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Youth News

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CHRIST THE KING
UNIVERSITY PARISH

This Week's Edition:

Gaudete (Rejoice) Sunday!



DID YOU KNOW?

Jesus is often called the **Messiah**, which means "anointed one".

Long before Jesus was born, the Jewish people were always bullied by other countries (the Egyptians, the Babylonians, the Romans). God had promised them a "Messiah" to one day set them free. The Jews thought God meant freedom from these countries' persecution, but God actually meant "freedom from our sin".

In today's gospel, the Jews got mixed up and thought John the Baptist was this Messiah.

While John was baptizing in the Jordan River...

Lk. 3:10-16

...many people came and asked him what they should do. John said to them,

"anyone who has two coats should give one to someone who does not have a coat. Anyone who has food should share with people who are hungry."

Roman soldiers also asked him, "What about us?"

He told them, "Don't bully people. Don't lie about anyone. And be happy with the money you are paid."

All the people were filled with excitement. They wondered if John might be the Messiah, the one they were waiting for.

But John said to them, "There is one who is mightier than I am. I am not even worthy to untie his sandal straps. I am baptizing with water, but he will baptize you in the Holy Spirit."

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What do YOU Think About this Story?

1. I wonder what Jesus would think about John's instructions to the people...

2. I wonder why people became excited when they thought John was the Messiah...

(hint: see the front page)

3. I wonder how I can live out John the Baptist's instructions to the people...

“Whoever has two

Instructions:

When you go home today, search through your clothing and choose a few nice items to donate to a clothing drive or a second-hand store.

Some second-hand stores in London:

- Talize (Huron/Highbury)
- Value Village (Dundas/Highbury)
- St. Vincent de Paul (Adelaide/York).



Colour in 3 out of the 4 candles of the Advent wreath.
(2 are purple, and today's is pink)

"The bread in your cupboard belongs to the hungry man; the coat hanging unused in your closet belongs to the man who needs it; the shoes rotting in your closet belong to the man who has no shoes; the money which you put in the bank belongs to the poor..."

~ St. Basil the Great

Chat with Jesus

An Advent Family Prayer

[Place an unlit candle on a table. Gather the family around. Darken the room]

Leader:

"The darkness of this room reminds us of what it was like before Jesus came to live here on earth. When Jesus came to earth, He was good and kind to others. He showed people how to love one another. He made the world a happier place; that is why we call Jesus the Light of the world." *[Light the candle]*

Jesus is still with us, but we cannot see Him. He will come into our hearts in a special way on Christmas day. Let us pray so that we will be ready for Him.

Leader: "That we may be more thoughtful of others."

All: Come, Lord Jesus

Leader: That we may help others to know You better.

All: Come, Lord Jesus

Leader: That we may learn to be unselfish

All: Come, Lord Jesus

Leader: That all people may know You as Savior

All: Come, Lord Jesus

Leader: O God, our Father, we are waiting for your Son to come to us. Help us to see Him when He comes to us in the words of our priests, in the love of our families, and in the daily events of our work and play.

All: Amen.

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COMING UP IN YOUTH MINISTRY...

CHRISTMAS CAROLING AT WINDERMERE ON THE MOUNT!

Parishioners of all ages are invited to join us for Christmas Caroling with residents of Windermere on the Mount on **Sunday December 13 from 11:30am-1pm**. We will meet in the parish hall at 11:30 to eat our lunch (please bring your own), write Christmas cards, practice a few carols and then make our way into the dining room of Windermere on the Mount to share some Christmas cheer with the residents.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS...FIRST COMMUNION PREP IN JANUARY 2016

All children in grade 2 and their parents are invited to a First Communion Info Meeting with Natalie in the parish hall on Sunday January 10 from 11:45am-12:45pm. Please bring a nut free lunch.

The dates for First Communion preparation are: Sunday January 24, Sunday January 31, Sunday February 7. All classes are held from 11:45am-1:15pm in the parish hall and children are asked to bring a nut free lunch.

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