

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

Last Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading † Daniel 7:13-14

A reading from the prophet Daniel

His sovereignty is eternal.

I gazed into the visions of the night.
And I saw, coming on the clouds of heaven,
one like a son of man.
He came to the one of great age
and was led into his presence.
On him was conferred sovereignty,
glory and kingship,
and men of all peoples, nations and languages
became his servants.

His sovereignty is an eternal sovereignty
which shall never pass away,
nor will his empire be destroyed.

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial † Psalm 92:1-2.5

The Lord is king; he is robed in majesty.

The Lord is king, with majesty enrobed;
the Lord has robed himself with might,
he has girded himself with power.

The Lord is king; he is robed in majesty.

The world you made firm, not to be moved;
your throne has stood firm from of old.
From all eternity, O Lord, you are.

The Lord is king; he is robed in majesty.

Truly your decrees are to be trusted.
Holiness is fitting to your house,
O Lord, until the end of time.

The Lord is king; he is robed in majesty.

Second Reading † Revelation 1:5-8

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse

The ruler of the kings of the earth ... made us a line of kings, priests to serve his God.

Jesus Christ is the faithful witness, the First-born from the dead, the Ruler of the kings of the earth. He loves us and has washed away our sins with his blood, and made us a line of kings, priests to serve his God and Father; to him, then, be glory and power for ever and ever. Amen.

It is he who is coming on the clouds; everyone will see him, even those who pierced him, and all the races of the earth will mourn over him. This is the truth. Amen.

‘I am the Alpha and the Omega’
says the Lord God,
who is, who was,
and who is to come, the Almighty.’

The word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation # Mark 11:9.10

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
Blessed is he who inherits the kingdom of David our Father;
blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Gospel # John 18:33-37

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

You say that I am a king.

Pilate asked,

‘Are you the king of the Jews?’

Jesus replied,

‘Do you ask this of your own accord, or have others spoken to you about me?’

Pilate answered,

‘Am I a Jew?’

It is your own people and the chief priests who have handed you over to me: what have you done?’

Jesus replied,

‘Mine is not a kingdom of this world;
if my kingdom were of this world,
my men would have fought
to prevent my being surrendered to the Jews.
But my kingdom is not of this kind.’

Pilate said,

‘So you are a king then?’

Jesus answered,

‘It is you who say it.
Yes, I am a king. I was born for this,
I came into the world for this:
to bear witness to the truth;
and all who are on the side of truth
listen to my voice.’

The Gospel of the Lord.

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