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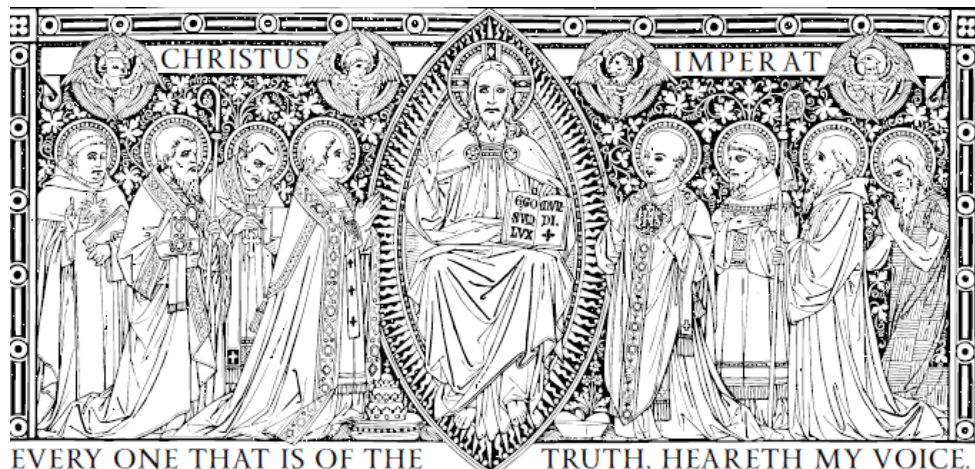
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[for Sunday Mass-see](#) Monday-Friday 7:00am

[Website to sign up!\)](#) Saturday 8:00am

Rosary: Saturday 7:40am and 4:10pm

Sunday 7:10am, 9:10am and 11:40am

Monday-Friday 7:30am

Confessions (in St. Cecilia): Friday 4:00-5:15pm

Saturday 2:30-4:15pm

Sunday 7-7:15am/8:45-9:15am/11-11:45am

Eucharistic Adoration: Friday 7:30am —Saturday 7:30am

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Please remember Holy Redeemer Parish in your will.

WEEK AT A GLANCE:

Sunday: 11/22

**Our Lord Jesus Christ,
King of the Universe**

Mass 7:30am/9:30am/Noon
Confessions in St. Cecilia room
7am, 8:45am, 11am

Monday: 11/23

7:00am—Daily Mass
10:00am—Marian Movement
(zoom ID # 720 392 391)
Noon—Angelus ([parish Facebook page](#))
5:00pm—Eve. Prayer
([parish Facebook page](#))

Tuesday: 11/24

7:00am—Daily Mass
Noon—Angelus ([parish Facebook page](#))
5:00pm—Eve. Prayer
([parish Facebook page](#))

Wednesday : 11/25

7:00am—Daily Mass
Noon—Angelus ([parish Facebook page](#))
5:00pm—Eve. Prayer
([parish Facebook page](#))

Thursday: 11/26

Thanksgiving Office Closed

8:00am—Daily Mass

Friday: 11/27

Office Closed

8:00am—Daily Mass
7:30am—24 hour Adoration
4:00-5:15pm—Confessions in
St. Cecilia room

Saturday: 11/28

7:30am—Benediction
8:00am—Daily Mass
2:30-4:15pm—Confessions in St.
Cecilia room
4:30pm—Vigil Mass

Sunday: 11/29

First Sunday in Advent Year B

Mass 7:30am/9:30am/Noon
Confessions in St. Cecilia room
7am, 8:45am, 11am

Mass Intentions

Monday, November 23

Rita Shinnick

Tuesday, November 24

Lillian Bridges +

Wednesday, November 25

Dick Bridges (health)

Thursday, November 26

Thanksgiving

Friday, November 27

Janet Foulon +

Saturday, November 28

Hazel Cooper +

Readings for Sunday 11/29

Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7
Ps 80 (79): 2-3,15-16, 18-19
1 Cor 1:3-9
Mk. 13:33-37

Important Links

Sunday Mass:

<https://vimeo.com/user109632820>

Daily Mass, Angelus, & Evening Prayer:

[parish Facebook page](#)

[Sign up to attend Sunday Mass: Click on the button on the homepage of our website!](#)

Celebrant for Masses

**November 28:
4:30pm Fr. Nathe**

**November 29:
7:30am Fr. Martin
9:30am & Noon Fr. Nathe**

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Names stay on the prayer list for four weeks; please contact the parish office or karenn@holyredeemervanc.org to extend the time frame.

