

Welcome to Christ The King Parish

October 13, 2019 — Bulletin for the St. Thomas More & St. Vincent de Paul Communities

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: 2 Kings 5:14-17

Rs. Psalm: 98.1, 2-3, 3-4

2nd Reading: 2 Timothy 2:8-13

Gospel: Luke 17:11-19

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Weekend Mass Times

Saturday: 4:00 pm at St. Thomas More

Sunday: 8:30 am at St. Thomas More

Sunday: 11:15 am at St. Vincent de Paul

Sunday: 11:00 am Mission La Sainte Famille

French Mass at École du Carrefour

1st Sunday of the Month: 3pm African Mass

at St. Thomas More

Weekday Mass Times

Monday: 12:00 pm at the St. Vincent de Paul

Tuesday: 6:30 pm at the St. Thomas More

Wednesday: 12:00 pm at the St. Vincent de Paul

Thursday: 9:00 am at the St. Thomas More

Friday: 6:30 pm at the St. Vincent de Paul

Saturday: 9:00 am at the St. Vincent de Paul

Events

Mon Oct 14—Thanksgiving Day Mass (12pm, SVDP)

Mon Oct 14—Can Blood Services (4:30-8:30pm, SVDP)

Tue Oct 15—STM K of C General Meeting (7pm, STM)

Tue Oct 15—Bereaved Parents (7:30pm, SVDP)

Wed Oct 16—Mass at Bissett Court (10am)

Wed Oct 16—Adoration (SVDP, after 12pm Mass—9pm)

Wed Oct 16—Care & Companionship (6:30, SVDP)

Thu Oct 17—Adoration (STM, after 9am Mass—5pm)

Thu Oct 17—Unbound Course (SVDP, 6:30pm)

Thu Oct 17—Junior Choir Rehearsal (SVDP, 6:30pm)

Thu Oct 17—Bread of Life Prayer Group (SVDP, 7pm)

Fri Oct 18—Cribbage, STM K of C (STM, 7pm)

Sat Oct 19—SVDP CWL Fall Fair & Tea (SVDP, 10-2p)

Sat Oct 19—STM K of C Pancake Supper (STM, 5pm)

Mon Oct 21—Elections Canada (SVDP, 8:00am—8:30pm)

Christ the King Office

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Office Closed Monday, Happy Thanksgiving! — The parish office will be closed on Monday, October 14th. We will still have the 12:00pm noon Mass at SVDP.

Staff Training, Expect Delays — Our Christ the King staff is embarking on a period of training and developing procedures to help us better serve our new parish. During the next few weeks, most of our staff will be very focused only on training and tasks that are urgent in nature. The office will remain open during regular hours (9:00 am—1:00 pm, Mon–Fri) with volunteers who could be happy to assist you. Thank you!

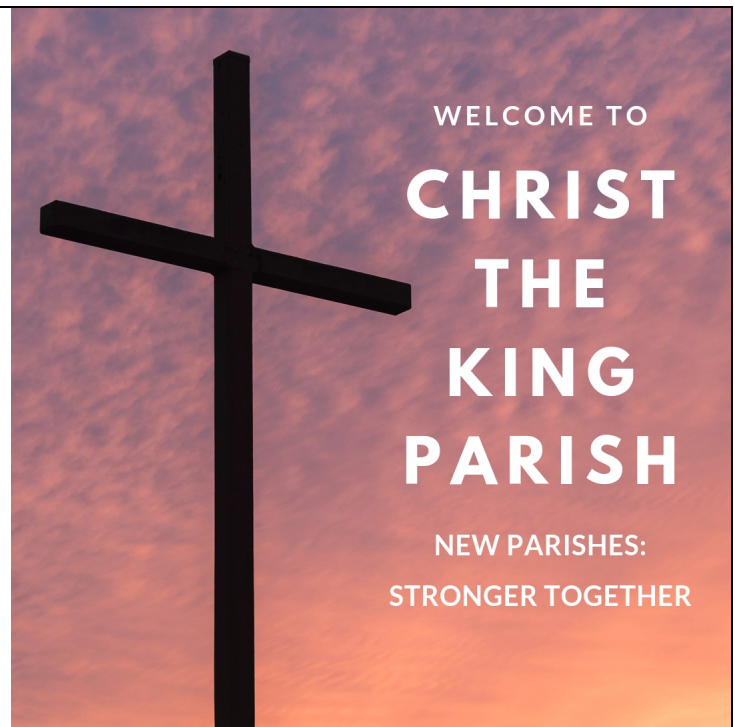
Room Bookings — To reserve a room at SVDP site, please email svdpoombookings@gmail.com. To reserve a room at the STM site, please email becca.ctkdartmouth@gmail.com. Thank you!

