

SACRED HEART OF JESUS

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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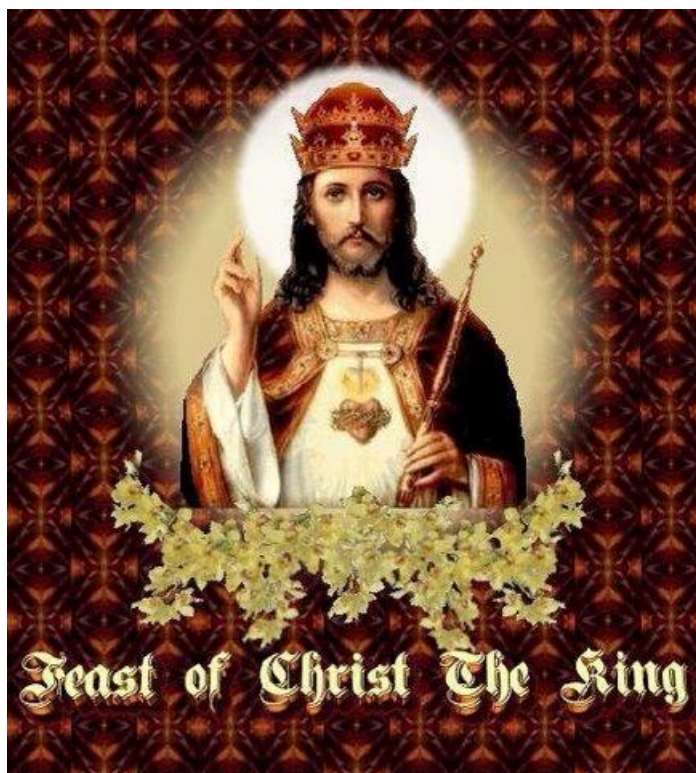
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Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

November 25th, 2018



Gospel Quotation:

**"My kingdom is not
from this world."**

John 18.33b-37

PASTORAL STAFF

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Mass Times

Saturday 5:00 pm
Sunday 9:00 am
(Sacred Heart Catholic School) 11:00 am

DAILY: Monday **No Mass**
Tuesday 7:00 pm
Wednesday **No Mass**
Thursday **No Mass**
Friday 8:00 am

Confessions

Tuesday, 6:30pm to 6:45pm
Saturday 4:30pm to 4:45pm
Sunday 8:30am to 8:45am
and by appointment

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Tuesday 7:30 pm to Friday 8:00 am

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

(NOVEMBER 27TH TO DECEMBER 2ND)

Tuesday 7:00 pm *KofC members and their families*
Friday 8:00 am *Intention of Donor*

First Sunday of Advent

Saturday 5:00 pm *Marian Coulson & Family: Gabriel Family*
Sunday 9:00 am
11:00 am *For the People*

DIOCESAN NEWSLETTER

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Pastor's Message

CHRIST THE KING, ADVENT AND A HOLY HOUR FOR HEALING OF THE CHURCH

Sunday, November 25th marks the end of the liturgical year with our celebration of the **Solemnity of Christ the King** and Sunday, December 2nd marks the beginning of the new liturgical years with the **First Sunday of Advent**. Over these past few weeks, I have invited you to reflect upon the ways that we share in Christ's ministry as priest, prophet and king through our baptism into his death and resurrection. We share in the priesthood of Christ when we love God with our entire being and love our neighbour as ourselves, making our self-offering with Christ to God the Father in the sacrifice of the Mass. We share in Christ's prophetic ministry by bearing witness to the Gospel with our lives, and when possible, by evangelizing others and inviting them to seek the Kingdom of God. Since our salvation has already been secured by Christ's suffering and death, we mustn't be discouraged by the evil that resists the coming of the Kingdom, that is, the sin, suffering and death that deny God's reign on Earth. Christ is our King who delivers us from evil by forgiving our sins and healing our wounds of every kind. Sometimes Jesus' miracles were signs of the power of the Kingdom over sin; other times they were acts of compassion that revealed its glory. We share in Jesus' kingship when we strive to do the will of the Father. Like Jesus, we must be compassionate to those who suffer. When we think of sharing in Christ's kingship, we must ask ourselves what our baptism demands of us.

The season of Advent has a two-fold nature that reflects both our directional and cyclical notions of time. It reflects our directional notion of time as we anticipate Christ's second coming, when the world will end and God's kingdom will reign. And it reflects our cyclical notion of time as we prepare for our yearly celebration of Christmas, when we recall Christ's first coming among us. Nevertheless, both these notions of time emphasize that Advent is a season of joyful expectation. Now that we have begun a new liturgical year, we are reading from the Gospel of Luke. As we will see, a major theme in Luke's Gospel is Jesus' mission to heal the sick and seek out the lost. At our baptism, we became members of Christ's Body, the Church, with Christ our King as our Head. In the wake of recent scandals, **Pope Francis** issued a letter in which he encouraged us in these words: "To see things as the Lord does, to be where the Lord wants us to be, to experience a conversion of heart in his presence. To do so, prayer and penance will help. I invite the entire holy faithful People of God to a penitential exercise of prayer and fasting, following the Lord's command. This can awaken our conscience and arouse our solidarity and commitment to a culture of care that says 'never again' to every form of abuse." (TO THE PEOPLE OF GOD, 20 August 2018)

During the Season of Advent, I invite you to join other parishioners for a weekly **Holy Hour for Healing of the Church**. It will take place during Adoration from 7:00pm to 8:00pm on **December 5th, 12th, and 19th**. (I plan to resume this practice during Lent.) It will be a time for you to drop by the church and pray for the healing of the wounds inflicted upon the Body of Christ, the Church, by her members, including the wounds incurred by the sins of priests. It will also be an opportunity to pray for all those Catholics who have left the practice of the faith because they are scandalized and are distancing themselves from sinners as well as pray for victims of abuse.

