

# SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST KING OF THE UNIVERSE

November 22, 2015

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## Mass Intentions this week

**Please note: Weekday Masses are celebrated in the Rectory Chapel unless otherwise indicated.**

*Nov. 24<sup>th</sup> to Nov. 29<sup>th</sup>*

Tuesday 6:30 pm † Jim Camilleri and deceased Family,  
Intentions of Fran McKay

Wednesday 12:noon † Intentions of Vicky Coyle

Saturday 5:00 pm † Msgr. Harvey Roach, Msgr. Roger Formosi, Cesar Medeiros, Mary Doucette, David Cheevers, Helen Maczulski, The Porchak Family, For a special priest.

At the request of Bishop Crosby, Msgr. Talbot and Msgr. Kroetsch will be in Haiti from November 26 to November 30<sup>th</sup>

## HAITI

After the earthquake in Haiti several years ago, Bishop Crosby pledged a half a million dollars in support over a four year span. Our bishop wanted to keep in touch on a human level – so two years ago he himself visited and then last year Bishop Miehm visited on behalf of our Diocese. This coming Thursday Monsignor Murray Kroetsch and I will leave for a five day visit. Thank you for your prayers for the people of Haiti and for a safe journey for us. We have two priests from Haiti ministering in our Diocese.



## Sanctuary Lamp this week

Intentions of George & Josephine Malota and repose of their souls. Requests accepted by placing an envelope with the name of loved one and a donation of \$10 in the collection basket.

## DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

Monday, November 23	Rev. Drago Gacnik, S.D.B.
Tuesday, November 24	Rev. Peter Ciallella, c.s.
Wednesday, November 25	Disalced Carmelite Fathers, (O.C.D.)
Thursday, November 26	Rev. James Link, C.R.
Friday, November 27	Rev. Chris Buda, C.R.
Saturday, November 28	Rev. Tony O'Dell, O.M.I.

**OFFERTORY** for last week was \$3157.90 and our Budget expenses for the week \$5,580.00.

## MEDITATION

When celebrating the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, it should not be our version of a playground brag – “Oh yeah? Well, my Jesus is King of the Universe!” Today’s Gospel reminds us that there is no such structure in this world for anyone to reign over.

Much of sacred scripture was written during persecution, so we could expect occasional claims that Jesus ruled over the persecutors. But political power is also not the point. Somehow in the depths of the universe there is a divine structure. Jesus is king because the universe is in harmony with his life, teaching and sacrifice.

In St. Peter’s Square, the central obelisk, which is topped by a cross, is surrounded by eight stones, each depicting a wind from a different direction. Beyond that, moving out from the cross of Christ, is a line along which are depicted constellations, the signs of the Zodiac. This functions as a solar calendar but, more importantly, it reminds us that the cross is the center of the world and all that is. This is the everlasting dominion of which Daniel speaks.

Today, therefore, we give thanks that Jesus has been revealed to us, that we need not fight a futile battle against the universe. Jesus is King. Let us rejoice.

Glenn Byer, Toronto, ON

## WANTED A PART-TIME CUSTODIAN:

Paul Reansbury, our part-time custodian has accepted a full time position with St. Pius X Parish in town.

If you are interested in a part-time custodial position with St. Basil Parish, please submit a curriculum vitae to Father Earl by November 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2015. The tasks are many: Snow removal, lawn care, hall rental, cleaning, moving furniture, etc.

We thank Paul for his dedicated service to us.

**PARISH COFFEE** next Sunday after the 9:30 am Mass. Those attending 11:30 Mass are invited to come early to join in this time of fellowship. Donations of sweets are always appreciated.

**Catholic Women’s League** – general meeting is *Tuesday Nov 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.* in the rectory meeting room immediately following 6:30 pm Mass. All women are invited to hear guest speaker, Leanne Vreugdenhil, Senior Paralegal and Legal Assistant discuss Estate

Planning: The importance of wills & P.O.A.'S. Business meeting and social time to follow.

**C.W.L. Advent Mass and dinner** on Tuesday, Dec. 8<sup>th</sup>. Mass at 6:00 p.m. followed by Pot luck dinner and entertainment in our hall. We supply the turkey and rolls. Please bring your favourite dish casserole, salad or dessert. Bring your own place setting. Looking forward to seeing you. Any questions contact Fran DeRosse (519) 753-9424.

If anyone has leftover Halloween candy, Doctor Simone would love to have it. Please put it in the box at the back of Church.

