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CHRIST THE KING ~ NOVEMBER 22, 2009

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, Nov. 28 - 4:30 - St. Vincent de Paul

Saturday, Nov. 28 - 6:00- St. Joseph

Sunday, Nov. 29 - 9:30 a.m. - St. Agnes

Sunday, Nov. 29- 11:00 a.m. Star of the Sea - *+Intentions of all parishioners*

RECONCILIATION/CONFESSIONS: by appointment, please contact Fr. Daniel

COMMUNION CALLS: Please contact the parish office if you wish to receive communion on First Friday. Communion will be brought to the sick and shut-ins the first Friday of each month.

ONE LIKE A SON OF MAN

Last week we read a portion of the book of Daniel that had a dream or vision of heaven. The author imagined it as if heaven were a Middle Eastern royal court. In a similar dream, he pictures God as an "Ancient One" or elder. Suddenly someone "like a son of man" comes zooming in on the clouds.

When we read the word "like" we must recognize this is meant to be a comparison, not a specific image. Jesus usually began his parables by saying, "The kingdom of God is like..." In this case, the person is compared with a "son of man". This was a stock phrase that simply mean "human". Any human of either gender was called a "son of man". So the figure that enters heaven is human-like in appearance. The author may be describing an angel; possibly the archangel, Michael. The Church interprets this figure as Jesus. The reference to "kingship" is appropriate for today's feast.

THE ALPHA AND OMEGA

The book of Revelation has many parallels to the book of Daniel. Today's second reading seems to be a continuation of the first. The figure on the clouds is clearly identified as Jesus. One additional element is the reference to "Alpha" -- the first letter of the Greek Alphabet -- and Omega -- the last letter (equivalent to our long O). In English Jesus might say, "I am the A and the Z."

The text implies that all creation began with Christ and will end with him. Our past origins and our future salvation are only to be understood in and through him.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Group sessions continue at Canso Academy for primary, two, three, seven and eight on Monday evenings from 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. Groups one and four will meet after school on Mondays at Fanning Education Center, Groups 5 & 6 will meet Mondays at 5:00 - 6:00 p.m. in Canso Academy.

St. Agnes Rel. Ed continues, primary, year 3 and year 6 meet in the hall on Mondays at 6:00 p.m. Year 5, 7 & 8 will meet as indicated by their respective catechists. For more information please contact Marie.

Advent/Christmas Play - the first practice will take place TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 24 immediately after school (2:45 p.m.) in the vestry. All those interested in any way are encouraged to come. We will discuss practice

times at this practice. We will do what we can to accommodate the parents/children's schedules.

STAR OF THE SEA NEWS

Ministries Schedule for Sunday, November 22

Lectors - Frances Jackson & Jennie Greencorn

Euch. Ministers - Edmund LeBlanc (bread)

Presentation of Gifts - Terri Crane & family

Church Cleaning - Harry & RoseAnn Delorey

Ushers/Coll.- Paul Horne & Veronica Peitzsche

Hospitality - Ray & Judy White

Sacristan - RoseAnn Delorey

Servers - Whoever is available

Parish Council - Regular monthly meeting is scheduled for **Sunday, December 13**

immediately after Mass. All members are

requested to attend. Christmas Dinner -

CLEAN-UP - 12:30 p.m. - Sunday, Nov. 22 - for all who are available, the more help we

have the less time it will take and it is a BIG job, we need as many as can come. We want to extend a very special thank you to all those who worked on this event. It is always so beautiful and the special feeling that comes from a job well done is one of the ways God thanks us for hard work. You all do a great job. Much appreciated!

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL NEWS:

Tickets for sale - the parish is currently selling tickets on a Digital Convection Oven, donated by Kenny & Chuck from Queensport. Anyone wishing to buy or sell tickets is asked to contact Val at 358-2564 or Marie at 358-2193.

Christmas Bingo - will be held Sunday, November 22 - 7:00 p.m. in the Chedabucto Fire Hall, Queensport. Donations or prizes are welcomed and encouraged. Contact Val Richardson to donate. Proceeds to St. Vincent de Paul Parish .

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

St. Agnes (33)	259.00
Loose	15.00
Star of the Sea (70)	856.00
Loose	28.50
Re. Ed (4)	40.00
St. Joseph (24)	180.00
Loose	50.00
St. Vincent de Paul (10)	130.00
Loose	31.00

NOTES

Note: Please note that the formal Settlement Notices (in English and French) of the class action lawsuit against the Diocese are posted on our Church Bulletin Boards located at the entrance of our churches.

St. Joseph Sunday Missals - are available in each of our four parishes. Missals for 2010 start on the First Sunday of Advent, November 29. Cost is \$4.00 per copy and money can be put in the envelopes provided. Missal money is deposited in your parish's account.

Food Bank Donations - Boxes have been placed in the entrance of the churches to accept

donations for the local Food Bank. Please feel free to drop in any non-perishable items. This gives us an opportunity to reflect on the difference between justice and charity. In justice, one gives to others what is theirs by right. There are a number of intrinsic rights that we have as human beings. These basic rights include life, **food**, clothing, housing, work, and a living wage. These rights are given because it is just and fair, not only because we feel generous. The other is our neighbour and we carry responsibility for the other in justice.

RIVERVIEW PENNY PARADE.

The first annual Penny Parade was very successful. To-date a total slightly in excess of \$10,500 has been raised with a few pennies still to count and roll.

These funds will be put to good use at Riverview, we will keep you in touch. Success could not have happened without the tremendous support of participating churches, businesses and willing individuals who worked so hard. The Riverview Volunteer Association wishes to thank all those who gave so generously, worked on the campaign, and those who rolled hundreds of pounds of pennies and silver. **YOU DID A GREAT JOB.....THANK YOU.**

SEASON OF ADVENT: Begins Sunday, November 29. Advent is a time for prayer, for eagerly awaiting the greatest of all gifts, Jesus the Lord. He is the light who shines in the darkness of our world. Advent wreaths are lighted. We pray to Mary, and with her proclaim the great wonders God has worked among us. The Church considers how marvelously the Father has blessed us in Jesus' first coming, and calls for his return in fullest glory: Come, Lord Jesus!

We have a limited number of copies of "**Daily Reflections for Advent & Christmas**" by Bishop Robert Morneau. This booklet has been placed in the entrance of the churches, a \$4.00 donation would be appreciated to cover the costs.