Funerals — For all funeral inquiries, contact the funeral ministry through the office: **902-435-2500**, **press 6** and leave a message. This number is checked regularly and a member of the funeral ministry will get back to you.

Have you noticed our new bulletin cover?

What is the connection between the Cross & Christ the King?

The seat of power for any king or queen is the throne. Once they are crowned and enthroned, it becomes the location from which monarchs reigned and decided the fate of their subjects. Anything decreed from the throne carried royal authority. In the Catholic tradition we have long associated the wood of the Cross as the earthly throne of Jesus, our King. It is from the Cross that He sealed our fate and decreed our salvation. In the words of Pope Francis: "Jesus enters Jerusalem in order to die on the Cross. And it is precisely here that his kingship shines forth in godly fashion: his royal throne is the wood of the Cross!" (Palm Sunday 2013). The Teacher's message is clear: while the great people of the Earth build themselves 'thrones' for their own power, God chooses an uncomfortable throne, the cross, from which to reign by giving his life. (Christ the King 2019, Fr. Anthony Caruana)



Introducing our Parish Receptionist—Debbie Cox

As we get accustomed to our new Christ the King parish reality, we want to continue to introduce our new Christ the King staff members. We've heard from Fr. Anthony Caruana, our Associate Priest (August 18th Bulletin), Shereen Daniels, Family Faith Formation Coordinator (August 25th Bulletin), Becca O'Hara, Director of Formation & Mission (September 22 Bulletin), and Darlene Bonang, Director of Community (September 29 Bulletin). This week, I'd like to introduce Debbie Cox, the final new member of our office staff.

Tell us a little about yourself!

Hello everyone, my name is Debbie, I was raised Catholic and attended a French Catholic school in Ontario before moving to Nova Scotia, where I actually attended SVDP when Mass was held in my school gym at Joseph Giles. I feel like becoming part of the Christ the King community has really come full circle for me. I currently live in Bedford with my 2 children. My daughter Grace is attending at Saint Claire College in her second year and my son Thomas has started Grade 12 this fall.

How did you end up as our parish receptionist?

I had been away from my faith for a number of years. About 7 years ago I was invited to Alpha for about the 10th time and I decided to see what it was all about. After being reintroduced to the Holy Spirit, I began my faith journey in the Catholic church as an adult. My son and I were confirmed together at Easter Vigil 5 years ago. These last few years have had some very difficult times for my family and I truly believe my renewed faith and new path has played a significant part in how we have gotten through these times. God is so good... I have been looking for an opportunity in the church to play a part and give back to God, so this new role was a perfect fit for me.

What makes you excited about taking on this new role?

I enjoy meeting new people and I'm looking forward to becoming part of this fantastic community and using my gifts at Christ the King!

When you see someone walking into the office, what is one thing you hope they know about our parish?

I hope as soon as they come through the doors everyone feels a warm welcome and begins to learn what a friendly community this is and will feel like home to them.

Freedom in Christ (Unbound) This Week!

