

The Community of **St Ignatius**

Winnipeg, MB

On-line Parish Bulletin for 2021-11-21

34th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B)
Christ the King

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The church is open for public Masses
with limited attendance
Wednesday through Sunday at 11am,
with an additional Saturday 5pm Mass.

Please email reserve@stignatius.ca to reserve a seat.
Daily Masses continue to be celebrated and Parishioners'
intentions are honoured at each Mass. Masses are live-
streamed at 11am daily from St Ignatius at
<http://stignatiusmass.from-ca.com>
(and remain available on line until the next morning).

The Archbishop has extended **until Sunday, November 21st** the dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass in person.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available by appointment Wednesday through Saturday. Please send request by email to reserve@stignatius.ca

When private prayer in the church is not available for you, family prayer at home is highly recommended. The following websites, among many others, have prayer suggestions you may find helpful:

- <https://www.xavier.edu/jesuitresource/online-resources/prayer-index/prayers-for-healing>
- <https://www.catholic.org/prayers/>
- <https://mycatholic.life/catholic-prayers/a-prayer-for-healing-and-hope/>



Symbols of Christ the King

READINGS: 34th Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

1st Reading: Daniel 7: 13-14

2nd Reading: Revelation 1: 5-8

Gospel: John 18: 33b-37

Mass Intentions for the Week of November 22nd – 27th (will be honoured during live-streamed Masses)

Mon	Nov	22 nd	11:00am	+Bernie Bernacki
Tues		23 rd	11:00am	Spec Int: Androvich Family
Wed		24 th	11:00am	+Armenia Furtado
Thu		25 th	11:00am	+Maria Marinelli
Fri		26 th	11:00am	+Deceased Members of the Buchner Family
Sat		27 th	11:00am	+Deceased Members of the Birkholz Family

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Although physical attendance limits have been somewhat relaxed for indoor religious services under current Covid-19 restrictions, parishioners still require advance reservations to attend Mass in person, and the Parish policy is that all those attending Mass must wear a mask covering nose and mouth and practise physical distancing.

Meanwhile, all are invited to join us regularly on line at <https://www.stignatius.ca> .

St Ignatius Parish AGM, Thursday 25 November, 7pm CST. Join the Zoom meeting at

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2469279089?pwd=UEx5aVZCMlUvOmgzUTlJaHBXTW50Zz09>

Meeting ID: **246 927 9089** ; Passcode: Ignatius

Wanted: Ministers for Communion Services at the Waverley Retirement Home, Mondays 10:30am. All

Covid protocols will be followed. If you are double-vaccinated and can help, contact Don Lavallee at

donlavallee@mymts.net or 204-797-2762

Throughout November, we pray for all departed souls. You can submit the name(s) of those you wish to remember by emailing reserve@stignatius.ca Write "Deceased Person" in the subject line. Names will be placed in the Remembrance urn and prayed for during November.

Please don't forget to write your name, address, and envelope number (if you have one) on your donation envelope, so we can issue you a tax receipt at year-end. Meanwhile, heartfelt thanks to everyone who has been supporting us and donating throughout these difficult times.

Knights of Columbus Initiatives

- **Rosary Prayer, Sunday 28 November,** immediately after 11am Mass and also live-streamed. Parishioners are welcome to attend. Bring your rosary.
- **Virtual Parish Christmas Dinner and Gathering, Sunday 19 December,** 6pm. Knights will deliver a traditional Christmas dinner Covid-safe to your door and host an interactive virtual meeting with your friends, with music, etc. Special diets can be accommodated. No set price; donations accepted by e-transfer to treasurerkoc@stignatius.ca (please write "Christmas Dinner" in the e-transfer message. **RSVP by December 12th** via email koc@stignatius.ca or to Knights after Masses.
- **Sobeys and Co-op Grocery Card Sales** after Saturday 5pm and Sunday 11am Masses. Pay by cash or debit to earn these stores' donations to our Parish.

The 2021-22 campaign of Development & Peace (D&P), People and Planet First calls out the complicity of Canada and its corporations in violations against the planet and its inhabitants. The easiest way to take action is to [sign the petition](#) calling on our government to implement a due-diligence law requiring companies to respect human and environmental rights in their overseas operations. However, there are several other options available if you have already signed, and want to continue your commitment! You can follow the latest campaign news on our [Facebook](#) or [Instagram](#) pages and even [update your profile](#) to show the campaign colors. To delve deeper, read our printable [backgrounder](#) or share [the campaign video](#) with your friends and family. Whatever way you choose, thank you for helping to spread the word about solidarity! <https://devp.org/en>

Virtual Covid-19 Solidarity Concert for the Start of Advent, Tuesday 30 November, 6:00 – 7:30pm (CST) via Zoom. This is the 2nd Canadian Jesuits International (CJI) Covid-19 Webinar. International Performers: Women's choir, South Sudan; primary schoolers, Haiti; dance troupe, Moran Memorial School in Nepal; Youth collective Jovenes Generarte, Colombia; a group from Radio Progreso, Honduras; the Provincial of the Jesuits of Canada, Erik Oland, SJ; and many more. Join us to express solidarity with the poor and marginalized communities accompanied by our Jesuit partners, and to foster relations between the Global North and South. Registration at <https://bit.ly/SolidarityWebinarCJI> or write cji@jesuits.ca

REFLECTION

Pontius Pilate, the Catholic Take on Politics, and the Challenge to Us

An intriguing thought about how we may learn something of politics from the brief episode in Pilate's life recounted in today's Gospel and in all the synoptic accounts: "This is how ordinary men must deal with a God who is close enough to touch." (Ann Wroe, *Pontius Pilate*, 2001) Pilate reminds us of our insufficiency, our powerlessness next to God.

