

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

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**NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME**
August 13, 2017

When the disciples saw Jesus walking on the sea, they were terrified. "Take courage, it is I; do not be afraid." When Peter saw how strong the wind was he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Jesus stretched out his hand and caught Peter, and said to him, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?"

Matthew 14: 22-33

Lady of Grace

More the twenty years ago, Liam Doyle came into the world with an incomplete heart- he was born without one of the four chambers needed for the muscle to pump blood through his little body. Twice before the age of two little Liam underwent open-heart surgery to rebuild his heart. It was a terrifying ordeal not only for Liam but for his mom and dad, Mary and Brian, as well. But Brian Doyle writes in his book *Leaping: Revelations and Epiphanies* that the families traumatic experience was also a rare occasion of grace:

"This first operation was terrifying, but it happened so fast and was so necessary and was so soon after the day (Liam) was born with a twin brother that all of us – mother, father, sister, families, friends – staggered through the days and nights too tired and frightened to do anything but lurch into the next hour.

"But by the second operation my son was nearly two years old, a stubborn, funny, amiable boy with a crooked gunslinger's grin, and when a doctor carried him down the hall, his moon-boy face grinning at me as it receded toward awful pain and possible death, I went somewhere dark that frightens me still. It was a cold black country that I hope never to visit again. Yet out of the dark came my wife's hand like a hawk, and I believe, to this hour, that when she touched me I received pure grace. She woke me, saved me, not for the first time, not for the last."

As husbands and wives, as mothers and fathers, as sisters and brothers, God has given us one another to create a safe, welcoming place called family. Family is the harbor that we can always go to when storms batter our lives; family is the shelter we can always run to in times of danger; family is that one special place where we are always welcome, forgiven and loved.

As Christ catches Peter when he falls and promises to be with Peter and his church always, may we, as families, be ready to reach out to catch one another when we are sinking, offering the compassion and grace of God in the midst of life's most treacherous and terrifying storms.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

By request or appointment

BAPTISMS & WEDDINGS

Call the office for an appointment.

Anointing of the Sick

Celebrated biannually at Mass or individually call, for an appointment

For Pregnancy Support

Birthright 241-8444 or 800-550-4900

Prayer Group for Women and Men

Please come every Tuesday in the Church at 8:15 a.m.

MASS INTENTIONS August 12 - 18

Saturday 5:00 p.m. The Roberts Family

Sunday 10:00 a.m. + Cecily Olsen

Tuesday 9:00 a.m. The Sobrak-Seaton

7:00 p.m. Parishioners

Thursday 9:00 a.m. The De Pangher Family

Friday 8:00 a.m. Virginia Stehly

Olivia Joy Frazier

Baptism on July 30, 2017

Timothy M. Howell and Kelly P. Esrey

Marriage on August 5, 2017

CONGRATULATIONS!!!

Men's Club Meeting

Our next meeting and dinner will be at 6:30 PM on Wednesday, September 13th

"Together, supporting each other, we can do great things."

Women's Club/Prayer Group

We meet the 4th Wednesday of each month from 1 to 2:30 pm. **August 23th!**

Our focus is social and spiritual at the same time.

Please contact Ruth McCormick

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7th ANNUAL PARISH HARVEST

PARTY & DANCE

LIVE BAND - DANCING

FOOD & DRINKS!!!

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 9, 2017

STARTS AT 6 O'CLOCK

\$40 Donation Requested

For more information contact: Don

Boisvert 408.828.2035

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Tuesday, August 15th

The Masses at 9:00 AM. And 7:00 PM.
Because she belonged to Christ, Mary, our queen, is raised on high, a great sign for all who believe in her Son.

The *Natale or Dormition* ("Falling-asleep") of Mary came to be celebrated as early as the 5th c. in the East and in Rome; patroness of France, Paraguay, Jamaica, South Africa, and New Caledonia

RETROUVAILLE – A lifeline for marriages

MARRIAGE HELPS – Retrouvaille has helped tens of thousands of couples at all stages of disillusionment or misery in their marriage. This program can help you, or someone you know too. For confidential information or to register for the next program beginning with a Weekend on **September 22 – 24, 2017**

Call 831 479.1260 or mail:

Monterey@RetroCA.com or visit the web site at: www.HelpourMarriage.com

Stewardship of Treasury

Report Sunday August 5 & 6, 2017

Total \$ 1,689.00