

Dear sisters and brothers in Christ:

I would like to express a joyful and merry Christmas on behalf of myself, Deacons Armando, Dave, Steve and Ronnie and the parish staff. We sincerely hope that Baby Jesus has come to your heart, mind and soul while having a wonderful and peaceful time with your beloved family, friends and neighbors.

It has been almost six months since I have been appointed as a parish administrator, and I have nothing but a grateful heart and mind to be at Christ the King's Catholic faith community. We have grown together in terms of the number of the families. (When I got here in July, it was about 1,350 families under the parish. As of December 16th, there are 1,583 families currently registered.) Our finances have been strong enough to stay in the budget while aggressively paying off our debts. Most of all, I am very grateful that the community has nurtured many faith-based program such as Vacation Bible School, Monday-Wednesday Adult Scripture Studies, strong presence in Religious Education programs, active programs in youth ministry and the increase of Mass attendances. All of these indicate the active presence and work of God and our strong response to them. Thank you for your wonderful generosity in supporting our parish!



Our strong desire to support the youth leads the community to decide to send about 15-17 high school students to the 2016 World Youth Day in Poland, and I have no doubt that they will have a once in a lifetime experience, which will show them what it means to be a member of the global Catholic Church with other youth in the world. Our parish will support 25% of each person's expenses to the Pilgrimage / World Youth Day combined program. The space is limited, thus please contact our youth minister, Ms. Abby Riley, through the office.

I would also like to welcome all visitors and newcomers at our faith-filled community, Christ the King Catholic Church! WELCOME! If you are looking for a spiritual home, I would like to cordially invite you to our Masses and other programs. Those who register with our parish will receive our welcome package, thus please do not hesitate to come and visit our office to register. Our website allows you to register online www.ctkbelton.org. I hope that you will encounter the presence of Christ through our parish. Please let me know how we can reach you so that you are not just a simple visitor but a member of our faith family.

From the bottom of my heart, I would like to express my sincere Merry Christmas to each one of you. God has begun good work, and I hope that God will continuously lead us to His Goodness and Love until we see Him face to face. Christ came. Christ is coming and Christ will come in glory!

Fr. John Kim

Weekly Mass Intentions

24th 8AM Those who serve others
5PM Pro Populo
7PM Pro Populo
12 MIDNIGHT Pro Populo
25th 10:30AM Those who are far from home,
†Sam Hawkins
26th No Services

**The Parish Office Will Be
Closed For
The Holidays
December 25th-31st
January 1st-4th
We will open Monday,
January 5th at 11AM**

*Merry Christmas,
everyone!*





Please pray for those in our parish who are ill:

Lorrie Anderson
 Blane Bartek
 Fr. Angelo Bertini
 Amy Bottoms
 Aaron Camp
 Dale Duncan
 Mark Edwards
 Joan English
 Quintan Fabiano
 Angel Flores Family
 Fr. Edward Frazer
 Rolfe Geisselbrecht
 Sam "The Mailman" Green
 Angel Guajardo
 Mary Guajardo
 Frank Guerra
 William Harlow
 Don Hahn
 Froylan Hernandez
 Jose Hernandez
 Katelin Huckabee
 Elena Juarez
 Samuel Kaiser
 Gene Koch
 Irene Kulinski
 Josh Loving
 Marianne Luby
 Jeanne Luttrall

Luke Daniel McCauley
 Alex Medoza
 Jeff Merriman
 Ken Murray
 Jesus Olivarez, Jr
 Elena Ornales
 Anna Paruzinski
 John Paruzinski
 Patti Quinn
 Richard Quinn
 Myra Ramos
 Cody Rhoades
 Louis Rodriguez
 Brandon Rojas
 Jose Rojas
 Myra Rourke
 Leon Savard
 Jim Starr
 Patricia Starr
 Stephanie Van Sickler
 Henry Taylor
 Robert Trevino
 Manuel Vasquez
 Mildred Vasquez
 Raymond Vriseno
 Nettie Wall
 Frank Weis
 Jesus Zapata

**Due To The Holiday Bulletin Deadline
The Stewardship Report Will Not Be Posted
Until January 4th**

**Loan Balance as of November 30, 2014
\$430,609.00**

Additional Debt Reduction for November \$7,500

In every way we must keep in mind the words of the Lord Jesus who himself said, "It is more blessed to give than it is to receive." **Acts of the Apostles 20:35** *thank you for your generosity!*

Praying For Our Military Serving Overseas



Phillip Aiello
 Maj. David L. Gomez
 Maj. Deana S. Gomez
 Matt Jakircevic
 Maj. Reggie Jamo
 Capt. Jason Piper
 Sgt. Daniel J. Scott
 Wilbert Witt



Thank you everyone who have contributed their time and resources to making the program successful these past couple of months! I feel very blessed to work at such an incredible parish with people who love the youth. I hope your Christmas is filled with the blessings that come from an encounter with Christ.