**October 17-December 5, 2019, 6:30-9:00 pm,
in the SVDP Stewardship Centre**

Is Unbound for me?

Do you feel hopeless in finding freedom?

Have you ever felt stuck?

Do you struggle with the same sin patterns?

Are you frustrated with your lack of spiritual growth?

Are you bound by negative patterns of thinking?

Do you struggle with anxiety, shame, perfectionism...?

Do you have chronic fear, anger, and/or sadness...?

Do you experience marital and/or family discord?

“The Lord has anointed me to preach good tidings to the poor; He has sent me to heal the broken hearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to those who are bound.” (Isaiah 61:1-2)

Contact Debbie Power for more information
(dmpower74@gmail.com, 902-495-6404)

STM CWL Fall Fair

October 26th 11am to 2 pm

Our council, in cooperation with the STM Knights of Columbus and the men of our parish, are preparing to present our annual event to raise funds necessary to carry out our commitments for the coming year.

We will feature our traditional booths with such items as baking, homemade crafts, country store, fudge, books, ladies" like new", clothing, our popular "new to you" booth, jewelry, tickets will be sold on various items including a beautiful hand made Quilt titled "Basket" and a beautiful painting done by one of our members titled "Winter Scene". Our fair wouldn't be complete without our Bingo and of course our popular lunch menu of Chicken al la King, cranberry relish, and assorted pies for dessert, coffee or tea, \$10.00 for adults, \$5.00 for children as well as a canteen with hot dogs and a beverage.

Items for donation can be dropped off at St Thomas More on Thursday the 24th from 9am-5pm and on Friday from 9am-8 pm. We regret we are unable to accept TV's or electronics of any kind.

With questions, please contact Marguerite Fougere, Fall Fair Convenor (902 499 4734 / 435 1492)

Are you called to care for the lonely & sick?

The Ministry of Care and Companionship is looking for volunteers who would visit people who live in our parish community. We are looking for people who feel called to care for the lonely, isolated, homebound, elderly, sick and dying. For more information or to join, please contact Dianne Bulger (902-880-3494)

SVDP CWL Fall Fair & Tea: Next Saturday!

Saturday, Oct. 19 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Bring family and friends to the St. Vincent de Paul Stewardship Centre for crafts, baked goods, and new-to-you bargains, and to bid on Silent Auction items. The Silent Auction ends immediately after the Fall Fair, at 2:00 pm. Winners will be notified after 3:00 pm.

Non-perishable donations may be dropped off in the Faith room at SVDP this week. Please try to have Silent Auction donations dropped off before Thursday. (Contact Madine at 902-435-6534).

Perishable donations for the Tea and Bake Table may be dropped off in the Stewardship Centre on Friday, Oct. 18, 1-4pm and 6-8pm. Please label food donations with your name and phone number and specify if they contain nuts. For information, contact Eulette Rodrigues (Bake Table) at 902-462-0727, or Jeanette Lidstone (Tea) at 902-462-3173.

Pancake Supper

The St. Thomas More Knights of Columbus will be hosting a pancake supper in the Church Hall on Saturday October 19th from 5:30 to 7:30 pm. There is no charge, but a free will offering to support our many charities and projects is appreciated. All are welcome!

New Christ the King Envelopes Dec. 1

New donation envelopes, to reflect our new parish of Christ the King, have been ordered and will be available the first week of December. Please note that ***every-one's envelope numbers will be changing December 1, 2019*** to ensure accurate financial tracking for the new parish. You must start using the new envelope number as soon as it is issued to you. If you have changes to your status, (ie. address change, name change etc.) please contact the office immediately. Cheques should continue to be made out to Saint Vincent de Paul or Saint Thomas More until Jan. 1, 2020.

George's Country Time Show

St. Vincent de Paul, 320 Flying Cloud Drive, Dartmouth, on Sunday, Nov 3, 2019 from 2-4pm. Admission \$7. Featuring Florence Axford, June Bayer, Fulton Bayer, and Jim Tynes. All proceeds go to the parish.

