God is eternal newness. He impels us constantly to set out anew, to pass beyond what is familiar, to the fringes and beyond. He takes us to where humanity is most wounded, where men and women, beneath the appearance of a shallow conformity, continue to seek an answer to the question of life’s meaning. God is not afraid! He is fearless! He is always greater than our plans and schemes. Unafraid of the fringes, he himself became a fringe (cf. Phil 2:6-8; Jn 1:14).

So if we dare to go to the fringes, we will find him there; indeed, he is already there. Jesus is already there, in the hearts of our brothers and sisters, in their wounded flesh, in their troubles and in their profound desolation. He is already there.

Francis, Bishop of Rome
Gaudete et Exsultate, 135
HOUSES OF WELCOME, HOUSES OF PRAYER: The Centre for Jewish-Catholic-Muslim Learning at King’s University College invites you to take part in an exciting new interfaith initiative. Come and meet members of London’s Jewish, Christian and Muslim communities, share in their prayer times, learn about their places of prayer and their history in the London community. The next location we are invited to is the London Muslim Mosque (151 Oxford Street West) today at 1:00 PM. All are welcome for this free event. Light refreshments will be served at the conclusion of the prayer time.

DIOCESAN PRIEST RETREAT: Over the next two weeks, the priests of the Diocese of London will be gathering with the Bishops and a retreat leader for a week of prayer. I will be attending the first week, as well Father Paul Baillargeon. I ask that you remember us in prayer, so that we are able to better discern God’s will for us and for our local church. Gratefully, Michael Bechard (Rev.)

ST. JOSEPH’S HOSPITALITY CENTRE: Volunteers are needed for the 5:00 to 7:00 pm or 7:00 to 9:00 pm shifts on Saturday, May 12, 2018 at the Hospitality Centre. This will be our last visit until we resume again in September. Donations of healthy snacks, baked goods (store bought or home baked), sandwiches, cheese and fruit are needed. To register or for more information, please contact Annette at 519-963-1477 or at annette.donovanpanchaud@kings.uwo.ca.

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.
CONGRATULATIONS are extended to Harrison Maillet, son of Matthew and Andrea Maillet, and to Keira Dunphy, daughter of Brian and Melissa Dunphy, as they receive First Communion today.

We pray Harriet and Keira 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)

IN MEMORY: Please remember in your prayers, John Kroos, grandfather of Braedan MacKay who died on Wednesday, May 2, 2018. May John know the fullness of life in God's presence and may those who mourn his death find hope in the promise of resurrection.

Catherine of Saint Augustine was born on May 3, 1632, in Saint-Sauveur-le-Vicomte, Normandy, France. She was raised primarily by her maternal grandparents. They made a practice of offering hospitality to the poor and sick, and taught Catherine the virtue of charity. As early as age three, she expressed a strong desire to do God's will. She always remembered the lesson of a Jesuit who told her that “it is certain that one does God’s will more in affliction, humiliation, and suffering than when one has everything one wants.”

At age five, she had strong mystical prayer experiences where she felt direct contact with God. When she was only eight, she understood that the Holy Spirit was calling her to be a saint, and at age 10 she wrote a note giving herself to “Lady Mary”. Catherine was a witty and attractive and had a naturally cheerful character and a pleasant voice. She was also determined and liked to show off and be noticed. She was attracted by pretty things, but despite her enjoyment of worldly life, when she was 12 she decided to enter the community of Hôtel-Dieu of Bayeux, which was directed by Augustinian nuns, Hospital Sisters of the Mercy of Jesus.

She entered their novitiate on October 24, 1646, taking the name in religion of Catherine of St. Augustine. When she was 15, she offered herself for the Canada mission and promised “to live and die in Canada if God would open its door” for her. She made solemn profession as a nun at age 16 on May 4, 1648, in Nantes and set sail for Canada on May 27. The ship arrived in Quebec on August 19. Catherine set about learning the languages of the First Nations people, and looked after the sick. In the spring of 1649, she promised to remain in Canada, and, in 1658, she offered herself in a spirit of reparation for the salvation of New France. Therefore, she is considered a co-founder of the Church in Canada.

Sister Catherine continued to experience deep prayer and at the same time, inner temptations caused her great turmoil. She often had health difficulties. In 1654, she promised to remain in Canada, and, in 1658, she offered herself in a spirit of reparation for the salvation of New France. Therefore, she is considered a co-founder of the Church in Canada.

In 1665, she promised to work for “everything that I know to be most perfect and for the greater glory of God.” She fell sick and died on May 8, 1668, at 36 years of age. At the time of her death, she had a reputation as a holy person in both Canada and France. Three years later, Father Paul Rageneau, S.J., published a memoir on her life and her spiritual combats, based on her correspondence and on the journal she wrote at the request of her spiritual directors. She was beatified on April 23, 1989, by Pope (now Saint) John Paul II.
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. The following speakers have been confirmed. This coming year, we will welcome:

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

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

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**

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

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

Kids4Peace  
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.

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.