

November 23, 2025: Christ the King

JUBILEE 2025 – PILGRIMS OF HOPE:

Anchored in Hope:

“I believe in life everlasting”. So our faith professes. Christian hope finds in these words an essential foundation. ...Vatican Council says of hope that, “when people are deprived of this divine support, and lack hope in eternal life, their dignity is deeply impaired, as may so often be seen today. The problems of life and death, of guilt and suffering, remain unsolved, so that people are frequently thrown into despair”.

We, however, by virtue of the hope in which we were saved, can view the passage of time with the certainty that the history of humanity and our own individual history are not doomed to a dead end or a dark abyss, but directed to an encounter with the Lord of glory.

....*Christ died, was buried, was raised and appeared*. For our sake, Jesus experienced the drama of death. The Father’s love raised him in the power of the Spirit and made of his humanity the first fruits of our eternal salvation. Christian hope consists precisely in this: that in facing death, which appears to be the end of everything, we have the certainty that, thanks to the grace of Christ imparted to us in Baptism, “life is changed, not ended”, forever. Buried with Christ in Baptism, we receive in his resurrection the gift of a new life that breaks down the walls of death, making it a passage to eternity.

The reality of death, as a painful separation from those dearest to us, cannot be mitigated by empty rhetoric. The Jubilee, however, offers us the opportunity to appreciate anew, and with immense gratitude, the gift of the new life that we have received in Baptism, a life capable of transfiguring death’s drama....

The most convincing testimony to this hope is provided by the martyrs. Steadfast in their faith in the risen Christ, they renounced life itself here below, rather than betray their Lord. Martyrs, as confessors of the life that knows no end, are present and numerous in every age, and perhaps even more so in our own day. We need to treasure their testimony, in order to confirm our hope and allow it to bear good fruit.

The martyrs, coming as they do from different Christian traditions, are also seeds of unity, expressions of the ecumenism of blood. I greatly hope that the Jubilee will also include ecumenical celebrations as a way of highlighting the richness of the testimony of these martyrs.....

Excerpt of Letter from: Pope Francis

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS:

If you wish to donate towards Christmas flowers in a loved one’s name, add the envelope with their name to the collection or contact the office. Thank you to Kathleen MacDonald for your donation towards the flowers. We will print the list closer to Christmas.

November 23rd, 2025
Christ The King
Sacred Heart Parish
A Stewardship Parish in Union with Christ



Parish Information

Pastor: **Fr. Lee Lainey**

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Pre-authorized debit can be arranged with your own bank – call us for our banking info.

Diocesan website: rcchurch.com

Weekend Masses: Saturday 4:30 pm, Sunday 11 am.

Weekday Mass: Tuesday to Friday 10:00a.m.
Daily mass is cancelled & Office Closed any day schools are closed due to bad weather.

<u>Lohnes Complex*</u>	First Friday of each month at 2pm.
<u>Bible Study:</u>	To be determined at a later date.
<u>Holy Hour of Adoration:</u>	Postponed until further notice.
<u>Reconciliation:</u>	By request.
<u>Marriages:</u>	Six months’ notice required. A year’s notice is recommended.
<u>Baptisms:</u>	Please call the Parish Office to schedule preparation session.
<u>Family Connections:</u>	At www.rcchurch.com you will find a link to family connections.
<u>St. Vincent de Paul:</u>	To assist those in need. Call 709-638-9010.

RECEIVED WITH THANKS
November 15 & 16

Regular Sunday	1602.00
Loose Offering	210.40
Building Fund	110.00
Votive Candles	36.00
Sunday Missals	64.25
Mass Stipends	60.00
In Memorium	20.00
St. Anne's Oil	5.00
Christmas Flowers	200.00

MASS INTENTIONS November 25 - 30

Nov. 25	Special Intentions
Nov. 26	The Late Dominic Park
Nov. 27	All Souls in Purgatory
Nov. 28	The Late Jack, Jim & Tony Cashin
Nov. 29	Tom (Sr.), Annie & Brian Griffin & The Late George Hynes
Nov. 30	Mass for Intentions of the Parishioners

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Nov. 29 – Saturday	
Reader	Eucharistic Minister
Jerome Dicks	Joan Penney
Nov. 30 – Sunday	
Reader	Eucharistic Minister
Mike Leonard	Brian Sparkes
Communion to the Sick: Joan Penney	

SSVP Christmas Hamper Registration:

Registration is at Holy Redeemer Cathedral in **November**. MCP cards for each family member are REQUIRED. **Registration** is from 10:00a.m. to 12p.m. and 1:00 to 3:00 PM on the following dates: November 26 and 28th.

