

Feast of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe King of Glory

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This Sunday, we celebrate the Feast of Christ the King. We acclaim Jesus as the King of the Universe. Our current world culture does not have a real idea of a king. Kings are figures of history and fairytale. Those countries who still have Kings/Queens, keep them as a part of their culture and heritage. The real authority is not vested in kings, but in elected officials. With our democratic mindset, we may not be able to fully grasp the deeper concept of an image of a king or queen, their power and the demand of total obedience to their rule.

In any stretch of imagination, Jesus will never fit into any of our concepts of a worldly king. When we think about Jesus as a king, the image that comes to our mind is of a half-naked person holding a reed in the hand, crowned with thorns and stained by blood all over his body. We see Jesus as the most humble and simple human person who ever lived on earth. Then why do we honour him with the title of king?

This week is the last week of our liturgical calendar. For a whole year we listened to Jesus in the Gospels. We journeyed with him from the very beginning of his life; we listened to his Christ the King leads us all to our Glory in Him, parables; we met him when he performed miracles; we prayed with him, stayed with

him, and knew him guite well. Now at the end of the year, we realize that He is not just an ordinary person – He is Divine, the Son of the living God. Hence, we give him the greatest honour we could give to any person in the world – the honour of a king. And we vow our obedience to him. This confession of His Kingship is an outcome of our devotion and allegiance to him.

During his lifetime, Jesus never used the title of a king. One time he wholeheartedly accepted the respect bestowed on him by the people when he entered the city of Jerusalem on a donkey (Mt. 21: 1-11). On another occasion when Pilate asked Jesus "are you the King of Jews?", Jesus agreed with him (Mt. 27: 11). But His Kingdom is of a different kind. In His Kingdom, all are equal. The powerless of this world have power there, the voiceless find their voice, the last will become first and servants become royals.

The banner of this kingdom is love (Song 2: 4), which is symbolized by a cross. "Though He was in the form of God, He emptied himself and became a servant obedient unto death, even death on a cross. Because of this great act of self-emptying for the sake of fallen humanity, God restored all His power and glory." (Phil 2: 6-11)

and will raise us to His eternal kingdom.

PARISH LITURGIES

-FEAST OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE-

November 26 - December 02

Tuesday, November 28 - St. Catherine Labouré

8:30 am + Jack, Helen & Frank Thornton

Wednesday, November 29 - Bl. Dionysius of the Nativity

8:30 am + Guido Bardaro

Thursday, November 30 - St. Andrew, Apostle

8:30 am + Paddy Jesson

Friday, December 01 - Bl. Marie-Clémentine Anuarite Nengapeta

8:30 am + Darryl Ward

-FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT-

Saturday, December 02 - St. Bibiana

4:00 - 4:30 pm Reconciliation

5:00 pm For:

+ Vincenzo & Anna Costantini, + Manuel Pedro Rodrigues

Sunday, December 03

9:00 am For our

11:00 am Parish



RECONCILIATION IN ADVENT

There will be an opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation during Advent, on Thursday, December 14th from 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm in the Church. Please partake in this beautiful gift of forgiveness and healing in preparation for Christmas. There will be multiple priests to choose.



SAINT DOMINIC PARISH 2ND ANNUAL CHRISTMAS DAY FAMILY MASS & PAGEANT

Children in Grade 4 and up are invited to participate in our parish Christmas Family Mass as actors and readers!

With Christmas fast-approaching we have limited time so your children must attend the following rehearsals if they wish to participate. (High school students will receive volunteer hours):

Friday December 01 – 4:00 pm to 5:30 pm (to assign parts)

Friday December 08 - 4:00 to 6:00 pm

Friday December 15 – 4:00 to 6:30 pm

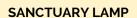
Monday December 25 – 10:00 am sharp. We meet at church in the meeting room to get prepared for the 11:00 am Christmas Day Mass

Please contact Mrs. Colleen Gamble at:

colleengamble123@gmail.com (905-330-9237) OR

Mr. Michael Aguiar: michael@saintdominic.ca at the parish office (905-827-2373)





Our Sanctuary lamp will be lit this week In Memory of Katherine Thompson

Parishioners are invited to sponsor the Sanctuary Lamp that hangs above the tabernacle. This candle burns 24 hours a day, seven days a week, as a sign of honour to Our Lord. If you wish to sponsor the Sanctuary Lamp for a special intention during a specific week, please contact the parish office. The cost is a \$10 donation per week. Your intention will be noted in our weekly bulletin.