It is first worth considering that Pilate was a good Roman, a model governor whose treatment of the questions raised by Jesus' arrest – even to the point of washing his hands – can teach us about the limits of politics. Pilate was unmoulded by Jewish cultural or religious experiences, roused on a Friday to meet with religious leaders and a criminal whose crimes against Judaism held no interest for him. Arguably, Pilate is one of the most neutral, disinterested persons we meet in the Gospel. As far as we know, he had never heard Jesus teach nor experienced a miracle. He has little interest, no stake in this Jewish matter. He enters a cultural or religious dispute as a secular official with the sort of neutrality it would take the Christian world nearly two millennia to achieve in the context of Christian-Jewish dialogue. Pilate seems to hold the position that Jesus "neither picks Rome's pocket nor break's Rome's leg." He may have remembered Cicero's advice for Roman governors: a governor's "highest object" is "the greatest happiness of the governed:" hardly a modern idea, but a thoroughly Roman principle. He sought neither to stoke nor to placate the crowd for his own benefit.

The episode reminds us how the Catholic political tradition regards politics as a realm of prudence, not perfection. In saying (John 19:11), "You would have no power over me if it were not given to you from above," Jesus reminds Pilate that the Governor shares insignificantly in the power of *divine* government. The ruler's function is to govern imperfectly the imperfect people who are governed. Pilate's authority is contingent. Even his power to do something so mundane as to condemn a criminal depends on a source of law and authority that lies beyond the reach of the mere brute force that could scourge and crucify a man. So also his authority to free an innocent man is contingent on the possibilities of a sinful world.

Jesus does not exactly say he is "the king," but admits to a kind of royalty that is not exclusive, territorial, coercive, or in any other way understandable on Pilate's terms.

There seem to be two interrelated challenges for us as we celebrate this feast of Christ the King. If we call Christ a king, we must remember that his title comes from God's realm. Thus, he will not fit our models nor act on our agenda. Secondly, claiming Christ as king calls us to live the values of his realm, redefining power and greatness and learning from him how to be free enough to give all we are.

Excerpted from *Celebration* (2018) and *AMERICA* Magazine, February 8, 2016 issue, "What Pilate Knew: Lessons from one of the Gospel's most misunderstood figures" by Steven P. Millies



"Ecce Homo" ("Behold the Man")

Painting ca 1870
by Antonio Ciseri (Swiss)

FINANCIAL REPORT

Sharing God's Gifts Archdiocesan Collection (SGG): Our assessment for 2021 is \$58,300, of which we still owe \$37,379. Please make cheques payable to the Parish, earmarked "Sharing God's Gifts" – and print your name and envelope number clearly on the Sharing God's Gifts envelope. Thanks for supporting our Archdiocesan ministries.

St Ignatius Statement for the period November 1st to November 14th: To our combined regular Sunday collections you gave \$15,690 in support of our Parish, including school and church expenses. To SGG you gave \$1,576. For Security you gave \$50. To Agape you gave \$60. Thank you for your generosity! (NB: For now, tallies are made every two weeks.)

OUR FACILITIES

ST IGNATIUS PARISH 255 Stafford Street Winnipeg, MB R3M 2X2 www.stignatius.ca
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Controller: Jan Hasiuk controller@stignatius.ca
ST IGNATIUS SCHOOL <i>Nursery-Grade 8: full curriculum in a Catholic environment for children of registered parishioners.</i> Principal: Jeannine Pistawka Admin Asst: Michele Lampertz 204-475-1386 www.stignatius.mb.ca
Adult Education Centre & Lending Library: 204-453-9243 Co-ordinator: Fr Con adult.education@stignatius.ca
Buildings & Grounds Maintenance Manager: Chris Janes, maintenance@stignatius.ca

SACRAMENTS, FORMATION, & ACTIVITIES

BAPTISM OF CHILDREN For the preparation program, phone four months before child's birth
SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:55am-12 Noon This year: First Communion, Reconciliation and Confirmation only
CONFIRMATION For Grades 8-12: Enquire at Parish Office in September
CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA): Enquire at the Adult Education Centre if interested in joining the Catholic Church.
SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE Arrange 12 months in advance.
SICK CALLS: Request through the Office. Someone will gladly visit the sick.
HEALING PRAYER MINISTRY: call Office, 204-474-2351
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS normally meet 1 st Monday each month at 7:30pm – meetings temporarily suspended.