

In his book, Retreat with the Lord, Fr. John Hardon SJ, reflects on the words the Risen Christ spoke before he was ascended into heaven, “*All power is given me in heaven and on earth,*” saying, “he meant especially his moral power to command all rational creatures to obey his will.”

True Christian faith requires both a firm belief in the divinity of Christ and complete submission to his will. Anyone who simply believes that Jesus is divine but does not do his will is a fire without flame, a pretender. The divinity of Christ, “and this needs to be stressed,” Fr Hardon writes, gives him the right “to command our wills to obey his will.” Indeed, he made this the test of our fidelity to him: “If you love me, keep my commandments.” (Jn 14:15)

At Christmas, the angel was sent to the shepherds, saying, “I bring you good news of great joy that shall be *to all the people.*” (Lk 2) This first evangelization now continues through the Church. Again, the Church, the universal sacrament, has and always will announce to our fallen world the message of great joy “to all the people.” Father reminds us that “Catholic” means “universal” and “part of this universality is the divine mandate to evangelize.”

**Alas**, in our age of communication, father writes, some question this mandate, saying non-Christians are really “anonymous Christians” who should be left to follow their own persuasions and not be actively evangelized. “This is not the teaching of Christ.”

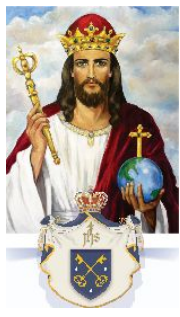
In the Church’s, which is to say, in our work to evangelize others, the practical Fr. Hardon identifies three essentials:  
> They are to be made “disciples.” They are to be taught what Christ revealed so their minds accept his teaching in humility of faith.  
> They are to be baptized. They are to be reborn in spirit through the waters of Baptism.  
> They are to observe all the commandments which Jesus Christ enjoined upon the human race.

The Son of God said as much: “Go, therefore, teach ye all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you.”

The final words of the Risen Christ should give us confidence in our work: “Behold I am with you all days, even to the end of the world.” Father says this divine promise is fulfilled both by the physical Presence of Christ in the Eucharist and his mystical presence in the Church. “With him we can convert the whole world to his name.”

**To end**, we must make daily efforts to advance our salvation and that of others, all for the greater honor and glory of God. We must never forget that we have been made by God and for God – as much as our neighbor - so that, one day, we may be joined forever to the Most Holy Trinity. To miss this, our primary vocation, is our greatest misfortune.

How many spend their lives in circles, going round and round in an amusement park of vain diversions, who do much without doing anything. May it never happen to us that we forget that, at every moment, we have a great work about us, namely, an eternity upon our hands, the neglect of which is to miss the only real concern of life.



## CHRIST THE KING Catholic Church

An apostolate of the Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter preaching the Gospel & sanctifying souls according to the liturgical books of 1962.

# Feast of Christ the King

(22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost)

**October 29, 2023, A.D.**

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### The Daily Mass Schedule is:

Monday at 12 noon.  
Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday at 7:00 am and 9:00 am.  
Friday at 9:00 am and 6:30 pm. (On Friday, a 5:30 pm Holy Hour & confession time, precedes the 6:30 pm Mass.)  
Saturday at 9:00 am.

**Sacramental Emergency:** 941-400-5415

### The Sunday Mass Schedule is:

7:00 am low; 8:30 am low; & 10:30 am sung & a seasonal 12:30 pm low Mass.  
Items on the “Blessing Table” in the hall are blessed after the last Sunday Mass.

**Confessions are heard in the confessional box ½ hour before Mass.**

Sarasota “Lost & Found” now located in the office

### In Ocala:

Sunday Mass at 4:30 pm  
Monday Mass at 7 am.  
1<sup>st</sup> Saturday Mass at 10:30 am.

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## Liturgical Calendar for the Upcoming Week

DATE	FEAST	CLASS/COLOR
Sun 10-29	Christ the King	1/W No commemoration
Mon 10-30	Feria (22nd Sunday after Pentecost)	4/G
Tues 10-31	Feria	4/G
Wed 11-01	All Saints	1/W
Thu 11-02	Commemoration of All Souls	1/B
Fri 11-03	Sacred Heart of Jesus	3/W
Sat 11-04	Immaculate Heart of Mary	3/W St Charles, Ss Vitalis & Agricola
Sun 11-05	23 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost	2/G

