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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Sunday 10:00 a.m. -1:30 p.m. Pastor - Fr. Allyn Rose (ext. 222)

Associate Pastor - Father Patrick Gnanapragasam (ext 224)

Deacon - Everis Munroe (ext. 223)

Deacon - Sarfaraz Pinto (ext. 226)

Youth Minister - Hill Roshan Arulnesam (ext 225)

Secretary - Jackie Mackenzie (ext. 221)

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday 5:00 p.m. Sunday 8:00, 10:00 and 12:00 noon Ask ushers for listening - aid devices

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday through Friday 12:10 and 7:00 p.m. Saturday 9:00 a.m. (at Convent) Thurs. evening Mass is in Latin - forma ordinaria

ADORATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Thursdays from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m.

CONFESSIONS

By appointment only. Father Allyn Rose: 416-799-0407 Father Patrick Gnanapragasam: 647-877-1774

DEVOTIONS TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

Wednesdays before & after evening Mass.

BAPTISMS

Will be the Second and Fourth Saturdays of each month at 9:30 a.m.

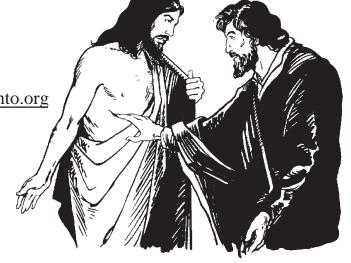
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MARRIAGES

An information package should be picked up at the Parish Office before meeting with the priest. One year advanced planning is required.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

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Monday

12:10 p.m.

+Glenville and Virginia Stuart (Pat Stuart)

Monday

7:00 p.m.

Maronite Mass

Tuesday

12:10 p.m.

In Thanksgiving for Josephine and Chit Szeto

Tuesday

7:00 p.m.

+Rohan Fonseka (Family)

Wednesday

12:10 p.m.

+Father J. Basil Breen (Jefferson Tse)

Wednesday

7:00 p.m.

+Father J. Basil Breen (Jackie Mackenzie)

Thursday

12:10 p.m.

+Fili Zamora (Family)

Thursday

7:00 p.m.

+Tak Va Lei Chau and Yee Mu Chau (Family)

Friday

12:10 p.m.

+Bellian Chua, Gregory, Eric, Jin Sim and Jin Imm Tan (Tan Family)

Friday:

7:00 p.m.

+Lilia Tiongson (Tiongson Family)

Saturday

9:00 a.m.

+Antonio Bernal

(Family)

Saturday

5:00 p.m.

+Effie and Pius Goveas

(Family)

Sunday

8:00 a.m.

+Wing Pak Seto (Family)

Sunday

10:00 a.m.

Deceased Members of the Ladd, Osborne, Wither Families

(Family)

Sunday

12:00 p.m.

For the People of the Parish

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST KING OF THE UNIVERSE SUNDAY NOVEMBER 21, 2021

PRAY FOR THE SICK: Eric Maddan, Giuseppina Sala, Fitzroy James, Joyce D'Souza, Edilberto Claveria, Margaret Carter, Elizabeth Wong, Domenic D'Souza, Samantha Fernandes, Jerry Wang, Agnes Yuen, Jack Wilson, Phillip Kong, Marien Pereira, Sam Di Blasi, Teresa Cheung, Jessica Kong, Gloria Pereira, Angel Sevilla, Suzanne Chin-Loy, Evette Fernandes, Dorine Coulture, John Yuen, Theresa Snider, Wing Yuen and for all those who are sick with the Covid – 19 Virus.

PRAY FOR THE DEAD: Helen Yu, Aubrey Yee-Sang, and for those who have died from the Covid – 19 Virus and for those who have no one to pray for them.

PLEASE REGISTER EACH WEEK ON THE WEBSITE FOR THE SUNDAY MASS YOU WISH TO ATTEND

NAMES ADDED AFTER 12:00 NOON ON SATURDAY
WILL NOT BE ON THE LIST THAT THE USHERS
HAVE.

THE ANNUAL COLLECTION FOR THE WORKS OF THE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL for Christmas and though out the year will be taken up on the weekend of December 11/12th Envelopes will be in the bulletin and on the table at the back of the church the week before. For those who want to donate online SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL ST THOMAS THE APOSTLE CONFEREN | Charity Profile | Donate Online | Canadahelps

PARISH OFFERTORY

Weekly goal \$7,500.00 (to meet our expenses) We received, \$5,120.01 (November 14, 2021) (Includes Pag, Donate Now, etc.)

ALL PARISHIONERS SHOULD BE REGISTERED

and are asked to support the parish and the needs of the Church by using Sunday Offertory Envelopes and making up for any absence during vacation. New parishioners are asked to register in the parish office. 2021 Envelopes can be found in the small hall in alphabetical order. Also, on the website you can arrange to use PAG

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Will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in January 2022 and supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 1-800-268-2637

God speaks to us in many ways including through the Sunday Scripture readings.

Gospel Reading: John 18:33b-37

Jesus is questioned by Pilate about the charge brought against Him that He is "King of the Jews."

This Sunday is the last Sunday of the Church's Liturgical year. On this Sunday we celebrate the Solemnity of Christ the King. Each year we set aside this Sunday to reflect upon this title that we have given to Jesus. In Lectionary Cycle C, we read a portion of the passion from the Gospel of John, which is also part of the Gospel reading proclaimed each year on Good Friday.

In John's Gospel, Pilate is shown in a more favorable light than in the other Gospels. In today's reading, we hear one of the two dialogues between Jesus and Pilate that are reported in John's Gospel. Pilate questions Jesus about the charges brought against Him. Caiaphas and the High Priests have charged Jesus with a political crime, one that would require a punishment of death. Pilate distances himself from the Jewish leaders who accuse Jesus; he is not a Jew, and he seems to want little to do with this Jewish affair.

In His responses to Pilate's questions, Jesus distinguishes His Kingdom from the political powers of this world. King and Kingdom may be appropriate terms for Jesus' mission and promise, but only by analogy. Jesus is King, but not the kind of king we imagine or expect. He was certainly not the kind of king we imagine or expect. He was certainly not the kind of king Pilate feared he might be.

Jesus refers to a Kingdom that does not belong to this world. This has been mentioned earlier in John's Gospel. Recall that in His prayer during the Last Supper discourse (see John 17:6-18), Jesus prayed for His disciples who are in the world but do not belong to the world. Yet, like Jesus, they are sent into the world for the world's salvation. In today's reading, we see Jesus identify the final proof that His Kingdom is not of this world: If His Kingdom were of this world, then there would be people fighting for Him. Again, we hear echoes of John's theme-salvation is worked out through a cosmic battle. It is helpful to return to the first chapter of John's Gospel to understand the context for Jesus' words to Pilate. Jesus came into the world, but the world did not know Him. In John's language, the world prefers the darkness, and yet the light will not be overcome by the darkness.

Truth has been another important theme in John's Gospel. We see it emphasized in the conclusion of the dialogue between Jesus and Pilate. Those who know the truth will recognize Jesus as king and will know how to interpret this insight. Yet Jesus' Kingship was hidden from many of His contemporaries. Only those chosen, those who have the eyes of faith, are able to see. As modern disciples of Jesus, we also struggle at times to recognize Jesus as King. Today's Gospel invites us to see with eyes of faith that we might recognize that Jesus, through His crucifixion and death, is indeed King and Savior of all. **Loyola Press**

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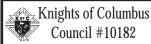


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