Some things to look forward to:

1. DCYC is coming up: January 16th-18th! I recently sent out an email to all students and parents who intend on sending youth to the conference. If you did not receive this email, please contact me so that I can send you all the necessary information to prepare for the weekend. If you are not sending a teen, please pray for the group! Prayers are so effective and very appreciated.

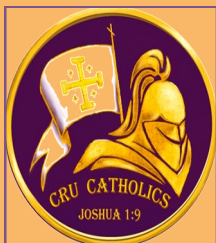
2. We will not be having SNL until January 11th due to holiday travels. Have a great break and we'll see you then!

3. The leadership retreat scheduled for the 10th of January will be postponed so that it does not conflict with Krystal Gate's wedding in San Antonio! Please pray that she may be blessed during this exciting time and for the safe travels of all of her loved ones.

Merry Christmas! Abigail Riley

Mary Queen of the Rosary Gift Shop will have Raffle Tickets on sale until Jan 15, 2015. You can help support St. Mary's Catholic School by selling or purchasing the \$5.00 raffle tickets for the Catholic Life Insurance Sweepstakes. All monies from the sale of the tickets go immediately to our school. Catholic Life Insurance is sponsoring the sweepstakes and has donated one grand prize for the entire sweepstakes and 55 secondary prizes. The 2015 Grand Prize includes the choice of a 2015 Ford F-150 truck or a 2014 Ford Fusion Sedan or a \$20,000 prepaid VISA. Secondary prizes include 55 additional VISA cards.

St. Mary's is one of 60 Catholic schools in Texas participating in the Sweepstakes. The contest will end January 15, 2015 and the prize will be drawn on January 31, 2015.



**Remember to keep
our UMHB Students in
your prayers during
the Holidays.**

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**Christ the King Catholic Church
Belton, Texas
Upcoming Liturgy Schedule**

**December 24
Christmas Eve**
No 8am
5pm English
7pm Spanish
Midnight English

**December 25
Christmas Day**
10:30am English

December 26
Friday
No Mass

December 27 - 28
Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph
Regular Weekend Schedule
Saturday
5pm Vigil

Sunday
8am Spanish
10:30am English
5pm English

December 29-30
Regular Daily Mass Schedule

December 31
8AM Regular Mass

December 31
Mary, the Holy Mother of God
(Holy Day of Obligation)
5pm Vigil Bilingual Mass
No Adoration in the evening

Are you attending CTK on a regular basis, but have not officially registered?

Would you like to be listed in the 2015 Guide Book & Directory?

This is not a Pictorial Directory, just one that highlights each ministry of the parish and lists your name, address and phone number. We are in the process of updating now. For those of you that are already registered, please make sure we have your updated phone numbers and addresses. You will not be listed in the directory if you are not a registered member.

Also, if you or your business would like to advertise in this book (to help defray the cost of publishing the book), please call the parish office and leave a message for Joyce Cunningham-Bibb.

Give a Clerical Endowment Card!

“Buying” a Clerical Endowment Card enrolls your loved one living or deceased, in prayers & mass offerings monthly for 1 year.

A perfect gift of prayer for family & friends for Christmas or as a way to begin the New Year with prayer considerations.

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Make sure you view our new

WEBSITE!

www.ckbelton.org

Try “Online Giving”

Events Outside CTK

Magnificat Center Books & Gifts, 1103 S 9th St, Temple Come shop for Christmas.

Now - January 30: Catholic Life Insurance Sweepstakes benefiting St. Mary’s School. Raffle tickets on sale at the School office and from any St Mary’s Student.

April 13-24: Pilgrimage to France, Spain & Portugal with Rev. Justin Nguyen and Deacon Jerry Klement. Call 254-773-1561



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1st Friday 24 Hour Adoration begins at 8am January 3rd and will continue every hour until 8am with Closing Benediction on January 4th. What a way to begin the year in prayer! The sign up sheet is posted in the Narthex.