

Today's Introit takes from Psalm 65, verse 4 & a free verse; then verses 1 & 2. We identify them scripturally, then understand them in relation to the feast.

Psalm 65 is subtitled: "An invitation to praise God."

4. Let all the earth adore thee, and sing to thee: let it sing a psalm to thy name.

Free verse: O most High

God created all things & each creature owes praise to its Creator. **Let all the earth adore thee...** The creature properly *adores* (worships) God by being what God meant it to be. This may be taken broadly & strictly. A rock *adores* (obeys) God by being a rock; it does not try to be something else. Again, a rock does not say, "I'm tired of being a rock; I want to be vapor, I want to ascend into the clouds" then strive for that glory. Likewise, a tree adores God by remaining a tree & acting so; it does not say, "I'm bored with this view, I want to see what's over the hill" then up-root itself and roam. And so on with all irrational creatures. This is the broad sense of the psalm. It is more proper, however, to speak of a man adoring (worshipping) God than a rock. Man's gifts of rationality, his capacity for self reflection, and his free-will are meant to service a formal worship of God. Used this way, man adores (obeys & worships) God by being what he was made to be. In virtue of his free-will, however, man may abuse his rationality and adore something besides God. Indeed, the sad truth is that men often choose horns over halos. We may know this from our own life; it is the shame of human history. **And sing to thee...** All creation is to sing, in its varied ways, to the praise of God. Man's way to adore his Creator is through his intellect & will; man was made to *knowingly & morally* adore God by acting according to the principles of right reason (doing good, avoiding evil.) **Let it sing...** The Prophet hears all creation singing as one to the adoration of its Creator, and affirms the same; a harmony of voices, knowingly & unknowingly, singing a psalm to the glory of God. Let it be so!

1. Shout with joy to God, all the earth! 2. Sing ye a psalm to his name: give glory to his praise.

The Feast of the Second Sunday after Epiphany commemorates the celebrated wedding feast at Cana. At this feast, two great morsels are served: Jesus' first public miracle, changing water into wine, reveals His divinity; Mary's gentle persuasion, "they have no wine," attests to the power of her intercession.

Today's miracle concludes the tri-fold Epiphany of the divinity of Jesus; in each, earthly elements devoutly appear: **the Star** lead the Magi to adore Him; **the dove** cloaks the Spirit's descent upon His baptized frame while the Father calls Him "Son"; and **the water** blushes to see its Creator. **Let all the earth adore...**

As concerns Mary we read: "the wine failing, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'they have no wine.'" "They have no wine." It is the office of the Mother of God to tell her Son of our needs, for she is our Mother too. Then she speaks to us: "Do whatever he tells you." We do what He says when we obey our conscience as formed by the natural law & the commands of His Church. With such obedience we voice, for all creation, the song of adoration: **Let it sing to thee!**



CHRIST THE KING Catholic Church

An apostolate of the Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter preaching the Gospel & sanctifying souls according to the liturgical books of 1962.

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The Daily Mass Schedule is:

Monday at 12 noon

Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday at 7:00 am and 9:00 am.

Friday at 9:00 am and 6:30 pm. (On Friday, a 5:30 pm Holy Hour & confession time, precedes the 6:30 pm Mass.)

Saturday at 9:00 am.

The Sunday Mass Schedule is:

7:00 am low; 8:30 am low; 10:30 am sung; and 12:30 pm low.

Items on the "Blessing Table" in the hall are blessed after the 12:30 pm Mass; or, after the 10:30 am Mass, if there is no 12:30 pm Mass.

Confessions are heard in the confessional box ½ hour before Mass.

In Ocala:

Sunday Mass at 4:30 pm

Monday Mass at 7 am.

1st Saturday Mass at 10:30 am.

Sarasota "Lost & Found"
now located in the office

Liturgical Calendar for the Upcoming Week

DATE	FEAST	CLASS/COLOR	COMMEMORATION
Sun 01-16	2 nd Sunday after Epiphany	2/G	
Mon 01-17	St Anthony	3/W	
Tues 01-18	Votive, Chair of St Peter	4/W	St Paul & St. Prisca
Wed 01-19	Feria	4/G	Ss Marius, et al; St Canute
Thu 01-20	Ss Fabian & Sebastian	3/R	
Fri 01-21	St Agnes	3/R	
Sat 01-22	Votive Mass for Peace	2/V	Ss Vincent & Anastasius
Sun 01-23	3 rd Sunday after Epiphany	2/G	

