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SUNDAY 22nd NOVEMBER 2020 FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING: GOSPEL: ST MATTHEW 25:31-46

The Church concludes the liturgical year today with the celebration of the kingship of Christ. Jesus' model of kingship does not reflect that which we might normally think of when we hear of a king. His kingship is about serving God through service of others – it is about healing, reconciliation, peace, justice, prayer; it is about trust in and acceptance of God's will. Most of all, it is about Love.

The teachings on discipleship and Christian living in today's Gospel are quite stark. In short, today's Gospel is a clear teaching on seeing the face of Christ in others, especially those in need. To do so, our hearts and minds must allow God, and the teachings and values of the Gospel to permeate everything we do and say. With Christ, our Servant King as our example, we pray that the start of the new liturgical year will mark a new beginning for all of us in seeing the face of Christ in our everyday lives

MASSES IN OUR PARISH

Unfortunately, as you are probably aware, our church will be closed for public worship for two weeks, starting with the Vigil Mass next Saturday, 28th November. Next weekend is the start of the new liturgical year, so it is sad for all of us that we have to start the new church year in lockdown. It is hoped, however, that the churches will be open again for the Sunday Masses on the weekend of 12th -13th December.

The church will be open for Mass this weekend as normal - Vigil Saturday 21st November at 7.30pm AREA C Aghyaran, Maghernageeragh, Mullinabreen, Scraghey, Segronan and Edenreagh areas

The church will be open for the weekday Masses this week

Tuesday 10.00am and Thursday 10.00am (Adoration will be on Thursday after 10.00am to 12noon) All Masses in Aghyaran (and Castlederg) continue to be live-streamed – www.aghyaranparish.com Mass schedule for next weekend (28th/29th November) when the church will be closed:

Vigil: 7.30pm and Sunday 11.00am

You can participate in these Masses by webcam

THANK YOU for your generosity in last week's collection, which amounted to **£966** and the Church Restoration Fund Collection totalled **£892.** Envelopes can continue to be left through the door of the Parochial House, for those not attending Mass

TROCAIRE GLOBAL GIFTS: Trocaire Gift Cards are now available from Bernie McGuire and because of Covid restrictions they can not be purchased in the church as was normal in previous years. For this reason Bernie can be contacted directly on 8167 0122 for you to make your purchase as usual. Likewise, the Bucket Collection can not be taken up after Masses the first 2 weeks of Advent, so (with Fr. Gilmore's permission) you are asked to put your contribution in an envelope and put through letterbox of parochial house. Please write TROCAIRE on the outside of the envelope.

NOVEMBER – MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS

'REMEMBER IN NOVEMBER' Those whose names you place in your Sacred Space in your home and those whose names you place in the Sacred Space in the church will be remembered each time we celebrate Mass during the month of November. (In compliance with Covid precautions, no facility will be in place within the church this year to write the names, so you should write them out in advance of coming to the church). You might also like to light a candle in the church in memory of your loved ones.

PRAYER RESOURCES AND ACTIVITIES FOR FAMILIES FOR NOVEMBER: The Derry Diocesan Catechetical Centre has created a range of prayer resources for families to use at home during November in memory of loved ones who have died. These include practical ways to pray together at home, prayers you can use and tips on creating a sacred space for prayer. To view all the available resources, visit www.catecheticalcentre.org

LOUGH DERG Memorial Service for deceased pilgrims and benefactors. Live via webcam, St Mary's, Pettigo this Sunday 22nd November, at 7pm: www.churchservices.tv/pettigo. To enrol a loved one, email: info@loughderg.org / Tel 0035371 9861518.