“The cross means that Christians recognize right from the start that this faith strains the imagination to breaking point; yet this is undeniably and centrally the gospel of God. Abraham’s problem is, “Can God love that much, even where there is hardly anything worthy or lovable?” The Christian’s problem is still more acute: “Can God love and act and heal where there seems to be nothing worthy or lovable, when the whole world seems enslaved to cruelty, betrayal and pain?”

Yet that – as Paul is always telling us – is exactly what God’s love is like; it’s there before there is any hope, any light, any merit ... It knows no barriers. So our intercession is a sharing in Christ’s terribly costly struggle to hold together God and the world, love and suffering, light and darkness. At baptism, Christians are commissioned to “fight under Christ’s banner”.

Intercession is part of this, planting the flag in the remotest and bleakest places; saying of this or that situation, “Lord, I know not even this can defeat you or send you away.”

Archbishop Rowan Williams
Open to Judgement
Darton, Longman and Todd, 1994
REFUGEE UPDATE: You may remember that two years ago, we welcomed Saifan, his wife Talar and their son Zenos. Talar and Saifan welcomed a baby girl on the evening of October 11, 2017. We received word that Talar’s father, mother, sister and brother will arrive in Canada on October 25, 2017. It has been a long and arduous task to get them here. The father was shot trying to flee Syria and without the ability to work, we have been supporting the family for two years, as they have waited in Lebanon. As a result, we have spent just over $60,000 in providing food, housing and medical care. Our funds are now depleted. Once they arrive, we will need to assist them in getting established. They will also need to repay the government for the cost of their flights from Lebanon to Canada. Might you consider supporting our Refugee Sponsorship Initiative one more time? Cheques are payable to Christ the King University Parish. We are in need of a kitchen table and chair set and two single beds and dressers. Should you have any of these please contact the office at 519-963-1477.

LECTORS and people interested in learning about proclaiming the Word of God are invited to join a virtual workshop focussing on The Word of the Lord at Mass: Understanding the Lectionary for Lectors presented by the Liturgy Training Publications. This workshop will provide a deeper understanding of this book and its role in the Mass. Bring your tea/coffee and join us in the Vitali Lounge in the Wemple Building from 7:30 pm to 9:00 pm on October 25, 2017. Please contact Annette Donovan Panchaud at annette.donovanpanchaud@kings.uwo.ca or 519-963-1477 to register.

ANNOUNCEMENT FROM THE DIOCESE OF LONDON:

Victor Hugo Salazar Carvajal has petitioned to be ordained as a deacon. Bishop Ronald P. Fabbro, CSB. has accepted his petition and intends to ordain Victor Salazar to the diaconate on November 4, 2017, at St. Peter’s Cathedral Basilica, London, Ontario. If you are aware of anything which would prevent this Candidate from proceeding toward ordination on November 4, 2017, you are obligated to make this known to the appropriate authorities. Please continue to pray for Victor Salazar as he prepares for ordination.

Victor had to flee Columbia a number of years ago and for his own safety is not able to return home. We are grateful that we will welcome his family from Columbia here for the his ordination. A reception to celebrate this event in their lives will take place on November 5, 2017, following the 11:00 am Eucharist. If you would like to prepare some food to share with the community, please contact annette.donovanpanchaud@kings.uwo.ca. All are welcome.
DOROTHY DAY is the founder of the Catholic Worker movement and has been called the most significant, interesting and influential person in the history of American Catholicism. Her cause is currently being considered for canonization. Kate Hennessy is the youngest of Dorothy Day’s nine grandchildren, a writer and the author of Dorothy Day: The World Will Be Saved by Beauty. Hennessy’s widely acclaimed book is a family memoir, social history and intimate biography of Dorothy Day. Hennessy will be at King’s University College on October 31, 2017 at 3:00 pm to discuss her book. All are welcome.

THE TRANSFORMATION OF SELF THROUGH SACRIFICE: When Jesus instituted the Eucharist at the Last Supper, the words he chose clearly indicated he wanted to leave the Church a means of offering sacrifice until his return in glory. Why is sacrifice necessary in God’s plan of salvation for us? What effect does the offering of sacrifice have on our pursuit of holiness? Drawing from St. Thomas Aquinas’ notion of the ecstatic nature of love, and from others, Eucharistic ekstasis will explore these questions and offer suggestions for reflection on what we are doing when we celebrate the Eucharist. This lecture is being offered by Father Alan Momney at St. Peter’s Seminary on Wednesday, October 18, 2017 at 7:30 pm. All are welcome.

