

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

November 21, 2021



MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS: November 20 to November 28

(L) indicates living intention

Saturday	Nov 20	
4:30 pm	Douglas Floreani	Letitia Floreani
Sunday	Nov 21	Christ the King
9:00 am	Elvira Bugio	Angela & Rita Lodico
11:00 am	Our Parishioners	
Monday	Nov 22	
8:30 am	Josephine & Jean Gurulian	Marie Gurulian
Tuesday	Nov 23	
8:30 am	Zofia Depa	The Family
Wednesday	Nov 24	
8:30 am	Rozalia & Karol Maniewicz	The Family
Thursday	Nov 25	
8:30 am	Emil Gund	Michael Gund
Friday	Nov 26	
8:30 am	Sr. Berlinda & Stella	The Verghese family
Saturday	Nov 27	
4:30 pm	Mike Callard	Rina Callard
Sunday	Nov 28	First Sunday of Advent
9:00 am	Maria Elena Veyra	Mila Veyra
11:00 am	Our Parishioners	

SANCTUARY LAMP (Week)

November 21: Maureen Kelly, Bill Kelly & family

November 28: Dina Perron and family (L), requested by Rose Martins

LORD, GRANT MERCY AND LASTING PEACE to those who died recently, and strength and comfort to those who mourn them.

Blessed are those who have died in the Lord; let them rest from their labours for their good deeds go with them. Eternal Rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen

THANK YOU FOR CONTRIBUTIONS

Nov 7: Offerings: \$6,941.000

Nov 14: Offerings: \$4,488.00 Helping Others: \$1,860.00

Next special collection: November 28 – Building Maintenance Fund

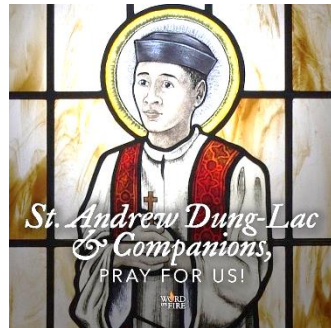
SOLEMNITY OF JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE



The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, formerly referred to as "Christ the King," was established by Pope Pius XI in 1925 as an antidote to secularism, a way of life which leaves God out of man's thinking and living and

organizes his life as if God did not exist. The feast is intended to proclaim in a striking and effective manner Christ's royalty over individuals, families, society, governments, and nations. Today's Mass establishes the titles for Christ's royalty over all people: 1) Christ is God, the Creator of the universe and hence wields a supreme power over all things; "All things were created by Him"; 2) Christ is our Redeemer, He purchased us by His precious Blood, and made us His property and possession; 3) Christ is Head of the Church, "holding in all things the primacy"; 4) God bestowed upon Christ the nations of the world as His special possession and dominion. Today's Mass also describes the qualities of Christ's kingdom. This kingdom is: 1) supreme, extending not only to all people but also to their princes and kings; 2) universal, extending to all nations and to all places; 3) eternal, for "The Lord shall sit a King forever"; 4) spiritual, Christ's "kingdom is not of this world."

THE VIETNAMESE MARTYRS: November 24



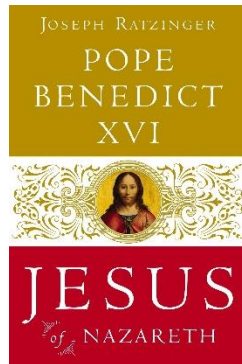
St. Andrew Dung-Lac was one of 117 people martyred in Vietnam between 1820 and 1862. Members of this group were beatified between 1900 and 1951, and all were canonized by Pope John Paul II in 1998. Christianity came to Vietnam through the Portuguese. Jesuits opened the first permanent mission at Da Nang in 1615 to minister to Japanese Catholics who had been driven from Japan. One of the kings banned all foreign missionaries and tried to make all Vietnamese deny their faith by trampling

on a crucifix. Many hiding places were offered in homes of the faithful. Severe persecutions were again launched three times in the 19th century, with between 100,000 and 300,000 Catholics killed or subjected to great hardship, including foreign missionaries. The last of the martyrs were 17 laypersons, one a 9-year-old, executed in 1862. That year a treaty with France guaranteed religious freedom to Catholics, but it did not stop all persecution. By 1954 there were over 1.5 million Catholics—about 7% of the population, the fruit of the martyrs' blood—in the north (Buddhists were 60%). Persistent persecution forced some 670,000 Catholics to abandon everything and flee to the south. In 1964, there were still 833,000 Catholics in the north, but many were in prison. In the south, Catholics were enjoying the first decade of religious freedom in centuries, their numbers swelled by refugees. During the Vietnamese war, Catholics again suffered in the north, and again moved to the south in great numbers. Now the whole country is under Communist rule. One of the heroes of the Catholic Church in Vietnam in recent years has been Cardinal François-Xavier Nguyen van Thuan, who, after spending 13 years in prison there, came to live in Rome where he died in 2002. In 2007, Pope Benedict approved the introduction of his cause for beatification. Today there are 26 Catholic dioceses in Vietnam, 2,228 parishes and 2,668 priests. Catholics are about 7% of the 85 million population.