**MEMBERSHIP DRIVE** for the month of November, *at all the weekend Masses*. Come see us at the back of the Church by the main entrance. You can renew your 2016 membership or ask questions about joining St. Basil Catholic Women's League. Membership is \$21.00 cash or cheque accepted.

#### **CAMPAIGN LIFE – Christmas Cakes**

Will be on sale the weekends of *Nov. 28, 29<sup>th</sup> and Dec. 5 and 6<sup>th</sup>*.

Choice finest fruits soaked in brandy, pecans & quality ingredients carefully blended according to a traditional recipe, slow baked creating a rich delicious cake. Treat yourself! Makes a thoughtful gift for family, friends, neighbours & employees. Deluxe 2 lb cake (900 g) \$25.00, Regular 1.5 lb (680 g) \$15.00.

#### **“WELCOME IN” HOMELESS SHELTER:**

Located at 305 West St., this Resource Centre is open Mon – Fri from 9 am – 5 pm; there is an emergency shelter open 7 days a week from 6 pm to 8:30 am. The phone # is 226-250-0120

**Healing Mass for Those Mourning the Loss of a Child** – Losing a child is a painful and life-altering experience for parents, grandparents and other family members. The feeling of loss, regardless of the amount of time that has passed, is often more profound during the Christmas season. A Diocesan Healing Mass, meant to bring hope to all those trying to cope with such grief, is planned at the **Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King for Sunday, November 29, 2015 at 4 pm**. Any one who has lost a child of any age from any cause, including those that have lost a child prior to birth, or who have had a still birth are invited to this Mass celebrated by Bishop Daniel Miehm. **God is close to those who mourn, come and experience His healing presence**. Registration is preferred, but not necessary, as it will assist us in knowing how many spaces to reserve and to ensure we have enough of the small memento each family will receive. Please call Lena at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249, or register on-line at [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com).

## **THE SOCIETY OF SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL VALU SHOPPE**

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### **EMERGENCY**

As cold weather quickly approaches we have, at the Valu Shoppe, a severe shortage of winter clothing, specifically men's casual winter coats, hats & gloves and clothes for children's sizes 7-16, especially winter coats & boots. Please think of us as you check your own supply of such items in preparation for winter. Any item that would otherwise be hanging in a closet unused would be much appreciated by our neighbours in need. Drop these and all donations off at the store (197 Colborne St.) during store hours (Tues-Fri 10-4, Sat. 10-3).

*From Luke 3:11. Let the man with two tunics share with him who has none ...*

### **Society of Saint Vincent de Paul Advent Retreat**

**Dec. 10<sup>th</sup>, 7 p.m.** at Blessed Sacrament Church, 181 King St., Burford.

Facilitator: Sr. Margo Ritchie, CSJ Topic: HOW DO WE RECEIVE GOD TODAY? All Vincentians and those who support them are welcome.

### **Coping with the Holidays...when you have lost a loved one.**

Join us for an afternoon of reflection and strategies for coping at Christmas, facilitated by Christina Walton, Grief Counsellor.

**Where?** Chancery Office, 700 King St. W, Hamilton

**When?** Sunday, November 29<sup>th</sup> **Time?** 1:30 – 3:00 pm

**The event is FREE of charge.** Please call to reserve a seat 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.

(If you haven't registered you are still free to attend.)

### **IGNATIUS JESUIT CENTRE OPEN HOUSE**

**Sunday, December 6 from 2-5 pm** at Loyola House, Ignatius Jesuit Centre, 5420 Hwy. 6 N. Guelph.

You are invited to join us for the Jesuit community of Guelph's annual Open House: a celebration of Advent (or anything else you want to celebrate!). Light snacks & beverages for all. Hope to see you there! For more information contact 519-824-1250 or [administration@ignatiusguelph.ca](mailto:administration@ignatiusguelph.ca).

**REDEEMER CONCERT CHOIR**, accompanied by the Alumni choir and an orchestra, performs Handel's beloved oratorio *The Messiah* this Christmas season. **December 4 at 7:30 p.m.** at Redeemer, **December 5 at 8:00 p.m.** at MacNab Presbyterian Church in Hamilton, and a sing-along Messiah at 3:00 on December 6, also at MacNab. For tickets and more information, visit the Redeemer Today page at [redeemer.ca](http://redeemer.ca), or call 905-648-2139 x4211.

**ON THE LIGHTER SIDE** –(How does Moses make his tea? Hebrews it.)