You are not only risen and alive, you are Lord.
This is your ascension, your ascendancy over the whole universe. You stand over and above all that is best in life as its source. You stand above all that is worst as ultimate victor. You stand above all powers and authorities as judge. You stand above all failure and weakness and sin as forgiveness and love. You alone are worthy of total allegiance, total commitment. You are Lord, “My Lord and my God.”

Rex Chapman

The SPCK Book of Christian Prayer (SPCK, 1995)
CALL FOR REFUGEE ASSISTANCE: A family is in the process of relocating from Syria to London. While we are not providing any financial support, we are being asked to help them find a new home within our community. We are looking for volunteers to assist with English tutoring, cultural integration and providing general support. If you have time and energy to be of support, please contact Annette Donovan Panchaud at annette.donovanpanchaud@kings.uwo.ca or contact the office at 519-963-1477.

FOUNDATIONS IN PARISH NURSING PROGRAM: Are you a registered nurse who would like to integrate your spirituality with your nursing practice and also learn more about the exciting field of parish nursing? Join us from July 8 to 14, 2018 at Brescia University College in London, Ontario. For more information visit http://www.stpetersseminary.ca/Programs/Parish-Nursing/21 or contact Catherine Leach at 519-432-1824 ext. 281 or toll-free at 1-888-548-9649 ext. 281. Even an hour a week will make a big difference in helping those in need.

PERMANENT DIACONATE INQUIRY SESSIONS: The Permanent Diaconate Formation and Study Program is holding inquiring sessions on May 27, 2018 from 1:30 PM to 4:00 PM at St. George’s Parish in London. For more information, contact St. Peter’s Seminary at 519-432-1824 ext 281 or email to cleach4@uwo.ca.

Pope John I inherited the Arian heresy, which denied the divinity of Christ. Italy had been ruled for 30 years by an emperor who espoused the heresy, though he treated the empire’s Catholics with toleration. His policy changed at about the time the young John was elected pope.

When the eastern emperor began imposing severe measures on the Arians of his area, the western emperor forced John to head a delegation to the East to soften the measures against the heretics. Little is known of the manner or outcome of the negotiations—designed to secure continued toleration of Catholics in the West.

On his way home, John was imprisoned at Ravenna because the emperor had begun to suspect that John’s friendship with his eastern rival might lead to a conspiracy against his throne. Shortly after his imprisonment, John died, apparently from the treatment he received in prison.

John’s body was transported to Rome and he was buried in the Basilica of St. Peter.
CONGRATULATIONS are extended to Matthew, son of Matthew and Ashley Rodgers, as he celebrates his baptism with us today.

CONGRATULATIONS are extended to Harriet, daughter of Jeffrey and Danielle Van Bakel, and to Mercy Brice, son of Didace Kamilindi and Pauline Uwajeneza, as they receive First Communion today.

We pray Matthew, Harriet and Mercy Brice grow in the wisdom and knowledge of the Lord and that their families provide them with a witness of God’s love throughout their lives.

In the coming months, the following couples will be celebrating the Sacrament of Marriage. Please remember them in your prayers, that God strengthen them in faith and love.

Karen Gopaul and Giovanni Foco (May 26, 2018)
Adam Newton and Rachel Welch (July 7, 2018)
Shawn McIntosh and Estefania Rojas (July 21, 2018)
Amadea Setiabudhi and Julien Patel (August 3, 2018)
Omar Saade and Sara Attard (August 25, 2018)
Ali Neves and Zack Fitzmaurice (October 6, 2018)

Loving and nurturing God, we thank you for mothers.
For all they mean or have meant to us.
We thank you for the love they have shown
and the care they have given.
For the many times they gave us hugs and held us close.
Loving and nurturing God we thank you for the qualities of mothers.
For their patience, their kindness, concern and understanding.
We thank you for the part they play in our lives,
and for this special day of saying ‘thank you’ to them.
Loving and nurturing God we thank you for the wonder of your mothering.
As a mother protects her children, you watch over us day by day.
We thank you for your arms which always encircle and protect us,
Your hands shield and deliver us from harm.
Loving God, we pray for those for whom Mother’s day brings heartache rather than a celebration.
We pray for those who have never known their mother or whose mothers have died.
We thank you for your mothering heart and your tender love,
Which nurtures all who feel abandoned and lost.
We wait with those who long to be mothers but as yet have not had their own children.
We grieve with those who ache because they will never be mothers.
We thank you for their mothering hearts which long to be expressed.
Lord in your mercy, mother us all with your love.
We pray for those who struggle with the way their children have chosen to live their lives.
And grieve with those who are orphaned or have a difficult relationship with their mother.
We thank you that when we long for a mother’s love you do not abandon us.
Lord in your mercy, mother us all with your love.
May all of us have the comfort of knowing that your mothering love is constant,
Your understanding is perfect and your compassion is never-ending.
We thank you that you gave birth to all of us with delight and joy,
Lord in your mercy mother us all with your love.

Amen
The place where we gather for worship and mission is situated on the traditional territories of the Anishinaabeg, Haudenosaunee, Lunaapeewak and Attawandaron peoples who have longstanding relationships to the land and region of southwestern Ontario and the City of London.

VERITAS SERIES FOR FAITH AND CULTURE 2018-2019

Through the Veritas series, King’s endeavors to foster learning and dialogue by gathering scholars, artists and activists who support and challenge us in living lives of faith and justice in the 21st century. The coming year’s series will be dedicated to looking at how we might be agents of healing and justice where there is division and animosity. We hope that many will join us for these gatherings and we encourage you to set aside time in your calendars. This coming year, we will welcome:

**Susan Aglukark**
Juno Award Winning Inuk Singer/Songwriter
Chair of Arctic Rose Foundation
*September 20, 2018*

**Dr. Murray Watson**
Catholic Biblical Scholar and Interfaith Leader
Barrie, Ontario
*February 28, 2019*

**Dr. Tim O’Malley**
McGrath Institute for Church Life
University of Notre Dame
Indiana, USA
*October 18, 2018*

**Dr. Catherine Clifford**
Professor, Saint Paul University
Ottawa, Ontario
*March 21, 2019*

**Archbishop Don Bolen**
Archbishop of Regina
Regina, Saskatchewan
*January 17, 2019*

**Sr. Teresa Maya, CCVI**
President
Leadership Conference of Women Religious
San Antonio, Texas
*February 7, 2019*

**Kidz4Peace**
Jerusalem
*March 28-29, 2019*

**Dr. Benjamin Muller**
Associate Professor, King’s University College
London, Ontario
*April 4, 2019*

**Joseph Cardinal Tobin**
Archbishop of Newark
New Jersey, USA
*November 21, 2018*

Annual Christ the King Lecture

Further details and brochures will be available later this spring.