



## Solemnity of Christ the King (Thirty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time) - Year C

Diocesan Theme: **Christ is Everything for Us!** "Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life". (John 6.68).

Parish Mission Statement: **Love God, Love Others, Make Disciples!** Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal parish through the liturgy, faith formation and sacramental life, provides opportunities for members to develop their faith and service to others.

### MASS INTENTIONS

**Saturday, November 19<sup>th</sup>**

**4:30pm** Repose of the soul of Gabrielle Leduc by Denis & Nicole Leduc

**Sunday, November 20<sup>th</sup> - Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe**

**9:00am** Intentions of the parishioners by the Pastor

**10:45am** Deceased members of the KOC by the KOC Council 12401

**Tuesday, November 22<sup>nd</sup> - St. Cecilia**

**7:00pm** Intentions of Domenico Sabatucci and Gaetano Parravano by Viviana and Tony

**Wednesday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>**

**9:30am** Repose of the soul of Hugh Njemanze by Margaret Dupelle

**Thursday, November 24<sup>th</sup> - St. Andrew Düng-Lac**

**9:00am** Intentions of the members of the Rosary Apostolate - Ottawa

**Friday, November 25<sup>th</sup>**

**9:00am** Repose of the soul Sylvain Matte, brother of STA Vice-Principal Lucie Matte-Hogue by the staff and students of STA

**Saturday, November 26<sup>th</sup>**

**4:30pm** In thanksgiving to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal

**Sunday, November 27<sup>th</sup> - First Sunday of Advent**

**9:00am** Intentions of the parishioners by the Pastor

**10:45am** Repose of the soul of Ronald Maidment by the KOC Council 12401

### YOUR OFFERINGS FOR:

November 13<sup>th</sup> - \$2,627.

Thank you for your generosity and support

### Intentions of the Holy Father for November:

#### Children Who Suffer

We pray for children who are suffering, especially those who are homeless, orphans, and victims of war; may they be guaranteed access to education and the opportunity to experience family affection.

**Have you been missing the fellowship from attending Coffee Sundays? If so please feel free to sign up and host an up-coming coffee Sunday. Sign up sheets are posted just outside the kitchen. Thank you all in advance.**

### *Thirty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C) The Solemnity of Jesus Christ, King of the Universe*

Happy Solemnity of Jesus Christ, King of the Universe! This is the last Sunday of the Church year which means we focus on the final and glorious things to come! It also means that next Sunday is already the First Sunday of Advent.

When we say Jesus is a king, we mean a few things. First, He is our Shepherd. As our Shepherd He desires to lead us personally as a loving father would. He wants to enter our lives personally, intimately and carefully, never imposing Himself but always offering Himself as our guide. The difficulty with this is that it's very easy for us to reject this kind of kingship. As King, Jesus desires to lead every aspect of our lives and lead us in all things. He desires to become the absolute ruler and monarch of our souls. He wants us to come to Him for everything and to become dependent upon Him always. But He will not impose this sort of kingship upon us. We must accept it freely and without reservation. Jesus will only govern our lives if we freely surrender ourselves over. When that happens, though, His Kingdom begins to become established within us! And through us in the world.

Additionally, Jesus does wish for His Kingdom to begin to be established in our world. First and foremost this takes place when we become His sheep and thus become His instruments to help convert the world. However, as King, He also calls us to establish His Kingship by seeing to it that His truth and law is respected within civil society.

But many do not recognize Him as King, so what about them? Should we "impose" God's law upon those who do not believe? The answer is both yes and no. First, there are some things we cannot impose. For example, we cannot force people to go to Mass each Sunday. This would hinder one's freedom to enter into this precious gift. We know Jesus requires it of us for the good of our souls, but it must still be embraced freely.

However, there are some things that we must "impose" upon others. The protection of the unborn, poor and vulnerable must be "imposed." The freedom of conscience must be written into our laws. What's important to point out is that, at the end of all time, Jesus will be returning to Earth in all His glory and He will then establish His permanent and unending Kingdom.

Reflect, today, upon your own embrace of Christ as King. Does He truly govern your life in every way? Do you allow Him to have complete control over your life? When this is done freely and completely, the Kingdom of God is established in your life. Let Him reign so that you can be converted and, through you, others can come to know Him as Lord of all!

