to godliness;  
but emptied himself, became a slave! Jesus, the Lord.
3. He lived obediently his Father's will  
accepting his death, death on a tree! Jesus, the Lord.

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**Communion      Shepherd Me O God      #457**

*Refrain:  
Shepherd me, O God, beyond my wants,  
beyond my fears, from death into life.*

1 God is my shepherd, so nothing shall I want,  
I rest in the meadows of faithfulness and love,  
I walk by the quiet waters of peace. [Refrain]



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2 Gently you raise me and heal my weary soul,  
you lead me by pathways of righteousness and truth,  
my spirit shall sing the music of your name. [Refrain]

3 Though I should wander the valley of death,  
I fear no evil, for you are at my side,  
your rod and your staff, my comfort and my hope. [Refrain]

4 You have set me a banquet of love  
in the face of hatred,  
crowning me with love beyond my power to hold. [Refrain]

5 Surely your kindness and mercy  
follow me all the days of my life;  
I will dwell in the house of my God forevermore. [Refrain]

## Spiritual Communion Prayer

At Thy feet, O my Jesus, I prostrate myself and I offer Thee repentance of my contrite heart, which is humbled in its nothingness and in Thy holy presence. I adore Thee in the Sacrament of Thy love, the ineffable Eucharist. I desire to receive Thee into the poor dwelling that my heart offers Thee. While waiting for the happiness of sacramental communion, I wish to possess Thee in spirit. Come to me, O my Jesus, since I, for my part, am coming to Thee! May Thy love embrace my whole being in life and in death. I believe in Thee, I hope in Thee, I love Thee. Amen. (This prayer is attributed to Servant of God Rafael Merry del Val. This cardinal is known for having promoted the Litany of Humility.)

## Closing      To Jesus Christ our Sovereign      #723

1.      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!*

2.      Your reign extend, O King benign,  
          To ev'ry land and nation;  
          For in your Kingdom, Lord divine,  
          Alone we find salvation.

3.      To you, and to your church, great King,  
          We pledge our heart's oblation;  
          Until before your throne we sing  
          In endless jubilation.

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