

# NOVEMBER 22, 2020

## THE SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST KING OF THE UNIVERSE

Today we come to the end of the liturgical year, celebrating the magnificent feast of the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. Our readings provide contrasting images of this King of ours — He has authority over all, and yet, He is humble and tender in His care for us, especially the most vulnerable.

How can we properly honor and love such a King? By offering Him our very lives through the stewardship way of life.



The Gospel passage from Matthew shows us how. The passage begins with Christ's own description of His Second Coming, "When the Son of Man comes in his glory and all the angels with him, he will sit upon his glorious throne, and all the nations will be assembled before him." Then the moment of judgment will come. Some will be invited into the Kingdom of Heaven — the others to eternal punishment.

This judgment will be based not on how influential we became in society, how high we climbed the corporate ladder, nor any "worldly" achievements, in fact. Rather our judgment will be based on how we treated the least of those around us, whom Jesus calls His brothers. "Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of the least brothers of mine, you did for me." To make His point very clear, Jesus gives specifics — feeding the hungry, giving drink to the thirsty, showing hospitality to the stranger, caring for the ill and imprisoned.

The more deeply we embrace the stewardship way of life, the more closely our priorities will align with His.

*Stewardship Reflections by Catholic Stewardship Consultants*

### PARISH CALENDAR

**Monday, November 23**

**8:30 a.m.** - All Souls †

**Tuesday, November 24**

**8:30 a.m.** - All Souls †

**7:00 p.m.** - RCIA - all are welcome

*The Sacraments / Baptism*

**Wednesday, November 25**

**8:30 a.m.** - All Souls †

**Thursday, November 26**

No Mass

**Friday, November 27**

**8:30 a.m.** - All Souls †

**Saturday, November 28**

**5:00 p.m.** - All Souls †

**Sunday, November 29**

**9:00 a.m.** - All Souls †

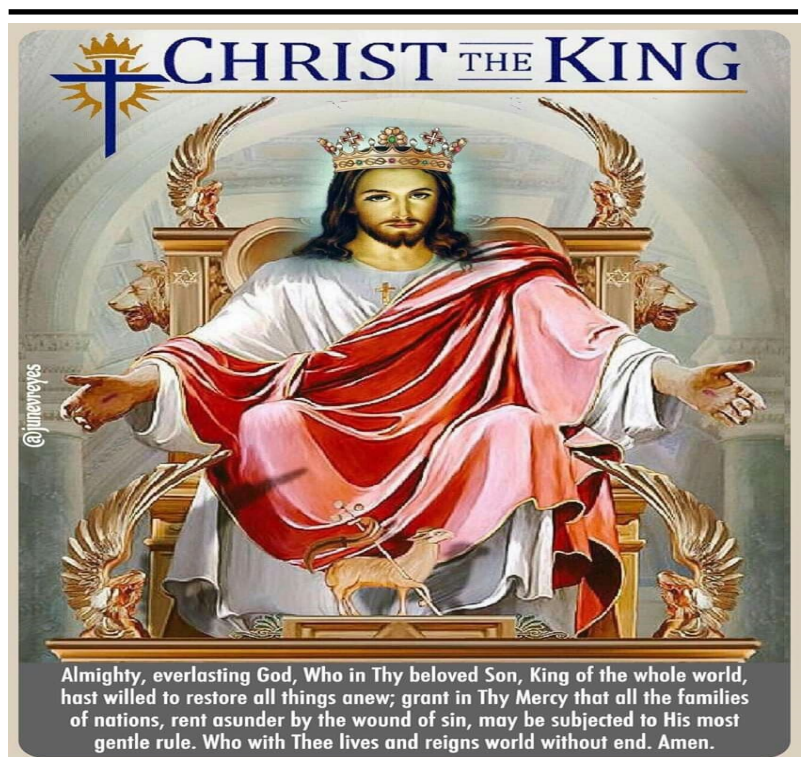
**11:00 a.m.** - Mass for the People

**2:00 p.m.** - Confirmation

### ARE YOU BEING CALLED?

*"I was hungry and you gave me to eat,  
I was thirsty and you gave me to drink."*

Is Christ calling you to serve Him in others as a consecrated sister, brother, or priest? Call Fr. Greg at 905 684 5603 or email [frgregoryschmidt@gmail.com](mailto:frgregoryschmidt@gmail.com).



