I am a Christian because I am convinced of certain truths about the nature of God and his plan for his creation. The heart of that plan is revealed at Christmas and Epiphany with the coming into the world of God’s son who brings new life and understanding to all who will receive it. This new life is quite simply to know and love God as our father and each other as his children. And being a Christian, being the Church, means taking that truth so deeply into your heart and mind that it becomes part of our natural outlook. It means both learning how to live and helping others to discover how to live.

Michael Mayne

*God’s Consoling Love* (Darton, Longman and Todd, 2013)
THANK YOU: Words of gratitude are extended to all those who came together to share their time, talents and treasures which shaped our liturgies for the Christmas season. Again, your generosity was appreciated by those with whom we minister at the Hospitality Centre and the London Crisis Pregnancy Centre.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH: Volunteers are needed for either the 5:00 to 7:00 PM or 7:00 to 9:00 PM shifts on our next visit on Saturday, January 4, 2020 at the Hospitality Centre to serve, prepare food or 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 Wemple room 139 and all other food can be dropped off at the Hospitality Centre at 5:15 PM on January 4, 2020. To volunteer or for more information, please contact Annette at 519-963-1477 or at annette.donovanpanchaud@kings.uwo.ca.

TABLE TO TABLE: Meals will resume on January 12, 2020 when the 5:00 PM mass resumes. Would you like to get together with a friend or family in the parish and cook for this meal? We can help with ideas and reimbursements for the cost. Please contact Annette at annette.donovanpanchaud@kings.uwo.ca or Maija at maija.wilson@kings.uwo.ca or call 519-963-1477.

BLANKET EXERCISE: The KAIROS Blanket Exercise program is a unique, interactive and participatory history lesson developed in collaboration with Indigenous Elders, knowledge keepers and educators. The KAIROS Blanket Exercise (KBE) covers more than 500 years in a 90-minute experiential workshop that aims to foster understanding about our shared history as Indigenous and non-Indigenous peoples. During the KBE, participants walk on blankets representing the land and learn about the role of First Nations, Inuit and Métis peoples by reading scrolls and carrying cards which ultimately determine their outcome as they literally ‘walk’ through situations that include pre-contact, treaty-making, colonization and resistance. The Exercise concludes with a debriefing, conducted as a ‘talking circle’, during which participants discuss the learning experience, process their feelings, ask questions, share insights and deepen their understanding. You are invited to participate in the KBE at King’s University College on Tuesday, January 28, 2020 at 6:30 PM, in Vitali Lounge of Wemple Building. There is no cost, but registration is required. To register, please contact Lisa at lisa.caeiro@kings.uwo.ca

IN MEMORY: Please remember in your prayers, Joseph Balko, who died on December 28, 2019. May Joseph know the fullness of life in God’s presence and may those who mourn his death find hope in the promise of resurrection.
CONGRATULATIONS to Jonathan Kingwell & Kathleen McKee who celebrated the Sacrament of Marriage on December 28, 2019. May God strengthen them in faith and love.

UPDATE – REFUGEE SPONSORSHIP INITIATIVE

We have committed to welcoming another family fleeing the conflict in Syria. To date, we have raised nearly $35,114. Thank you for your continued support. Ayham Alshalabi arrived in Canada on December 19, 2019. His sister, her husband and her children have been approved for visas.

Your generosity is, once again, a sign of our collective commitment to embody Christ’s words recorded in Matthew 25:31-46. Donations can be made by contributing through our online portal or through writing a cheque to Christ the King University Parish (MEMO: REFUGEE). Alternatively, you can call the office and speak with one of the team who will assist you in contributing to this project.

THE BIGGER PICTURE is a film festival taking place on Wednesdays at 7:15 PM in the theatre at Windermere on the Mount. The first film is taking place on Wednesday, January 15, 2020 entitled, Poverty Inc. This film challenges traditional understandings of development and international assistance, unearthing the uncomfortable side of charity. Discussion to follow. Popcorn will be provided.

READING BETWEEN THE LINES will be resuming on Wednesdays at 7:00 PM, beginning January 15, 2020. We gather in the Vitali Student Lounge (with the exception of February 26, 2020) to study and reflect on the book “Following Jesus: Finding Our Way Home in an Age of Anxiety” by Henri J. M. Nouwen. Participants are asked to contribute $25 towards the cost of the texts. To register, please contact Lisa Caeiro at lisa.caeiro@kings.uwo.ca.

