

“Jesus remember me when you come into your kingdom.”

Each day we hear on the news of leaders, who are meant to care for their citizens use increasingly divisive language to promote their own agendas and reports of riots, bombings, shootings and abuse soon follow. It is easy to think that our world is rapidly becoming more inhumane. Yet if we look at today's readings, and look at the reasons behind our church's creation of today's *Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe* (better known as the *Feast of Christ the King*), we discover that for as long as humanity has organized itself into leaders and subjects the temptation to abuse power has existed, and the consequences of that abuse is never far behind.

The feast of Christ the King is relatively new to our liturgical calendar (1925), and it arose from the church's growing concern for the growing influence of secular leaders and influential thinkers proclaiming themselves to have a God-like supremacy. (Hardly a new phenomenon in human history!) The encyclical that accompanied this new feast emphasized that the teaching and authority of Jesus Christ must be the power that “*reigns in our hearts,... and wills,*” and to be vigilant, as the model of Jesus' “kingship” may often be in total opposition to what is shown to us by the leaders of our secular world.

The model of Jesus' kingship was unwittingly demonstrated at his crucifixion when Pilate had the words “King of the Jews” nailed to his cross to mock his “obvious” inability to lead anyone. Those who passed by would read the sign as they witnessed him suffer the powerlessness of an agonizing death. Ironically, this sign came to define the true power of Christ; a kingship not defined by physical might, or fearful intimidation used by most leaders of the time, but defined by the power of love, forgiveness and sacrifice. The kingship of Jesus was based on a willingness to become vulnerable and suffer for the sake of others; knowing that love and forgiveness had a power far greater than that of fear and intimidation. The title of *King* may have begun as a mockery, but “Christ the King” became the pledge of allegiance for the followers of Christ.

The feast of Christ the King is directed not only to those in positions of power, but a reminder to all that we have the power to effect the lives of others. We don't have to be CEO's or political leaders to know that we wield a powerful tool in the choice of our daily words and actions. A simple example exists in the messages we choose to post (or forward) on social media. We have the power to insult or to give hope; the power to pass on demeaning humour or to delete them. We have the power to ignore messages of hate or to speak up for God's truth of inclusive mercy. What is the “authority” that motivates our choices?

The Solemnity of our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe may sound grandiose and removed for our ordinary lives, but it is a sober reminder for us to take the time to step back and ask ourselves, “Who or what influences my daily decisions or directs the bulk of my energies? Who's influence and authority motivates my words and actions?” If they're not rooted in love, mercy and hope, I may need to rethink the words I speak and live by. I need to remind myself that through my baptism I promised to make the *love* of Christ the “authority” in my life.

Mary Joshi



**November 24th, 2019
Christ the King**



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REGULAR MASS SCHEDULE—HEURES DES MESSES

St. Augustine's: Tuesday—7:00 p.m.
Friday—12:00 noon
Saturday—4:00 p.m.; Sunday 11:00 a.m.
St. Lawrence O'Toole: Monday—9:30 a.m.; Wednesday 4:00 p.m.(French)
Sunday —9:00 a.m.
Our Lady of Mercy: Saturday 7:00 p.m.

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday 9:00 a.m. to 12:00, 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Faith Development-Children: Eileen Caissie
eileen.caissie@qasmoncton.com

St. Lawrence O'Toole Cemetery: Linda Evans 389-9300

Ray of Hope Needy Kitchen: 857-4224

Meals served: Monday to Friday 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon

St. Vincent de Paul Society: 857-2088

Regular Depot Hours

Monday, Wednesday and Friday 10:30 a.m. to 1:15 p.m.

Daily Readings

Monday	Daniel 1:1-6, 8-20; Luke 21:1-4
Tuesday	Daniel 2:3, 9, 10, 27, 31-45; Luke 21:5-11
Wednesday	Daniel 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28; Luke 21:12-19
Thursday	Daniel 6:11-28; Luke 21:20-28
Friday	Daniel 7:1-14; Luke 21:29-33
Saturday	Feast: St. Andrew Romans 10:9-18; Matthew 4:18-22
Sunday	First Sunday of Advent Isaiah 2:1-5; Romans 13:11-14; Matthew 24:37-44

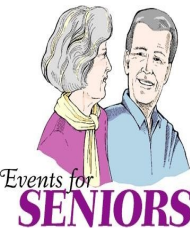


THE TREES ARE UP

The Christmas tradition of "TAGS FOR TOYS" at St. Augustine's begins this weekend! Trees laden with tags for boys and girls of all ages will be placed at the main entrance of the church. Parishioners may select a tag, purchase an age appropriate gift and bring it unwrapped to the boxes provided near the trees **no later than December 15th**. Volunteers from the St. Vincent de Paul Society are coordinating this project in conjunction with the Salvation Army and will ensure the toys are distributed to children from our area in time for Christmas.



