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Monday to Friday: 8:00 am Friday: 7:00 pm Saturday: 8:30 am

Confession:

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CHRIST THE KING!

... Only the one who "came from the Father" can return to the Father: Christ Jesus. "No one has ascended into heaven but He who descended from heaven, the Son of man." Left to its own natural powers humanity does not have access to the "Father's house," to God's life and happiness. Only Christ can open to man such access that we, His members, might have confidence that we too shall go where He, our Head and our Source, has preceded us.

"And I, when I Am lifted up from the earth, will draw all men to Myself." The lifting up of Jesus on the cross signifies and announces His lifting up by His Ascension into heaven, and indeed begins it. Jesus Christ, the one priest of the new and eternal Covenant, "entered, not into a sanctuary made by human hands ... but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf." There Christ permanently exercises His priesthood, for He "always lives to make intercession" for "those who draw near to God through Him." As "high priest of the good things to come" He is the center and the principal actor of the liturgy that honors the Father in heaven.

Henceforth Christ is *seated at the right hand of the Father*: "By 'the Father's right hand' we understand the glory and honor of divinity, where He who exists as Son of God before all ages, indeed as God, of one being with the Father, is seated bodily after He became incarnate and His flesh was glorified."

Being seated at the Father's right hand signifies the inauguration of the Messiah's kingdom, the fulfillment of the prophet Daniel's vision concerning the Son of man: "To Him was given dominion and glory and kingdom, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve Him; His dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and His kingdom one that shall not be destroyed."

Catechism of the Catholic Church # 661 - 664

PRAYER TO JESUS CHRIST THE UNIVERSAL KING

O Jesus Christ, I acknowledge you as universal King. All that has been made has been created for You. Exercise all Your rights over me. I renew my Baptismal Vows. I renounce Satan, his pomps and his works; I promise to live as a good Christian. And, in particular do I pledge myself to labor, to the best of my ability, for the triumph of the rights of God and of Your Church. Divine Heart of Jesus, to You do I offer my poor services, laboring that all hearts may acknowledge Your sacred kingship, and that thus the reign of Your peace be established throughout the whole universe. Amen.

CELEBRATING THE YEAR OF FAITH on Sunday, Nov. 24th, The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe, marks the end of the Year of Faith. We will mark this with a Eucharistic Holy Hour at 7:00 p.m. Come, let us adore Him, Jesus Christ, Our Lord, Our King!

THE SANCTUARY LAMPS THIS WEEK BURN FOR:

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THE SACRED LITURGY THIS WEEK

Saturday, November 30th, St. Andrew, Apostle. St. Andrew was a disciple of John the Baptist before he became a follower of Jesus, to Whom he also brought his brother Peter. After Pentecost, he preached the Gospel in many lands and was put to death by crucifixion in Achaia. Please note that the Saturday morning Mass will be Tridentine Mass. Una Voce, the Traditional Mass Society will be holding their Annual General Meeting in our parish on this day. We welcome them to our parish.

ST. ANDREW CHRISTMAS NOVENA (starts Nov. 30th) Hail and blessed be the hour and moment in which the Son of God was born of the most pure Virgin Mary, at midnight, in Bethlehem, in piercing cold. In that hour, vouchsafe, O my God, to hear my prayer and grant my desires, through the merits of our Saviour Jesus Christ, and of His Blessed Mother. Amen.

PHILIPPINES TYPHOON HUMANITARIAN RELIEF

The Archdiocese of Toronto is accepting financial contributions for humanitarian relief following the catastrophic effects of Typhoon Haiyan on Nov. 8th in the Philippines. Typhoon Haiyan destroyed buildings, crops and infrastructure across several islands, leaving thousands dead. Estimates suggest more than 9.5 million people are in need of aid across nine provinces and more than 600,000 have been forced from their homes. The Canadian government has announced it will match donations to the Typhoon Haiyan Relief Fund made by Canadians between Nov. 9 and Dec. 9. Contributions made through the Archdiocese of Toronto for this relief effort will be eligible for the matching program. We offer our prayers for the victims of this natural disaster and those who have been displaced. Thank you for your ongoing efforts to help those in crisis in the Philippines.

