

FROM FR. JOHN KIM

The last couple of weeks, we have been meditating on the great account of the Holy Eucharist in Gospel of John. In the middle of the liturgical season, the Church asks each of us to look into the meaning of the Holy Eucharist.

As we often encounter in our daily life, many non-Catholics often express difficulty in understanding the mystery of the Eucharist. Indeed, we can see bread and wine, yet we believe the real presence of Jesus is in the species of bread and wine. Physical presence is a great thing. We don't always realize this until a loved one is absent. But it is not everything. Physical presence doesn't always produce the intimacy we long for. In fact, people can be sitting side by side without being really present to one another. There may be no communication, much less communion, between them. Indeed, for all that passes between them, they might as well be miles apart. But then the opposite can happen. People can be separated by a great distance and yet be very much present to one another.

We believe that Jesus is present in the Eucharist. He is really and truly present. The mode of his presence is beyond our understanding. We call it "the real presence" because it is presence in the fullest sense. To receive the gift of the Eucharist is to receive the Lord himself.

Of course, an act of faith is required. For those who believe that God is present in all things and in all places, his unique and special presence in the Eucharist ought not to be a big problem. Besides, we have the word of Jesus: "This is my body ... this is my blood." St Cyril says "Do not doubt whether this is true, but rather receive the words of the Savior in faith, for he cannot lie."

Thank you for welcoming Fr. Brian Eilers while I was on vacation. He left a note saying that he truly enjoyed being with us. Also, I am grateful for your hospitality and love to Anthony Macha, our summer seminarian. I must say that we are a people of hospitality, and we should be proud of our "Belton hospitality." And finally, I am very grateful to all kids, parents and dedicated volunteers for making Vacation Bible School 2015 a tremendous success. Special thanks to Patricia Starr who coordinated the entire program. Y'all certainly made our kids smile!

Fr. John Kim

WELCOME TO CHRIST THE KING!

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SALVE G'DAY MATE
BIENVENUE WOLKOM
WELKOM AHLAN'WA SAHLA
WELCOME OROESO
ALOHA VELKOMMEN
 BENVENUTO WILLKOMMEN
SHALOM MERHABA
 BIENVENIDO

Thank you for joining us at Christ the King Catholic Church. We are happy to have you with us today, and hope that you feel welcome. Our parish is a very busy community of faith. Are you new to the Catholic Church? Have you been away from the Church for some time? You are invited to worship with us. Contact our parish office if you would like to learn more about the Catholic faith, discuss plans for marriage or baptism, or schedule a chat with Fr. John. If you would like to become a member of our parish, you can register online, or pick up a form in the office.

We look forward to seeing you again soon!



PLEASE PRAY FOR...

THE SICK

Dale Duncan
 Mark Edwards
 Quintan Fabiano
 Fr. Edward Frazer
 Jackie Garcia
 Silvia Garcia
 Pura Guardiola
 Bobby Hutchins
 R.J. Knesek
 Josh Loving
 Marianne Luby
 Lupe Macias
 Jesus Olivarez, Jr
 Elena Ornales
 Patti Quinn
 Filomena Rodriguez
 Maria Salas
 Leon Savard
 Richard Schiller
 Stephanie Van Sickler
 Grace Smith
 Marian Testa
 Robert Trevino
 Patricia Trujillo

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, August 15
 5:00pm † Grace F. Callahan

Sunday, August 16
 8:00am † Epifanio Rodriguez
 10:30am Michael Mason - Thanksgiving
 in honor of Mary & Joseph
 5:00pm Pro Populo

Wednesday, August 19
 8:00am † Johnny Watson

Saturday, August 22
 5:00am Pro Populo

Sunday, August 23
 8:00am † Gabriel Quiñones
 10:30am † Al Bockhold
 5:00pm † Bea Sainz

† Deceased

STEWARDSHIP

August 9

Received	\$13,726
Goal	\$14,000
Difference	(\$274)
Loan Balance	\$331,403

"It is more blessed to give than it is to receive."
 (Acts 20:35)

Thank you for your generosity!



SERVICE MEMBERS

Phillip Aiello
 David L. Gomez
 Deana S. Gomez
 Matt Jakircevic
 Reggie Jamo
 Jason Piper
 Wilbert Witt

After 30 days, names will be removed from the lists. Call the church office to extend the date.



SAVE THE DATES!

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Adoration
 Community
 Theology

Women's Retreat October 22-25 Men's Retreat September 10-13

We are excited to announce the first CTK-led ACTS Retreat! Don't miss this opportunity to deepen your faith with your CTK brothers and sisters.

To register or get more information, contact Lynn Hauger at 654-2496 or lynnhauger@yahoo.com,



FAITH FORMATION

HIGH SCHOOL

End of the Summer Lock-in - August 22

To celebrate a blessed summer, the high school youth ministry will have a lock-in at the Boulder's Rock Climbing Center in Harker Heights, Saturday August 22nd to Sunday the 23rd. The lock-in will go from 10:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m. Details are on the CTK website under Events. Please turn in a permission form printed from the Boulder's website at www.climbboulders.com. The forms are due by Monday, August 17th.