*Most solemn Lord, You are the sovereign King of the Universe. You are the Lord of all. Come reign in my life and make my soul Your holy dwelling place. Lord, come transform our world and make it a place of true peace and justice. May Your Kingdom come! Jesus, I trust in You.*

November 20<sup>th</sup>, 2022

Are you new to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Parish?  
WELCOME! If you have not yet registered, please complete a registration  
form found in the foyer or in the office.

You may bring the completed form to the office or drop in the collection basket.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### *What's Happening This Week*

Tuesday, November 22<sup>nd</sup>

7:30pm - Liturgy Meeting

Wednesday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>

7:00pm - PPC Meeting

Thursday, November 24<sup>th</sup>

6:30pm - Eucharistic Minister Workshop

7:00pm - KOC Meeting

Friday, November 25<sup>th</sup>

7:00pm - Youth Group Meeting

The CWL is joining forces with the MTCS Sunshine Club to collect socks for the homeless. There will be baskets at each entrance of the church starting November 19<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> and at the Bazaar. The baskets will be out until the end of November. Please be generous and bring men's and women's new socks to donate.

**We will be selling** advent candles(\$20.) and missals(\$5.) at the foyer after weekend masses starting November 19<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>.

**PRAYER FOR THE HOLY SOULS:** Throughout the month of November, let us remember to pray for all our beloved dead and all the souls in Purgatory. As a sign of our prayers, we are invited to write the names of deceased loved ones in the book of remembrance in front of the altar.

**Diocesan World Youth Day:** At Notre Dame Cathedral, Ottawa on Sunday, November 20<sup>th</sup>, 9:30am - 4:30pm. Spiritual preparation workshops for pilgrims, followed by Mass at 5:00pm. All are welcome!

**Permission - The Series:** Four talks to inspire and equip you to be more explosively alive in your faith. Fr. Bob Bedard's vision of an Explosively Alive Church needs Explosively Alive Christians. Everyone is welcome. Led by Companions of the Cross priests and deacons. At 7:00pm on November 27<sup>th</sup>, December 4<sup>th</sup>, December 11<sup>th</sup> & December 18<sup>th</sup>. Register at <https://companionscross.org/permission-the-series/> for YouTube link.

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Email: [admin@olmm.ca](mailto:admin@olmm.ca)

### Feast of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal

November 27<sup>th</sup> marks the Feast of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal. On this day, we commemorate the apparition of Our Blessed Mother to Saint Catherine Laboure and celebrate the vision Our Lady revealed to the young saint - the Miraculous Medal. It was in Paris, in the year 1830, part of a period when the Catholic Church was under attack from its many enemies, when "times are evil in France and in the world," as Our Lady said. While doing silent meditation, Saint Catherine had a striking vision of the Blessed Virgin, her beauty indescribable, standing on a globe. Rays of light shone forth from the precious gems on the Blessed Mother's hands symbolizing the graces that she bestows upon us. Catherine saw an oval frame formed around her, bearing the words "O Mary conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to Thee." A voice then said to Catherine, "Have a medal struck after this model. Persons who wear it will receive great graces, especially if they wear it around the neck."

For two years that followed, the Church authorities investigated the events of the apparition, deliberated on the message of Our Lady, and observed Saint Catherine as she went about her daily life as a simple nun. Finally, they approved to have the image struck upon a medal - the one and only medal that Our Blessed Mother herself presented the design. The first batch was produced in 1832. Soon after, the devotion became widespread across the world and the medal was being worn by millions. Stories of healings, conversions, and other miracles started pouring in from the faithful who wear and pray the devotion to the "Medal of the Immaculate Conception," as it was originally called. Because of this, people since then began calling it the "Miraculous Medal." At present, devotion to the Miraculous Medal and wearing it is next to the Holy Rosary in popularity among the traditional Catholic devotions and sacramental. On the front, the medal shows Our Mother Mary standing on the globe (Mary, assumed into heaven, is the Queen of Heaven and Earth), as her feet stand on the head of the serpent (Mary is our protection). The oval-shaped medal is circled with the signature, "O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to Thee." At the back of the medal, twelve stars (12 Apostles who formed the first Church) surround a large "M" from which a cross (Jesus' Cross and Redemption) arises. And below the "M" there are two flaming hearts (the burning love of Jesus and Mary for us). The left heart is circled with thorns, which represents Jesus (the Sacred Heart who died for our sins). The right heart, pierced by a sword (her sorrows), symbolizes Mary (the Immaculate Heart who intercedes for us).