Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of The Universe

November 22nd, 2026 ~ Liturgical Year A

Mass Intentions
✞ November 23rd to November 29th, 2026

Monday.....NO MORNING MASS….....November 23rd

Tuesday……..... November 24th
St. Andrew Dũng-Lạc, Priest and Companions, Martyrs
8:00 am ✞ Mary Jelbert (by Carmine & Norma Ciolfi)
✞ Santhamma Mani (by Isabel & Joseph Schackmann)

Wednesday…..…. November 25th
8:00 am ✞ Santa Zappavigna (by Lisa Nigro & Grace Cuffaro)
✞ Holy Souls in Purgatory (by Isabel & Joseph Schackmann)

Thursday.....November 26th
8:00 am ✞ Ralph Biancaniello (by Vince Addario)
✞ Gerard Gosselin (by Vince Addario)

Friday……..…..November 27th
8:00 am ✞ Antonio Villella (by Your son Roy Villella)
✞ Nicola & Leonardo Terrigino (by Annunziata Perrella)

Saturday.....November 28th
8:00 am ✞ Aldo Gualtieri (by Family)
✞ Maria Carmela DiFruscia (by Family)

5:00 pm ✞ Mafalda Risi (by Gina & Jamie Wilcox
✞ Frank Mauro (Family)
✞ Sean Grealy (by Laue Grealy)
✞ Charlene McNeil (by Joan Devine
✞ Dina Mastracci (by Maria Volante)
✞ Antonietta Savoia (by Chris & Antonietta Ruggi)

Sunday.....irst Day of Advent……November 29th
8:00 am ♥ ✞ For The People of Holy Rosary Parish
9:30 am ✞ Gino D'Addario (by Rosa Bussi)
✞ Tony Vocella (by Angelina Gazzalone)
11:00 am ✞ Johnny Biancaniello (by Vince Addario)
✞ Nicola Venditti (by Maria Venditti)



SANCTUARY LAMP: This weekly Sanctuary Lamp is donated in memory of **Re. Father Charles T. Moser** The Sanctuary lamp is lit to remind us of Christ's presence in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar.

Pope Leo's Prayer Intention for the Month of November
FOR THE PROPER USE OF WEALTH.

Let us pray for the proper use of wealth, that not succumbing to the temptation of selfishness, it may always be put at the service of the common good and solidarity of those who have less.

CONTEMPLATIVE ROSARY

With Our Lady of the Holy Rosary Music Ministry and Niagara Men's Schola

Tuesday, December 8th, 2026 at 7 pm

at Our Lady of the Holy Rosary Church, Thorold, ON.

SUNDAY MISSALS 2026-2027, **$6.00 each**, are available to be purchased at the office or at the entrances of the Church.

N.S. GESÙ CRISTO RE DELL'UNIVERSO / A
Solennità - 22 novembre 2026

Gesù misurerà ognuno in base all'amore concreto verso i più piccoli. Egli si identifica totalmente con chi soffre: l'affamato, l'assetato, lo straniero, il nudo,il malato, il prigioniero. **Oggi ricorre la 41ª Giornata della gioventù**

PRAYERS REQUEST: Please pick a candidate from the book of: "***Candidates preparing for the Sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation***," to pray for.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 2319 - CHRISTMAS DINNER

All are invited to the Christmas Dinner hosted by Knights of Columbus 2319 on Saturday, December 5, 2026, at Club Belvedere in Thorold.
Doors Open: 6:00 PM. Dinner Served: 6:30 PM.
Tickets: $45 for members | $50 for guests
Menu: antipasto, cannelloni in tomato sauce, chicken and vegetables, salad, dessert, and coffee. Cash bar.
Contact Tony Scalzi to reserve tickets
Email: tscalzi@cogeco.ca Text: 905-933-8227

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CHILDREN CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

The SDVP Christmas Program helps families in our community who are in need and those registered within the Community Care. In addition to providing food hampers & food vouchers to the families registered within our program, a $25 gift card is also given to each of their children. This Year, we count 169 children in the Christmas Program and our goal is to ensure that every child within this program receives a gift card. Please help us to achieve this important goal, serving 169 children, by donating $25 gift card, which can be placed in the Sunday offertory basket or dropped off at the Church office and or mail slot. Thank you for your kind support and generosity.

Our Lady of the Holy Rosary Catholic Women's League

THANK YOU for your support of our Apple Goodies Sale...much appreciated!
TUESDAY December 8, 2026 @ Club Belvedere, CWL Christmas Party
Mini Penny Sale 4-5:30 pm EVERYONE INVITED
$2.00/sheet penny sale tickets
DEADLINE for 6 pm Dinner: $40.00 by November 29.
Yes. Men are welcome to attend the dinner!
Cash/Cheque/E-Transfers
Celebrate 100 Years as a CWL Parish Council!
Questions? Linda 905-227-1499

THOROLD SANTA CLAUS PARADE:

The annual Thorold Santa Claus Parade will take place on Saturday, November 28th, 2026, at 4:00pm. Parishioners are reminded that Sullivan Avenue section will be closed before the Parade starts. Plan ahead for parking wise.

