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Mass Intention



Our Parishioners

Póngase en contacto con Elizabeth para programar una misa o si tiene alguna pregunta. Por favor, den intenciones de misa al Padre.

Contact Elizabeth to schedule a Mass or if you have any questions. Please

Praying With Next Week's Readings

Reading I: Jeremiah 33:14-16
 Responsorial Psalm: 25:4-5,
 8-9, 10, 14
 Reading II:
 1 Thessalonians 3:12-4:2
 Gospel: Luke 21:25-28, 34-36

November Birthdays

- 2 **Alberto Rosales**
- 5 **Maveli Ramos**
- 11 **Liam Torres**
- 14 **Teresa Verduzco**
- 18 **Misael Vallejo**
- 20 **Rosemary Seif**
- 21 **Yamila Amarillo**
- 25 **Ruth Santes**
- 27 **Lois Gownley**
- 28 **Dunn Nery**

Happy Anniversary

Sonia & Fitzgerald Marcelin
Nov. 21, 1998



Please use this list to pray for those who are in need. May we all lift one another up in prayer.

Steven Goellner; Mary Frances Kramer, Nina Gendron & family, Esther Zepeta

Please contact the office with updates.

Upcoming Events:

- Dec. 9**-Holy Day of Obligation
- Dec. 11**-Reconciliation Service
- Dec. 12**-Feast of our Lady of Guadalupe-Mass at 7 pm
- Dec. 15**-Bambinelli Blessing
- Dec. 20**-Simbang Gabi-Mass 6pm

Our Lady of the Lake



Council 9309

Officers for 2024-2025

Chaplain: Fr. Jong R. Bayta

Grand Knight: Mark Fracassa

Deputy Grand Knight: John Husson

Chancellor: Dave Thomas

Recorder: Bobby Berndt, PGK*

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*PGK-Past Grand Knight

Catholic men 18 years or older are eligible to join the Knights of Columbus. Please contact Mark Fracassa (804) 305-6175 or Tom O'Neill (252)519-3050.

St. Richard Catholic Church

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117 Laurel Street, Emporia, VA 23847



We welcome all visitors and guests to our parish family and wish you safe travels and a happy visit to Emporia.

Mission Statement:

We, the Church of Saint Richard, have been anointed by Jesus Christ to continue His Mission. For us to participate in the mission of Jesus, we are challenged by the Gospel to a daily conversion to God, leading to spiritual growth and holiness. We invite others to join us at the Eucharistic table. Mindful of our neighbors, we will work to bring about a just and peaceful society. At every opportunity, we will work with other faith communities to further God's Kingdom.

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Elizabeth Martin

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Liturgical Schedule

Weekday Mass:

Wednesday: 12:00 pm at SVMC

Weekend Masses:

Saturday—1:00 pm (Spanish)

Sunday—10:30 am

Rosary:

Wednesday—11:45 am at SVMC

Sunday—10:00 am

Reconciliation:

Sunday—10:00 am

Pastoral Council—Anayeli Verduzco-Rios: 434-368-8141

Finance Council—Janet McKenzie: 614-579-8185

Religious Formation—Anayeli Verduzco-Rios: 434-368-8141

Music Coordinator— Rocky Rodriguez; **Assistants—**Ramis Celedonia; Jeromil Enoc

Altar Ministry—Stevie Thomas: 434-634-6713

Family Service Advisor—Linda Adamos: 434-774-9376

The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ the King—Nov. 24, 2024

Study of the Readings

Background on the Gospel

Reading John 18:33b-37

In today's reading, Pilate questions Jesus about the charges brought against him. Caiaphas and the high priests have charged Jesus with a political crime, one that would require a punishment of death. Pilate distances himself from the Jewish leaders who accuse Jesus; he is not a Jew, and he seems to want little to do with this Jewish affair. In his responses to Pilate's questions, Jesus distinguishes his kingdom from the political powers of this world. King and kingdom may be appropriate terms for Jesus' mission and promise, but only by analogy.

Jesus is king, but not the kind of king we imagine or expect. He was certainly not the kind of king Pilate feared he might be. Jesus refers to a kingdom that does not belong to this world. We see Jesus identify the final proof that his kingdom is not of this world: If his kingdom were of this world, then there would be people fighting to save him. Again we hear echoes of John's theme—salvation is worked out through a cosmic battle. It is helpful to return to the first chapter of John's Gospel to understand the context for Jesus' words to Pilate. Jesus came into the world, but the world did not know him. In John's language, the world prefers the darkness, and yet the light will not be

overcome by the darkness. Truth has been another important theme in John's Gospel. We see it emphasized in the conclusion of the dialogue between Jesus and Pilate. Those who know the truth will recognize Jesus as king and will know how to interpret this insight. Yet Jesus' kingship was hidden from many of his contemporaries. Only those chosen, those who have the eyes of faith, are able to see. As modern disciples of Jesus, we also struggle at times to recognize Jesus as king. Today's Gospel invites us to see with eyes of faith that we might recognize that Jesus, through his crucifixion and death, is indeed king and Savior of all.