Mass Intentions for the Upcoming Week in Sarasota

Sun 01-16	(7 am) Carlota Plowman (8:30 am) Frank Wierichs+ (10:30 am) <i>Pro-populo</i> (12:30 pm) Fr Michael Donovan, OFM	rb V&A Plowman rb D Matthews rb K Dykstra
Mon 01-17	(12 pm) Conversion of husband & daughters	rb T Le
Tues 01-18	(7 am) Maria Dau+ (9 am) Mary Fanelli	rb K Dinh rb A Cunningham
Wed 01-19	(7 am) Maria Meza (9 am) Juan Quintanilla+	rb M&M Meza rb L Wendel
Thu 01-20	(7 am) Steve Marcella (9 am) Susan Konold	rb Gabriel family rb A Lawton
Fri 01-21	(9 am) Carroll L Gautreaux+ (6:30 pm) Children of David & Cathy Wilson	rb L Steindorf rb
Sat 01-22	(9 am) End to abortion worldwide	
Sun 01-23	(7 am) Maureen Hallagan+ (8:30 am) <i>Pro-populo</i> (10:30 am) Armand & Lauretta Labrecque (12:30 pm) Frances Hemeryck+	rb M Pruitt rb M/M L Labrecque rb her daughters

Please, stay home if you are or feel sick.

Today's 10:30 am Mass: Entr: Hark the Herald Angels Sing #803; *Asperges* #567; Mass VI #718 & *Credo III* #776; Exit: Once in Royal David's City #818.

This week, Tuesday, begin Traditional Church Unity Octave (handouts provided); **Wednesday**, (FssP Deanery Day at Naples), choir practice (7 pm); **Thursday**, St Joseph Guild (6:30 pm); **Saturday**, Day of Penance to end abortion.

Last Sunday's collection: \$6,738.36; CFA: \$1,095.00.

& attendance: 7 am-58; 8:30 am-165; 10:30 am-182; total 405 souls.

Be kind to everyone you meet, for we are all in a great battle!

Window replacement fund (\$10,000.00 cost): \$4,645.01 so far collected.

Please pray for: family of Stephen Cary Hamilton+, Ronnie Pekarski (1/16), Alan Chalifoux (1/9/22), Lynda Hall (12/2), Frank Burns, McNamara family (12/19). (Posted for a month; renewable.)

2021 CFA status at Christ the King as of Jan. 10: \$73,000.00 assessed by the diocese; \$70,060.41 pledged (95.97% of goal); from 34.19% of 155 households; payments being \$69,710.41. (from dioceseofvenice.org) **Also, re: CFA donations**, write checks to "Catholic Faith Appeal" or "CFA" and on memo line "Christ the King."

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The talk of the town, to our NE
Great people talk about ideas
Average people talk about things.
on our grass.

SMALL PEOPLE TALK ABOUT

CATHOLIC FINANCIAL COUNCIL members are: John Funderburk, Frank Burns, Glenn Anstead, Thomas Flamminio & Paul Gallock. The Council advises the pastor on parish governance with special interest to oversee CtK's finances. Members serve for two year terms. If you are interested in serving on the Council, please see one of them.

You are invited to a pro-Life pilgrimage. January 22, 2022 marks the 49th anniversary of Roe v Wade; the case that could overturn it has been heard by the Supreme Court. We must pray! Too many obstacles thwart attending the National March for Life in DC; but let us not be stopped from standing up for life at this critical moment. The Respect Life group in Ave Maria, FL has organized a March for Life event on Saturday, January 22nd from 10:30 am to 12:30 pm starting at the Ave Maria University football field. Pam Stenzel will speak & Bishop Dewane will appear. Can we commit to showing up as well? If we can gather at least 50 people to attend, free transportation will be provided from & to Christ the King church. We would depart after a special 7 am Mass & return by 4 pm. Please let Missy Funderburk know if you are coming ASAP: mlfunderburk@gmail.com.

ON THE SUNDAY GOSPEL

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Why was the miracle not wrought before filling of the jars with water? This would have been more wonderful. For it is indeed one thing to give an actual substance another quality, and another to make a new substance out of nothing. This is indeed more wonderful, but to many it would not seem so credible. It is for this reason that many times He seems to diminish the impressiveness of His miracles, wishing to make more credible that which He does. ~ *St. Augustine of Hippo; Bishop, Confessor, Doctor of the Church;* 354-430