### Mass Intentions for the Upcoming Week in Sarasota

Sun 10-29	(7 am) Thomas & Patricia++ (8:30 am) Poor Souls in Purgatory (10:30) <i>Pro-populo</i> (12:30 pm) <b>Resumes November 5</b>	rb M F Polansky rb L de Saizieu
Mon 10-30	(12 pm) Aaron & Sarah Pruitt	rb M Pruitt
Tues 10-31	(7 am) Albert Melendez Sr + (9 am) Lindita's family & intentions	rb T Tocher rb Lindita
Wed 11-01	(7 am) deceased FssP priests (9 am) Poor Souls in Purgatory (6:30 pm) Pro-populo	
Thu 11-02	(7 am) Intentions of the Holy Father (9 am) Joseph Karbarz+ (6:30 pm) All the Faithful Departed	rb S Karbarz family
Fri 11-03	(9 am) Karen Kolega (6:30 pm) Poor Souls in Purgatory	rb G Scarano rb Shehwen family
Sat 11-04	(9 am) Denise Priest	rb M Priest
Sun 11-05	(7 am) Deceased FssP priests (8:30 am) Poor Souls in Purgatory (10:30 am) <i>Pro-populo</i> (12:30 pm) Pickwoad family	rb L de Saizieu rb K Pickwoad

**Today's 10:30 Mass:** entr: *Christus Vincit, Christus Regnat, Christus, Christus, Imperat* (3x); Asperges; Mass II & Credo III; Exposition & Procession (see handout).

**You are invited** to put names of deceased family, friends, enemies in the basket near the offertory box. These will be placed on the altar for the duration of November so as to remember them before the Lord during the Holy Sacrifice.

**Presentation: Public Prayer & Spiritual Warfare.** CtK Pro-Life meets after 9 am Mass on Saturday, Nov. 4 in the Social Hall. Fr. Hathaway will be presenting. Come prepare for our next vigil day!

**Today**, the Feast of the Kingship of Our Lord Jesus Christ, fulfilling the normal conditions, one may gain a plenary indulgence by reciting publicly "The Act of Consecration of the Human Race to the Sacred Heart of Jesus" which we will do after each Mass (see handout for the Act).

**Also, today**, you may donate to the FssP (see trifold with a self-addressed donation envelope in the vestibule, "Priestly Fraternity of St Peter, Special Collection, North American Province 2023"). You may place this envelope in the collection basket or offertory box or mail it yourself.

**40 Days For Life fall campaign closing event is Sat.,** Nov. 4 at 6:45 pm in the parking lot of Community Pregnancy Clinic, 1419 7<sup>th</sup> Street, Sarasota. There will be prayer, scripture and song for victory & mercy. Bring a flashlight!

**Last Sunday's Collection:** cash \$3,971.88; on-line \$1963.00; CFA \$290.00.  
**Total souls: 425:** 7 am-66; 8:30 am-164; 10:30 am-195. (Ocala, 327)

**Please pray for:** Christian P. (10/29); Roberta Speer, Meza family, Schroll family (10/22); Johnson family (10/8); Jacob, James & Avery Ford (10/1).

**2023 CFA status at CtK as of October 21, 2023:** \$123,000.00 assessed by the diocese; \$88,895.07 pledged (72.27% of goal); from 42.99% of 221 households; \$79,011.55 paid. (from dioceseofvenice.org) **Thank you for your support!**

**November is dedicated to the Holy Souls.** From Nov. 1 through Nov. 8, inclusive, a plenary indulgence, applicable to the Poor Souls, is granted to those who visit a cemetery and pray, if only mentally, for the departed. On Nov. 2, the same may be gained in any church by reciting an Our Father & the Apostles' Creed. If confused by "Indulgences," see handouts in the vestibule. There is no stipulation that the cemetery be Catholic.

**This week, Monday,** Vespers (4:30); **Tuesday,** Holy Face devotions; **Wednesday,** All Saints, (***a holy day of obligation***), four Masses {7 am (frh), 9 am (frv), 10:30 am (frh) followed by QAA party, & 6:30 pm (frh)}, Vespers (4:30 pm), [Ocala, 6 pm (frv) Mass]; **Thursday,** All Souls, three Masses (7 am, 9 am & 6:30 pm (frh)), Vespers 4:30 pm), [Ocala, 6:30 am, 7 am & 6 pm Masses (frv)]; **First Friday,** normal Mass & devotions; **First Saturday,** normal Mass & devotions, frh talk: 'keeping cool in protesting' (after adoration), [Ocala 10:30 am Mass (frv)].

**On All Saints Day**, a special 10:30 am Mass will be offered for **Queen of Angels Academy** followed by a procession & trunk or treat saint games, and potluck lunch at Christ the King Catholic Church.. Come to Mass dressed as your favorite saint and saintify the procession! Email Afra Beggy if you'd like to set up a game from your trunk at beggybunch@yahoo.com. Bring treats for children, old & young!

**You know** that Fr Hathaway often sings a hymn before & after daily Mass. **You may not know** that he generally writes the hymn he will sing on a dry-erase board on a table nearest the Offertory box. Mystery solved!