



Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

November 2024

John 18:33-37

You can share a variety of liturgies linked to this week's gospel with your child at home.

You can find weekly Gospel Liturgies from The Mark 10 Mission by clicking on the link [here](#).

You can also share the Children's Liturgy from Redemptorist Publications with the Dominican Sisters of St Joseph by clicking this link [here](#).

Check this newsletter regularly for other links to liturgies designed for children.

Each week, you can download a weekly Bible verse from *The God Who Speaks* website.

[Click here](#) to access the Weekly Bible Verse archive.



Pilate went back into the palace and called Jesus. "Are you the King of the Jews?" he asked him.

Jesus answered, "Does this question come from you or have others told you about me?"

Pilate replied, "Do you think I am a Jew? It was your own people and the chief priests who handed you over to me. What have you done?"

Jesus said, "My kingdom does not belong to this world; if my kingdom belonged to this world, my followers would fight to keep me from being handed over to the Jewish authorities. No, my kingdom does not belong here!"

So Pilate asked him, "Are you a king, then?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. I was born and came into the world for this one purpose, to speak about the truth. Whoever belongs to the truth listens to me."



(Gospel passage taken from Good News Translation® and used with permission)

Pilate asks Jesus if he is king of the Jews. Jesus answers that his kingdom is not of this world. What do you think he means?

Jesus' kingdom isn't on earth. We can't see it. Jesus doesn't wear a crown or have lots of riches. He doesn't live in a palace with lots of servants. Jesus was born in a stable and mostly lived a normal life in a carpenter's family.

We cannot see his kingdom and he doesn't behave like a normal king. And yet, Jesus is a very special king, because he is the Son of God.

Jesus shows us that you do not have to be rich or powerful to be important. He shows us that what is more important is how you treat others. What we do and say is much more important than whether we are rich or poor, or where we come from.

He shows us how to welcome strangers and to be kind to people that others don't like. He shows us how to stand up for what is right and to love one another.

Pilate is confused. He couldn't understand what Jesus was saying. So he asks Jesus again if he is a king. Jesus replies that he was born to come into the world and share the truth with all people.

What do you think the truth that Jesus came to share is?

Jesus is the Son of God. He came to share the truth of God's love for all people with us. He came to show us how to live, to teach us to help others, to love our neighbours and to share with them. And to pay more attention to what people do and say, than where they come from or what they look like.

Jesus says that all those who are on the side of truth will listen to him. Can you think of all the different people you listen to in a week? And what else do you listen to? (*music, sound of birds, traffic etc*)

We listen to our teachers in school. We listen to our parents and carers. We listen to our friends. We listen to music and to the sound of the wind or the rain.

But how do we listen to Jesus and what he wants to tell us about?

We can listen to Jesus by hearing the Gospel and thinking about what Jesus is showing us in these stories. Also we can listen to Jesus when we take time to sit still and be quiet and when we pray.

Sometimes it is easy to listen. Sometimes it is hard. We might not want to hear what the person is saying to us and so we do not listen properly.

This week, let's try really hard to listen carefully to everyone. And most importantly, let's try really hard to listen to Jesus, a very different kind of king, and to the truth that God loves us all.

Art can help
bring the
Gospel to
life for
children.



You may find the
website [Christian Art](#) enjoyable to
explore with your child. Each day they
share artwork linked to the daily
Gospel.

**The stars will come falling from
heaven
Mark 13:24-32**

Leonid Meteor Storm, 1833,
Painted by Edmund Weiss (1837-1917),
Issued in 1888, from "Bilderatlas der
Sternenwelt"
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We can worship and pray through Music. For this week's Gospel, enjoy listening to both traditional and contemporary worship music!

Traditional: 'Love Divine, All Loves Excelling' by Charles Wesley
Contemporary: '[Yesterday, Today and Forever](#)' by Vicky Beeching



You can now access the Ten:Ten Parent Portal at home with the details below.

Username: st-michaels-tw15

Password: thames-orange
Parent Portal:

www.tentenresources.co.uk/parent-portal

Ten:Ten
Resources



YouCat is a guide to the Catechism of the Catholic Church for children. It is an easy read and a user friendly guide for parents and carers to support their children.

You can find out more about YouCat at www.youcat.org

Catholic Social Teaching:

Which principle do you think the gospel teaching best relate to this week?

**DIGNITY SOLIDARITY THE COMMON GOOD THE OPTION FOR THE POOR PEACE
CARE FOR CREATION THE DIGNITY OF WORK AND PARTICIPATION**



*This week's Gospel activity sheet from **CAFOD**:*

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For anyone who has lost a child

Let us pray that all parents who mourn the loss of a son or daughter find support in their community and receive peace and consolation from the Holy Spirit.

National and International Days

- UN day (24th October)

November

- World Tsunami Day (5th)
- National Stress Awareness Day (6th)
- World Science Day for Peace and Development (10th)
- Remembrance Sunday (11th)
- World Kindness Day (13th)
- International Day for Tolerance (16th)
- World Day of the Poor (17th)
- World Toilet Day (19th)
- Universal Children's Day (20th)
- Carers' Rights Day (21st)
- International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women (25th)
- Month of Remembrance
- Remembrance Sunday is the beginning of Interfaith Week.

Other Religions

- Bandhi Chhor Divas (Sikh Celebration of Freedom – 1st November)
- Diwali (Hindu festival of Light)
- Eid-e-Shuja (Islamic – date varies)
- Mawlid an-Nabi (Islamic Birthday of the Prophet Muhammed Oct/Nov)
- Guru Nanak Gurburab (Sikh Birth of Guru Nanak Nov)
- Martyrdom of Guru Tegh Bahadur (Sikh 22nd)
- Mitzvah Day (Jewish – links to Day of the Poor)

Liturgical Year



- Ss Simon and Jude 28/10
- Blessed Martyrs of Douai College 29/10
- All Saints 01/11
- All Souls 02/11
- St Martin de Pores 03/11
- St Charles Borromeo 04/11
- Lateran Basilica 09/11
- St Martin of Tours 11/11
- St Frances Xavier Cabrini 13/11
- St Albert the Great 15/11
- St Margaret of Scotland 16/11
- Presentation of Mary 21/11
- St Cecilia 22/11
- St Andrew 30/11

