

LAST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING

First Reading: Daniel 7:13-14

A reading from the book of Daniel.

Daniel wrote of his dream:

I gazed into the visions of the night once again,
and I saw, coming on the clouds of heaven
one who looked human,
but somehow more than human.

This One came to the Ancient One
and was led into the divine Presence.

Thus was conferred sovereignty,
glory and dominion,
and all peoples, nations and languages
became this One's subjects.

This sovereignty is an eternal Sovereignty
that will never pass away,
nor will this dominion ever be destroyed.

The Word of God. R. Thanks be to God!

Second Reading: Revelation 1:5-8

A reading from the book of Revelation.

From John, to the seven churches of Asia:

Grace and peace to you, from the One who is, who was, and who is to come, from the seven spirits before the throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn from the dead, sovereign of the rulers of the earth.

To Christ — who loves us, and has freed us from our sins by the shedding blood, and has made us to be a kingdom of priests to serve Our God and Creator — to Jesus Christ be glory and power forever and ever! Amen.

Look! Christ is coming on the clouds
for every eye to see,
even those who pierced Jesus
and all the peoples of the earth
will mourn over Christ.

So be it! Amen!

“I am the Alpha and the Omega,” says Our God, “who is, who was, and who is to come, the Almighty.”

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ALLELUIA!

*Blessed is the One who inherits the throne of David, our ancestor;
blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Most High.*

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Gospel Reading: John 18:33-37

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John.

Pilate reentered the Praetorium and summoned Jesus. “Are you the King of the Jews?” asked Pilate.

Jesus answered, “Do you say this of your own accord, or have others told you about me?”

Pilate replied, “Am I Jewish? It is your own people and the chief priests who hand you over to me. What have you done?”

Jesus answered, “My realm is not of this world; if it belonged to this world, my

people would have fought to keep me out of the hands of the Temple authorities. No, my realm is not of this world.”

Pilate said, “So you are a King?”

Jesus replied, “You say that I am a King. I was born and came into the world for one purpose — to bear witness to the truth. Everyone who seeks the truth hears my voice.”

*The Good News of Salvation!
R. Glory and praise to our Savior Jesus Christ!*