Meeting Happenning in our Parish Office:

Parish Office	➢Pastoral Council: Tuesday, Nov. 24 at 6:30pm

Reflection-On The Sunday Mass Reading Year A

Congratulations, everyone! God has seen fit to let us live to complete another liturgical year! We have journeyed with Our Lord from his birth through his ministry, Passion, death, Resurrection, and into the growth of the Church and the spread of the Gospel to all the nations.

Now, at the end of the year, we reflect on the Final Judgment, when Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, will pass sentence on each and every human being, establishing justice, punishing evil, and rewarding love and self-sacrifice. The Feast of Christ the King is a profession of our faith that ultimately there is a moral standard to the universe, that all is not in flux or random, that the good, the true, and the beautiful triumph in the end over darkness, ugliness, and selfishness. There will be a Final Judgment and ultimate justice. The kingdom of this world will become the kingdom of Christ.

This Gospel reading is one of the most sobering in the Lectionary, not the least because it implies that those who face Christ at the Final Judgment may be surprised at the sentence awaiting them. Actually, both the sheep and the goats seem not to realize their true spiritual standing, whether that is righteousness or wickedness. So we need to make a serious examination of conscience.

The criteria by which the Son of Man makes judgment is based on "whatever you did for one of the least brothers of mine." We generally assume that this refers to acts of kindness to the poorest of the poor. However, we can't jump to that conclusion immediately.

The first and primary sense of this text is Christ's unity with his members, that is, with his Church. The point of the parable is that the nations are judged based on how they treated Christians, those identified with Christ. The meaning of Matthew 25 is similar to Acts 9:4: "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" (emphasis added), Jesus says to the pre-conversion St. Paul. Persecution of Jesus's disciples is persecution of Jesus himself. Therefore, the first level of meaning of Matthew 25 here is that Jesus regards the least service done for one of his disciples-the "least of my brothers"-as service done to him.

By extension, there is application to the poor because we do not know the identity of Jesus's brothers. Among the poor, the marginalized, and the downtrodden may be many who are brothers of Christ.

So yes, by all means, every one of us needs to make an examination of conscience on whether we are doing anything to alleviate the suffering of the poor, the hungry, thirsty, naked, and imprisoned among us.

However, this Gospel text speaks especially to the situation of the brothers of Christ who are undergoing persecution even now at the hands of communists in China and North Korea, Muslim extremists, and others around the world. We think of the abused, displaced, and imprisoned in Nigeria, Syria, Iraq, Iran, Pakistan, and elsewhere. Where is justice? Do lies triumph in this world? No, says our Gospel. Injustice is ephemeral and passing. All in this world will give an account of how they treated the mystical body of Christ. And we ourselves will give account, first of all, for what we have done to alleviate the suffering of those who share with us the communion of saints and then, also, the suffering of the poor generally.

Reflections on Sunday Mass Readings Year A by J. Bergsma

CHURCH FINANCIAL SITUATION
DISPONIBLE FUNDS AS OF:

	DECEMBER 2025	OCTOBER 2026
SAVING	**$ 101,574.74**	**$26,391.45**
CHEQUING	**$ 125,394.51**	**$ 7,523.61**
REDEEM – TERM	**$208,500**	**$213,816**

With your generous support, our Special Project for the **New Gathering Space** (Basement Renovation), collected **$104,290.64** from August 2025 to December 2025. We cannot thank you enough for your heartfelt contribution, which is very much appreciated. ***Stay blessed!***

Weekly Offering	**15-Nov-26**
Offertory: Regular & Initial	3,095.50
Online Offertory	1,135.05
E-Transfer Offertory	100.00
Church Basement	2,764.55
Deo Gratias	75.00
Needs of Canadian Church	20.00
Flowers	500.00
World Mission Day	120.00
Church Maintenance	80.00
Total	**$ 7,890.10**

Basement Renovation	Collection	Expense	Balance
Donat. Collect as of November 8th, 2026	$255,423.79	-	$255,423.79
New Donations: November 15th, 2026	2,241.95	-	257,665.74
2nd Collection November 15th, 2026	522.60	-	258,188.34
Incurred Expenses as of April 26th, 2026	-	405,014.35	-$146,826.01

Thank you for your generosity!

DIOCESAN FEAST DAY MASS: All parishioners are invited to the Diocesan Feast Day Mass that will be celebrated on Wednesday, November 25, 2026 (Feast of St. Catherine of Alexandria), at the Cathedral of St. Catherine of Alexandria, at 7:00pm. Please join the clergy of our diocese in a prayerful celebration for the 68th Anniversary of the Diocese of St. Catharines. A reception will follow.

CONDOLEANCES: We extend our sincere condolences and prayers to the family and friends who mourn the recent loss of **Vincenzo Franco Benincasa** Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen!

COMING SOON!

To keep you awake during the Advent Season, our Church will once again, invites us to journey together on an Evangelical Mission Retreat. ***Update is on the way!***

