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## St. John Chrysostom Parish (*est. 1867*)

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## ✠ Thirty~Third Sunday in Ordinary Time ✠

*November 19, 2017*

This Sunday's Scripture: Your being increases in the measure that you give it away. That's the law of the gift, and it can be found from end to end of the Bible. One application of this law has to do with faith itself. Your faith will grow only in the measure that you give it away, sharing it with others. ~ *Bishop Robert Barron*

Advent Is Just Around the Corner! Create your own simple table Advent wreath centerpiece of evergreen branches and decorate the wreath with four candles – three violet and one rose. The first candle is lit on the First Sunday of Advent, with subsequent candles lit on successive Sundays. Advent candles can be purchased by contacting the parish office. They are \$5 per set of 4 candles. Advent wreath rings that can be decorated are also available for \$20.

Advent Devotional Materials: for personal and family use will be available next Sunday at the entrance of the church. Here are just some good websites that provide free materials:

<https://dynamiccatholic.com/best-advent-ever>

<http://www.ewtn.com/advent/index.asp>

[http://www.catholicmom.com/advent\\_devotions.htm](http://www.catholicmom.com/advent_devotions.htm)

<http://onlineministries.creighton.edu/CollaborativeMinistry/Advent/>

Sunday Missals: The beginning of a new Liturgical Year begins on the First Sunday of Advent. Missals for personal use and Sunday preparation – containing the Scripture readings for each Sunday and the Order of Mass – are available for purchase on the trolley at the entrance of the church. An envelope for payment has been inserted into each missal and can be returned by way of the collection. Readers/Commentators may pick up their free copy in the sacristy.

## The Pastor's Notes

\* In your prayers, please remember: parishioners who are sick; and those who have died, especially: those named in our Book of Remembrance; all who have died in war and during peacekeeping duties; the Souls in Purgatory; *Penny Stashick; Joan McGrath; Brandon Hanniman*, great nephew of Joan Hanniman; *Alex Paquette*, great nephew of Geraldine Paquette; and *Betty Fevreau*.

\* Praying For Our Faithful Departed: As reminder of our duty to pray for the faithful departed, especially the suffering faithful in Purgatory, the Church has dedicated November to the Holy Souls undergoing final purification. Our Book of Remembrance is at the front of the Church under the statue of Our Risen Lord. You are invited to enter the names of deceased loved ones to be remembered in prayer at Mass during the month of November

\* I need to provide accommodation for the 12 young men and women of the National Evangelization Team (NET) who will be arriving the afternoon of Tuesday, December 5<sup>th</sup> to spend 1 day (December 6<sup>th</sup>) giving retreats to the Grade 8 students. If you could provide appropriate night time accommodation for 2 to 4 persons, please contact me ASAP. This would include providing 1 dinner and 1 breakfast for them.

\* So that you can plan ahead, here are our Christmas Mass Times this year:  
Sunday, December 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m.  
Monday, December 25<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m.

\* Christmas Flower Envelopes: for the Glory of God and in memory of loved ones can be made with the envelopes now provided at the entrance of the church. The Masses of Christmas will be offered for your intentions.

\* Our Parish Finance Committee met this past week – as per diocesan financial policy – reviewed all revenues/expenditures to date for the fiscal year 2017. There were 3 major extraordinary expenditures: the final payment to the contractors for the Bell Tower Restoration project (; the replacement/upgrades to the boilers and church heating system; the repair and repainting of all church windows. We also reviewed initial estimates for the next phase of the stone restoration of the face of the church and the small tower. Bishop Mulhall will be notified that we have begun this process so that it will also be properly reviewed by the Diocese. The following are its members:

Fr. Burchat, President 623-2282

John Tammadge 623-0736

Bob Coyne 623-5049

Jim Mulvihill, Chairperson 623-3079

Nancy Black 623-7211

# Thirty~Third Week in Ordinary Time

November 20-24

- Wednesday St. Cecilia, virgin, martyrs  
 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. *Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction*  
 7:00 p.m. *Confessions*  
 7:30 p.m. +Versal & Mary Bond *by Their Families*  
 +Raymond McCabe *by Linda Chandler*
- Thursday 8:00 a.m. +Leo & Theresa Stack & Ron McCormick *by Margaret & Family*
- Friday St. Andrew Dung-Lac, priest and companions, martyrs  
 8:30 a.m. +Kevin Farrell *by Arlene Holmes*