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## CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Covid can't stop Christmas. And this year, the Daughters of St. Paul Choir's Christmas Concert is finally making it to Canada... virtually! The Daughters of St. Paul are an international congregation of religious sisters who evangelize through the media. The sisters of the USA & Canada province have long wished to bring their Christmas Concert tour north, but international rights and customs made it impossible. But this year has offered the sisters the unique opportunity to launch their first ever virtual concert, "Home for Christmas," with choir members joining in from their homes to sing to you in yours! So join us, the Daughters of St. Paul Choir, for our first concert for Canada! "Home for Christmas" is a free YouTube live-streamed event where you can expect to meet our choir members, listen to some concert favourites, learn some dance moves, hear some inspirational stories, and have the opportunity to support our mission of evangelization. We hope to see you there, December 3rd at 8pm EST! For more information visit: <http://www.pauline.org/virtualconcert>



Join retreat facilitator, Terri Pauco from the Family and Youth Office, from the comfort of your own home, for **A Virtual Advent Retreat for Busy Catholic Women** being held through ZOOM on **December 12, 2020** from **9:00am to 11:30am**. Women of all ages are invited to join online to pray and explore the idea of finding peace in the seasonal preparations and busyness of life complicated by the pandemic. Bishop Bergie will lead a portion of this sacred time. This event is free. Register by December 9<sup>th</sup> using the link found on the diocesan website, [www.saintcd.com](http://www.saintcd.com). For more information, call 905-684-0154.

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## CATHEDRAL APPEAL UPDATE

The Feast Day of St. Catherine of Alexandria, of the patroness of our Diocese of St. Catharines is once again upon us. This Wednesday, November 25th the clergy from our diocese will gather with Bishop Bergie in our beautifully renovated Cathedral, and the faithful of our diocese virtually, as we begin a year of giving thanks: for the original church – now in its 175th year; for our Cathedral and its magnificent transformation; and for all those who made this project and renovation possible. It is your generosity over these past 18 months that has made this undertaking a glorious reality. Most of all, we give thanks to our loving God. Visit us at [www.saintcd.com/appeal](http://www.saintcd.com/appeal) and consider making a donation for the continued care and preservation of our Cathedral, the Cathedral of St. Catherine of Alexandria.

*May God bless you.*



**St Vincent de Paul Society**  
*good works*

"As Vincentians we offer gifts of charity to those in need." This Mission is only possible through your continued prayers, support and concern for our friends and neighbours. We will continue to assist St. Mary's with Christmas food vouchers and Pen Center gift cards. Community Care is in need of help especially this year. Start me up Niagara and Out of the Cold require assistance in their mandate to meet the needs of their clients. Continued ongoing support with food vouchers is necessary in our own parish. We continue to support Ozanam and other organizations as the need arises. St. Vincent de Paul would like to thank you for your ongoing generosity to allow us to continue our Mission; **"What you do unto others you do unto me."** We will resume collections after all Masses should you like to donate to this worthwhile cause. Envelopes are available for income tax purposes.

*Thank you and God Bless you!*

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## ST. JULIA PASTA NIGHT FINAL CALL

*Take Out Only*  
**Wednesday, November 25, 2020**

*Includes: Penne Pasta & Sauce, Meatballs, Caesar Salad, Roll & Butter*  
**Cost: \$10.00**

*Advance Ticket Sales Only*  
**Ends: 12:00 noon, Monday, November 23rd**

*Tickets will be sold before/after all weekend Masses and can also be purchased from the office.*

**Pick up times (must be selected at time of sale):**

*4:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. | 5:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. | 5:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. | 6:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.*

