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# Catechizing Corner!

This is the final Sunday of the liturgical cycle. It is the last time we encounter lesus through the lens of Matthew for another two years. One of the so-called "idea feasts", the feast of Christ the King serves as a climactic celebration and finelytuned blending of the major themes of the Gospel. There are three texts chosen for this feast. "As opposed to the other Sundays in Ordinary Time, the Liturgy of the Word takes the form of a triptych. The center chief panel is the Gospel; the other panels of the Old Testament and the epistle, are not quite on the same level as the first, but turned slightly toward it." Today's solemnity is reminiscent of the solemnity of the Ascension, Epiphany, and Palm Sunday. All celebrate the reign of Christ.

Mary Birmingham, Word and Worship Workbook,

Cycle A Paulist Press



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# Disciple's Reflection for the Question of the Week

Our Lord Jesus Christ the King

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# Call to Prayer

Begin by calling upon God: In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, Amen.

Let us pause for a moment and listen attentively to this week's passage.

### The Word of God Matthew 25:31-46

# A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Jesus said to his disciples: "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit upon his glorious throne, and all the nations will be assembled before him. And he will separate them one from another, as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. He will place the sheep on his right and the goats on his left. Then the king will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father. Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me, naked and you clothed me, ill and you cared for me, in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer

#### **Gospel Glossary**

Glory is great honor and oplendor. To inherit is to receive something as a gift from your parents. Heaven is the inheritance of the children of God. The righteous are the good people who obey God. Least means the smallest or most unimportant. Okcursed means doomed and hated.

him and say, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? When did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? When did we see you ill or in prison, and visit you?' And the king will say to them in reply, 'Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of the least brothers of mine, you did for me.' Then he will say to those on his left, 'Depart from me, you accursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me no drink, a stranger and you gave me no welcome, naked and you gave me no clothing, ill and in prison, and you did not care for me.' Then they will answer and say, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or ill or in prison, and not minister to your needs?' He will answer them, 'Amen, I say to you, what you did not do for one of these least ones, you did not do for me.' And these will go off to eternal punishment, but the righteous to eternal life."

#### The Gospel of the Lord



# Faith Sharing

#### Questions of the Week:

**Children:** Who are the people most in need of help and how can you help them?

**Teen:** How can a shepherd be a good example of a king?

**Adult:** What comes to mind when you think of Christ as the "first fruit" consecrated to God? Why are the criteria Christ will judge us by so unusual?

**Family:** What can you do to help those who are without food, shelter or have other needs? When have you seen Jesus in the

# Closing Prayer

Almighty and merciful God, you break the power of evil and make all things new in your Son Jesus Christ, the King of the universe. May all in heaven and earth acclaim your glory and never cease to praise you.

We ask this, as we ask all things, through Christ our Lord, Amen.

Our Lord Jesus Christ,