# B Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ B King of the Universe

November 26

- Saturday 4:00 p.m. *Confessions*  
 (vigil) 4:30 p.m. +Deceased Members of the CWL  
 +Fr. Alphonsus Chaine *by a Parishioner*
- Sunday 9:00 a.m. *Confessions*  
 9:30 a.m. Intentions of the People (*Missa pro populo*)

## Liturgical Appointments

Next Sunday	4:30 P.M.	9:30 A.M.
Commentator	Helen McGregor	Noreen Lamorie
Reader	Arlene Holmes	Paulette McQuatt
Eucharistic Ministers	Phyllis Flegal, Shirley Valiquette	Christine Tammadge, Joan Hanniman
Greeter/Ushers	Theresa Coady, Nancy Black Kristine & Layne Dewar	Patty & Jenna Lesway Jackie Crout,
Servers	Please always check in 15 minutes before Mass begins. Everyone is expected to be on the sanctuary.	
Offertory	The Dewar Family	The Lesway Family
Hospitality: Second Sunday when scheduled:	Children's Liturgy: Connie Townley Emery	

## Meetings and Gatherings This Week

- Monday *Al-Anon Meeting (613-860-3431) - 7:30 p.m. in church meeting room #1*  
*Christian Meditation - 2:00 p.m. in meeting room #2*
- Tuesday *Christian Meditation - 7:00 p.m. at the home of Mary Sue McCarthy (613-622-7783)*
- Wednesday *Larche - 4:00 p.m. Chapel; A.A. Meeting - 8:00 p.m. in church choir room*  
*Book Study - 8:00 p.m. in meeting room #1*
- Saturday *Franciscan Meeting - 10:00 a.m. meeting room # 2*  
*A.A. Meeting - 8:00 p.m. in church choir room*


Inclement Weather: The Diocese of Pembroke and this parish comply with the policy of *Catholic Mutual Canada Insurance* regarding standard practices for snow/ice removal, salting, sanding and the logging of all winter maintenance. However, during the winter months, when Environment Canada has announced a public winter weather warning regarding snow or freezing rain for Arnprior and area, everyone, especially the elderly, ought to exercise their prudence (common sense) in attempting to attend Mass or meetings and gatherings of any kind.

### Stewardship:

*Thank you for your financial commitment, generosity and sacrificial giving.*


Church Bell Tower Campaign: May the Lord bless you for your generosity. Our parish website now also has a Donate tab that facilitates donations using paypal or credit card. We have already been receiving numerous donations to the Memorial Fund and the Bell Tower Campaign from family and friends who were once members of our parish. Together, we can do it!





**Catholic Women's League** Nancy Black, *Madame President*

- CWL/KocC Advent Social - Tuesday December 5<sup>th</sup>
- Remember that the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month is Foodbank Sunday.
- Items needed: canned peaches/pears, hearty soups/crackers, instant coffee, white sugar, flour, ketchup, rice a roni/knorr side dishes, single serving oatmeal, baby food.



**Knights of Columbus** Blaine Mullins, *Grand Knight*

www.kofc2082.org

Council 2082  
285 Albert St.  
Arnprior, ON  
613-623-2519

Executive Meeting - Monday, November 27<sup>th</sup>  
 Business Meeting - Monday, December 4<sup>th</sup>

K of C Bingo -- Every Thursday at 6:45 p.m. in the Parish Hall. (*dabber format-jackpot \$1,000 progressive with 100 in attendance*) Doors open at 6:15 p.m. sharp. All over 18 welcome. Team: John Wagner

**Reconciliation/First Communion:**

November 26<sup>th</sup>, 9:30 a.m. - near the end of Mass, Father John will call the children forward to be dismissed for their 3<sup>rd</sup> class for Reconciliation. The class will end at 12:00 p.m. Parents will meet in the chapel after Mass. The next class and meeting will be in January 2018.



**Confirmation:**



December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 9:30 a.m. - near the end of the Mass, Father John will call the youth forward to be dismissed for their 3<sup>rd</sup> class for Confirmation. The class will end at 12:00 p.m. Parents will meet in the chapel after Mass. The next class and meeting will be January 7<sup>th</sup>.

Christmas Eve Mass Choir Practice: is on Wednesday November 22<sup>nd</sup> at 1:00 p.m. in the church. Come join us!