VERITAS SERIES FOR FAITH AND CULTURE
Thursday, October 19, 2017, 7:30 pm, Kenny Theatre
Rev. Ricky Manalo, CSP, PhD
FREE / ACCESSIBLE

What is the fate of liturgical music amid new media and individualized worship practices? This lecture will address this conversation within the emerging interdisciplinary academic inquiry of Media and Religion. How might we rethink our approach to liturgical music in a 2.0 world?

Rev. Ricky Manalo, CSP, PhD. is a Paulist priest and a liturgical composer, currently teaching at Santa Clara University. He also serves as the main facilitator of the Cultural Orientation Program for International Ministers/Priests (COPIM) of Loyola Marymount University. He studied composition and piano at the Manhattan School of Music, theology at the Washington Theological Union, and liturgy, culture, and sociology at the Graduate Theological Union (GTU), Berkeley, CA. Fr. Manalo’s music is published chiefly by Oregon Catholic Press. Currently, Fr. Manalo is a member of a USCCB steering committee which is creating a national pastoral plan for U.S. Asian Pacific.

Saint Marguerite D'Youville

The first native Canadian to be elevated to sainthood, was born October 15, 1701 at Varennes, Quebec. She was the eldest of six children born to Christophe Dufrost de Lajemmerais and Marie-Renée Gaultier. Her father died when she was seven years old leaving this family of six in great poverty.

She married François d'Youville in 1722. She was pregnant with her sixth child when François became seriously ill. She faithfully cared for him until his death in 1730. By age 29, she had experienced desperate poverty and suffered the loss of her father and husband. Four of her six children had died in infancy.

In all these suffering Marguerite grew in her belief of God's presence in her life and of his tender love for every human person. She, in turn, wanted to make known his compassionate love to all. She undertook many charitable works with complete trust in God, who she loved as a Father. She provided for the education of her two sons, who later became priests, and she welcomed a blind woman into her home. Marguerite was soon joined by three young women who shared her love and concern for the poor. On December 31, 1737, they consecrated themselves to God and promised to serve him in the person of the poor. Marguerite, without even realizing it, had become the foundress of the Sisters of Charity of Montreal, “Grey Nuns”.

Marguerite always fought for the rights of the poor and broke with the social conventions of her day. It was a daring move that made her the object of ridicule and taunts by her own relatives and neighbors. She persevered in caring for the poor despite many obstacles.

Marguerite was one woman, but this daughter of the Church had a vision of caring for the poor that has spread far and wide. Her sisters have served on almost every continent. Today, her mission is courageously carried on in a spirit of hope by the Sisters of Charity of Montreal, “Grey Nuns” and their sister communities: Pope John XXIII beatified Marguerite on May 3, 1959 and called her "Mother of Universal Charity" - a well-merited title for one who continues to this day to reach out to all with love and compassion.

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Hymns for the Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

9:00 AM

Entrance Antiphon: See below
Gloria: Missa Simplex
Psalm 23: CBW 193
Gospel Acclamation: CBW 248
Preparation of the Gifts: The Kingdom of God (Taizé)
Holy, Holy: Missa Simplex
Memorial Acclamation: Missa Simplex
Great Amen: Missa Simplex
Lamb of God: Missa Simplex
Communion Antiphon: See below

Entrance Antiphon for 9:00 AM

With you is found forgiveness, O God of Israel.

Communion Antiphon for 9:00 AM

It is you alone, O Lord, that I seek.

11:00 AM

Gathering Hymn: CBW 583
Gloria: Mass of Spirit & Grace
Psalm 23: CBW 193
Gospel Acclamation: CBW 255
Meditation: Come to the Water (Foley)
Preparation of Gifts: CBW 482
Eucharistic Acclamations: Mass of Spirit & Grace
Lamb of God: Mass of Spirit & Grace
Communion Hymn: CBW 608
Concluding Hymn: CBW 522

The Kingdom of God

Taizé Community

The kingdom of God is justice and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit. Come, Lord, and open in us the gates of your kingdom.

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