

Dear Parents,

We have already reached the last lesson plan in the duo tangs you picked up in September. Father Fred and I are in discussions how to arrange for you to proceed for next weekend. I will be sending an email out shortly.

This weekend we are celebrating the Feast of Christ the King, which is the last Sunday in the church's year. The Feast of Christ the King also makes us focus on the anticipation of Christ returning as king. It is a time to stop and look at how we live our lives, a time to see how we can be better followers of Christ, and how we can bring the light of Christ to others. The next four weeks of Advent will help us to focus on living the best life we can.

Let's pray together this week for:

- The Church, as it works to unit all people of the world.
- The growth of peace and hope in the world.
- For people around us who feel sad and alone.
- For us, as we try to bring the light of Christ to others.

The lesson plan this week is to complete the exercise in their duo tang and cover the chapter in their work book.

The chapter to cover in their "Be My Disciples" book this week is:

- Level One – Chapter 4
- Level Two – Chapter 6
- Level Three – Chapter 4
- Level Four – Chapter 5
- Level Five – Chapter 5
- Level Six – Chapter 5

You will find below the duo tang masters that show different questions than those you received in your duo tang. Remember, the questions to be answered are those in the duo-tang you received at book pick-up, not the questions on the masters below. I encourage you to use the questions below to open a dialogue with your child. Children in Pre-K and K will also enjoy the Interactive Bible Story of the week.

The prayer service this week can be found at <https://worship.pastoral.center/day/2020-11-22>

Feel free to email me if you have any questions.

Have a Blessed week!

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ISAIAH

God's Promised Gift

Isaiah, Micah ♦ RHYTHM STORY

Long ago God's prophets told us
to get ready for the Savior.
Stop your sinful way of living.
Make a change in your behavior.

Micah said that a tiny town
would be the site of Jesus' birth.
In Bethlehem one holy night
would come the Savior of the earth.

Isaiah said that God's own Son
would be the sacrificial lamb.
His blood would cover all our sin.
God will accept me as I am.

This King would be from David's line,
a ruler from the royal throne.
The One God promised long ago:
Emmanuel—we're not alone.

Isaiah offered many names
that told us who this child would be:
Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,
The Prince of Peace for you and me.

Before God's great Messiah came
the prophets praised His holy name.
God's faithfulness and constant love
from age to age remains the same.

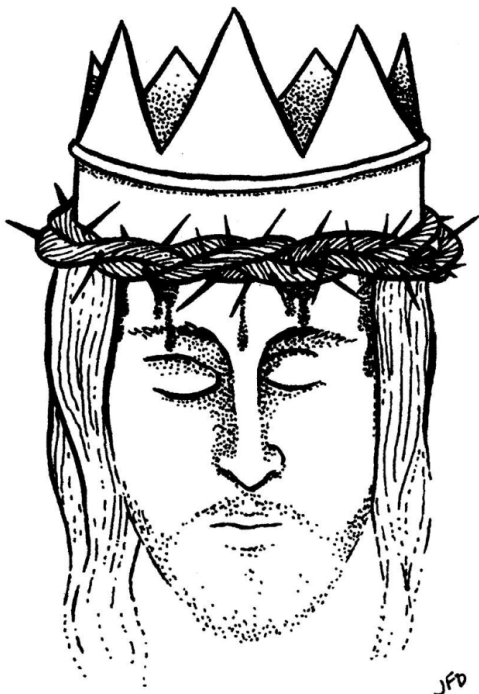
Take the Long View

This Week's Readings at Mass

- Daniel 7:13-14 - Daniel's vision of one like the Son of man
- Revelation 1:5-8 - Praise to Jesus Christ
- John 18:33b-37 - The blood and water

On the last Sunday of the church year, just before we begin Advent, we celebrate the feast of Christ the King. The readings remind us that there is purpose in our lives that moves in the direction of God's Kingdom, despite the disturbing reality of hatred, violence, natural disasters, illness, and death. Martin Luther King Jr. put it this way: "The arc of the moral universe is long, but it bends toward justice."

This feast reminds us to look beyond the tragedy and suffering of our lives with the hope that there is more to life than the eye can see. Jesus points to this in his exchange with Pontius Pilate when Pilate puts him on trial before sentencing him to death. The chief priests handed Jesus over, accusing him of claiming to be the King of the Jews and a threat to the ruling Roman empire. Jesus won't deny that he is a king, but he responds that his kingdom "does not belong to this world."



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"His dominion is an everlasting dominion."

Sheepish Question:

Why are my questions important to such a vast God?

As Christians, the point isn't that we should passively endure violence, torture, and suffering in this life just because we are waiting for the next life. In fact, Jesus did everything he could to relieve the physical, emotional, and mental pain of those he met during his lifetime. The point is, as humans we cannot escape some pain because we live in an imperfect world. But while we must suffer, we can also hold out hope for a kingdom we can't yet see where Christ is our leader and Christ will rule over a realm of truth, peace, and love.

Questions of the Week

- 1 Is the afterlife something you think about? Why or why not? How do you think of it?
- 2 Have you experienced any periods in your life when the Christian concept of another kingdom awaiting you was comforting? How so?

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