

# Family Faith at Home



## *Make Sunday Come Alive All Week!*

The Department of Youth Faith Formation wants to help and your whole family explore God's Word in your lives. Each week we will be sending out this resource which can help you reflect on the upcoming Sunday readings with your entire family.

Here are some ideas on how to use this resource:

- Consider reading one of the mass readings each evening.
- Do the discussion questions after dinner one night.
- Watch the video on a different night.
- Pray the prayer each evening.



## *Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe*

### **Mass Readings:**

Ezequiel 34:11-12, 15-17

Psalms 23:1-2, 2-3, 5-6

1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28

Matthew 25:31-46

*Readings can also be found at the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops.*

### *Discuss*

After reading the Sunday readings, discuss as a family:

1. How do you serve Christ in others?
2. Does this Gospel reading give you hope for the day when Jesus returns?
3. Jesus identifies himself with His people so closely that He says if you do any of these things to the least of His people, you have done it for Him. Do you think that is a sign of a good king?

### *Share:*

This Sunday's Solemnity marks the culmination of our Church's liturgical year. The whole liturgical year is leading up to this celebration of Jesus Christ as King of the Universe. It is a day of hopeful anticipation of His Second Coming when His Kingdom will reign in its fullness. In Her wisdom, the Church ends with this celebration and immediately following it, we have the beginning of the new liturgical year with the first Sunday of Advent where we begin to prepare for Christ's coming both at Christmas and when He comes again at the end of time. What can you do this week to prepare your heart for His coming?

### *Watch*

[Real Life Catholic Christ the King](#)

### *Pray*

[Novena to the Christ the King](#) for nine days to close out the year and begin the new year.

### *Do*

For families with younger children, [print out these crown templates](#) and make crowns for the children and make an extra king's crown for Jesus. While working on this, discuss God's kingdom and Jesus' kingship. For all families, get an image of the Sacred Heart and display it somewhere prominent in your home. Then read this short blog post on "[Making Jesus the King of our Homes](#)"

