

A Royal Truth: Scott Hahn Reflects on the Solemnity of Christ the King

Sunday Bible Reflections by Dr. Scott Hahn
Copyright 2015 www.salvationhistory.com

Daniel 7:13-14; Psalm 93:1-2,5; Revelation 1:5-8; John 18:33-37

What's the truth Jesus comes to bear witness to in this last Gospel of the Church's year?

It's the truth that in Jesus, God keeps the promise He made to David - of an everlasting kingdom, of an heir who would be His Son, "the first born, highest of the kings of the earth" (see [2 Samuel 7:12-16](#); [Psalm 89:27-38](#)).



Today's Second Reading, taken from the Book of Revelation, quotes these promises and celebrates Jesus as "the faithful witness." The reading hearkens back to Isaiah's prophecy that the Messiah would "witness to the peoples" that God is renewing His "everlasting covenant" with David (see [Isaiah 55:3-5](#)).

But as Jesus tells Pilate, there's far more going on here than the restoration of a temporal monarchy. In the Revelation reading, Jesus calls Himself "the Alpha and the Omega," the first and last letters of the Greek alphabet. He's applying to Himself a description that God uses to describe Himself in the Old Testament - the first and the last, the One Who calls forth all generations (see [Isaiah 41:4; 44:6; 48:12](#)).

"He has made the world," today's Psalm cries, and His dominion is over all creation (see also [John 1:3](#); [Colossians 1:16-17](#)). In the vision of Daniel we hear in today's First Reading, He comes on "the clouds of heaven" - another sign of His divinity - to be given "glory and kingship" forever over all nations and peoples.

Christ is King and His Kingdom, while not of this world, exists in this world in the Church. We are a royal people. We know we have been loved by Him and freed by His blood and transformed into "a Kingdom, priests for His God and Father" (see also [Exodus 19:6](#); [1 Peter 2:9](#)).

As a priestly people, we share in His sacrifice and in His witness to God's everlasting covenant. We belong to His truth and listen to His voice, waiting for Him to come again amid the clouds.

ANNOUNCED MASSES
November 21st – November 29th, 2015

Sat. Nov. 21st 4:30 p.m.	Presentation of Mary Felix O. Manzanal – RIP – by Jerry and Ofelia Roy
Sun. Nov. 22nd 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Christ the King Bruna Alesi – RIP – by her parents Thanksgiving by Cecilia Romea
Mon. Nov. 23rd	NO MASS
Tues. Nov. 24th 7:00 p.m.	Saint Andrew Dung-Lac & Companions In Thanksgiving to Our Lady of the Rule – by TJ & Edna Sorono
Wed. Nov. 25th 9:00 a.m.	Saint Catherine of Alexandria Adrian de Souza – RIP – by the family
Thurs. Nov. 26th 9:00 a.m.	Weekday For all the Souls in Purgatory – by Phil
Fri. Nov. 27th 9:00 a.m.	Weekday Jason Alves – Birthday Blessings – by his Cousins
Sat. Nov. 28th 4:30 p.m.	Weekday Hugo Valerio – RIP – by Carmen Tablan
Sun. Nov. 29th 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	1st Sunday of Advent (Year C) Maria Melo Ponte – RIP – by Maria Feliks Rewers – RIP – by Wanda Rewers

Collection:

November 15, 2015 - **\$1,972.95 ...Thank you for your
generosity**

Counters:

November 22, 2015 - Rose de Souza and TJ Sorono
November 29, 2015 - Kevin Smith and Gayle Jaroslowski

Welcome Party

Let us join together for a welcome party for Bishop Tom and Father Jason on Sunday, November 29th, at our Church basement hall, after the 11:00 A.M. Mass. Kindly bring a dish to share. Contact person: Irah Tirona - (514) 336-4892

Fatima Ladies' Auxiliary News

Bazaar – Saturday, November 28th, 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. We still need raffle prizes. Please return your sold raffle tickets via the collection plate by November 22nd or on the day of the Bazaar. Baked goods can be brought in Friday evening until about 8:00 p.m. or very early Saturday morning. Please let us know if you can help us. We will be working in the hall on Thursday and Friday setting up the various booths. For information: Geri – 514 335-8683 and Carolyn – 514 747-0735.

Catholic Calendars - The 2016 Catholic calendars are in and will also be for sale at \$5.00 each in the Pennefather Room. Thank you in advance.

Shower for Anne's House - Last Sunday we collected about \$700 in gift cards and money (including \$150 donation) for Anne's house. Thanks to everyone who participated in this event. (Special thanks to Armstrong-Rideau Funeral Home).

Be My Disciples News

Many thanks to everyone who took part in the **HARVEST PARTY** last Saturday - the organizers, all those who did the various parts to make everything work well together, the performers, the kitchen workers, the clean-up crew, the parents (who brought food, drink, and door prizes), children, and parishioners at large and everyone who attended or contributed in any way! It was a fun evening, and we even learned about some of the Saints.

The Raffle for the **CHRISTMAS BOXES** brought in \$32.00 to help with the shipping of the boxes to their destination.

CONFESSION - The Be My Disciples children who have already received their First Communion will go to Confession during Advent. The time dedicated to them is Saturday, November 28th at 1:30 p.m. A catechist will be there to welcome them.

ADVENT CHRISTMAS TREE - During Advent we will sell again the Advent "Christmas Tree Ornaments" for \$2.00 each to benefit CHALICE and their many good works in developing countries. The sale starts next weekend - First Sunday of Advent - after the Sunday Masses. Thank you for your usual great generosity and support!

Sunday Missals

The 2015-2016 Sunday Missals are available after every Mass. The cost is \$6.00 each. There is a collection plate beside the Missals for the people to put their money in.