Youth Ministry Kick-off - September 20

The youth ministry program will kick-off the new school year on September 20th, from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Attendance is mandatory for all high school students and parents. There will be an informational meeting, student registration, and volunteer sign-up. The first official teaching night will be on the Sunday, September 27th from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. If you have any questions, please email Abby Riley at ariley@ctkbelton.org.

**Religious Education Registration
Sunday, August 30
after 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Masses
in the Christus Center**

It is time to register children for Religious Education for the upcoming 2015-2016 school year! In order to register, you must bring the following documents: copy of birth certificate, copy of Sacrament Certificates, Medical Emergency Form. The registration fee is \$30 per child, \$90 maximum for families with more than three children. Payment is required at the time of registration.

Pre-register

You can save time and avoid the crowd by pre-registering. Simply print the forms found online at www.ctkbelton.org, under **We Learn**. Complete the Registration and Medical Emergency Forms, and return with payment to the parish office by September 1. Remember to include copies of birth and sacrament certificates.

First Day of Class

Grades K - 4: Sept 13, Sunday, 9:15a.m. – 10:15a.m.
Grades 5 - 8: Sept 16, Wednesday, 6:15p.m. – 7:30p.m.
Grades 9 - 12: Sept 20, Sunday, 6:00p.m. – 8:00p.m.

Mandatory Parent/Student Meeting

Parents and students of grades K - 8 are required to attend a meeting on Sunday, Sept. 13 at 9:15 a.m. in the CTK sanctuary. Grades K - 4 will be seated by grade level.

ADULT

Discussion Questions for Gospel

What do you remember about your First Communion? Why was that day special to you and your family? How do you think receiving the Body and Blood of Jesus makes a difference in your life? What do you think are some of the spiritual hungers of people your age in the world today?



In what ways has your school or parish responded to the hungry? Name three ways you can help those who hunger for faith or friendship.

Adult Bible Study Classes

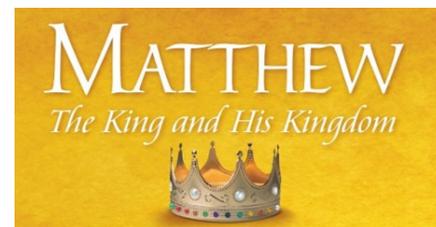
This fall Christ the King is offering two bible study opportunities. "ACTS - The Spread of the Kingdom" will be offered on Mondays from 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. in the Christus Center starting on September 14 and continuing through February 15, 2016.

The second opportunity, "Matthew - The King and His Kingdom" will be offered on Wednesdays from 9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. in the Christus Center starting on September 9 and continuing through March 30, 2016.



These programs combine personal bible reading and study with small group faith sharing in an informal setting.

The cost for each bible study is \$30. Scholarships are available. If you would like to register, contact Krissie Lastovica at klastovica@ctkbelton.org or call the parish office.



AROUND THE PARISH

Guadalupanos Breakfast - August 16

Guadalupano's will be selling breakfast on Sunday, August 16th after the 8:00 a.m. Mass in the Parish Hall.

Desayuno Guadalupano domingo 16 de agosto en el salón después de misa de 8.

Charismatic Prayer Group - August 21

This group meets invites every third Friday of the month, come to praise God. For more information contact Benjamin Vasquez 254-624-8206.

Cristo Rey los invita cada tercer Viernes del mes, a venir alabar a Dios. Para mas informacion contactar a Benjamin Vasquez 254-624-8206.

Music Ministry Ice Cream Social - August 25

Pam Fette and the music ministry invites you to join them for their annual Music Ministry Ice Cream Social on Tuesday, August 25 at 7:00 p.m. in the Christus Center. Come and meet other singers and find out what our music ministry is all about. If you have questions, call Pam at 493-1477. We look forward to seeing you there!

Ethics and Integrity in Ministry Training

EIM training is required for all employees and volunteers who minister to youth or vulnerable adults in the Austin Diocese. Two upcoming classes are scheduled at Christ the King in August:

- The **BASIC** course is scheduled for Saturday, August 29th from 12:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. in the **Parish Hall**.
- The **REFRESHER** course is scheduled for Saturday, August 22nd from 1:30 p.m. to 2:45 p.m. in the **Christus Center**.

You must register in advance online at www.austindiocese.org. For more information, contact Teresa Hays at thays@ctkbelton.org or call her at the parish office.

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

Last fall we began a new catechesis program known as The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) for our five year old kindergarteners. CGS is a Montessori approach to sharing the Catholic faith with children. It nurtures the personal relationship between Jesus, Our Good Shepherd, and the child through encounters with salvation history, Sacred Scripture, and the Liturgy. This year we would like to open CGS for our three-year-olds on Friday mornings from 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. We will begin Friday, September 18. Space is limited to 10 children, with priority given to those parents/guardians who can help us with a minimal contribution of their time. For more information, contact Robin Roach at 254-780-7618.

AROUND THE DIOCESE

Fall Fiesta Car Show - September 6

Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church at 707 S. 6th Street, Temple is having a car show on Sunday, Sept. 6 starting at 12:00 p.m. Contact George Martinez for more information or to register, 541-5404.