OUR NEXT BAPTISM PREPARATION COURSE will be held Saturday, December 7th and December 14th at 9:30 a.m. at St. Augustine's in the church basement. To register please call the office at 857-4223



Events for SENIORS

QUEEN OF ALL SAINTS SENIORS GROUP extends an invitation to Seniors and Retirees for an afternoon of socializing, board games or cards Monday, December 9th from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. The elevator will be available for this gathering which is held in the Fr. Peter McKee room in St. Augustine's Church basement. For information, contact Debbie at 384-8431.

St Lawrence O' Toole **CHRISTMAS BOX DONATION ENVELOPES** are available at the church entry for anyone wishing to make a donation towards the annual campaign of providing food to the needy of our parish. Thank you for your continued generosity.



Have the **WEEKLY BULLETIN DELIVERED DIRECTLY TO YOUR INBOX?** Simply send your email address to parish.office@gasmoncton.com



Mass Intentions

Sat	23	4:00p.m.	St. A	Deceased Members of CWL	St. Augustine's CWL
Sun	24	7:00p.m.	OLM	Deceased Family Members	Genevieve Browne
		9:00a.m.	SLOT	Ann. L. Lewis Girouard	Claudia and Family
Mon	25	11:00a.m.	St. A	Late Francis Charles Gillis	Wife Dr. Maria Gillis
Tue	26	9:30a.m.	SLOT	Late Irene Baron	Laurel Cliff
Wed	27	7:00p.m.	St. A	Ann. L. Elizabeth Stafford	Husband
Fri	29	4:00p.m.	SLOT	Late Anita Cormier	Leonard Gallant
Sat	30	12:00noon	St. A	Late Doris Duguay	Gloria Cyr
		4:00p.m.	St. A	Late Mary Elizabeth Layton	Daughter Gillian Layton
Sun	1	7:00p.m.	OLM	Deceased Family Members	Flo LeBlanc
		9:00a.m.	SLOT	Deceased Members of Bertin Family	Don and Ann Beaumaster
		11:00a.m.	St. A	Late Norma Carter	Dolores LeBlanc and Family

LAST WEEK'S OFFERINGS

Saint Augustine's: Envelopes: **\$4,220.00** (173 env); Loose: **\$729.00**; World Mission Sunday: **\$24.00** (3 env.); Ray of Hope Kitchen: **\$11.00** (2 env); Missals: **\$50.00**; Candles: **\$105.00**; All Souls: **\$25.00** (3 env.); Syrian Family: **\$20.00**; Pre-Authorized: **\$490.00** (17 env.).

Saint Lawrence O'Toole: Envelopes: **\$802.00** (35 env.); Loose: **\$87.35**; Craft Sale: **\$489.00** (8 env); Christmas Boxes: **\$80.00**; Cemetery: **\$150.00** Pre-Authorized: **\$30.00** (2 env.).

Our Lady of Mercy: Envelopes: **\$500.00** (34 env.); Loose: **\$249.64**; Candles: **\$46.00**, Heating of church; **\$535.00**

Thank you for your generosity!



IN MEMORIAM cards in support of Ray of Hope Soup Kitchen are available at the office during regular office hours.

St. Augustine's Catholic Women's League is reminding members that it is time once again to pay our annual membership dues. You may pay at the monthly meeting or simply put the \$25.00 in an envelope clearly marked **CWL DUES**. Don't forget to include your name!



IRISHTOWN COMMUNITY CENTER CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIR

will be held Saturday, December 7th 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. No entrance fee -

A variety of products and crafts. For information call Don at 382-9340.

SAINT LAWRENCE O'TOOLE will be having a table at the Irishtown Christmas Craft Sale December 7th. We are looking for donations of homemade fudge. Your fudge can be dropped off at the rectory on December 6th from 4:00pm to 7:00pm. Thank you.

SAINT LAWRENCE O'TOOLE will have a Sock Tree set up to collect mittens and socks from December 1st to 15th. These will be distributed to needy children. Thank you.