NOVEMBER BINGO:

The Ladies Group will be having a **turkey and ham bingo** at Scared Heart School, on **Sunday November 30** at **1:00 p.m.** We will still have our regular jackpot prize and others. We will also be having a Christmas Bingo in December. Please remember this is a SCENT FREE area.

SACRED HEART NOV. BINGO DONATIONS:

The Sacred Heart Ladies Group would like to thank the following for their donations towards our Turkey and Ham Bingo: Margie Pennell, Sharon Bennett and Pat Jones.

50/50 TICKETS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

Come and help the parish reach its goal of selling all the tickets so we can make someone's Christmas very bright.

If you need tickets or want to sell tickets at the stores, **please contact the following:**

Dan Park at 709-632-0341
dannypark1968@gmail.com
Lisa Myles at 709-632-9148
lisa.myles@monmar.nf.net
Liz Carew at 709-660-3509
lizcarew@hotmail.com
and Marie Pennell at 709-388-5090
marie.pennell.mp@gmail.com
Thank you to everyone for taking part in this endeavour.

CHRISTMAS – NOVEMBER ONLINE AUCTION:

"It's the Month Before Christmas", is the **final auction** until January. If you have any items you wish to donate (new or gently used), that would be greatly appreciated. Please contact: Dan Park, Lisa Myles, Liz Carew and Marie Pennell. (There contact info is listed above). Thank you for your support.

ADDRESS UPDATES:

The parish is updating its addresses for our parishioners. Please fill out the form and place it in the collection or you can drop it off at the church office. Also indicate if you still want envelopes, as the 2026 ones have arrived. If you don't have envelopes and would like them, also indicate that on the address update form.

POTLUCK SUPPER:

This year Our Lady Star of the Sea in Benoit's Cove will be hosting a potluck supper after 6pm mass on Saturday, December 13th, 2025, in the church basement.

They will be holding a get together for both churches and celebrating **Father Lainey's birthday** which is a few days later.

Parishioners from Our Lady Star of the Sea and Sacred Heart Parish are invited to this event.

If you are attending, please sign up at the back of the church and don't forget to bring a dish.

DEVELOPMENT & PEACE - CARITAS CANADA:

Turn Debt into Hope campaign.

END UNJUST DEBTS

More than 3.4 billion people live in countries that are spending more on debt payments than on health or education... In many countries, debt repayments far outweigh spending on climate action and addressing the impacts of the climate crisis. ... public debt has grown so large that repayment is impossible, burdening future generations. Sign the **petition sheet** at the **back of the church** or sign at **devp.org/debt!** To learn more, read the **Action Sheet** or visit devp.org/campaign.

POOR BOX COLLECTION:

Society Of Saint Vincent de Paul Poor Box Collection will take place during **next weekend's Masses, Nov 29 - 30**. Members will be at the entrances after each Mass to accept donations. Your ongoing generosity is appreciated. Thank you.

REFLECTIONS:

The victory of love

On the cross Jesus endured insults and mockery. Yet his heart remained open, even to his enemies. He absorbed all the violence, transformed it, and returned it as love and forgiveness.

One's pain can so easily turn into rage, so that one wants only to lash out blindly at whoever happens to be within range.

From the depths of his own pain, Jesus reached out to comfort the thief.

Some people are like sugar cane: even when crushed in the mill, what they yield is sweetness.

Jesus stretches our capacity for compassion. He challenges our idea of love. Each of us has a great capacity for love. The pity is that it often goes unused. By our love, people will know that we are followers of Christ the King.