APPEAL FOR HELP Catholic Community Services of York Region (CCSYR) in collaboration with St. Mary Immaculate Church is appealing for donations in kind of new or slightly used items (preferably babies/children's wear; toiletries, t-shirts, shorts, footwear, towels and blankets – lightweight) for distribution to the typhoon affected individuals in the Philippines. You can drop off your donations at the Parish Hall and place them on the stage before 12:00 noon on Thursday, November 28, 2013. Thank you so much for your kind support and generosity.

CALLING YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULTS (12-17 & 18-35)! The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul invite parish community youth and young adults to come together to serve and, meet others in Ontario and worldwide through engaging activities. Please provide your contact information at (905) 717-9827.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS Christmas Cards will be sold at the entrance of the Church after all the Masses.

CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION for Gr. 8 Children are being taken up at this time. If you would like your child to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation at our Parish next year, please call the parish office to register.

LEGION OF MARY meets on Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m. in the Meeting Room. We are looking for new members. Please call the office if you are interested.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS are looking for a few more good men to join their ranks. If you are looking for a way of living your faith in fellowship as a Catholic man, the Knights welcome you to join them in service to the community. Contact Steve (416) 605-2685 or Roland (905) 780-8354 for information or see www.kofc.org.

ROSE OF SHARON SERVICES FOR YOUNG MOTHERS CHRISTMAS BASKETS 2013 With the holidays just around the corner, Rose of Sharon Services for Young Mothers is preparing to create Christmas Baskets for 150 families this year. We have been blessed in the past to receive support from the community and we are reaching out to once again ask for your help to provide gifts for families in need at this special time of year. The agency will be collecting new and unwrapped toys, clothes as well as food and toiletries for mothers and their babies up to December 13th at 361 Eagle St. in Newmarket. Please contact our office at 905-853-5514 ext. 230 or visit www.therose.ca for information.

ST. ELIZABETH CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL, Thornhill, ON Regional Arts Program focuses on dance, drama, visual arts, instrumental music and vocal music. Applications are due on Monday, Dec. 2, 2013. For info, please call 905-882-1460 x 264.

TWO HEARTS ROSARY PRAYER GROUP invites everyone to pray the 4 mysteries of the Rosary on Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m. in the Church.

ST. FRANCIS CENTRE FOR RELIGIOUS STUDIES Advent Retreat: The Star of Bethlehem on Dec. 7th from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Call 51-941-1747 or email stfranciscentre@rogers.com for info or to book.

PRAYER FOR A HAPPY DEATH

O merciful Jesus, stretched on the Cross, be mindful of the hour of our death. O most merciful Heart of Jesus, opened with a lance, shelter me at the last moment of my life. O Blood and Water, which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus as a fount of unfathomable mercy for me [cleanse me of my sins and offenses]. O dying Jesus, Hostage of mercy, avert the Divine wrath at the hour of my death.

Solennità di N. S. Gesù Cristo, Re dell'universo

Ogni azione di Cristo è gloria della Chiesa, ma la croce è gloria sopra ad ogni gloria. Lo capì bene Paolo che disse: Di null'altro mi glorierò, fuorché della croce di Cristo (Gal 6.14). Che un cieco abbia potuto riavere la vista presso la piscina di Siloe, è certo un fatto meraviglioso. Ma quanto conta questo singolo episodio se si pensa ai ciechi di tutto il mondo? Avvenimento grande, superiore alle forze della natura, fu la risurrezione di Lazzaro, morto ormai da quattro giorni. Ma questo favore concesso a lui solo, poteva forse giovare a tutti coloro che erano morti per i propri peccati? Cosa mirabile fu sfamare con cinque pani cinquemila uomini. Ma quale utilità poteva avere per tutti gli ignoranti affamati di verità? La gloria della croce invece ha illuminato tutti quelli che erano ciechi per ignoranza, liberato tutti quelli che erano schiavi del peccato, redento tutto il genere umano. Gloriamoci della croce del Salvatore. Il linguaggio della croce è stoltezza per quelli che si perdono, ma per noi che siamo salvi è potenza di Dio (1Cor 1.18) (Cirillo di Gerusalemme, Catechesi 13.1-2).