St. Lawrence O'Toole will recite the **Rosary** prior to mass each Sunday of Advent, beginning at 8:30a.m.

ADVENT PENITENTIAL SERVICES

Thursday, December 5th
Holy Family 6:30 p.m.

Monday, December 9th
St. Augustine's 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, December 15th
St. Bernard's 1:30 p.m.

During the month of November, St. Augustine's, Saint Lawrence O'Toole and Our Lady of Mercy will each have their **Book of the Dead** on display. On the pages provided, parishioners are encouraged to write the names of loved ones who have died, if they have not already done so. The names listed in this book continue to be in our thoughts and prayers

CHRISTMAS CONCERT - December 8th at 7:00 pm with PEI singer/songwriter Kelley Mooney at St. Andrew's Church. Proceeds will go to support the new 10-bed Residential Hospice being built in Greater Moncton. Tickets are \$15.00 each and can be purchased at The Hospice Shoppe, 164 Collishaw St. or online through Greater MonctonSnapd.com



ST. LAWRENCE O'TOOLE families needing assistance for Christmas time can call Barb Cormier after 7:00 p.m. in the evenings to register for a **CHRISTMAS BOX**. Deadline to contact Barb at 342-0411 is Friday, December 15th.



CHURCH UNPLUGGED AT IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY:

On Sunday, December 8th after mass at IHM (around noon) there will be screening *The Muppet's Christmas Carol* for families. **Registration is necessary in order to determine quantity of refreshments necessary.** Register with Karen at 387-4198 or online at www.diomoncton.ca - Pastoral Offices Youth Faith Development



Throughout Advent, St. Lawrence O'Toole will have a basket available to collect **PERSONAL USE ITEMS** for needy families—such as toothpaste, tooth brushes, soap, disposable razors, shampoo, hand cream and other similar products suitable for use by men, women and children. The items will be taken to St Vincent de Paul for disbursement to those most in need. Thank you for your donation on behalf of those less fortunate.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY are in need of reusable grocery bags. As your supply accumulates, please consider dropping 'extras' into the St. Vincent bin on the Norwood Avenue side of the church parking lot. Thank you.

St. Augustine's Faith Development Families gather in St. Augustine's Church basement Sunday mornings at 9:15 a.m. for Levels 1-3; 12:15 p.m. for Levels 4-6; and Tuesday evening sessions for Level 4 to 6 at 6:30 p.m.

Level 1-3 Session #6 Sunday, November 24th
9:15 a.m. Session #7 Sunday, December 8th



Level 4-6 Session #6 Sunday, November 24th
12:15 p.m. Session #7 Sunday, December 8th

Level 4-6 Session #6 Tuesday, November 26th
6:30 p.m. Session #7 Tuesday, December 10th

EUCCHARIST INFORMATION SESSION FOR YOUTH AND PARENTS will be held Monday November 25th at 6:30pm at St. Augustine's

THERE WILL BE A GATHERING FOR YOUTH PREPARING FOR THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION on Monday, December 9th, at 6:30 pm at St. Augustine's in the basement.



		<i>Remembering our Deceased Family & Friends with Christmas Flowers</i>			
Once again this year, you are invited to make monetary donations for our Christmas floral arrangements in memory of deceased loved ones. All monies contributed will be used to purchase flowers that will decorate our church throughout the Christmas season. If you would like to donate funds for <u>Christmas flowers</u> in memory of a loved one you may do so by completing the information below & placing it with your donation in a plain envelope. That envelope can be put into the collection basket at mass or dropped off at the office. Names will be in the Christmas bulletin.					
Thank you to all those who donate to this yearly project.					
In Memory of:					
Donated by:					
Address:					
Amount donated \$		Envelope # (if applicable)			

From the Diocesan Offices of Faith Development, Liturgy and Youth Faith Development 45 York Street

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RETIREMENT OF DEB GILLESPIE

In thanksgiving for all she has contributed to the diocese during her many years of service to us, we are sad to announce that Deb Gillespie retired on Thursday, November 21st. Though only employed by the diocese officially for 10 years, Deb has shared her gifts and passion for liturgy with us for almost 40 years. Among many other contributions which she has made to the English sector over those years, was the Liturgy Formation Program, a program developed by Deb to promote leadership and excellence in the liturgical life of our parishes. Through this program, made possible by funds from the Archdiocese of Moncton Foundation, experts in liturgy throughout the country facilitated weekend courses for participants on various aspects of liturgical life. As a result of this, and other initiatives by Deb, the parishes in the English sector have today several lay people formed in the principles of the *Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy*. This is her legacy. We wish Deb well in her retirement and wrap her in our prayers and love as she continues her journey. She will be missed.

