

Scripture Readings for the Feast of Christ the King

Ezekiel 34.11-12, 15-17

Psalm 23

1 Corinthians 15.20-26, 28

Matthew 25.31-46

COVID 19 – Guideline Reminders

We would like to touch base with you about the NS Public Health Guidelines that our church must follow during this global pandemic. As we watch the news, we see that over the past couple of weeks, the number of COVID-19 cases are increasing across Canada. Our numbers are small in Nova Scotia but are beginning to increase. We must be vigilant in following the guidelines set out for the church. There are few areas that we would ask for your support and we appreciate your cooperation.

- Please pre-register for Sunday Mass. This allows us to set out a seating plan that allows for proper spacing requirements.
- Please arrive 10-15 minutes before Mass starts to allow for registration check-in and seating. This will help avoid a long line up for registration just as Mass is beginning.
- Please stay in the seats that are assigned to you, as others who have registered have been assigned seats.
- Please remember to wear your mask while in the church and be intentional about keep the necessary distancing between individuals and groups.

Archbishop Anthony Mancini's Retirement

Canon law states that all bishops must submit their resignation on their 75th birthday. Archbishop Mancini will reach this milestone birthday on November 27. In thanksgiving for his leadership and faithful ministry for over 13 years, the Archdiocese will host two gatherings next week.

November 25 – An Evening of Prayer with the Clergy at Saint Benedict Parish

November 27 – Celebrant at the 12:15pm Daily Mass at Saint Mary's Cathedral Basilica

Due to our current circumstances these liturgies are by invitation only. However, all are encouraged to join in the celebrations by livestream. The links for each of these events will be found on the diocesan website on the day of the event. <https://halifaxyarmouth.org/> Greetings and best wishes for Archbishop Mancini can be *Mailed to*: Archdiocese of Halifax-Yarmouth, 1559 Brunswick St., Suite 101, Halifax, NS B3J 2G1 or *Emailed to*: info@halifaxyarmouth.org

Meals for Hope Cottage

Group 2 Pam Gasparetto Nov. 25

Group 3 Mike Convey Dec. 21

Group 1 - Diane Sullivan Jan. 27

The Contemplative Prayer Group

The Contemplative Prayer Group will be starting up again on Tuesdays at 12:00 noon in the Church, The Contemplative Prayer is led by Linda Longmire, parishioner and certified contemplative prayer leader. All are welcome.

St. Patrick's Church Restoration Society

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Christ the King November 22, 2020

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Fr. Francesco Pirisi, FoH

Associate Pastor:

Fr. Nathanael DesRoches, FoH

Deacons:

Rev. Mr. Paul Carnell

Rev. Mr. Len Moore

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St. Catherine of Siena Church

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Mass Times

Sunday 11:00 am & 7:00 pm

St. Mother Teresa of Kolkata Church

6032 Normandy Drive;

902-454-5835 ext. 201

www.motherteresaparish.com

Mass Times

Saturday 4:00 pm

Sunday 11:15 am

St. Patrick's Church

2263 Brunswick Street;

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Mass Times

Sunday 9:30 am

St. Theresa's Church

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Mass Times

Saturday 4:30 pm

Sunday 9:30 am

Cheryl Delaney, Admin. Assist.

St. Mother Teresa of Kolkata:

Tues. & Thurs. 9:00 am—2:00 pm

St. Patrick's:

Wed. & Fri. 9:00 am—2:00 pm



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Parish Vision

To be a vibrant, welcoming faith community

St. Patrick's Church Pastoral Staff and Leadership:

Fr. Francesco Pirisi, FoH, Pastor

Fr. Nathanael DesRoches, FoH, Associate Pastor

Michelle Baker, Chair of St. Patrick's Pastoral Executive

Holly Dacey-Joudrey, Chair of St. Patrick's Finance Committee

Harold MacNeil, Chair of St. Patrick's Property & Maintenance Committee

Christina Forgeron, Co-ordinator Religious Education

Michele O'Neill, St. Patrick's Leadership Representative, St. Francis & St. Clare of Assisi Parish

Rick Butler, Chair, St. Patrick's Church Restoration Society

Regular Sunday Collection for St. Patrick's Community

We continue to need your regular Sunday financial offering to support the pastoral and operational needs of our community and we appreciate whatever you can contribute. Please consider signing up for Pre-Authorized Deposit (PAD) so that your contribution will come directly out of your account once a month. Contact Cheryl in the Parish office if you are interested. Thank you for your support.

