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St. Colman's Parish Our Lord Jesus Christ, Kind of the Universe 21st /22nd November 2020

Celebrating the King

The Solemnity of Christ the King seems at times to be out of place in democratic societies. If a king is understood to be one who rules with absolute power, this image runs counter to what we consider the ideal government. The readings of this Sunday use the image of a king, but with a twist. The king as presented in both 2 Samuel and Luke is far from the despot who rules with absolute power.

In 2 Samuel we see the elders anointing David as king over Israel. David was chosen to be a king who would act as shepherd of the people — to protect and care for the flock, assuring their life and safety. David's kingship was not about personal power but about guaranteeing that the people of Israel would live and proclaim the power of God.

The Gospel scene that proclaims the kingship of Jesus is, surprisingly, the crucifixion. Only on the cross is Jesus proclaimed king. This is neither a scene of power for himself nor glory from a human perspective. It is in his utter helplessness that Jesus is recognized as king, and in this moment, Jesus thinks not of himself but of another.

This Sunday we celebrate a king whose life was centred on caring for others, offering life to others. This image of Christ as king is one that every Christian is invited to imitate.

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Mon Nov. 23 rd		No Mass
Tues Nov. 24 th	7:00 p.m.	Holy Souls
Wed. Nov 25 th	9:00 a.m.	Holy Souls
Thurs. Nov. 26 th		No Mass
Fri. Nov. 27 th	7:00 p.m.	Mass of Remembrance for all who died in the Castlemaine Parish during the year
Sat. Nov. 28 th	6:00 p.m.	Stephanie O' Sullivan Armolode
Sun. Nov. 29 th	11:15 a.m.	Eileen & Paddy O' Brien Brackhill

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Reminder:

Mass is broadcast on 106fm and all Masses will now be streamed online via <u>www.milltownlistryparish.com</u>

Mass on weekdays will continue to be broadcast on 106fm and streamlined (unless there is a funeral Mass)

Adoration and Prayers for the Dead:

Will take place on Monday Evenings at **7:00p.m**. and will alternate between Milltown and Listry Church. This will be broadcasted via 106fm and streamed on-line:

- Go to www.milltownlistryparish.com
- Scroll down to where it says **CLICK HERE**
- Our livestream will come up on screen after a few seconds

Please take this opportunity to speak quietly with God and reflect on his word, allowing him to speak to us in our own lives. <u>**Mass online:**</u> As we gather at home for our Sunday Mass celebrations online, some suggestions that might help our prayer-time:

- Create a sacred space where you will sit to attend Mass e.g. using a crucifix or candle or icon, just like you might do if preparing for a house Mass.
- Invite family members to name a prayer intention that everyone will pray for during the Mass.
- Stand to hear the Gospel or to join in praying the Our Father, just like you would in church.

We are reminded of the words of Jesus - 'Where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I in their midst' – We remember that Jesus Christ is present in our homes as we pray at Mass together.

<u>Advent preparations</u>: If you have ever wondered about the Old Testament readings at Mass, now is your chance to explore them and their relevance for our lives today. Without leaving your own home, you can tune into Dr Jessie Rogers, St. Patrick's College, Maynooth, who will explore the Sunday OT readings with us over 4 Wednesday evenings, Nov 25, Dec 2, 9 and 16, 7.00 – 8.00pm. To register, check out <u>www.dioceseofkerry.ie</u>

<u>Check this out on dioceseofkerry.ie</u>: Bishop Ray recommends the website of the <u>Irish Catholic Bishops Conference</u>. *It is the place to find up to date news on* the Church in Ireland and details of many Church services. There is information on education, evangelization, outreach to emigrants and Irish people in prison abroad. He highly recommends this.

Join the Diocesan Youth Choir: Are you between 16-30 years of age? Do you sing? To celebrate Christmas 2020, the diocese invites all young people to join our virtual choir. If you are interested in this exciting new venture, please contact Tomás Kenny at tomaskenny@dioceseofkerry.ie or call (086) 3683778.

The Parish Office: will remain closed whilst we are at Level 5. We will continue to work behind closed doors, so please feel free to contact the office during opening hours. Tues & Thurs 9:30a.m. - 12.30p.m. Parish Envelopes and November Offerings and Lists can be dropped into the Post Box beside the office and will be collected daily. **Christmas Mass Bouquet cards are now available in the parish office.**

<u>Beyond life's struggle now</u> How the season change, how certain it is that summer gives way to autumn, and the falling of the leaves and the passing of so many things, and the tears of one who grieves. Yet winter gives way to spring, new hope and life after suffering. Lord, so it is, and as certain too the promise of new life in you after life's woes and pains. For our loved ones gone no more strains and suffering now, beyond life's struggle there awaits the joy of your embrace. Thank you, Lord. Amen.

Masses for those on our November lists:

Please drop your list into the parish post box of family and friends that you would like to be remembered at Masses during November.

- Listry Church 7:00 p.m. Tuesday Nov. 24th
- Milltown Church 7:00 p.m. Wednesday Nov. 25th
- Milltown Church Mass of Remembrance for those who died during the year in Castlemaine Parish on Friday Nov. 27th at 7:00 p.m.

Priest on Duty this weekend Fr. Danny Broderick (087) 9061255