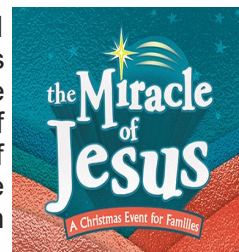
YOUTH FAITH COMMISSION: Monday, November 25th, 2019 at 6:30 p.m.
All meetings take place at the Diocesan Offices on York Street. Please use the Dominion Street entrance.

SACRAMENT RESOURCE SELECTION COMMITTEE: will meet on Thursday, December 5th, 2019 at 1:30 p.m. at the Diocesan Offices on York Street. Please use the Dominion Street entrance.

ADVENT GOD SIGHTINGS ON INSTAGRAM

Where do you find hope, peace, joy, and love in 2019? Join us this Advent (Beginning December 1st) as we keep watch for God sightings. Snap a pic while you wait and share it on Instagram with the hashtags #adventgodsightings and #youthfaithmoncton.

ST. ELIZABETH OF THE TRINITY PARISH UNIT AND THE DIOCESAN OFFICE OF YOUTH FAITH DEVELOPMENT will be offering a Christmas event for families on Friday, December 13th at 6:00 pm at Immaculate Heart of Mary. "The Miracle of Jesus" will give families an experience of being transported back in time to Bethlehem to celebrate the birth of Jesus. Register with Karen at 387-4918 or online at WWW.DIOMONCTON.CA - Pastoral Offices - Youth Faith Development



THE METRO TONES POP CHORUS will present their Annual Christmas Charity Concert on Sunday, December 15, 2019 at 7:30pm at the Moncton Wesleyan Celebration Ctr. in an effort to assist the working poor and the homeless. All net proceeds go to the Food Depot Alimentaire with assistance to the Karing Kitchen and the Ray of Hope Kitchen. Tickets are \$10 plus food items available at all five Jean Coutu; Read's Newsstand(Mountain Rd.); Peoples Park Tower; Sobeys (Vaughan Harvey Blvd.); or a chorus member. For more info: 852-9664. Please mark your calendar and help us celebrate reaching \$400,000 in total donations over the years!

Effective January 18th and 19th, 2020 weekend, we will introduce a new bulletin format. All three churches in Queen of All Saints Parish Unit will be included in this bulletin; only two of the three churches are in the current bulletin. The bulletin will include advertising. We will share advertising with St. Elizabeth of the Trinity Parish unit (main church is Immaculate Heart of Mary in Riverview), which has two years using this format. Anyone interested in placing advertising for their business in the bulletin can contact Shani Court at 506-875-1962 church.bulletin.advertising@gmail.com



Deadline for bulletin announcements will be Tuesday at 12:00noon to allow time to get to printers



Tuesdays 5:45p.m. – St. Augustine's: **Adoration and Rosary at 6:30p.m.**
Fridays 11:00a.m.—St. Augustine's **Adoration and Rosary at 11:30 a.m.**

Wednesdays 7:00 p.m.—St. Augustine's: **Living Word Community Prayer Group**

Thursdays 7:00 p.m.—St. Lawrence O'Toole: **Adoration, Silence, Prayers for Vocations**

Sunday, November 24th
9:15am— St. Augustine's Basement: **Level 1-3 Faith Development**

12:15pm—St. Augustine's Basement: **Level 4-6 Faith Development**

Monday, November 25th
6:30pm—St. Augustine's Basement: **Eucharist Information Session with Parents**

Tuesday, November 26th
6:30 p.m.—St. Augustine's Basement: **Level 4-6 Faith Development**

Sunday, December 8th
9:15 am—St. Augustine's Basement: **Level 1-3 Faith Development**

12:15 pm—St. Augustine's Basement: **Level 4-6 Faith Development**

Sunday, December 8th
10:00am—Saint Lawrence O'Toole: **Faith Development**

Sunday, December 8th
10:00am—Saint Lawrence O'Toole: **Goodie Sunday**

Monday, December 9th
6:30 pm—St. Augustine's Basement: **Gathering for youth preparing for Confirmation**