UNPLANNED

THURSDAY, JANUARY 9, 2020, 7:00 PM, KENNY THEATRE
FREE / ACCESSIBLE

From Cary Solomon and Chuck Konzelman, the writers/co-producers of God’s Not Dead, Unplanned speaks to one of the most polarizing topics of our day. Unplanned brings us an eye-opening look inside the abortion industry from a woman who was once its most passionate advocate. After reading Abby Johnson’s best-selling book of the same title, Cary and Chuck were moved to bring this inspiring true story to the big screen, giving voice to a woman who has been on both sides of the abortion conversation.

ARCHBISHOP LINDA NICHOLLS
That They May Be One
THURSDAY, JANUARY 23, 2020, 7:00 PM, KENNY THEATRE
FREE / ACCESSIBLE

In the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity and amidst polarizations, both within Christian traditions and between us, how is Jesus’ prayer in John 17, “that they may be one…” being lived today? The current climate of polarization drives wedges within and between Christian communities. Are there signs of hope? From experience of parish and diocesan leadership and ecumenical dialogue. Archbishop Nicholls will explore the signs of hope for unity.

Archbishop Linda Nicholls is the 14th primate of the Anglican Church of Canada. Previously, she was Bishop of the Anglican Diocese of Huron, Area Bishop of Trent Durham in the Diocese of Toronto where she served as a priest for 20 years in parish ministry. She has served on the Anglican Roman Catholic Dialogue in Canada as a member (1989-1997) and Co-Chair (2011-2019) and is a member of the Anglican Roman Catholic International Commission (ARCIC III). Her D.Min. thesis (2002), ‘That They May Be One,’ explored sustaining unity at the Eucharistic table in the midst of division, particularly on moral issues.
We acknowledge that King’s University College is located on the traditional lands of the Anishinaabek, Haudenosaunee, Lūnaapéewak and Attawandaron peoples, on lands connected with the London Township and Sombra Treaties of 1796 and the Dish with One Spoon Covenant Wampum. This land continues to be home to diverse Indigenous peoples whom we recognize as contemporary stewards of the land and vital contributors of our society.

**HYMNS FOR THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD (JANUARY 5, 2020)**

- **Gathering:** In the Darkness Shines the Splendor—CBW 346
- **Psalm:** CBW 37
- **Meditation:** Child of the Poor/What Child is This (S. Sopes)
- **Preparation of the Gifts:** Epiphany Carol (see below)
- **Acclamations:** Mass of Christ the Savior
- **Communion:** The First Nowell—CBW 344
- **Recessional:** Songs of Thankfulness and Praise—CBW 348

**Epiphany Carol**

Ev’ry nation sees the glory of a star that pierced the night.
As we tell the wondrous story we are bathed in radiant light.
Star sent forth from highest heaven, dancing light of God’s design,
Shine upon the gift that’s given: Word made flesh now born in time.

Ev’ry tongue shall sing the praises of his birth in deepest night.
He is healing for the ages; He is Christ, our God’s delight.
He proclaims within his being all our hopes, our great desires.
He shall die to rise, redeeming all who follow with their lives.

Once again may we discover word made flesh sent from above.
In our neighbor, sister, brother, in the lonely and unloved.
May we touch him, may we hold him, may we cradle him with care
As we learn to love each other, bringing hope from out despair.

Gather, God, the world together in the brightness of your day.
Fill our hearts with joy forever; help us walk the holy way.
May your justice rule the nations; may all people live as one.
Now we see our true salvation in the glory of your Son.

**NORTHERN CALENDARS:** Last year, our parish offered IMAGES OF THE ARCTIC, a calendar using photos taken by Bishop Jon Hansen CSsR of the Diocese of Mackenzie-Fort Smith, NWT. The calendars are available again this year for $20. All the proceeds from this project will support the very basic needs in parishes of the northern missions. These calendars are available at the back of The Chapel.

**WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY:** The theme for the 2020 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, “They Showed Us Unusual Kindness,” is taken from the book of Acts 28:2. Gather with us in prayer on Wednesday, January 22, 2020 at 7:00 PM in The Chapel at Windermere on the Mount. Andrea Di Giovanni, Biblical Studies Instructor at King’s and St. Peter’s Seminary, will offer a reflection.

**RECORDS UPDATE:** In a few weeks, we will be preparing to send out receipts for income tax purposes. Please make sure that your mailing and e-mail addresses are up to date. If there are any doubts or concerns, please contact Lisa Caeiro at 519-963-1477 or at lisa.caeiro@kings.uwo.ca. It is our hope that, in the event of program cancellations, we will be able to contact members of the parish by e-mail or phone.

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