

WHAT'S HAPPENING

VISION 2020-DISCIPLES ON MISSION

SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING - 22ND NOV 2020 - YEAR A

Whatever you do to others...

Jesus is a fair king. In today's Gospel reading, He tells us how He will judge people at the end of time. Those who were good to God will be saved, and those who were not good to Him will be condemned. Whoever is good to others is good to God, and whoever is unkind to others is unkind to God.



Our Lord cares so much about His people that He will judge us according to how we treat each other. Jesus is the Good Shepherd and the King, and He cares about every one of us specially. Imagine a king who came to see every one of his subjects to make sure that they were doing okay. Well, Jesus does more than that- He died for us on the cross! He looks after us all the time, and He says that anyone who is unkind to us will be judged as being unkind to Him.

Christ the King is the just judge. How do you think you will be judged when you die, or at the end of time? Are you kind to others? Do you ever think about how you would treat Jesus if He were here? Do you treat other people the way you would treat Jesus?



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SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:
Baptisms are usually celebrated on the fourth Sunday of every month. Please contact the Parish Office at least **6 weeks** before the date.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:
Couples should contact the Parish Office to make arrangements at least **6 months** before the desired date.

♦ **The Group Requiem Mass** will be held at the Gros Islet Church on Wednesday, Nov. 25th at 12:30 p.m. Please give the names of your deceased loved ones at the parish office along with your contribution. Deadline for receipt of names is Monday, November 23rd.

♦ Offerings and donations for the Parish can now be made via Sure Pay. Please specify that the payment is for **St. Joseph the Worker Parish**, and you will be given a choice of the different communities, 01 for Gros Islet, 02 for Grande Riviere and 03 for Monchy. Payments can be made in person at the Sure Pay counters or online. Please contact the Parish Office if you require further information about the online payments.

A Coronavirus Prayer

Jesus Christ, you travelled through towns and villages, “curing every disease and illness”. At your command, the sick were made well. Come to our aid now, in the midst of the global spread of the Coronavirus, that we may experience your healing love.

Heal those who are sick with the virus. May they regain their strength and health through quality medical care. Heal us from our fear, which prevents nations from working together, and neighbours from helping one another. Heal us from our pride, which can make us claim invulnerability to a disease that knows no borders.

In place of our anxiety, give us your peace. In your wisdom protect our country, Saint Lucia, our region and the whole world from this pandemic. Be with the doctors, nurses and researchers, and all medical professionals who seek to heal and help those affected, and who put themselves at risk in the process. May they know your protection and peace.

Mary, comforter of the afflicted, pray for us. **Amen.**



St. Joseph the Worker Parish
Gros Islet, Grande Riviere & Monchy

CONFESSIONS

Every Saturday
9.00 - 10.00 a.m.
6.00 - 6.45p.m.
&
by appointment

The coming of the King.

The Church year ends today with a vision of the end of time. The scene in the Gospel is stark, and resounds with Old Testament echoes: the Son of Man is enthroned over all nations and peoples of every language; the nations have been gathered to see His glory and receive His judgment. The King is the divine shepherd Ezekiel foresees in the First Reading, judging as a shepherd separates sheep from goats.

Each of us will be judged upon our performance of the simple works of mercy we hear in the Gospel today. These works, as Jesus explains, are reflections or measures of our love for Him, our faithfulness to His commandment that we love God with all our might and our neighbour as ourselves. Our faith is dead, lifeless, unless it be expressed in works of love. And we cannot say we truly love God, whom we cannot see, if we don't love our neighbour, whom we can.

The Lord is our shepherd, we sing in the Psalm, and we are to follow His lead, to imitate His example. He healed our sickness, freed us from the prison of sin and death, welcomed us who were once strangers to His covenant. He clothed us in baptism, and feeds us with the food and drink of His own body and blood. At “the end,” He will come again to hand over His kingdom to His Father, Paul tells us in the Epistle. Let us strive to be following Him in right paths, that this kingdom might be our inheritance, that we might enter into the eternal rest promised for the people of God.

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First Reading
Ez.34:11-12,15-17

Second Reading
1Cor.15:20-26,28

Gospel
Mt.25:31-46

MASS TIMES

GROS ISLET
Morning Prayers:
5:45a.m.
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MONDAY
6:00 a. m./12:30 p.m.
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TUESDAY
6:00 a.m.
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WEDNESDAY
6:00 a.m.& 12:30 p.m.
G/Riviere: 6:00 p.m.
✠
THURSDAY
6:00 a.m./12:30 p.m.
Monchy: 6:00 p.m.
✠
FRIDAY
6:00 a. m./12:30 p.m.
✠
SATURDAY
6:30 a.m./6:00 p. m.
✠
SUNDAY
Gros Islet/G. Riviere
7:30 A.M.
Gros Islet/Monchy
10:00 a.m.
✠
HOLIDAY
7:00 a.m.
✠

St. Cecilia - Feast Day November 22nd

Has there ever been a time when music has helped you? Music has a way of helping us express emotions. It can be used for prayer or for play. Some people use music for comfort, or for the enjoyment of themselves and others. It makes sense that this powerful method of expression would be attributed to one of the most famous Roman martyrs of the early church, St. Cecilia, who is venerated in the Catholic, Orthodox and Anglican faiths.

