

Christ Child Catholic Church
***Dedicated to Growth in Christ and to the
Challenges of Loving Service***

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FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY
TIME
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The common theme of today's three readings is our mission to the world as salt and light.

"I give them Jesus"

St. Teresa of Calcutta (Mother Teresa) was speaking to persons who had come to meet her from all over the world. Among those to whom she spoke was a group of religious sisters from many North American orders. After her talk she asked if there were any questions. "Yes, I have one," a Sister sitting near the front said. "As you know, most of the orders represented here have been losing members. It seems that more and more women are leaving all the time. And yet your order is attracting thousands upon thousands. What do you do?" Without hesitating Mother Teresa answered, "I give them Jesus." "Yes I know," said the women, "but take habits, for example. Do your women object to wearing habits? And the rules of the order, how do you do it?" "I give them Jesus," Mother Teresa replied, "Yes, I know Mother," said

the woman, "but can you be more specific?" "I give them Jesus," Mother Teresa repeated again. "Mother," said the woman, "we are all of us aware of your fine work. I want to know about something else." Mother Teresa said quietly, "I give them Jesus. There is nothing else."

(Margaret Davidson, Scholastic, 1971. Cited in BTBC, pp, 250-251).

We Christians have something the world cannot find anywhere else. It is Jesus, the salt of the earth and the light of the world.

Is your light shining?

If you doubt your light matters, take this little quiz: 1. Name the five wealthiest people in the world. 2. Name the last five Heisman trophy winners. 3. Name the last five winners of the Miss American Pageant. Do you know all these answers? Probably not. Ask yourself some additional questions: 1. Who fed and clothed you when you were helpless? 2. What was the name of your 1st grade teacher? 3. Who is the first friend you would call in an emergency? You do know the answers to these questions. They are the salt and light of the world.

Life messages: We need to be the salt of the earth: as the salt of the earth, the Christian must be an example of purity in speech, in conduct, and even in thought.

As the salt of the earth, the Christian must have a certain antiseptic influence on life and society, defeating corruption, fighting against injustice and making it easier for others to avoid sin.

As salt preserve foods, we have to preserve the religious Faith, Christian cultural values and moral principles, which Jesus has given us, and we need to work at reconciling the

quarreling factions in families and communities. As the salt of the earth, we also have to add flavor to the lives of desperate people through outreach programs, to give meaning to the lives of people and boost their morale, to offer them occasions to help others, and finally to give hope where there is not hope.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

By request or appointment

Sacrament of Baptism and Marriages

Call the office for an appointment

Anointing of the Sick

Celebrated biannually at Mass or individually by appointment

For Pregnancy Support

Birthright 241-8444 or 800-550-4900

Pray Group in the Parish

Every Tuesday at 8:15 am. All Women and all Men!

MASS INTENTIONS February 4 - 10

Saturday 5:00 p.m. + John Parker

Sunday 10:00 a.m. + Cecily Olsen

Tuesday 9:00 a.m. + John Parker

Thursday 8:00 a.m. Parishioners

Friday 8:00 a.m. + Bernie Pola

Stewardship of Treasury

Report Sunday January 28 & 29, 2017

Total Plate \$ 1,313.00

EFT \$ 476.00

TOTAL \$ 1,789.00

Second Collection Maintenance for the Parish was \$396.00

We Need Your Support, Thank you and God bless you!

Men's Club

On Wednesday February 8th at 6:30 pm.

Gather and Dinner at 7 pm.

Community Center.

We have very good support for one another.

All Men Welcome!

Women's Club/Prayer Group

We meet the 4th Wednesday of each month.

February 22th from 7-8:30 PM.

Our focus is social and spiritual at the same time.

Please contact Ruth McCormick

(ruthmcc@flasj.net)

"MARDI GRAS PARISH PARTY"

Fat Tuesday!

Its happening

Tuesday February 28th, 2017

The Men's Club invites you to enjoy good dinner and drinks before the Lent beginning! The social will be from 6:00 to 6:45 and after Dinner.

We have good time with every one!

Welcome everyone in the parish and friends!!!

Build Care Packages for the Troops

Sunday, February 26th

Once again we will join with The Mountain Bible Church to put Jesus' love and mercy into practice with small practical gifts of encouragement to our men and women serving in the military overseas. A detailed list of suggested items to purchase and donate will be available as the date approaches. **This has also proven to be a great event to invite your non-church neighbors who have a heart to do well.**

Disaster Preparedness Workshops

The Mountain Emergency Response Corps (MERC), the local arm of the Red Cross, is presenting four free workshops on disaster preparedness for the mountain community. The workshops are scheduled for the evenings of **Feb 7, Mar 7, April 4, and May 9** and will be held at 7:30 PM at the Redwood Estates Pavilion. The first two workshops will discuss how to prepare for the unique challenges a disaster might present in our mountain community.

Contact George Smith at 408 353-1384

(ae6ke@comcast.net) or Phil Whiteside at

408 505-8485 for information about these workshops.

All mountain residents are invited.