L'Arche Arnprior: hosts its annual Gifts of Light craft and bake sale featuring local vendors at Kirkman House B&B on Saturday December 2<sup>nd</sup> from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Come browse for gifts small or large, and get in the Christmas spirit with the L'Arche community.

CPR/Defibrillator Certification Training: December 13 from 7:00 to 9:30 p.m. Location: Knights of Columbus Chambers at the parish hall. A Renfrew County Paramedic will conduct this course for members and parishioners. This course is recognized by the Heart & Stroke Foundation. You will learn: how to clear the airway of an infant, child and adult; how to perform CPR on an infant, child and adult; EpiPen training, as well as the operation of the Public Access Defibrillator. As you know there is an AED in the Parish Hall at the fire panel and in the Church at the stairs to the Sacristy. Cost is \$40.00 per person. Please contact David Sherk @ 613-623-7675 or email to sherk7675@sympatico.ca to sign up.

Arnprior & District Food Bank: The CWL is once again asking for donations of personal care items for men, women and children for the Arnprior Food Bank. These items will be distributed at Christmas time to those in need. These items may be left at the entrance of the church after any Mass in November. Along with our ongoing donations of food products, this is a good way to share our blessings and show our generosity at Christmas time. Thank you for your support. Regular Food Bank Sunday is the first Sunday of the month.

Our Lady of Fatima Prayer Group: has formed in Renfrew and meets in their Parish Hall at 7:00 p.m. on Thursdays. All are welcome to come and join with the others for prayer.

Pastoral Visits To The Hospital: Because of the Privacy Act, to be sure you receive a visit from Fr. Burchat and the Pastoral Care Team, *please notify the parish office. We do not know if you or a loved one is at the hospital unless we are informed.*

Pastoral Care of the Sick & Homebound: Please notify the parish office for a pastoral visit and monthly reception of Holy Communion on First Fridays when you are no longer able to attend Sunday Mass.

The Sacrament of the Sick: This sacrament is normally administered when someone is in danger of death, undergoing a major operation or suffering from any serious illness.

Pastoral Care of the Dying: The Church desires that her faithful know spiritual strengthening and healing from sin through the Sacraments when they are dying. Be sure to ask your family to honour your desires when it is time to call a priest in order to prepare for a Christian death.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Confessions are heard on Wednesdays at 6:45 p.m., Saturdays at 4:00 p.m., Sundays at 9:00 a.m. in the Sacrament of Reconciliation Room at the church entrance, and anytime by request or appointment.

Are You Interested in Becoming a Catholic? *Do you want to be baptized a Christian in the Catholic Church? Are you a baptized Christian but not Catholic and desire to begin receiving Holy Communion in the Catholic Church?* If you know of anyone who has been hesitant, encourage and accompany them in coming to speak to any member of the pastoral staff at any time. The process of Christian initiation can take place in many ways, "privately" or publicly.

Sacrament of Baptism: To arrange for the Baptism of your child please first meet with Fr. Burchat after either Sunday Mass at which you are in attendance. Catechetical instruction normally takes place the Sunday before baptisms. The next date for baptisms: January 14<sup>th</sup>.

The Sacrament of Marriage: Christian Marriage requires preparation and those scheduling their marriage are asked to personally speak to Fr. Burchat after any Sunday Mass and generally at least six months before a proposed celebration. Catholics living in "irregular" situations should consult with a priest so as to discern how they can begin to return to full communion with the Church.

Catholic Funerals: Funeral Liturgies for the faithful departed should be celebrated in a Catholic Church. However, as you consider funeral costs and family needs know that there are various ways that the rituals of the Church can be adapted in consultation with your Pastor. Funeral arrangements are made concurrently by the Funeral Home and the parish priest with the direct involvement of the family. *The Catholic Funeral is always a celebration of life, remembering that our loved ones are created in the image and likeness of God and redeemed by the life, passion, death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ.*

Bearing the Fruit of God's Love  
*From an Angelus Address by Pope Benedict XVI; November 13, 2011*

In the well known Parable of the Talents — recounted by the Evangelist Matthew (see 25: 14-30) — the servant who had hidden his talent and failed to make it increase in worth, had calculated badly. He behaved as if his master were never to return, as if there would never be a day on which he would be asked to account for his actions. With this parable Jesus wanted to teach his disciples to make good use of his gifts: God calls every person and offers talents to all, at the same time entrusting each one with a mission to carry out. It would be foolish to presume that these gifts are an entitlement, just as failing to use them would mean failing to achieve our purpose in life.