Last Week (11/09-11/15)	Income
Sunday:	\$ 22,833.00
Realizing Hope:	\$ 1,834.00
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Pastor's Column

November 22nd, 2020

Christ the King

Jesus Christ: Yesterday, Today, and Forever ~

I love the above line; you've seen it leading off my pastor columns for quite a while now. I love it for its eternal truth. It isn't an opinion that Jesus is God, He Is. As God, He is eternal, all powerful, all knowing, all loving, and invincible. It is very important to know all of that and to embrace Jesus Christ. Those who don't will lack peace in this life and will suffer terribly in the next.

One day all political parties will cease to exist. One day all republics or democracies will cease to exist. One day the United States of America will cease to exist. One day the earth as we know it will cease to exist. Focus on what exists forever: God and souls. Do not sell yourself out to things that are passing away.

This Sunday we celebrate Christ the King, for He is a King, the King. Sometimes my pastor columns begin with "Jesus Christ: King of Kings and Lord of Lords." I love that line too, for it sums up in puny words the who, and the power of Jesus Christ.

I've attached below an article from *1 Peter Five*, on what society is supposed to be based upon, Christ as King and His Truth. Up until the 16th Century all Christian societies based their laws upon this principle. Today no society does and the consequences are disastrous. Enjoy.

May Christ the King Bless You,



Fr. Thomas Nathe

<https://onepeterfive.com/christ-king-original-sin/>

Christ the King and Original Sin

[Timothy Flanders. October 28, 2019](#)

It is often asserted that the Christian societies of old were oppressive, torturous regimes stifling human freedom. This is false. Witness the countless sermons preached by the saints against the worldliness of their day. Men were not forced to go to Mass at the point of a spear. Rather, in a Christian society, there is simply the worship of [Christ as King](#). The laws, customs, and culture strive to be in accord with the Catholic faith. Only the Christian state provides what is necessary for man in his fallen state, promotes his true end, and protects the weak and vulnerable.

Man's True State Is Original Sin

A Christian state begins with a true assessment of the current state of man: he bears the stain and effect of Original Sin. His intellect is darkened, his will is weakened, and he is inclined to evil. Man being born into this condition, the Christian state gives him a structure of authority — from the government to the Church to the family — that refers back to God. Thus, the entire fabric of a Christian society is oriented in the opposite direction of man's inclinations to evil, creating a social momentum toward what is truly good. This cultural framework must guide every person through childhood and into adulthood and ultimately to eternal beatitude. Since man's burden is Original Sin, the Christian state promotes and supports the institution that provides its cure: the Catholic Church. With the assistance of divine grace and the teleological hierarchy of Christian society, man can

overcome Original Sin and strive to attain his final end. Thus, both the state in the natural realm and the Church in the supernatural confess the dominion of one lord over both: Christ the King.

The King has solemnly said:

All power is given to me in heaven and in earth. Going therefore, teach ye all nations; baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you. (Mt. 28:18–20)

Summing up the teachings of multiple popes before after him, Leo XIII writes:

“Justice therefore forbids, and reason itself forbids, the State to be godless; or to adopt a line of action which would end in godlessness—namely, to treat the various religions (as they call them) alike, and to bestow upon them promiscuously equal rights and privileges. Since, then, the profession of one religion is necessary in the State, that religion must be professed which alone is true, and which can be recognized without difficulty, especially in Catholic States[.] ... This religion, therefore, the rulers of the State must preserve and protect, if they would provide — as they should do — with prudence and usefulness for the good of the community. For public authority exists for the welfare of those whom it governs; and, although its proximate end is to lead men to the prosperity found in this life, yet, in so doing, it ought not to diminish, but rather to increase, man’s capability of attaining to the supreme good in which his everlasting happiness consists: which never can be attained if religion be disregarded.” [1]

Moreover, the Christian state protects the vulnerable and the weak, particularly children, who are quickly influenced by outside pressures. The family that raises the child in a Christian society is reinforced by the culture toward allegiance to and freedom in Christ the King. The child need not doubt that Christ is King to whom he owes his life and allegiance. The child is safe from error and feels cultural shame to entertain thoughts against this allegiance. The society reinforces what is taught in the home, so the child is not conflicted by multiple sources of authority, since every authority in the family, state, and Church has one principle: Christ the King.

