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*Saint Catherine of Siena Parish
"Home of the Franciscans of Halifax"*

*The Feast of Christ the King
November 25, 2018*

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Daily Mass Intentions

St. Theresa's

Tues. Nov. 27	9:00am	The Gannon & Butts Families †
Wed. Nov. 28	9:00am	Bonnie Davis †
Thurs. Nov. 29	9:00am	All the intentions in the book
Fri. Nov 30	9:00am	Special Intentions

St. Catherine's

Sat. Dec. 1 9:00am Maria Colaiacovo †

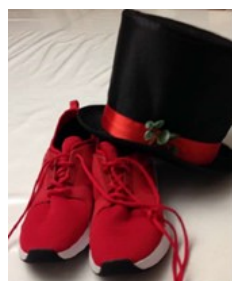
Liturgy



This Sunday, we celebrate the end of another liturgical year, as we celebrate the **Feast of Christ the King**. Pope Pius XI established the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ or the Feast of Christ the King in 1925 to honour Jesus Christ as King over all creation. Throughout Scripture,

Jesus Christ refers to the "kingdom" when He shared His message with those He met. As He stood before Pilate before He was put to death, Pilate said to Him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I have come into the world, to bear witness to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth hears my voice."

Coming to an Advent near You!



His Top Hat and Pilgrim Shoes are ready! Back by popular demand, Fr. Paul MacIntosh of the Franciscans of Halifax is set to lead us on our second journey through Charles Dickens', **A Christmas Carol**.

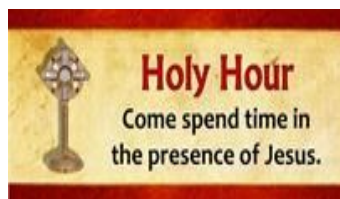
This Christmas classic, first published in 1843, is a compelling tale of greed, love and charity as the citizens of London await the joyful arrival of Christmas, all except, Ebenezer Scrooge. Fr. Paul will continue his reflections on the characters involved in this classic, their spirit, and how they allow us to reflect on our spirit and lives today. An enjoyable and thought provoking Advent preparation.

The next gathering is this Friday, November 30th, at 7:00 pm in St. Catherine's Church, 6476 Bayers Road, and will continue on December 7th & 14th. Then, on Friday, December 21st, at 7:00 pm, everyone is invited to the Church Hall to view the movie. And, yes, popcorn will be served! All are welcome.



The **2019 St. Joseph's Sunday Missal** is available for purchase at the back table. The cost is \$3.00 each.

Advent Folders can be found on the table at the back of the Church.



Every Tuesday (Dec. 4, 11, and 18th) during Advent there will be Eucharistic adoration from 7 - 8 pm at Saint Catherine's. The hour will include times of silence as well as music, sung by the Franciscan choir.

Religious Education



Next **Sunday, December 2nd**, a **Children's Liturgy** will be celebrated during the 11:00 am Mass.

Weekday Mass Times:

Tuesday—Friday 9:00am at St. Theresa's
Saturday 9:00am at St. Catherine's

Weekend Mass Times

Sunday 11:00 am
7:00pm (rosary at 6:25pm)

Confessions at St. Catherine's:
Saturday following the 9:00am Mass

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Monday—Friday 9:30 am—4:30 pm
in St. Theresa's Chapel

Parish News



to the Community Life Committee for organizing “A Magical Evening” on November 16th. Those who attended were welcomed into a beautifully decorated Church Hall, the food was great, the wine poured smoothly, the magician was AMAZING and, yes, the dancing was started with your own Pastor! The day of preparation was a wonderful time of community, and the evening was a great time of fun and fellowship. Thank you to all the volunteers who made this happen! It was truly “A Magical Evening”.



St. Vincent de Paul's Christmas Project—The Christmas Angel Tree has now been placed in the Sanctuary. With information provided on the gift box ornaments, parishioners are asked to purchase a gift for that child. The gift should be returned by Sunday, December 9th.

Next week, “Turkey Tags” will appear on the Christmas Angel Tree. Parishioners who would like to give a monetary donation toward the cost of a full turkey dinner can take a “Turkey Tag” from the Tree and place their donation in the regular collection sometime during the Advent and Christmas season. Our dinner boxes include a gift card for a turkey, carrots, potatoes, onions, peas, cookies, stuffing, gravy, apples, margarine, bread, tea, cranberries and yes, even a box of chocolates. The St. Vincent de Paul Society invites parishioners to participate in their annual project. The Christmas Project is not intended to be a burden on anyone. You are simply invited to do what you can if the spirit so moves you!

The mission of the St. Vincent de Paul Society is to help those in need within our community. If you are experiencing a particularly difficult financial strain this Christmas season, please call the St. Vincent de Paul phone line (902-455-6525) if you need assistance with Christmas Dinner.

Delivery day is Sunday, December 16th, following our 11:00 am Mass. If you can lend a hand, it would be appreciated! From all who carry out this work, and from the families who will receive it, many thanks!

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY! On Friday, November 30th, the St. Vincent de Paul Society celebrates its 58th Anniversary in this Parish community.



ST. CATHERINE'S CHRISTMAS BINGO will be held next Sunday, December 2nd, at 2:00 pm (doors open at 12:30 pm). Each regular game is for a turkey with four specials being played for baskets filled with lots of Christmas goodies and a ham. The final game is for a turkey, ham, and the GRAND basket of Christmas goodies. Books (regular games) are \$5.00, and each special is \$1.00. Fun for all ages. Everyone is welcome!

C.W.L. News

Saint Catherine's of Siena CWL will be taking a vote on December 11/18 whether or not to disband the Council.

Diocesan News

Registration for the Steubenville Atlantic Conference is now officially open, but there are two more live launches to come! Chris O'Hara will present the keynote talk on this year's conference theme, *Belong*, based on 1 John 3:1: “See what love the Father has bestowed on us, that we may be called children of God.” For more information on our annual summer youth conference, Steubenville Atlantic, check out www.steubenville.ca or contact Kendra Chisholm at (902) 429-9800 ext. 311 or kchisholm@halifaxymouth.org

Archdiocese Names New Finance Administrator - Archbishop Mancini is pleased to advise that Mr. John Kennedy has been hired as the new Finance Administrator for the Archdiocese of Halifax-Yarmouth. John will start his work on Monday, December 3, 2018. John comes with 30 years of experience as controller for a chain of pharmacies based in Truro with locations throughout the Atlantic provinces. The gifts, skills, and expertise he brings to the position will help us greatly as we all work to renew our local Church. He is looking forward to working with and serving the people and parishes of our Diocese.

Equip the Saints: Community Collection - This weekend, is the second opportunity for you to make a contribution to this year's Community Collection. During this weekend's Masses, November 24th-25th, people are asked to place their Community Collection envelope in their parish collection basket. There are three ways for you to give: Fill out the Community Collection donor card you received in the mail and using the included return envelope, place it in your parish's Sunday Collection basket. Fill out the Community Collection donor card and use the included return envelope and mail it directly to the Archdiocese: Community Collection, 1531 Grafton St., Halifax, NS B3J 2B9. Make a donation online through the Archdiocesan website by visiting www.halifaxymouth.org/donate. Please prayerfully consider your contribution.

Thank you for your generosity!

Stewardship is...

*“Jesus said, ‘My kingdom is not from this world.’”
(John 18:36)*

How often do we put all our time and energy into building a kingdom here on earth, forgetting that life here is short? The real kingdom is in the next life. Yet, how much time and energy do we invest in working for that eternal kingdom?

...EVERYTHING we think, say, and do after we say “I believe”