

Leader's Guide – Christ the King, Nov. 24, 2019

Please note, you do not have to answer all the questions.

Christ the King Sunday is the last Sunday of the church year. Reflect on why that is the best place in the church year for it.

It was established by Pope [Pius XI](#) in 1925. Originally, it was celebrated on the last Sunday in October, but in the revised liturgical [calendar promulgated](#) by Pope [Paul VI](#) in 1969 it was moved to the last Sunday of Ordinary Time (immediately preceding [Advent](#)), where its theme of Christ's dominion made it a fitting end to the liturgical year. It is celebrated in Roman Catholic and Protestant Churches.

When you think of a king, what comes to your mind?
How does that resonate with Christ as a powerful King but also a tiny baby?
How do we live as we embrace both ideas?

Some of the images used in Psalm 46 bespeak a medieval and militaristic context.....fortress, refuge etc. How do you respond to those images?
Are there images that might better speak to contemporary culture?

We are blessed with gifted worship leaders who choose worship songs to respond to and reinforce the texts for the day
What hymns or songs echo the themes of Ps 46. e.g. A Mighty Fortress is our God.
How does music help to reinforce biblical imagery?