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October 25, 2026 **Feast of Christ the King**

Dear faithful,

This Sunday is the **Feast of Christ the King**, the first-class titular feast of our dear institute. Pope Pius XI said it best in his encyclical instituting this feast, ***Quas Primas*** (December 11, 1925):

"It would be a grave error, on the other hand, to say that Christ has no authority whatever in civil affairs, since, by virtue of the absolute empire over all creatures committed to him by the Father, all things are in his power" (n. 17)

Christ truly possesses and governs the entire universe and everything in it, at the individual, social and governmental levels. All owe Him obedience and submission, and He is bringing all under His imperium. All hail Christ the King! His reign is without end.

A **plenary indulgence**, under the usual conditions, is available to all who attend Mass at an Institute apostolate this Sunday. We will recite the **Novena Prayer** and the **Act of Consecration** of the Human Race to the Sacred Heart of Jesus following both Masses, and there will be a **Eucharistic Procession** following the 12:30 Mass.

The ceremonies at the 12:30 Mass will be very beautiful, and also **significantly longer** than usual. Please plan accordingly.

The Institute of Christ the King takes up the annual **Special Collection** for the **Institute's Seminary** every year on the Feast of Christ the King, the last Sunday of October. Thank you for your generosity in helping the Institute form your future priests! If you wish to **donate online**, here is the link:

https://secure.myvanco.com/L-ZEEW/campaign/C-153HN

Every year on the Feast of Christ the King, we chant the **Carolingian Acclamations** at the close of the ceremonies. Please chant! With all your heart and all your lungs! I had 150 copies of these chants printed so that you could join in the singing this Sunday.

Many of you join in every year at the end of the Easter Sunday Mass in the chanting of the ***O Filii et Filiae***, and it always sounds lovely and powerful. There's no reason you can't do the same thing for Christ the King. Let's make the Carolingian Emperors proud!

Please be sure to **leave all the copies** of the various prayer and music sheets in the chapel, as they will be collected and re-used next year. Thank you!

Save the Date: Holy Land Pilgrimage! Yes, you read that right. A tentative plan for a pilgrimage for our apostolate to the Holy Land, where Our Lord was born, lived, preached, worked miracles, died, was buried, resurrected and ascended into Heaven, is in the works. The current working dates are **June 14-24, 2027**. We will once again be working with Sacred Heart Tours: https://sacredhearttours.com/. Availability will be limited to 30 spots, so plan accordingly!

Next **Sunday, November 1** is the Feast of All Saints. We will once again have our **All Saints Day Party** for the children of our apostolate after the 12:30 Mass. Bring your children and their best saints' costumes! Prizes will be awarded.

Monday, **November 2** is the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed, or **All Souls Day. Mass times:** There will be a Low Requiem Mass at 7:30 am and 12 pm, and a High Requiem Mass at 6 pm. The **November Lists** for the Dead have been sent out via Flocknote. Copies will be placed in the chapel next Sunday.

Do you have children to enroll in **First Communion preparation?** Now is the time to sign them up! The weekly class will begin in late February and take place every Wednesday at 4 pm on Zoom. Each class will run about thirty minutes. First Communions are tentatively planned for the first Sunday of May (this will have to be confirmed). Please look out for updates. Please contact me as soon as possible to enroll your children in our program.

Important donations reminder! Please be sure to use the envelopes provided in the vestibule and by the ushers with the words **"Institute of Christ the King"** printed on them for your donations, either cash or check. For checks, please write "Institute of Christ the King" on the "pay to" line. If one of these printed envelopes is not available, you may use your own envelope, or a piece of paper. Please be sure to write the words "Institute of Christ the King" on it. Thank you very much for your continued generosity!

Wishing you a blessed Sunday,

Canon Benjamin Norman

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Mass Times at Most Holy Rosary Chapel:

Sundays: 7:30 AM (Low Mass) & 12:30 PM
Confessions will be heard 30 minutes before the 7:30 AM Mass, and one hour before the 12:30 PM Mass.

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday: 6:00 PM
Thursday: 12 Noon
Confessions 30 minutes before Mass

Friday and Saturday Masses (including **First Friday/First Saturday**) are scheduled based on the availability of the chapel, but will be announced in advance in Flocknote.

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