Please make out all cheques to **St. Francis and St. Clair of Assisi** and note that the cheque is for St. Patrick's. On your contribution envelope, please ensure you check the box for St. Patrick's.

You may make donations to St. Patrick's by e-transfer with no password requirement. The parish email address is office@stfrancisandstclareparish.ca. Please indicate your donation is for St. Patrick's in the "message area" when you make the transfer to insure your donation is accounted for at St. Patrick's. Include your envelope number if you have one. Thank you for your generosity.

Links:

Vatican News:

<https://www.vaticannews.va/en.html>

Archdiocese of Halifax-Yarmouth

<https://halifaxyarmouth.org/>

Franciscans of Halifax

<https://www.franciscansofhalifax.com/>

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul would like to remind parishioners that envelopes for donations are available on **The Giving Tree** at the back of the Church. Donations will be used to provide children in need in our community with gift cards for Christmas. We hope to have all of the envelopes returned in the regular collection on or before November 29, 2020. Thank you for your support.

Pope Francis's Prayer Intention for November

Artificial Intelligence We pray that the progress of robotics and artificial intelligence may always serve humankind.

To read reflections on the Pope's Prayer Intentions, visit www.livingwithchrist.ca

This week's prayers for the sick and healing: Sau Ling Soong, Vincent Campbell, Pat Terry and all who are sick with COVID 19 and for all their care givers.

For those who have died: We pray for all who have passed away this week and family and friends who mourn them. We pray for Henry Thorne who passed away in April. Mr. Thorne's Funeral Mass was held on November 21st at St. Benedict's Church in Halifax.



"O Antiphons" during Advent

Next Sunday begins the Season of Advent, the four weeks leading to and preparing for Christmas. As we prepare for Christmas and the celebration of the birth of Christ, each Sunday of Advent we will begin our mass with a member of the choir singing the traditional O Antiphons.

Antiphons are short psalm verses or sentences from Holy Scripture. The O Antiphons are the seven antiphons traditionally chanted during Evening Prayer. In the Roman tradition they are sung from December 17th to 23rd. Each O Antiphon begins with a name of Christ taken from Scripture. They express the Church's longing and expectation for the coming Messiah.

O Sapientia (O Wisdom)

O Adonai (O Lord)

O Radix Jesse (O Root of Jesse)

O Clavis David (O Key of David)

O Oriens (O Rising Sun)

O Rex Gentium (O King of the Nations) and

O Emmanuel (God is with us).

The ordering of these antiphons is purposeful. Starting with the last O Antiphon and taking the first letter of each, the Latin words **ero cras** are formed meaning **Tomorrow I will be there**. This is the Good News of the Advent Season. The O Antiphons remind us of the joyful conclusion of our Advent preparation.

Parent Resource Centre Special Request We received a phone call this week from **The Parent Resource Centre** on Uniacke Street. They are having challenges this year with their annual Christmas project of preparing a personal Christmas gift bag for the mothers of the neighbourhood. Some of their usual benefactors for this project are not able to support the project this year. If you are able to support this special project for the mothers of our neighbourhood by donating small items such as toothbrushes, toothpaste, deodorant, hand creams, shampoos, body lotions, chocolates, nail polish, gloves that would be greatly appreciated. You can drop your donations off at the back of the church at St. Patrick's on Sundays up to December 13th or you can drop your donation off at the church office on Wednesday or Friday between 9:00 am and 2:00 pm. Thank you for your ongoing generosity.

Congratulations to Sylvia Parris. We congratulate Sylvia Parris-Drummond of the Delmore "Buddy" Daye Learning Institute on being selected for the Social Change Award at the 28th Annual 2020 RBC Canadian Women Entrepreneur Awards event. Sylvia is a member of our St. Patrick's community. We are so proud of you Sylvia.