November 22nd 2026 Sunday Feast of Christ the King -Year A Matthew 25:31-46

25-31"When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit on his
glorious throne. 32All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate the
people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. 33He will put
the sheep on his right and the goats on his left.
34"Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father;
take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world. 35For I
was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something
to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, 36I needed clothes and you clothed me, I
was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.'
37"Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or
thirsty and give you something to drink? 38When did we see you a stranger and invite you
in, or needing clothes and clothe you? 39When did we see you sick or in prison and go to
visit you?'
40"The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these
brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.'
41"Then he will say to those on his left, 'Depart from me, you who are cursed, into the
eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. 42For I was hungry and you gave me
nothing to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, 43I was a stranger and you
did not invite me in, I needed clothes and you did not clothe me, I was sick and in prison
and you did not look after me.'
44"They also will answer, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or
needing clothes or sick or in prison, and did not help you?'
45"He will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did not do for one of the least of these, you
did not do for me.'
46"Then they will go away to eternal punishment, but the righteous to eternal life."

➢ **Read and re-read** – out loud and slowly the Gospel. ➢ **Meditate -** on reading as being spoken to you, an experience in your life.	➢ **Pray -** Thanksgiving – Repentance – Petition. ➢ **Action** – Attitude (Call to change / to act /to do).

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In this week's gospel we see that nobody is condemned for doing wrong, but for their failure to do good. Jesus is telling us that being his disciple is a positive choice about how we live and relate to others. We are asked by our christian living to try and make a positive difference to others.

When has seeing Christ in others helped you in your dealings with them?

Prayer:

Thank You Lord for the opportunities you gave us to be compassionate and non-judgemental in our relationship with others. This helped us on our journey to get closer to You.

Lord forgive us for the times we were judgemental of our fellow human beings instead of leaving the final judgement to Jesus when He comes in glory escorted by all his angels.

Lord help us to welcome strangers into our country because when we welcome them, we welcome You.