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Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, Year B - RCLB Lectionary



Lectionary: 161

Read: [John 18:33b-37](#)

Gospel Summary

In today's Gospel reading, it is Pilate who refers to Jesus as King of the Jews. Jesus does not confirm that he is a king, and makes it clear that his kingdom does not belong to this world. His purpose for being in the world is to testify to the truth.

Reflection for Parents

The Preface for today's Mass describes the kingdom over which Jesus Christ is King. It is:

. . . [A]n eternal and universal kingdom,
a kingdom of truth and life,
a kingdom of holiness and grace,
a kingdom of justice, love, and peace.

Truth, life, holiness, grace, justice, love, and peace—are these the building blocks of your home? What are you doing and saying to help build the kingdom that God has in mind?

Bringing the Good News Into Your Family

Make a simple crown centerpiece for your kitchen or dining room table. When you have finished sharing lunch or dinner, offer simple prayers of praise or thanksgiving to Jesus Christ the King. Invite each family member to offer the following prayer, choosing a word to fill in the blank (such as peace, hope, friendship, life, the world, and so forth). You may wish to have each person hold the crown as he or she offers his or her prayer.

Jesus, King of _____, hear our prayer.

Discussion Starters

1. I can help Jesus build a kingdom of truth by . . .
2. We can make our home a place of holiness by . . .
3. One area in my life where I have a hard time and need to invite Jesus to be King is . . .