In commenting on this Gospel passage St Gregory the Great noted that the Lord does not let anyone lack the gift of his charity, of his love. He wrote: "*brothers, it is necessary that you pay the utmost attention to preserving love in everything you must do*" (Homilies on the Gospel, 9, 6). After explaining that true charity consists in loving enemies as well as friends, he added: "*if someone lacks this virtue, he loses every good he possesses, he is deprived of the talent he received and is cast out into the darkness.*"

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CWL & KofC Advent-Christmas Dinner & Social: Tuesday, December 5<sup>th</sup> in the Parish Hall. *Open to all members of the CWL, K of C, their spouses and immediate family members, widows and invited guests, and any parishioners who have volunteered for Sunday ministries.* Dinner is at 6:30 p.m. Bar opens at 6:00 p.m. Cost: \$10 per person. For tickets please phone Nancy Black 623-7211, Blaine Mullins 623-6006 or the Parish Office 623-2282. Deadline to purchase a ticket will be Thursday, November 30<sup>th</sup>. Advance tickets only. No tickets sold at the door.

The entertainment for the evening is again a solo act featuring multi-instrumentalist Simon Clarke, ex-band member of Freddie and the Dreamers, a world-famous British Invasion 60's band with international hits. Enjoy this trip down memory lane with great songs from that period (Beatles, Kinks, Herman's Hermits and many more...) plus other music legends such as Roy Orbison, CCR and Elton John to name but a few.

Simon emigrated to Canada from the UK in 2003 but still keeps his musical roots firmly in the era of the British Invasion of the 60's. Come out and enjoy foot-tapping 50 / 60 / 70's nostalgia from slow ballads to "up tempo" floor-show numbers featuring live playing of guitar, keyboard, mouth organ, saxophone, banjolele and vocals supported by professional-level backing tracks to give a full-band sound. Dance or just sit back and listen – the choice is yours!

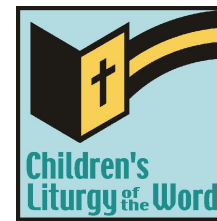


Eucharistic Adoration: on Wednesday evenings and First Fridays. There is an important intrinsic relationship between celebration and adoration of the Eucharist. The Holy Eucharist is an ineffable Mystery of Faith, both in the celebration of the Mass itself and in the worship of sacred species of the Blessed Sacrament, which are preserved after Mass to extend the grace of the Sacrifice. In Eucharistic adoration, a prolonged mutual presence becomes union, union with the living Lord and his Mystical Body. Saint Augustine said: "*No one eat this flesh, if he has not adored it before; for we sin if we do not adore.*"



St. Maximilian Maria Kolbe Fraternity: The next meeting will be held on Saturday, December 16<sup>th</sup>, in meeting room #2. The meeting will begin with recitation of the Holy Rosary at 9:30 a.m., followed by the meeting which commences at 10:00 a.m. following the "Ritual of the Secular Franciscan Order." Enquirers are welcome to attend.

EDGE Youth Ministry @ St. John Chrysostom: If you are in grade 5, 6, 7 or 8 and you have questions about God, life and faith, and are looking to have some fun (activities and sports) with other youth on a Saturday night, then come out to our bi-monthly youth nights (2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Saturdays) at St. John Chrysostom Parish. Mass and then food, faith and fun until 7:30 p.m. The next Edge Youth Night is December 9<sup>th</sup> beginning with Mass at 4:30 p.m.



Children's Liturgy of the Word: All children from Junior Kindergarten to Grade 5 are welcome to attend their own Liturgy of Word during the 9:30 a.m. Sunday Mass. The Gospel is proclaimed and explained in a way appropriate to the age of the children. In such a way, they are given the opportunity to understand the teachings of Jesus and participate more fully in the church's Liturgy and Christian living. The priest will normally send forth with a blessing after the Collect (Opening Prayer).

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St. John Chrysostom Parish Hall Rentals: We have the largest and brightest hall in Arnprior at 285 Albert Street, the only hall with a full stage area and seating for up to 400, air conditioning, a large kitchen, a fully licensed bar and ample parking. It is available for wedding receptions, anniversaries, stag & does, wedding showers, birthdays, fundraisers, conventions, training sessions, etc. Local Event Planners who are familiar with the hall can courteously provide initial consultation and are available for full planning. For bookings call 613-623-2282. Only \$400.