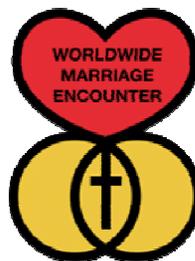
Holy Trinity Catholic High School

Holy Trinity is enrolling students for the 2015-2016 school year. For more information, contact the school office at 254-771-0787, or email admissions@holytrinitychs.org. Act soon, school starts August 13th!



Marriage Encounter Weekend

Married Couples - The car needs a tune-up; your job needs periodic continuing education; the house needs a fresh coat of paint and the grass needs mowing. What about your marriage? Isn't it time to place your relationship at the top of the list of things that need tending to? Attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter (WWME) weekend and give your marriage a tune-up. For more information on the September & November weekends, or to register call 512-522-8409 or go to www.austinme.org. Call early to ensure a space. Para información en español llamar al 512-635-1036.



St. Luke ACTS Retreats

St. Luke Catholic Church is hosting ACTS Retreats in August at Cedarbrake Retreat Center in Belton. The Women's retreat has passed. However, the Men's retreat is August 27th - 30th. The cost is \$165 per person. To register or get more information, call the St. Luke parish office at 254-773-1561.

Magnificat Center

The Magnificat Center is pleased to announce that for the month of August it will be collecting non-perishable food for CTLC (Churches Touching Lives for Christ) in Temple. Bring in your non-perishable food item in August and receive 10% off any purchase of \$10 or more (one discount per day). The Magnificat Center is located at 1103 S. 9th St. (corner of Ave. K and S. 9th Sts.) and is open Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, 10:00 am- 5:00 pm, Wednesday, 10:00 am- 8:00 pm, Saturday & Sunday, 10:00 am- 1:00 pm. Closed on Mondays. Their phone number is 254-770-3070.



PROJECT APPLE TREE

Thank you to everyone who took home an apple and shopped for back to school items needed by children in the Belton Independent School District. *Because of your generosity, every child on our tree will receive new clothes and school supplies!*

Now we need help distributing the packages. Help is needed on Monday, August 17 to hand out supplies. There are several two-hour shifts to choose from: 8:45 - 11:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., 1:00 - 3:00 p.m., and 3:00 - 5:00 p.m.



If you are interested, call Sara Hector at 899-2347 and she will assign you a task and prepare your name tag.

HELP WANTED

Calling all musicians and singers!

Christ the King’s Music Ministry invites you to experience the joy of music ministry. If you play an instrument or sing, we urge you to join us! For more information, call Pam Fette, Director of Sacred Music at 493-1477, or email at dfette@hot.rr.com.

Catechists and Aides Needed for 2015-2016

We are recruiting Catechists and Aides for the 2015-2016 school year. As our Religious Education program grows, so does the need for teachers! Do you feel called to serve? Do you love teaching the faith to children? Would you like to assist in the classroom while your child attends Religious Education? If you are interested or have any questions, please call 939-0806, or email klastovica@ctkbelton. We would love to have you join our team!

Wedding Coordinators Needed

Christ the King is in need of one or two parishioners to serve as a Wedding Coordinator for our church. Typically, we will have three or four weddings per year. A Wedding Coordinator is the bride and groom’s point of contact for needs such as unlocking the church, organizing the wedding rehearsal and coordinating details with Fr. John or the presiding priest. For more information, call the church office to schedule a meeting with Fr. John.

CTK OFFICE DIRECTORY

OFFICE HOURS

Monday 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
 Tuesday - Friday 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
 Closed for lunch 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.

OFFICE TEAM

Administration
 Nora Collazo ncollazo@ctkbelton.org
 Esther Murillo emurillo@ctkbelton.org
 Sacramental Coordinator
 Elida Castro sacraments@ctkbelton.org
 Accounting
 Marty Seger mseger@ctkbelton.org
 Business Coordinator
 Krista Kaulfus communication@ctkbelton.org

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Director of Catechesis & Formation
 Krissie Lastovica klastovica@ctkbelton.org
 Religious Education Assistant, K - 4th grades
 Marcie Gonzalez, RE mgonzalez@ctkbelton.org
 Religious Education Assistant, 5th - 8th grades
 Teresa Hays, RE thays@ctkbelton.org
 Director of Youth Ministry
 Abby Riley ariley@ctkbelton.org

Director of Sacred Music
 Pam Fette 493-1477

Finance Council Chair Tom Blair
 Pastoral Council Chair Margaret Donohoe

Contact the parish office for social needs such as bereavement, illness, Eucharist to the homebound, births, etc. For weddings, contact the office six months prior to the desired wedding date to schedule a consultation. For baptisms, register to attend a preparation class.

THANK YOU!

Vacation Bible School was a huge success! More than 100 children attended “Everest: Conquering Challenges with God’s Mighty Power.” It was an exciting expedition to the summit!

We send out a big THANK YOU to all the adult and teen volunteers who helped with snacks, decorations, singing, dancing, activities, cleanup and so much more. Photos coming soon. Blessings to you all!

