

November 24-25, 2018
The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ The King
Daniel 7:13-14 Revelation 1:5-8 John 18:33-37

Since every beginning has an ending, are endings and beginnings just different sides of the same coin? Knowing that our food comas from Thursday's feasts may still be lingering, the question is perhaps unfair but on this FINAL weekend of the Liturgical Year we commemorate an ENDING to what BEGAN in 2017. Throughout this past year, as people of faith, we have heard and experienced the 'Story of Salvation' overlaid upon the events of our times. Within the past year we have individually/communally experienced events worthy of celebration and events that have made us mourn in confusion and loss. Remembering the mantra 'There is nowhere where the grace of God is not...' these are the hours in which we are urged to review and remember the GRACE we have seen and of which we have availed throughout this past year. The ultimate purpose of all GRACE is to direct our hearts, minds and souls to the person of Jesus, to draw us into closer abidance with him. Knowing that a daily TEMPTATION is to become solely and completely focused on OUR OWN schedules and OUR OWN routines, this concluding liturgical 'tweak to our souls' of 'Christ the King' is a last gasp opportunity to remember that everything ENDS....and to make sure we do not presumptuously put off to tomorrow the acknowledgement of Jesus that ought to be done NOW.

Thank you for sharing the final weekend of the Liturgical Year with our Santa Clara community. Having survived the feastings of Thanksgiving and the rigors of Black Friday we have some blessedly calm days by which to pack away the OLD YEAR before the ADVENT of a NEW year begins next weekend. If you were one of our families who ADOPTED a family from Immaculate Heart of Mary, these are the days in which you are asked to please RETURN the presents and items you are procuring for them. Please bring your wrapped and marked gifts to the Office during the week or to Mass with you. THANKS! Please take a copy of the Bulletin for other information on ADVENT events and opportunities and remember...old liturgical year or new liturgical year.....you are loved. FKB