



ST. JOHN'S CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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SOLEMNITY OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

Reading I: Ez 34, 11-12. 15-17.

Reading II: 1 Cor 15, 20-26. 28.

Gospel: Mt 25, 31-46.

Revised Roman Missal: 594

Gospel Summary

On this final Sunday of the Church year, the feast of Christ the King, we learn most definitely how our lives will be measured. They will be measured by the love we show. Whenever we offer a drink of water to the thirsty, food to the hungry, clothing to the naked, or whenever we visit the sick or imprisoned, or take in the stranger, we show our love to God. Through our actions toward the poor, vulnerable, estranged and discouraged we show our love of God. If we ignore these people, we also ignore God.

Reflection for Families

It is easy to see the meaning of this gospel through our actions toward our children. Never in true thirst or hunger would we deny them. If they were sick or cold we would take care of them ourselves or see to it that someone helped us. It's taking this gospel to the next level that will help our children see the meaning of love through our example. Not only will they witness love through our loving actions toward others, but there will be many opportunities along the way to have our children share in these actions of love.

Bringing the Gospel Into Your Family

Through our parishes, schools, and communities, there are a number of opportunities for adults to demonstrate God's love - not through some sense of obligation, but from a genuine love of others. Most of these opportunities allow for the whole family to participate. For example, adults may make communion calls to someone who is homebound. Often these folks eagerly welcome the sight of a child or if that's not possible, children can make care cards to be delivered at the call. Think of one way as a family you might carry out at least one of the actions of the gospel.

Discussion Starters

1. There was a time I recall being moved completely by love to help another person when...
2. The hardest part about this gospel passage for me is...
3. I was one of "the least" and someone helped me out of love. I remember feeling...

“ PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS”

- **SECOND COLLECTION**

There will be a second collection in aid of the disasters in the Philippines. Thank you for your generosity.

- **Joint Churches Carol Service (JCCS) 2020**

This year the JCCS will be held at St James’s Church on Friday, 11th December at 7.30pm. For headcount purposes, please get a ticket at the Parish Office, if you and your family wish to attend. Admission is free but you need to have a ticket per person to enter.

There will be envelopes to support our local mission schools - St John’s; St James; St Margaret’s and St Angela’s - with “back to school gifts” and “school fees support” for the less fortunate students. Due to Covid restrictions, please do not buy any gifts. The envelopes will be placed at the entrance of the Church. Please bring your envelopes to the JCCS or to the Parish Office before Thursday, 24th December.

- **SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION**

Those who wish to have the Sacrament of Confession is requested to contact the Parish Office for an appointment.

- **WALK IN REGISTRATION**

SJC is currently accepting walk in registrations. Proceed direct to the Help Desk located at the garage in front of the Parish Hall. Please ensure that you have your Identity Card (IC) with you to ease registration.

- **MASS ATTENDANCE WEBSITE**

For Mass Attendance, please note that registrations open at 12noon on Sundays and will close at noon on Fridays for Sunset mass and noon on Saturdays for the Sunday Mass. Please register at the website for one Mass either on Saturday or Sunday to expedite registration and for head count.

- **MEMBER UPDATE REGISTRATION & PARISH ID CARD**

If you have not registered at the Member Registration Portal, please register yourself and update the additional information required in the email ASAP.

If you do not have your certificates with you for the exact date and place, please put the name of the Parish that you were baptized or confirmed at with “Date—unknown”. However if you do remember the year, that is sufficient. If you have not received any email, please contact the Parish Office.

The link can be found via the Vicariate website at:

revbd.com/ST. JOHN’S CHURCH, KUALA BELAIT

DAY	EVENT	READINGS	TIME
Monday 23	LAST WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME	Rev 14, 1-3. 4b-5; Lk 21, 1-4.	5:30 pm
Tuesday 24	LAST WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME	Rev 14, 14-19; Lk 21, 5-11.	5:30 pm
Wednesday 25	LAST WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME	Rev 15, 1-4; Lk 21, 12-19.	5:30 pm
Thursday 26	LAST WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME	Rev 18, 1-2. 21-23; 19, 1-3. 9a; Lk 21, 20-28.	5:30 pm
Friday 27	LAST WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME	Rev 20, 1-4. 11-21, 2; Lk 21, 29-33.	12:15 pm
Saturday 28	LAST WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME	Rev 22, 1-7; Lk 21, 34-36.	6:00 pm (Pre- registration)
	SUNSET MASS AND NOVENA	Isa 63:16-17; 64:3-8;1 Cor 1, 3-9. Mark 13, 33-37	
Sunday 29	FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT	Isa 63:16-17; 64:3-8;1 Cor 1, 3-9. Mark 13, 33-37	9:00 am (Pre- registration)