According to legend, she was a noble Roman who, as a child, had vowed her virginity to God. When she was married against her will to the future saint Valerian, then a pagan, she told him that an angel of God wished her to remain a virgin. He promised to respect this wish if he were allowed to see the angel. She replied that he would if he were baptized. On his return from baptism he found Cecilia talking to the angel. She then converted his brother Tiburtius, who also saw the angel.

The brothers became adamant witnesses to Christ, and along with Cecilia distributed alms and buried those who died glorifying Christ. It did not take long for the Roman Prefect Turcius Almachius to notice and condemn them to death. Cecilia was taken before the prefect and condemned to suffocation in the baths of her home. She remained unscathed after spending quite a while in the overheated room, much to the frustration of her captors, and the prefect sent in an executioner to finish the job. The executioner struck her neck three times with a sword in an attempt to decapitate her, but failed with every stroke to separate her head from her shoulders. Cecilia was left to die, bathed in a pool of her own blood. Miraculously, she lived three more days, preaching, converting pagans, favoring the poor, and making arrangements for her house to be dedicated as a place of worship. After her three days of suffering in prayer, St. Cecilia died.

At the beginning of the ninth century, Pope Paschal I discovered her incorrupt relics in the catacomb of St. Praetextatus and had them moved to Rome, to a basilica in Trastevere that now bears her name, believed to be on the site of the house where she lived and died.

She became the patron of music and musicians because was said that, as the musicians played at her wedding, Cecilia "sang in her heart to the Lord". In art she is often represented playing the organ. St Cecilia is one of several virgin martyrs commemorated by name in the Canon of the Mass in the Latin Church.

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PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK
Iris Macauldy Priscillia Henry Priscillia St. Martin Martha Mason Rosna Joseph Nellie Hall
DECEASED
Wilkie Larcher Emmanuel St. Omer Hendrickson Edwin Pierre Chouloutte Marie Josephine Emile Rev. Bertrand Clauzel
WEEKDAY READINGS
✠ MONDAY Apoc.14:1-5 Lk.21:1-4 ✠ TUESDAY Apoc.14:14-19 Lk.21:5-11 ✠ WEDNESDAY Apoc.15:1-4 Lk.21:12-19 ✠ THURSDAY Apoc.18:1-2,21-23; 19:1-3,9 Lk.21:20-28 ✠ FRIDAY Apoc.20:1-4,11-21:2 Lk.21:29-33 ✠ SATURDAY Apoc.22:1-7 Lk.21:34-36 ✠

MASS INTENTIONS		
GROS ISLET	CLERGY/RELIGIOUS	INTENTIONS
CHRIST THE KING - YEAR A		
Sat Nov 21 - 6:00 p.m.		Thks: The Destang family B'day: Zidane Philip, Brianna Toussaint Guid & Protec: Andre, Ross & Melanie Downes
Sun Nov 22 - 7:30 a.m. <i>The Solemnity of Christ the King</i>		Eucharistic Service
10:00 a.m.		Eucharistic Service
Grande Riviere - 7:30 a.m.		MISSA PRO POPULO
Monchy - 10:00 a.m.		B'day: Carole Jn Marie 5th Ann: Monchy Youth Choir
WEEKDAY MASS INTENTIONS		
Mon Nov 23 - 6:00 a.m.	Msgr. Theophilus Joseph Fr. Linus Clovis	B'day: Eric Gaspard, Iris Macauldy
12:30 p.m.		Holy Spirit for Healing: Tronai Louis
Tue Nov 24 - 6:00 a.m. <i>St. Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest & Companions, Martyrs</i>	Fr. Vincent Arulanandam Rev. Girard Glace Sr. Mary Muskosa	Thks: Anthony Louis, Renand Joseph Jamal Bruce, Victoria & Cecil Clarke Holy Spirit for Healing: Tronai Louis
Wed Nov 25 - 6:00 a.m.	Fr. Konrad Mair Fr. Kenneth Haakyav Fr. Henry Nmor	B'day: Emily Cadet Holy Spirit for Healing: Tronai Louis
12:30 p.m.		Group Requiem Mass
Grand Riviere - 6:00 p.m.		Parishioners
Thu Nov 26 - 6:00 a.m.	Rev. Nathalbert Husbands Sr. Stephanía Banda	Dc'd: Leroy Roach, Joannes Edmund
12:30 p.m.		Thks: Perlin Verdant & family Holy Spirit for Healing: Tronai Louis
Monchy - 6:00 p.m.		Dc'd: Cecilia & Sylvester Louis
Fri Nov 27 - 6:00 a.m.	Fr. Kevin Ryan Rev. Gabriel Geoffrey	Holy Spirit for Healing: Tronai Louis B'day: Rory Biscette, Anthony Leonce
12:30 p.m.		Dc'd: Alvina George Auguste & Winston Alexis
Sat Nov 28 - 6:30 a.m. <i>BVM</i>	Fr. John Milton Rev. Winston Taylor	Dc'd: Elizabeth Clement Severin & Roserie families Hackshaw & Burns families Relatives of Lucretia James