Quilting Group

SVDP quilting group will be making cuddle quilts in the Stewardship Centre on Wednesday, Oct 23 from 9-4. The quilts will be sold in November as a fundraiser for our church. Come for a couple of hours or the full day. We need people to sew, cut and press. All supplies will be provided. Coffee and muffins will be available, bring a bag lunch if you will be there all day.

Family Faith Formation Updates

October 13—No Classes

Happy Thanksgiving! No Catechism classes—Tiny Tots to Confirmation. No Children's Liturgy at the 8:30 Mass at Saint Thomas More

October 20—Parent Meeting 1st Reconciliation

Our first parent meeting for 1st Reconciliation and those in 1st Holy Communion who have not yet celebrated their 1st Reconciliation, will take place at Saint Vincent de Paul at 10 am. We will meet in the St John Paul II Room.

October 27 — Family Mass, Rite of Presentation

Our Family Mass and All Saints day celebration will take place at Saint Thomas More church beginning with 8:30 am Mass.

During the Mass we will also have the Rite of Presentation for 1st Reconciliation & 1st Holy Communion for all the children making their 1st Reconciliation in April 2020.

Thank you for supporting our Chalice Children!

Chalice Canada is a Catholic charitable organization that began right here in Dartmouth that allows us to support children and families who are in need worldwide. Thank you for your support! Your donations are truly appreciated.

Saint Thomas More Total for the past week: \$28.95
Saint Vincent de Paul Total for the past week: \$6.50



Living in Gratitude, by Deacon Dan

In our Gospel this week, we hear about the grateful leper. I was reading a reflection by a Fr. John Bartunek LC, who said, “To this day, leprosy is an incurable disease... Yet Christ cures these ten lepers with a mere command. Showing oneself to the priest was a requirement of Old Testament law for anyone who claimed to have been cured from leprosy to insure a full cure. They took this precaution because leprosy is highly contagious, and a miscalculation in an individual case could cause a severe outbreak among a whole village or city. Christ’s power rarely appears so clearly as when he commands the powers of nature for the benefit of the people he came to save—Jews and gentiles alike.”

Have you ever been in a situation where it seems that Jesus is the only hope you have left? I know I have had that feeling where Jesus was my only hope to get through a situation. When I was in the hospital and told that I was going to lose my foot, there were some very dark times, but I never lost sight or the feeling that Jesus was close to me, and would never, ever leave me. The day before my surgery was Father’s Day. The hospital let me out for the day, which was wonderful, but I had the knowledge of what was coming the next day, made it very challenging. In a very real sense it was the best day, and the worst day. Still through all that, I knew Jesus was with me and I was most grateful. It was the same for the lepers; they were left with the knowledge that Jesus was their only hope. So for the leper who came back, he shows the gratitude and thankfulness to God, which I believe is the main teaching from this Gospel reading. We are to live in gratitude to the Lord, no matter our circumstances, because with Him we can get through anything. God bless you all!

MASS INTENTION SCHEDULE

Saturday, Oct 12 — 4:00 pm	Gregory Spinelli (at STM)
Sunday, Oct 13 — 8:30 am	Mary Elizabeth Bates (at STM)
Sunday, Oct 13 — 11:15 am	Aurea Godin (at SVDP)
Monday, Oct 14 — 12:00 pm	Jeannie Burton (at SVDP)
Tuesday, Oct 15 — 10:00 am at Bissett Court	Settimio DiRemigio (at Bissett Court)
Tuesday, Oct 15 — 6:30 pm	Carla Luka (at STM)
Wednesday, Oct 16 — 12:00 pm	Loretta Hollohan & Mary Williams (at SVDP)
Thursday, Oct 17 — 9:00 am	Anne Fitzsimmons (at STM)
Friday, Oct 18 — 6:30 pm	Bea Francis & Margaret Mallon (at SVDP)
Saturday, Oct 19 — 9:00 am	Art Araya (at SVDP)

Archdiocese of Halifax-Yarmouth & Community Events



Assembly of the People of God

October 25-26 — For almost 12 months the people and parishes of the Archdiocese of Halifax-Yarmouth have been taking steps to live Church in a different way; a way that focuses on our shared mission to be and make disciples. This 2019 Assembly is a milestone moment for us where we honour where we come from, acknowledge where we are now, and together work towards a future to become *New Parishes: Stronger Together*.

