



CHRIST THE KING – 25 November 2007

“Truly I tell you; today you will be with me in paradise.”

(Today's Readings: 2 Samuel 5:1-3; Colossians 1:12-20; Luke 23:35-43)

Announced mass intentions...

- Sat., Nov. 24 5:00PM Mass – Audrey Hester+
May McGrory+
Bill Enright+
- Sun., Nov. 25 **CHRIST THE KING**
8:00AM Mass – Pat Cooper+
9:30AM Mass – Ashley Hibbard+
Sarcevich & Sowinski Families+
Pauline Forgues+
11:15AM Mass – Bertha Mook (lvg)
Filomena Dias+
7:30PM Mass – Holy Cross Parishioner
- Mon., Nov. 26 12:15PM **NO** Mass
- Tues., Nov. 27 9:30AM Mass – Mengsath Kislle+
- Wed., Nov. 28 12:15PM Mass – Robert Lashley+
- Thurs., Nov. 29 9:00AM Communion Service held at
Billings Lodge
12:15PM Mass – Deveau & Maillet Families+
- Fri., Nov. 30 12:15PM Mass – Guzzo & Pedulla Families+
Ashley Hibbard+
- Sat., Dec. 01 5:00PM Mass – Gerard & Dan Mahoney+
- Sun., Dec. 02 **FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**
8:00AM Mass – Georgette Danis+
9:30AM Mass – Gerta Patry+
Ashley Hibbard+
11:15AM Mass – Bertha Mook (lvg)
7:30PM Mass- Holy Cross Parishioners

Events Calendar

- Sat., Nov. 24 9:30AM Prayer Group – Rm. A
4:30PM Rosary – Church
6:00PM **New Parishioner's Gathering** –
held in the parish hall
- Sun., Nov. 25 9:30AM Children's Liturgy
MPD speaking at all the Masses
- Tues., Nov. 27 8:00PM AA – Hall
- Wed., Nov. 28 7:00PM Parish Pastoral Council – Rm. A
7:30PM Music (7:30) practice – Church
- Thurs., Nov. 29 6:30PM Christian Meditation – Rm. A
7:30PM Choir (11:15) practice – Church
- Fri., Nov. 30 1:00PM African Angels – Rm. A
6:00PM **Volunteer Appreciation**
Gathering – held in the hall
- Sat., Dec., 01 9:30AM Prayer Group – Rm. A
4:30PM Rosary – Church
- Sun., Dec., 02 9:30AM **NO** Children's Liturgy
Christmas Bake/Craft Sale after all morning Masses

We remember in our prayers the sick...

-our parishioners- Laurette Allen, Brian Beahen (husband of Jackie), Colleen Bonnah, Vivian Braganza (husband of Marlene), Francis & Barbara Cullinan, Marie Claire Grandbois, Gertrude Kennedy, Alice Haughton (wife of Bob), Betty Hubbard, Betty Hurst, Patricia Joseph, Reg MacDonald (husband of Joan), Odette MacKinnon, Romeo Maione (husband of Elizabeth), Margaret McClory, Deacon Bruce McLeod, Yolanda Miron (mother of Mina), Brian Rose, Margaret Ross, Norman St. Louis Dalacy Tukkiapik, Ray & Betty Valin, Sherri Vallee

-relatives- Tillie Andruchow (mother of Jean Ryan), Cathy Becker (sister of Maureen Monaghan), Mary Beggan (sister of Anne Cooper), Richard Calagoure (brother-in-law of Barbara Riggins), Helen Chynces (sister of Theresa Sarcevich), Barbara Cooper (sister of Imelda Marrast), Monica Desjardins (daughter of Leo), Keith & Patricia Esmond (father of Liz), Guy Gosselin (brother-in-law of Theresa Sarcevich), Dan Greenwood (son-in-law of Peggy Soutar), Cathy Jirsch (sister of Aileen Halls), Theresa Lassaline (sister of Mary Simms), Ayin & Godwin Lee (parents of Robert), Oswald Luke (father-in-law of Robert Lee), Marie Miele (mother of Christine), Donald Pajot (brother of Marc), Fr. Dan Sedlar (brother-in-law of Santa), Ted Vullings (father of Gerry Vullings)

-the deceased- Barbara Riggins+

Pastor's Column...

TODAY'S GOSPEL

A DIFFERENT KIND OF KING AND KINGDOM

When Pius XI instituted the Solemnity of Christ the King in 1925, it was meant to be a reminder and a response against the spread of atheism and secularism in the Christian and religious European continent. It was later on, after the Vatican Council II, that the feast came to be known as “Feast of Christ, King of the Universe.” This cosmic eschatological meaning explains why the liturgical commemoration comes always at the end of the Church calendar, when the readings have been telling us all about the end of time or the end of the world.

Most of us probably would understand this commemoration of Christ's Universal Kingdom better if someone rewrote and summarized Christ's sermons with reference to the “kingdom.” It would go something like this: “My kingdom is not like most kingdoms in this world. My kingdom is not a republic or a democracy or an empire. In my kingdom everything is possible, because it hasn't started yet. My kingdom has no frontiers or boundaries; there are no armies and no immigration laws; in the constitution of my kingdom, there is only one law or amendment—LOVE! Welcome into my Kingdom!”