Pre-Christian Societies

Pre-Christian societies no matter how disordered, still refer all authority back to a supernatural principle, implicitly confirming the dogma of Original Sin — that man cannot attain beatitude without the aid of the divine. Thus can Leo XIII quickly dismiss the separation of Church and State as a “manifest absurdity” based solely upon natural reason:

“Nature herself proclaims the necessity of the State providing means and opportunities whereby the community may be enabled to live properly, that is to say, according to the laws of God. For, since God is the source of all goodness and justice, it is absolutely ridiculous that the State should pay no attention to these laws or render them abortive by contrary enact menu.” [2]

When a pre-Christian society is baptized and made into a Christian state — the process accomplished and promoted by countless saints, from Gregory the Illuminator in Armenia to St. Patrick in Ireland — then can man’s feeble groping for truth and freedom be given true liberation from the bondage to the devil. Man needs the state to confess Christ the King — otherwise, he will call the state itself the king.

Modern Secular Society Is Founded on a False Notion of Man

This brings us to the contrasting notion of modern, secular democracy. The presupposition of this political system denies the reality of the Original Sin and the need for divine grace. In the Hobbes-Lockean understanding, man overcomes his own “state of nature” by forming societies in order to check the excesses of evil men. In the modern secular theory, man does not need Christ the King for his beatitude, but rather needs a different savior: the secular state.

The idea preached by so many revolutionaries to their supporters is this: if only you had political change X or legal change Y, then you could be truly happy and truly free. This is an error, since man, afflicted with Original Sin, can never be free or happy without the grace of Jesus Christ, no matter what political system obtains. Thus does the secular democracy tend to impose its own political organization as a replacement for the sacramental system of divine grace from the Catholic Church. In the modern system, there is no need for Christ the King. The state itself is God.

Social Results of Denying Original Sin

We see this is modern America. A great portion of citizens have a college education, but, blinded by their passions, there are still millions who cannot understand that a fetus is a human being. Indeed, there is no historical precedent for the modern mass slaughter of innocent children.

Instead of a cultural orientation against the inclinations of Original Sin, the modern culture reinforces these evil inclinations. This brings us to another failure of the secular democracy: morality by majority vote. Because Original Sin is denied, if the majority believe something, it must be right. This is similar to the error of “might makes right.”

But by the dogma of Original Sin, the popular will tends toward what is evil. Since men are ruled by their passions, it is easy for them to be manipulated in their emotions by a viral video or a shocking statement. Witness the endless emotional provocations that pervade the media and advertising. Appeals to reason are much less profitable than emotionalism.

The Modern State Does Not Protect the Weak and Vulnerable

The measure of any society in the natural order is the way in which it protects its most vulnerable members. Even beyond the slaughter of innocent children and abandoning others to nefarious gender theory, the modern state is oriented toward reinforcing the inclinations of every man toward himself alone. Children are especially vulnerable to this. This is the sovereignty of the individual will, enshrined in the majority vote. When the rights of man trump the rights of Christ the King, man becomes a slave to his own passions. The words of Cahill are as relevant today as they were in 1932:

“Seeing that the powerful frequently are able to secure in their own favor the decision of the majority, through the operation of finance and of the press, personal rights have in practice little more security in the Liberal [Secular] State than under the old pagan regime. Thus arise the exploitation of the poor and the tyranny of the monied interest.” [3]

In our time, the tech and media giants control the information that informs the masses. As any Catholic parent will know, we must have constant vigilance to protect our children from the evils of secular society. From media and advertising to television and movies, most seek to provoke the passions of our children in order to lead them astray. There is only so much a parent can do in our society.

Conclusion

With the influence of Jacques Maritain and the heretic Teilhard de Chardin, a gradual error crept into the Church that either denied Original Sin or dismissed its effects in practice. Thus did Vatican II and Paul VI pursue with great optimism a hopeful dialogue with modernity and cooperation with the secular state. Now, a few generations removed, this dialogue has continued to receive greater scrutiny. In short, we must face the evil fruit and bloodshed that has come from the secular state after some two hundred years, as well as this recent dialogue, and weigh these facts with the words of the popes who have faced this political movement since the 18th century. With the feast of Christ the King fresh in our memories, let the words of Pius XI suffice:

“When once men recognize, both in private and in public life, that Christ is King, society will at last receive the great blessings of real liberty, well-ordered discipline, peace and harmony.” [4]

[1] Leo XIII, *Libertas* (1888), 21

[2] *Ibid.*, 18

[3] Rev. E. Cahill, S.J., *The Framework of a Christian State* (Roman Catholic Books reprint 1932), 454

[4] Pius XI, *Quas Primas* (1925), 19



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It's a brief commitment, and could be your gift to Christ this year. Questions?

Email Jamie at jamiiek@holyredeemervanc.org



Saints were friends with others saints. Plus they had saints as family members! Why is that? We become like those we spend time with. This Advent, take time to gather with other parishioners to grow spiritually, and maybe develop some virtuous friendships to help you on your path to sainthood! It's time to claim that joy and peace the world cannot give. Sign up on our parish website.

