The point of the Christian life is not to distinguish oneself from the ungodly, but to stand in radical solidarity with everyone and everything else. This is the intended effect of the Incarnation—symbolized by the cross, *God’s great act of solidarity instead of judgment.* Without a doubt, Jesus perfectly exemplified this seeing and thus passed it on to the rest of history. This is how we are to imitate Jesus, the good Jewish man who saw and called forth the divine in Gentiles like the Syro-Phoenician woman and the Roman centurions; in Jewish tax collectors who collaborated with the Empire; in zealots who opposed it; in sinners of all stripes; in eunuchs, astrologers, and all those “outside the law.” Jesus had no trouble whatsoever with *otherness.* In fact, these “lost sheep” found out they were not lost to him at all and tended to become his best followers.

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WELCOME: Stephanie Leith has been contracted to offer administrative support to the parish. Steph is a graduate of King’s University College and will be assisting with coordinating various events in the community and with enhancing our presence on social media. She begins working with us today.

COMMUNITY MEALS: Our community meals following the 5:00 PM liturgy continue. We warmly encourage parishioners to contribute to our potlucks, to consider sponsoring a meal ($500) or to join with another family to prepare a meal for those gathered. This offering is tax-deductible. We are in need of volunteers to assist with preparing coffee, setting tables, and preparing the room. If you are able to assist, even if only occasionally, please contact either michael.bechar@kings.uwo.ca or annette.donovan-panchaud@kings.uwo.ca.

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, March 2, 2019 at the Hospitality Centre to serve, prepare food and play music. Donations of healthy snacks, baked goods (store-bought or home-baked), sandwiches, cheese and fruit are needed. Non-refrigerated foods can be dropped off Friday in the Wemple Building, room 139 and all other food can be dropped off at the Hospitality Centre at 5:15 PM on March 2, 2019. To volunteer or for more information, please contact Annette at 519-963-1477 or at annette.donovan-panchaud@kings.uwo.ca.

KING’S CHAMBER CHOIR CONCERT, “INTO THE LIGHT”: On Saturday, March 30, 2019 at 7:30 PM King’s University College Chamber Choir, joined by chamber orchestra, presents a program that explores the literal and figurative meanings of darkness and light. Repertoire includes the ethereal Lux Aeterna by Lauridsen. Admission by freewill donation with proceeds to the Refugee Sponsorship Initiative at King’s. This concert takes place in The Chapel at Windermere on the Mount.
UPCOMING MARRIAGES: Please remember in your prayers the intentions and needs of the following couples preparing to celebrate the Sacrament of Marriage:

Mark Firth and Michelle Flisar on April 27, 2019
Mark Whitley and Katherine Berkelmans on June 29, 2019
Andrew Lang and Brianna Switzer on July 20, 2019
Brian Rome and Nancy Cabral on August 3, 2019
Rodney Lupo and Katrina Beeney on August 24, 2019
Kevin Van Lierop and Michelle Foglton on September 28, 2019
Matthew Bellia and Kirsten Rimeikis on October 12, 2019
John McAlea and Lauren Phillips on October 15, 2019
Jonathan Kingwell and Kathleen McKee on December 28, 2019

CONGRATULATIONS are extended to Charlotte Mailet, daughter of Matthew and Andrea Mailet, as she celebrates her baptism with us today. We pray that Charlotte grow in the wisdom and knowledge of the Lord and that her family provide her with a witness of God’s love throughout her life.

LENTEN DAY OF PRAYER
SEEING CLEAR THROUGH:
JESUS IN THE GOSPEL EVENT OF THE “TEMPTATIONS”

Our Lenten Day of Prayer is on Sunday, March 10, 2019. We will begin with a simple lunch in the Parish Hall at 12:00 PM and conclude with the 5:00 PM Eucharist in The Chapel at Windermere on the Mount. There is no cost for the day, but your RSVP to lisa.caeiro@kings.uwo.ca is requested so as to plan for food.

Our speaker for the retreat is Sister Margo Ritchie CSJ, a Sister of St. Joseph. Her life has offered many opportunities: teaching high school, co-director of a home for women experiencing homelessness, adult education and leadership within her Congregation.

We will reflect upon the gospel story for the first Sunday of Lent which speaks of the three temptations of Jesus during his 40-day desert sojourn. What does such vivid imagery have to say to us today? How can we describe the inner space of Jesus that enabled a clarity about what his life was about? What difference does our own clear-seeing make in our own experience of ourselves and our engagement in our world?

The following snippet of poetry by Vaclav Havel, one of the architects of the Velvet Revolution in Czechoslovakia, will be included in our reflection:

Whether all is really lost or not depends entirely whether or not I [we] are lost.

PLEASE BRING US YOUR OLD PALMS: As we now turn our minds to Ordinary Time, we cannot forget that Lent is just around the corner. Traditionally, the ashes that are used for Ash Wednesday are from the charred remains of the palms from the year before. Please bring in your old palms by March 3, 2019. There will be a basket at the back of the chapel to receive them. Thank you for your assistance.
SOLIDARITY SUNDAY is on April 7, 2019. This is the day that the Bishops of Canada recognize as Share Lent Sunday, to recognize the work of Development and Peace in the Global South. Join us in the parish hall following 10:00 am mass for a solidarity meal of soup and bread so that we might be in solidarity with our sisters and brothers in the global south who do without. For more information please contact Annette at 519-963-1477 or annette.donovanpanchau@kings.uwo.ca.

DAYS OF CONFESSIONS: During Lent, we focus on God’s call to return to him with all our hearts and, in a special way, have an opportunity to act on our hunger for personal change and spiritual renewal. Throughout the Diocese of London on Wednesday, April 10, 2019 every priest in every parish will be available throughout the day to celebrate the sacrament of penance. Father Baillargeon will be at King’s University College from 9:00 PM to 12:00 noon, 1:30 PM to 6:00 PM and from 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM. Father Bechard will be available at Windermere on The Mount on Thursday, April 4, 2019 from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM for the residents of WOTM.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: All are welcome to attend Stations of the Cross on Friday, April 12, 2019 at 7:00 PM in The Chapel at Windermere on the Mount. This service will be led by the youth of our parish.

VERITAS SERIES FOR FAITH AND CULTURE

Dr. Murray Watson  
Rediscovering Our Lost Family: Highlights and Lowlights in Contemporary Jewish-Catholic-Muslim Dialogue  
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2019, 7:30 PM, KENNY THEATRE  
FREE / ACCESSIBLE

Although Catholicism has a very long history of interacting with both Judaism and Islam, much of that history has been negative, tense and confrontational. This talk will provide a glimpse into some of the many good news stories and some of the struggles that challenge us to come to know each other better, and to interact respectfully, and thoughtfully, as partners and, increasingly, as friends.

Dr. Murray Watson is a Catholic Biblical scholar and interfaith leader who has worked for 20 years in the field of interreligious dialogue and education. After studies in Rome, Jerusalem and Dublin, Murray’s work has involved teaching here in London and in Israel, as well as work with the Scarboro Missions Interfaith Department and the International Council of Christians and Jews. Murray is currently based in Barrie, Ontario, where he works supporting the professional development of Catholic teachers. In 2004, Murray was one of the co-founders of the Centre for Jewish-Catholic-Muslim Learning here at King’s.

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.