BECKET PANTRY NEWS

Demand for help from our food pantry has decreased gradually over the last decade, as more and more food banks and services for the needy open in the West Island. Even before the Pandemic began we were regularly donating our about-to-expire non-perishables to other food banks in order to avoid waste. As a result, we have decided to close our pantry and donate the remaining non-perishables to local food banks. We thank everyone who has volunteered in our pantry over the years and especially to those who make donations. We encourage you to continue donating non-perishables to local food banks such as On Rock, West Island Mission, Fonds d'Aide de l'Ouest-de-l'Île. We will continue our Christmas Giving program including The Benedict Labre House Giving Tree and Christmas Baskets and/or gift cards programs for local families in need. We will also continue, through the Helping Others donations, to help local, national, and international charities who share our mission of caring for the poor.

WORTHWHILE READING



Jesus of Nazareth: From the Baptism in the Jordan to the Transfiguration by Pope Benedict XVI

In this bold, momentous work, the Pope—in his first book written as Benedict XVI—seeks to salvage the person of Jesus from recent “popular” depictions and to restore Jesus’ true identity as discovered in the Gospels. Through his brilliance as a theologian and his personal conviction as a believer, the Pope shares a rich, compelling, flesh-and-blood portrait of Jesus and incites us to encounter, face-to-face, the central figure of the Christian faith. “This book is . . . my personal search ‘for the face of the Lord.’”

From *Jesus of Nazareth*: “. . . the great question that will be with us throughout this entire book: But what has Jesus really brought, then, if he has not brought world peace, universal prosperity, and a better world? What has he brought? The answer is very simple: God. He has brought God! He has brought the God who once gradually unveiled his countenance first to Abraham, then to Moses and the prophets, and then in the wisdom literature—the God who showed his face only in Israel, even though he was also honored among the pagans in various shadowy guises. It is this God, the God of Abraham, of Isaac, and of Jacob, the true God, whom he has brought to the peoples of the earth. He has brought God, and now we know his face, now we can call upon him. Now we know the path that we human beings have to take in this world. Jesus has brought God and with God the truth about where we are going and where we come from: faith, hope, and love.”



A friend of mine went through a divorce six years ago. His wife had packed up the kids and moved out and he found himself embroiled in a nasty custody battle that left him financially bankrupt. He stunned me one day as we spoke about what he was going through. Just when I expected him to pour out

his bitterness over all these devastating losses, he simply told me that his only goal—one that he worked toward each day—was to see Christ in his ex-wife.

What a miracle was taking place in this man's life ... a miracle no one else could see. The world would call him stupid, but I call him heroic. What a beautiful example of charity and grace in the midst of suffering! Let us pray that God will grant all of us who are suffering this gift of heroic virtue. ~ *Lisa Duffy*

"But I say to you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you." - Matthew 5:44

PARISH INFORMATION

All telephone numbers are in the 514 area code unless otherwise indicated.

PARISH WARDENS

The Fabrique of the parish administers all parish properties and assets, and consists of the Pastor and six wardens elected by parishioners at an Annual General Meeting.

Janet Arts (2021)	620-6643	Siro Di Marco (2020)	620-6788
Peter Cook (2022)	620-2019	Michelle Figueredo (2021)	694-8879
Norman Cousineau (2020)	624-8753	Michael Sciotto (2022)	626-9550

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Altar Guild:	Anna Donald	620-2258
Altar Servers:	Fr. Peter Sabbath	626-4111
Baptism Preparation Team:	Parish Office	626-4111
Children's Liturgy	Parish Office	626-4111
Eucharistic Ministry Coordinator:	Rosemarie Della Rocca	620-1930
Greeters:	Norma Cook	620-2019
Ushers:	Joe Ojeda	941-7914
Lectors:	Tobias Koikaran	693-5514
Liturgy Team:	Rosemarie Della Rocca	620-1930
Weekday Sacristan:	Anna Donald	620-2258
Music Ministry Coordinator:	Lino Viegas	626-0750
Choir Director	Brendan Kelly	944-7220

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

Sycamore	Elsa Rivera	626-4111 Ext. 222.
Angels of Mercy	Sarah Sajedi	827-6408
Becket Pantry:	Parish Office	626-4111
Catholic Women's League:	Catherine Lee Jude	463-5991
Couples for Christ:	Francis & Aurora Apgao	630-6586
Healing Ministry	Elsa Rivera	626-4111 Ext. 222
Helping Others:	Parish Office	626-4111
Knights of Columbus:	Joe Ojeda	941-7914
Marriage Course:	John & Nathalie Bondyra	695-7896
Pastoral Home Care:	Ailsa Lee Loy	626-7265
Prayer Group: (Thursday 9:15 a.m.)	Louise Eberwein	825-5198
Prayer Line:	Christine Charron	694-3958
Seniors:	Audrey Cassidy	626-3586
Social Club:	Rina Callard	695-6995

RESOURCES AND SERVICES

A.A.	376-9230
Al-Anon (Families of Alcoholics)	866-9803
Archdiocese, Marriage Tribunal, English Pastoral Services	931-7311
Episcopal Vicar - Fr. Raymond Lafontaine	931-7311
Quebec Life Coalition: Pregnant? Worried?	344-2686
Tel Aide (listening line)	935-1101
Violence S.O.S. Hotline	1-800-363-9010
West Island Women's Shelter	620-4845

Sacrament of Reconciliation: (Confession) before all Masses or by request.

Anointing of the Sick: upon request

Eucharistic Exposition & Adoration: First Friday of the month

Benediction: Fridays after morning Mass

Baptism: Please contact the office.

Marriage: Please contact the office well in advance.

Vocations: Please contact Fr. Peter Sabbath or Fr. Tibu Fernandez

R.C.I.A.: Fr. Peter Sabbath