At Confirmation, we are sealed by the Holy Spirit and given the gifts of the Holy Spirit. Having completed the Sacraments of Initiation, we are sent as disciples of Christ who do the work of the Church. It is fitting that we celebrate the **Rite of Enrollment for Confirmation** on the First Sunday of Advent. After professing our faith together in question form, the candidates for Confirmation state their intentions together, and we respond by praying for them and offering our support to them. As they bear witness to the faith, it is an opportunity for all of us to deepen our commitment to following Jesus Christ as disciples. Please note that we will be holding an **Advent Penitential Service** on **Tuesday, December 11th** following Mass and Exposition at 7:45pm. Fr. Don Sanvido will be joining us for confessions.

May this season of joyful expectation draw you into a deeper relationship with Christ our King and thereby strengthen your resolve to bring about the Kingdom in our midst by doing the work of his Body, the Church.

Fr. Mark Morley

REMEMBRANCE DAY PARADE – ROCKWOOD



We had seven (7) members of the Council march in the Rockwood Remembrance Day Parade on Sunday the 11th of November 2018. Included in that number were three (3) 4th Degree Knights in full regalia. There were also a number of Knights in the crowd with families. Many thanks for those who took part.

Grand Knight: Peter Cranley

PARISH UPDATES

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD FOLLOW-UP: The Knights of Columbus would like to thank all those parishioners who participated in the Shoe Box Campaign. Our small Parish donated 81 Shoe Boxes, a fantastic display of generosity. Just imagine the smiling faces of those 81 children when they each receive their box. Thank you all once again and well done Sacred Heart.

SHOEBOX PROGRAM: Please be advised the campaign is finished. For those who still have boxes, you can arrange your own drop-off delivery by contacting the organization by email (see below). Boxes left in Coulson Hall will not be processed. The campaign is finished. Again, we thank you for your participation. The email address is: guelphocc@gmail.com

JESSE TREE: The Catholic Woman's League will once again be putting up the Jesse tree filled with angel gift tags to help those less fortunate this Christmas season. The tags will be available after all the masses next weekend (Dec. 1/2). Please consider choosing an item from the tree. All items must be new, unwrapped and brought back to the church no later than December 16. Please ensure that you attach the angel tag to your gift. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Catholic Women's League

RELIGIOUS CHRISTMAS CARDS ON SALE: The Knights of Columbus will be selling Christmas Cards for the next few weeks after all weekend Mass's Cards are packaged in 10's and sell for \$5.00 per pack.

CHRISTMAS CAKES: This weekend and next weekend Christmas Cakes will be for sale again after all Masses on behalf of Campaign Life Coalition. Please purchase a cake to help Campaign Life with all their expenses in their stand on behalf of the unborn. You can purchase a cake for a gift also! Thank You Mary Spiteri

FROM THE DIOCESE OF HAMILTON

HEALING MASS FOR THOSE MOURNING THE LOSS OF A CHILD: Bishop Crosby will celebrate a healing Mass at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, Hamilton, on Sunday, December 2nd, at 4:00 p.m. for those who have lost a child. Those who are grieving this painful and life-altering experience, parents, grandparents and family members are welcome. Registration is preferred, but not required. Call 905-528-7988 ext. 2249, or register on-line at www.hamiltondiocese.com.

COPING WITH THE HOLIDAYS...WHEN YOU HAVE LOST A LOVED ONE: An afternoon of reflection and strategies for coping throughout Christmas. The session will take place at the Chancery Office, Hamilton, on Sunday, December 2nd from 1:30 – 3:00 pm. and will be facilitated by Dr. Wendy Hofman. It is FREE of charge. Call to reserve a seat 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.

This Week's Events
November
27 *Rosary For Peace (6:30pm)*
Tuesday Mass (7:00pm)
28 *Euchre Matinee: (1pm Coulson Hall)*
Pageant rehearsal (6:30pm Coulson Hall)
30 *Divine Mercy Chaplet (7:45am)*
(prior to Benediction and Mass)
Seniors' Program at Rockwood Library
(11:30am to 1:00pm)

Did You Know?

- * Next Sunday is the beginning of Advent
- * The liturgical year begins with the Advent Season
- * Advent starts four Sundays before December 25 and ends at the Christmas Vigil Mass.
- * We remember the long years of waiting by the people of Israel for the Messiah, the messages of hope in the prophets, and how Mary and Joseph were faithful to God's plan.
- * Advent is a time of joyful preparation and expectation.
- * Purple is the liturgical colour of Advent

Reflection:
Can you afford not to take 1 hour out of the 168 hours of your week for Mass on Sunday?

OUR SUNDAY COLLECTION
NOVEMBER 18, 2018

Envelopes:	\$ 959.00
Loose:	\$ 149.00
Total	\$ 1108.00
<i>Prior Week</i>	<i>\$ 1268.20</i>

TURKEY SUPPER
Thank you to all volunteers and contributors. After all expenses, \$3894.00, the total revenue from the Turkey Supper came to 
\$4056.00.