God Bless,
Fr. James Raphael CMF
Pastor

Parish News and Community Life...

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD: A SPECIAL THANK YOU to all who participated in OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD. You have truly shared the gift of Christ to many children at Christmas.

AN EVENING CENACLE, ON THE EVE OF THE FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION: Friday, December 07 at 5 p.m., presented by Fr. Dan Dubroy and the John Paul II Centre for Divine Mercy. For information call Christina Chung at 613-737-4609.

MINISTERS FOR CHRISTMAS/NEW YEAR'S MASSES NEEDED—In preparation for the Christmas season, Mass Coordinators, Lectors, Announcers and Eucharistic ministers are asked to **please sign your name next to the date and time that you can assist.** Sign-up sheets are on the desk by the bookrack. Please sign up no later than December 09.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS in memory of a deceased loved one. Special donation envelopes will be available at the entrances of the Church until December 09.

ADVENT WREATHS: Next weekend is the First Sunday of Advent. There will be a special blessing for all Advent wreaths at the beginning of all masses. Please make sure you bring yours and place it in front of the altar.

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT ON DECEMBER 24 at 4 p.m. at the Family Christmas Eve Mass—Beginning November 25, Ricki Armitage will be conducting practices after the 9:30 a.m. Mass in room A for those who wish to be involved in the Pageant as well as the Children's Choir. If your child wishes to participate call Ricki at 613-523-3052 or farmitage@rogers.com.

BREAKFAST CLUB AT HOLY CROSS SCHOOL is looking for someone to run the school 'Breakfast Club' in the morning between 8:30 to 10:00 a.m. Call Susan Thibault at 613-733-5887 for more information.

2008 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES are available for pick up on table at the back of the church. Please take the next available box and complete the slip of paper and leave the paper in the basket.

HOSPITALITY

The Hospitality Committee will be selling Advent candles on December 01/02 at the Walkley Rd entrance.

THE ANNUAL CHRISTMAS BAKE/CRAFT SALE will be held on Sunday, December 02 after all morning Masses in the parish hall. For information/table rental (\$10 for rental) call Jackie Yost at 613-521-2607.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Knights of Columbus will be selling the Christmas fruitcakes produced by the Cistercian Monks at Oka, Quebec again this year. Cost: 2 lb loaf at \$14.00 and 3 lb. round cake in a decorative metal tin \$22.00. The cakes will be in limited supply and will be sold only on December 02 at the Bake/Craft Christmas Sale and on December 09/10 after all masses. To reserve one or more cakes in advance, sign the sheet provided at the back of the church. All proceeds of the sale of these cakes go to Campaign Life Coalition.

PASTORAL CARE

Attention Parishioners: Some parishioners, because of certain health conditions, find it difficult to sit for long periods of time on the Church's wooden pews. We want everyone to feel as comfortable as possible for Holy Mass and other church services. Therefore, please feel free to bring your own cushions to sit on when you are at the church. For more information call Hub Deveau at 613-523-6631.

Pastoral Care Meeting: Wednesday, December 05 at 7 p.m. Our Pastoral Care Team Members are available to visit the sick and/or bring Holy Communion. Please call Myrnah Vullings 613-737-0755.

Social Action...

MISSION, PEACE, AND DEVELOPMENT

Thanks to everyone who supported the Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace giving close to \$8000 in the Share Lent Campaign. Today we ask you to be become involved in the Fall action campaign - *Canadian Mining Called to Account*. To give a "voice to the voiceless" we are asking the government to establish an ombudsperson's office. Information has been inserted in your bulletin along with a postcard. If you feel moved to sign it, please return it to the designated box on the MPD table at the back of the church. You will find further information there, as well as at www.devp.org/campaign.

ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP – Tip of the Week
Bridget Kelly of the Catholic Women's League of Canada stated, "*We must ask whether or not our lifestyle is to blame for the long-term damage we've inflicted on our environment.*" One aspect of lifestyle is the use of Styrofoam cups and plates. Styrofoam is non-biodegradable and adds great volume to landfills. It takes over 3 grams of fossil fuel to make one Styrofoam cup and more to ship long distances adding to greenhouse gas emissions. Say "NO" to Styrofoam. Use re-usable cups and plates.

SAINT OF THE WEEK

ST. CHARLES BORROMEIO

With all our responsibilities, how tempting it is to procrastinate. Tomorrow I'll start my diet. Next week I'll write those letters. Next year I'll organize my closet. Yet none of us knows if we'll have a next year or a next week or even a tomorrow. The past is a dream and the future is a vision. All we have is today. The only reality is this moment.

St. Charles Borromeo knew what it was like to have too much to do and not enough time to do it. Not only was he deeply involved in the Council of Trent (he was responsible for the entire correspondence of the council), but he was also bishop of Milan, a diocese in deplorable state, since no bishop had lived there for more than eighty years.

Despite his strenuous workload, he understood the importance of living in the present tense. Once, when he was plying billiards, a friend asked what he would do if he knew he had only fifteen minutes to live. Barely pausing, St. Charles answered, "Go right on playing billiards."

God exists only in the present. If we are to meet God, we, too, must learn to live only in the present. Only when we open ourselves fully to the moment at hand can God bless us fully.

(Taken from 365 Saints by Woodeene Koenig-Bricker)