Christ the King Parish will help send YOU to the Assembly of the People of God!

For the first 40 people who register, the parish will sponsor half the cost of attending and ask parishioners to contribute the remaining \$10, if possible. To receive instructions on how to register, please contact Becca O'Hara at becca.ctkdartmouth@gmail.com.



Steubenville NOW

Looking for a mini dose of Steubenville Atlantic to get you through the fall? Join us October 26 for a Night of Worship (NOW), a little taste of a Steubenville conference. We'll have music from NET Canada, a youth testimony, and a great talk from a local speaker. This is a FREE event, open to anyone! Don't miss it!

WHEN: October 26, 7:00 pm (right after our diocesan Assembly of the People of God)

WHERE: Seton Auditorium, Mount Saint Vincent University, 166 Bedford Hwy, Halifax

Food Bingo

St. Paul Church, 197 Windmill Road, Dartmouth
Saturday, Oct. 26 from 2:00-4:00.
\$10.00 for 14 games

Elections Are Coming—Are You Ready?

On October 21 Canadians will vote on the leadership of our nation. Do you know how you're going to vote? As Catholic Canadians it is important to make our vote count. Below are some helpful resources to inform your decision-making process:

Election-Related Resources at www.archtoronto.org/election

This site from the Archdiocese of Toronto offers information about what the Catholic Church teaches on human dignity, poverty, homelessness, health care, indigenous issues, newcomers, and the environment – all issues that are important to Canadians and hopefully to those that will lead our country.

CCCB Releases Federal Election Guide

The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB) has produced a 2019 Federal Election Guide. This electronic resource is available on their website (www.cccb.ca). The guide's content offers a reflection on key ethical and moral issues that voters, especially Catholics, may want to consider.

Archbishop Mancini's 2015 pastoral letter: Responsibility for Christian Witness in the Politics of the Secular Age

In 2015 Archbishop Mancini wrote a pastoral letter just prior to our previous federal election. In it he offers a reflection, through the lens of our Catholic teachings, on the question of how a Catholic engaged in civic life can give authentic and credible witness to the gospel of Jesus Christ and support Church teaching in the present secular environment. To read the full letter, go to www.halifaxyarmouth.com and click the link under "Voting as a Catholic Canadian," then scroll down to find the link to the letter.

Volunteers needed at Dartmouth General and Nova Scotia Hospital

We are looking for enthusiastic individuals to join our valuable volunteer team. Volunteer programs are available daytime, evenings and on weekends; in fact, there's one waiting just for you. For more info, visit www.nshealth.ca/volunteer or call us at 902-464-4805.

Christ the King Parish Mission

“EPHPHATHA!”

that is **Be Opened**

*Night One: Open Your Heart
to the Holy Spirit!*

*Night Two: Anointed
for the Task*



**Fr. Marc Montminy from Exeter, NH
and has done extensive work in the area of
the New Evangelization and is recognized as
a leader in parish renewal across
the US and in Canada.**

**Fr. Marc pastored the Parish of St. Marie in Manchester for over twenty years.
During this time Fr. Marc led the parish from being a small dying community
to being a dynamic and vibrant evangelizing community.**

2 nights you won't want to miss!

St. Thomas More Oct. 23 & St. Vincent de Paul Oct. 24

Each night starts at 6:30pm with Praise & Worship music.