"How worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and divinity and wisdom and strength and honour. To him belong glory and power for ever and ever."



Mass Intentions are a great treasure of the Church and have a spiritual weight that is incalculable. As Pope Paul VI said, "The Mass is the perfect form of prayer!" One single Mass has more value than all the good works of men, because the Eucharistic Celebration is the work of God himself. If you would like to purchase a Mass intention for someone (living or deceased) please contact the parish office. The cost is \$10.00 per intention.

OAKVILLE PRAYER BREAKFAST

Join us for the 40th Annual Oakville Prayer Breakfast on Wednesday December 06, 2023. We are excited to have Gary O'Neil, Executive Director of Kerr Street Missions come and share his story and God's goodness and work there. Many of you are familiar with the ministry work done at Kerr Street Mission. This event will be held at the Oakville Convention Centre, 2515 Wyecroft Road, Oakville at 6:30 am. Register today for your table of 10, or by purchasing individual tickets at oakvilleprayerbreakfast.com

SOCIAL COMMITTEE EVENTS

Mark your calendar and join us for these upcoming Social Committee events...

On the evening of Friday, December 08, we are hosting an Advent Celebration starting at 7:00 pm with Mass for the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception. Mass will be followed by a short Meditation on the Imitation of the Virgin Mother by Peter Swirzon, PhD. Afterwards, join us for a social with light refreshments in the parish centre. While this event is FREE to all from our Saint Dominic Parish Community, we invite those who are able to bring along canned goods for the Good Shepherd Centre. Please make plans to join us for our Advent Celebration, mix and mingle with your Saint Dominic friends and family. All are welcome!

The first Social Committee event of 2024 will be a live concert by Fiddlestix – a local community 5-piece band on Saturday, February 03. More details to follow.

On Tuesday February 13, we will be having our Traditional Pancake Supper. If you would like to pitch in and help, to plan and host this event, you are invited to join the pancake supper volunteer committee at their scheduled meeting on Wednesday November 29th at 7:00 pm in the parish centre. We appreciate the support that our wonderful Saint Dominic parishioners give to all social committee initiatives and we look forward to a FUN and event-filled 2024.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

God, the source of creation and love, you invite each of us to serve you through our life, which is your gift. May your grace encourage men and women to heights of holiness through service to the Church as married couples, priests, consecrated virgins, sisters, brothers, and lay ministers. Make me an instrument to encourage others to give of themselves and challenge me to do the same.

"The Lord sits as King for ever.
The Lord will bless his people with peace."

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR	
Monday, November 27	Rev. Roger Yaworski, S.J.
Tuesday, November 28	Parents and Guardians
Wednesday, November 29	Fraternity of the Poor of Jesus Christ (p.j.c.)
Thursday, November 30	Rev. Edward Hamson
Friday, December 1	Most Rev. Wayne Lobsinger
Saturday, December 2	Rev. David Reilander

CONQUEST AND CHALLENGE

The next Conquest and Challenge meeting will be this Tuesday, November 28th at 6:30 pm at Saint Dominic School.



Sunday, December 3rd, 2023 | 1:00-4:00pm

Mount Mary Immaculate Retreat Centre 437 Wilson St. E., Ancaster, ON, L9G 3K4

Fun Includes:

Music, Hot Cocoa, Cookie Decorating, Magic Show, Face Painting, Balloon Animals, Local Artisans (cash only), Santa and *Crock-A-Doodle* Christmas Ornament Painting!







If you are able, cash or non-perishables accepted benefiting The Bishop's Charities.

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