Dio ha uno strano modo di rivendicare il suo potere, appunto attraverso il crocifisso che muore perdonando; ma chi da questa singolare forma di intronizzazione si lascia conquistare entra, già oggi' nel regno di Dio. Per questo il vangelo racconta di personaggi di segno opposto, gli uni che di fronte al crocifisso si chiudono ulteriormente, gli altri che si lasciano giudicare da quella singolare forma di intronizzazione scelta da Dio per il suo figlio e capiscono che quella morte dell'innocente era la strada necessaria proprio perché essi sono peccatori. Il buon ladrone, ma anche le folle che se ne vanno battendosi il petto, a partire da quella morte comprendono il loro peccato. Dio regna quando l'uomo riconosce di dover essere perdonato e si lascia rinnovare da quel perdono. Dio (in Gesù) non si pone sopra di lui, non riveste i panni del giudice, ma si mette sullo stesso piano assumendo la forma del malfattore.

O Padre, ci hai resi tuoi figli nel sangue della croce di Cristo, re e Signore dell'universo, che ha vinto il potere del mondo con il sacrificio di sé. Ascolta le nostre preghiere, che rivolgiamo a te con la speranza che vengano esaudite. Te lo chiediamo per Cristo nostro Signore.

AVVISO

1. Celebrazione dell'Anno della Fede: oggi, solennità di Nostro Signore Gesù Cristo, Re dell'Universo, segna la fine dell'Anno della Fede. Lo ricorderemo con un'Ora Santa di adorazione eucaristica, alle 7pm. Vi si invita tutti a partecipare.

MASS INTENTIONS		Nov. 1-30
SUN.	9:30 a.m.	Deceased Parishioners,
MON.	8:00 a.m.	Relatives, and Friends of the
TUE.	8:00 a.m.	Parishioners of St. Mary
WED.	8:00 a.m.	Immaculate Church
THURS	8:00 a.m.	
FRI.	8:00 a.m.	
	7:00 p.m.	
SAT.	8:30 a.m.	

PLEASE REMEMBER OUR SICK: Ursula Addesi, Doris Anderson, Eugene Bomba, Matteo Burbano, Patrick Burke, Rory Burke, Stephanie Byrne, David Calado, Andy Calado, Bruno Cassara, Andrea Cavallin, Joe Cinno, Alan & Carol Cook, Manuela Clement, Caterina De Grano, Thomas De Souza, Harry Dekharmenjan, Nancy Duncan, Steven Fiorini, Roberto Garcias, Margaret Gardiner, Jessica Gonzales, Godfrey Gosein, Carmela Harrison, Gertiudes Henriques, Andy Heutehaus, Theresa Hogan, Lawrence Howe, Elena Iacobelli, Rogelia Infante, Maria Iudiciani, Terry Jennings, Jolanta Karabowicz, Margaret Kelly, Derek Lai, Olivera Lambeta, Mary Malandrino, Narcisco Marcone, Macaria Margate, Chris Markle, Veronica Martin, Marguerite McRae, Paul Melotte, Rachelle (Joy Ann) Mendoza, George Morgan, Anthony Morse, Susan, Nino Naccarato, Lydia, Michelle Antoinette Nedvedskaya, Helen & Catherine, Myola Nunes, Rosemary Palmieri, Lisa, Domenico Pileggi, Kaliopi & Eugenia Pandelopoulou, Esther Reyes, Todd Santaguida, Werner & Lucienne Schachatsiek, Claire Schickedanz, Margot Senbrich, Vincenzo Sorbara, Pat Sullivan, Linda Vincent, Therese Vincent, Nora Waldherr, Abigail Walz, Sandra

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PRAYER TO THE ETERNAL FATHER

Eternal Father, I offer to You all the wounds of Your dearly beloved Son, Jesus Christ; the pains and agony of His Sacred Heart and His Most Precious Blood, which gushed out from all his wounds, for the reparation of my sins and those of the whole world. Amen.

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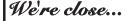
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