

## SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD

### Christ the King

EARLY IN HIS papacy, Pope Francis used a striking image to describe the kind of leadership priests should exercise in their faith communities. He urged them to be shepherds marked by “the smell of the sheep.” A similar image appears in today’s first reading, where God names King David as the “shepherd of my people Israel.” The reading from Colossians describes the supreme authority of Christ over all things. Yet throughout His earthly ministry, Jesus modelled servant leadership, which we could also call “shepherd leadership.”

The daily news often shows a different style of leadership, characterized by arrogance, greed, hunger for power and a disregard for the common good. The kind of leadership suggested in today’s readings, by contrast, is marked by service, humility and compassion. As the taunting onlookers in the Gospel scene mock the kingship of Jesus, we get a glimpse into the heart of true leadership. In the interaction between the crucified Jesus and the “good thief,” we see an example of a humble petitioner – “Jesus, remember me...” – receiving not judgment but forgiveness: “Today you will be with me in Paradise.”

Today we seek the grace to practice and to encourage, through our prayers and our actions, the kind of shepherd leadership modelled by Jesus.

*(Reflection of Krystyna Higgins, of Living with Christ)*



### Mass Intentions

**Monday, November 25, 2019**  
8:30 a.m. + Elsa Baldassara

**Tuesday, November 26, 2019 Multi-intention**  
8:30 a.m. + P.A.K. Aidoo  
+ Romea Ashlie Malong  
Intention of Charles Min

**Wednesday, November 27, 2019**  
8:30 a.m. Special Intention of Gloria Silveira

**Thursday, November 28, 2019**  
8:30 a.m. Blessings for Deacon John Sutka

**Friday, November 29, 2019**  
8:30 a.m. + Annunciata, Frank & Vincent De Santis

**Saturday, November 30, 2019 Multi-intention**  
9:00 a.m. + Vittoria Meschino  
  
4:30 p.m. + Denise Soulingny

**Sunday, December 1, 2019**  
8:00 a.m. + Marie McDonnell  
9:30 a.m. + Demedrio Pomtoriere  
11:00 a.m. Protection of the Unborn Children

### Thank You

Msgr. Pat wishes to thank everyone who assisted in making Deacon John Sutka’s Ordination such a memorable event in the life of our parish. In particular, Msgr. wishes to thank the Choir, and all who assisted at the Mass with Cardinal Collins. As well, a special thanks to the Catholic Women’s League for organizing a fantastic reception in the hall following Mass. We know that many others in the parish donated food items and/or their personal time in ensuring a great celebration.

Deacon John stayed overnight at the parish in order to greet parishioners after all the Sunday Masses. He also served as Deacon of the Mass. So much food was left from the Ordination reception that we held another reception after the last Mass on Sunday. This was a delightful surprise for all who attended. They also had a chance to speak with Deacon John.

Let us keep the newly ordained Deacon in our prayers, as he looks forward to Ordination to Priesthood on May 9, 2020.

### The Gospel according to Matthew

Our series on the *Gospel* is held every Monday morning and continues until Monday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>. Join us on Monday mornings as we explore the *Gospel according to Matthew*, from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. in the parish hall. Coffee and refreshments will be served from 9:00 to 9:30 a.m. All are welcome!

### Laudato Si’

“Praise be to you, my Lord, through our Sister, Mother Earth, who sustains and governs us, and who produces various fruit with coloured flowers and herbs.” – Francis of Assisi

Our sister now cries out to us in pain.

Pope Francis appeals to us to hear the cry of the earth in his letter *Laudato Si’*.

Join us on Monday evenings at 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in the parish hall, as we hear what Pope Francis has to say. The series continue until Monday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>. All are welcome!

### Pro-life Christmas Cakes & Christmas Cards

Pro-life Christmas cakes and Christmas cards will be on sale this weekend November 23<sup>rd</sup>/24<sup>th</sup> and next weekend November 30<sup>th</sup>/December 1<sup>st</sup>, in the church foyer.

SAVE THE DATE  
ANGEL TREE

Weekends of Nov. 30/Dec. 1<sup>st</sup>, Dec. 7/8 and Dec. 14/15

NOVEMBER 24, 2019

### Day of Confessions

We shall host a Day of Confessions during Advent on Friday, December 20<sup>th</sup> at various times of the day. This will allow parishioners the opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation at a time best for them. Following is the schedule for the day.

**7:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.**  
**11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.**  
**6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.**

### Youth Ministry

Our EDGE (grade 6, 7 and 8 students) and Lifeteen (high school students) programs are both now in full swing! Please see the banners in the foyer for complete schedules or speak to our Youth Director, Jessica Bews for more information. New students can join at any time.

#### **Upcoming nights:**

Friday, November 29, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.: EDGE – **Museum**  
Friday, December 6, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.: Lifeteen – **The Word Became Status**



### SENIORS' CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

Msgr. Pat wishes to invite the Seniors of the Parish to our annual Seniors' Luncheon on Thursday, December 5<sup>th</sup>, at 11:30 a.m. (Lunch to start at Noon). There is no charge for the seniors; Msgr. wishes to thank all in their senior years for their faithful service to the Church over the years and for their continued witness of faith in these current times. The Social Committee is once again overseeing this event along with volunteers from other parish groups. In order to be prepared for numbers attending, please register for the lunch following all masses this weekend and next. There will be a table in the parish lobby to retrieve your ticket for the luncheon. If a care-giver needs to attend with a senior, please mention that at the registration table, or contact the parish office. This is a very special event each year and we look forward to celebrating it with our senior community.

### Knitting Group

The seniors' knitting group is still very active with their projects for Out of the Cold and Tiny Shroud Ministry. They are in need of donations of wool to make warm items for the needy. For more information, contact Marie Heard at 416-222-5139.

### Lectio Divina

Cardinal Collin's talk to be live-streamed Sunday,  
**December 1, 2019**  
in the parish hall  
**Theme:** Joseph and his brothers  
Genesis 37:1-28

**Vespers with Cardinal: 7:00 pm**  
**Lectio Divina starts: 7:30 – 8:15 pm**

The parish hall will be open from 6:30 p.m.; coffee, juice and water provided, prior to the start of the event. All are welcome.

### "FOR OUR COMMON HOME"

Cardinal Collins has encouraged support for the Development and Peace campaign, entitled, "For Our Common Home". This campaign is a two year program focused on ecological justice and the vision of Laudato Si. The theme for the first year of the campaign (this year) is "A Future for the Amazon, a Future for All." Cardinal Collins, in his support of the campaign, stated, "At a time when environmental concerns are at the top of the minds of most citizens and the Amazon rainforest is literally going up in flames, "For Our Common Home" helps Canadians understand and address a global problem."

The Development and Peace committee of St. Edward's Church will be highlighting this theme and some action items on the weekend of Christ the King (November 24th) as well as November 30<sup>th</sup>/December 1<sup>st</sup>. More information will be forthcoming in future bulletins and on the bulletin board. Please refer to the website of Development and Peace for a comprehensive study of this year's campaign ([www.devp.org/en](http://www.devp.org/en))

### **TORONTO CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD STAFF ARTS 48<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CONCERT**

HOSTED THIS YEAR BY ST. EDWARD'S PARISH  
**Friday, December 6, 2019 – 8:00 p.m.**

(Followed by a Wine & Cheese Social in Parish Hall)

Tickets: Concert: **\$15**    Concert & Reception: **\$25**

To reserve: Contact TCDSB at: **222-8282, ext. 2787**

### 55+ Club

All men and women, 55+ and up, are welcome to join our weekly meetings on Wednesday, from 1 – 3 p.m. All are welcome.