What would it take to make joy your new normal?

GROWING IN HOLINESS

FAITH FORMATION

PROGRAM AND CONTACT INFORMATION

- ◆ Contact Melissa Abell at melissaa@holyredeemervanc.org
- ◆ To make an appointment: See Parish Personnel on the front page of the bulletin.

NEW TO HOLY REDEEMER?

Contact the Faith Formation Office to meet and discuss how we can work together to build God's Kingdom in East Vancouver! Sacramental needs? Education? Let us know how we can help. Contact Mark: 885.7780 ext. 16, markm@holyredeemervanc.org

RCIA (Becoming Catholic) and Learning About the Catholic Faith:

Contact Mark MacKenzie to make an appointment at 885.7780 ext. 16, markm@holyredeemervanc.org

Advent Book Study: Saints were friends with others saints. Plus they had saints as family members! Why is that? We become like those we spend time with. This Advent, take time to gather with other parishioners to grow spiritually, and maybe develop some virtuous friendships to help you on your path to sainthood! It's time to claim that joy and peace the world cannot give. Sign up on our parish website. Questions? Email Jamie at jamiiek@holyredeemervanc.org.

ADULTS

Anne, a lay apostle—Monthly Prayer Group : Anne, the author of *The Volumes*, received the message to have a prayer group meeting once a month. The Lay Apostle prayer group will be holding their meetings on the second Tuesday of the month at 10:00am via Zoom. If you are interested, contact Jean Marie Amos at 360.260.7352, or Jean_Amos@q.com

Men of Faith: All men in the parish are invited to attend our monthly gatherings. For more information or if you would like to be in the loop, contact Mark:

markm@holyredeemervanc.org

Women's Spiritual Studies:

Through their small groups, women are learning how to be the best version of themselves—made in the image and likeness of God—and reaching out to those around them. Contact Hannah at hannahb@holyredeemervanc.org

Endow: Thursday Endow will now meet in person in the parish center,

and Monday Endow will continue to meet online. We are continuing our spiritual book studies. For Monday Night Endow: Discovering Your Dignity. For more information:

Monday night contact Jamie at jamiiek@holyredeemervanc.org

Thursday morning contact Hannah at hannahb@holyredeemervanc.org

YOUNG ADULTS

YA Private Retreat: Holy Redeemer is inviting all of the young adults in the parish to take the next step in their journey of faith by going on a private day retreat. Kevin has prepared a step-by-step guide for the retreat and encourages you to go on your retreat between November 8th and November 22nd. Simply fill out [this](#) brief 4-question Survey Monkey to be sent the retreat guide. A meeting will be held on November 25th from 6:30 to 8:00pm to talk about your retreat experience, and of course you can always sign up to meet with Kevin during his regular office hours.

If you want to pray together, chat, or talk about the faith, one-on-one office hours are normally available on the first, second, and third Wednesday of the month. Sign up for an appointment at this Google calendar link. [this Google calendar link](#)

HIGH SCHOOLERS

Life is Christ: Join us for Life is Christ night on December 10th, for an in-person socially distanced game night. We will meet in the parish center from 5:30- 7:30 pm. We can have up to 12 people in person, so sign up to reserve your space. Life is Christ is now hybrid, meaning if it's safer for you to stay home, you can still join us from Zoom. Please choose on the signup if you'll be there in person or virtually. Contact Hannah:

hannahb@holyredeemervanc.org

MIDDLE SCHOOLERS

Join us for Verso L'alto night on December 17th, for an in-person socially distanced game night. We will meet in the parish center from 5:30- 7:30 pm. We can have up to 12 people in person, so sign up to reserve your space. Verso L'alto is now hybrid, meaning if it's safer for you to stay home, you can still join us from Zoom. Please choose on the signup if you'll be there in person or virtually. Contact Hannah:

hannahb@holyredeemervanc.org.



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American Heritage Girls &
Trail Life USA (K-12th):

Meetings are on hold.

Contact Julie for AHG:

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Contact Linda for TLUSA:

don.linda.anderson@comcast.net



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At the dawn of the twentieth century, three voices rose up from Poland—St. Faustina Kowalska, St. Maximilian Kolbe, and Pope St. John Paul II—to proclaim an urgent message, a message powerful enough to alter the course of an age plunging into spiritual darkness.



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Please go to our website www.HolyRedeemerVan.org and go to the Faith Formation Page for updates and resources.

