

November 22nd –Christ the King

The parable of the sheep and the goats: “Come, you who are blessed by my Father. Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world . . . Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of the least brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.” Matthew 25: 31-46

The “it” number

On a Sunday evening in Baltimore a few years ago, a woman named Eva was invited to speak at a program sponsored by several churches and a local synagogue and mosque. Eva was warm and soft-spoken, kind and gracious. She came to tell her story of surviving the Holocaust.

As she told her story, it was hard to imagine how this woman could be mistreated by anyone. Hers was a normal, safe and secure childhood. She and her family happily lived their Jewish faith in Germany during the first half of the 20th century. Then everything changed with the rise of the Nazi regime.

Eva started to tell about life in the camps — and when she raised her hand to make a gesture, her sleeve dropped a bit and the audience saw it: a number tattooed on her elegant arm.

Bishop Michael Curry recounts the moment in his new book *Love Is the Way*.

Bishop Curry, now the presiding bishop of the Episcopal Church in the United States, was the rector of one of the Baltimore churches that sponsored the program. He writes that seeing the tattoo made him shudder.

“And now that I was truly feeling the horror, my rational mind kept asking how: How could anyone do such evil to anyone else, to any child of God, to any human being, let alone this gentle creature sitting in front of me. How . . . ?

“ . . . when Eva raised her hand and that sleeve dropped, exposing that tattoo, I was speechless. I had seen pictures, but this was the first time I had seen the numbers up close, on the frail arm of a hand I had gently shaken. It hit me as never before: That tattoo was who and what she was to her captors. A number. A thing. An object. An ‘it.’ That number rendered her an ‘it.’ And when a person, a child of God, my sister, my brother, my sibling become an ‘it’ to society or its members, then the unthinkable becomes thinkable and the horrible possible.”

The reign of Christ begins when we see one another as Christ — not as a “number,” not as a “mark,” not as the means to our own end, not as an “it.” The true value of every human life is the light that God kindles within each one of us; our worth is found in the love of God that our lives reveal to the world. Before God, no one is an “it.” Jesus’ parable in today’s Gospel challenges us to see one another in that light: to look deeper than the externals of race, nationality, culture and language in order to behold the love of God animating the lives of all of us in whom God has breathed his love and life.



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Sacred Heart Parish

A Stewardship Parish in Union with Christ

Parish Information

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Weekend Masses:

Saturday 4:30 p.m., Sunday 11 a.m.

To Register, please call the office Monday to Friday between 9 am and 1 pm.

Reconciliation:

By request

Mass During the Week:

Tue, Wed, & Thu at 7 p.m. and Fri at 10 a.m.

Daily mass is cancelled any day in which there is a Funeral Mass or schools are closed due to weather.

Holy Hour of Adoration:

Discontinued until further notice.

Marriages:

Six months’ notice required. A year’s notice is recommended.

Baptisms:

Please call the Parish Office to schedule preparation session.

St. Vincent de Paul:

To assist those in need. Call 638-9010.

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November 15th, 2020

Regular Sunday	\$1295.00
Building Fund	55.00
Sunday Missals	137.05
Mass Stipends	70.00
Shepherds' Fund	145.00
Advent Folders	20.00
Christmas Fund	5.00

MASS INTENTIONS

Tue. 7pm	All Souls
Wed. 7pm	Special Intention
Thu. 7pm	Late Mathew & Anne George
Fri. 10am	Special Intention
Sat. 4:30pm	Late Mary Park
Sun. 11am	Parish Community

SUNDAY MISSALS: The new missals are available at the back of the Church. \$5 each.

FACE MASKS: You must wear facemasks when entering, leaving, and moving about the church. It may be removed if you are seated and able to maintain 2m distancing.

WORKBOOK FOR READERS: Is available for our readers. Please take your copy.

HOLY FATHERS PRAYER - November: We pray that people who suffer from depression or burn-out will find support and a light that opens them up to life.

FLU SHOTS: The influenza vaccine (flu shot) is now available. Appointments will be required to ensure physical distancing. Appointments can be booked online through Health Myself or by calling 1-833-951-3904.

SHEPHERDS' FUND FOUNDATION ANNUAL

CAMPAIGN 2020: You are reminded that the annual Shepherds' Fund Foundation Campaign will be conducted this weekend. The mandate of the Foundation, in terms of Diocesan support, continues to be critical, particularly this year. Therefore, the Board, in consultation with Bishop Bart, has decided to conduct the campaign without Interruption. You will find a special envelope for the Shepherds' Fund already in your box of Envelopes. If you do not use boxed envelopes or if you wish to make a special donation just use a regular envelope with Shepherds Fund written on it along with your name. The Board of the Shepherds' Fund Foundation extends sincere appreciation for your kind support and wishes you God's Blessing for personal safety in these times of COVID-19.

LADIES GROUP FUNDRAISER: Since Covid has put a stop to all our fundraising activities, we have come up with the following idea to help support our parish. **"BINGO DRAW"** Our regular donors will be called each month, (Parishioners in sections F through M on this list are asked to donate for November), but all parishioners are welcome to participate. Those who give a donation of at least \$10.00 will have a chance to win 10% of the total donations collected for the month. Every \$10 donation will equal one ticket in the draw i.e. if you donate \$20 your name will be in twice. Donations must be in by the third week of each month. Put your donations in an envelope marked BINGO, include your name, and drop in collection, Father Jim's mailbox, or give to any member of the ladies group. **WINNER DRAWN ON OCTOBER 25 – Mike Leonard. Prize; \$ 50.50. Congratulations!!!**

ADVENT FOLDER: Please note, no companies make or sell Advent or Lenten folders any longer. These had been a great source of revenue for the parish. This year we will be trying something different. In the next few weeks, you will find in your bulletin, an Advent offering envelope. We ask you to generously support this Advent collection. Please think of them as a replacement of the folder with a suggested offering of \$20.

HOME RELIGION PROGRAM – Sacred Heart Parish: Thank you to Julia Hackett Myles who has undertaken this ministry. She has been in touch with many of the families involved in Sacramental Preparation and has begun the appropriate programs. Please contact the parish office if your child should be included but has not been contacted yet. By bringing your children and grandchildren to mass, you will help them in the formation of their faith.

THE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL: We would like to advise parishioners that we will again be providing Christmas Hampers to those people in the community who are in need. Anyone desiring a hamper should call 638-9010. **Starting this week, we will be accepting donations of knitted goods, hats, mitts, socks, and stocking stuffers in the SSVP box at the entrance to the Church.** These boxes will be emptied each week. Parishioners are also invited to sponsor a person or family for a Christmas Hamper. If a person(s) or group wishes to do so they should contact the SSVP at 638-9010. We really appreciate your support in this endeavour.



EUTHANASIA LEGISLATION: The Government of Canada has introduced legislation to expand the criteria for euthanasia so that even more people will be eligible. This was triggered by a decision by a Quebec judge, who decided that the requirement that death be "reasonably foreseeable" is not constitutional. If this clause is removed, persons with disabilities will be eligible for euthanasia even in circumstances where death is not reasonably foreseeable. The disability community in Canada is very concerned that this change will only add to the public perception that certain people's lives are not worth living. To view art and videos, visit humanflourishing.ca. Write your MP today to let them know what you think. You can also go to <http://www.canadiansforconscience.ca/federalgovernment> with your concerns.



CHRISTMAS FLOWERS: If you would like to donate toward flowers for the altar in memory of a loved one, you may do so by putting your donation in an envelope (envelopes located at the church) with the name of your loved one and drop it in the collection or drop by the Parish Office.