Solemnidad de Nuestro Señor Jesucristo Rey

Estudio de las lecturas

Antecedentes de la lectura del

Evangelio Juan 18:33b-37

En la lectura de hoy, Pilato interroga a Jesús sobre los cargos que se le imputan. Caifás y los sumos sacerdotes han acusado a Jesús de un delito político, uno que requeriría un castigo de muerte. Pilato se distancia de los líderes judíos que acusan a Jesús; él no es judío, y parece querer tener poco que ver con este asunto judío. En sus respuestas a las preguntas de Pilato, Jesús distingue su reino de los poderes políticos de este mundo. Rey y reino pueden ser términos apropiados para la misión y la promesa de Jesús, pero solo por analogía. Jesús es rey, pero no el tipo de rey que imaginamos o

esperamos. Ciertamente no era el tipo de rey que Pilato temía que pudiera ser. Jesús se refiere a un reino que no pertenece a este mundo. Vemos a Jesús identificar la prueba final de que su reino no es de este mundo: si su reino fuera de este mundo, entonces habría personas luchando para salvarlo. De nuevo escuchamos ecos del tema de Juan: la salvación se lleva a cabo a través de una batalla cósmica. Es útil volver al primer capítulo del Evangelio de Juan para entender el contexto de las palabras de Jesús a Pilato. Jesús vino al mundo, pero el mundo no lo conoció. En el lenguaje de Juan, el mundo prefiere las tinieblas, y sin embargo, la luz no será vencida por

las tinieblas. La verdad ha sido otro tema importante en el Evangelio de Juan. Lo vemos enfatizado en la conclusión del diálogo entre Jesús y Pilato. Aquellos que conocen la verdad reconocerán a Jesús como rey y sabrán cómo interpretar esta percepción. Sin embargo, el reinado de Jesús se ocultó a muchos de sus contemporáneos. Solo los elegidos, los que tienen los ojos de la fe, son capaces de ver. Como discípulos modernos de Jesús, a veces también luchamos por reconocer a Jesús como rey. El Evangelio de hoy nos invita a ver con ojos de fe para que podamos reconocer que Jesús, a través de su crucifixión y muerte, es realmente rey y Salvador de todos.

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The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception is a Holy Day of Obligation transferred this year to Monday, December 9th. Mass times are 5:30 pm at St. Richard and 9 am at St. Peter.

Father Jong needs people to attend the Mass at the hospital on Wednesdays at noon. Please speak with Father if you can commit to regularly attending the Wednesday Mass as he cannot say Mass without someone present.

NOTICIAS PARROQUIALES



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BUSQUE Saint Richard (Emporia)

La Solemnidad de la Inmaculada Concepción es un Día Santo de Precepto transferido este año al lunes 9 de diciembre. El horario de misa es a las 5:30 pm en St. Richard y a las 9 am en St. Peter.

El padre Jong necesita que la gente asista a la misa en el hospital los miércoles al mediodía. Por favor, hable con el Padre si puede comprometerse a asistir regularmente a la Misa de los miércoles, ya que no puede decir Misa sin que alguien esté presente.

La novena a Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe comenzará del 3 al 11 de diciembre. La novena se llevará a cabo en la iglesia a las 7 p.m. Vea a Ana si desea elegir una fecha específica a lo largo de la novena para una intención de rosario.

SEARCH Saint Richard (Emporia)

Last Week's Offertory

| Needed | Actual |
|---------------------|----------------------------|
| Offertory: \$817.31 | \$640.75 (\$176.56) |
| Spanish Mass 11/16: | \$75.00 |

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MASS ATTENDANCE:

November 17th
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Next Week's Ministry Schedule

| READERS | E. MINISTER | USHERS | SERVERS |
|---------------|---------------|----------------|-----------------|
| Elsie Moleno | Stevie Thomas | Elizer Carillo | Jesus Ramirez |
| Maria Vasquez | Dave Thomas | Dave Thomas | Vanessa Ramirez |
| | | | Allison Castro |

Next Week's Cleaning Group

| | |
|-----------------|------------------|
| Christine Smith | Vanessa Carillo |
| Stevie Thomas | Mary Ann Newsome |
| Lois Gownley | Dolly Alston |