NEXT WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday 11/22	Monday 11/23	Tuesday 11/24	Wednesday 11/25	Thursday 11/26 <i>Thanksgiving</i>	Friday 11/27	Saturday 11/28
7th-12th Gr. Mentor Mtg Zoom (3:00pm) 6th Gr. Mid Year Celebration Parish Center (4:00pm) HS RE Zoom (6:00pm) Confirmation Session Zoom (6:00pm) 8th Gr. Mystagogy Zoom (7:00pm)	Endow Zoom (6:30pm)	College Connection Bootcamp Closing Zoom (7:00pm)	YA Silent Retreat Debrief (6:30pm)			

PARISH HAPPENINGS

Office Hours: Our offices are open Monday-Friday from 7:30am-1:00pm. Be advised that we will have limited staff and we strongly encourage you to use the internet, e-mail, and phone as much as possible but when you need to come in, we will be here for you. You have to wear a mask and maintain 6' of distance and obey all other signs while in any of the buildings. Please keep your visits as short as possible so that we can help everyone and keep everyone healthy.

Christmas Mass Volunteer Sign-up: The sign-up for Christmas Masses is available on our website—right now only people who are helping at the Masses in some capacity can sign up. We will be having **6 Christmas Masses** so there should be room for everyone. We need volunteers to make the Masses happen and go smoothly. If you sign up to help, please be sure to put how many family members will be coming to Mass with you (include yourself) in the Comment section when signing up so that we know how many seats you need. Once we have all of the volunteer positions filled we will open the signups up for the rest of the Parish. We need your help, so why not take a minute or two now to look at the signup and see if you can help out. You can access the signup from the home page of our website where you will see a button for Christmas Mass Signup.

Thanksgiving Day Mass: Mass will be at 8am on Thanksgiving Day and you need to sign up in order to attend as it is fully anticipated that we will be full and have to turn away anyone who is not signed up for Mass online. Here is the link to the signup: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050444afa82aa46-sign2>

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Amazon sent us \$157.66 as a result of AmazonSmile program activity between July 1 and September 30, 2020. Keep it up! If you need help in setting up Holy Redeemer as your Amazon Smile charity feel free to give us a call.

Staying Close to Jesus

Angelus: We live stream the Angelus and prayer to Our Lady of Seattle for the end of the coronavirus Monday through Friday at noon and we invite you to join. The prayers are streamed through Facebook Live on our [parish Facebook page](#). You **do not** need a Facebook account to view the stream. Facebook may prompt you to create an account, but you can simply say "Not Now" and watch the video.

Evening Prayer: To help those at home stay close to Jesus, we have taken this ministry online and are making it more frequent. Join us Monday through Thursday at 5:00pm for Evening Prayer. The prayers are streamed through Facebook Live on our [parish Facebook page](#). [Download This Week's Evening Prayers Here](#)

Public Masses Have Resumed: We are back to our regular Mass schedule (see the front of the bulletin), and you have to sign up in advance to attend Sunday Mass. You can sign up by going to our home page and clicking on the button for Sunday Mass. **Be sure to read all of the requirements on the signup and its attachments before signing up!** We will continue to record the Masses so that those who cannot attend may participate at home.

Advent Candles: Once again we have Advent Candles for sale for just \$5 per box. You can grab some in the Narthex after all of the Masses this weekend or stop by the office during the week. We are open 7:30-1. We will be closed on Thursday and Friday for Thanksgiving.



Blessing of an Advent Wreath

The use of the Advent Wreath is a traditional practice which has found its place in the Church as well as in the home. The blessing of an Advent Wreath takes place on the First Sunday of Advent or on the evening before the First Sunday of Advent. When the blessing of the Advent Wreath is celebrated in the home, it is appropriate that it be blessed by a parent or another member of the family.

All make the sign of the cross as the leader says:

Our help is in the name of the Lord.

R/ Who made heaven and earth.

Then the Scripture, Isaiah 9: (lines 1-2 and 5-6) or Isaiah 63 (lines 16-17 & 19) or Isaiah 64 (lines 2-7) is read:

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

R/ Thanks be to God.

With hands joined, the leader says:

Lord our God, we praise you for your Son, Jesus Christ: he is Emmanuel, the hope of the peoples, he is the wisdom that teaches and guides us, he is the Savior of every nation. Lord God, let your blessing come upon us as we light the candles of this wreath. May the wreath and its light be a sign of Christ's promise to bring us salvation. May he come quickly and not delay. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

R/ Amen.

The blessing may conclude with a verse from "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel":

O come, desire of nations, bind in one the hearts of humankind;
bid ev'ry sad division cease
and be thyself our Prince of peace.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
shall come to thee, O Israel.

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