

FROM FR. JOHN KIM

We are living between two comings of Christ. The first coming is that of his coming two thousand years ago in Bethlehem. The second coming is that which we believe will happen at the end of time when Christ will come in glory. Meanwhile, where can we find Christ? I recently happened come across this story, and I hope that this illustration may help us to find the answer.

Once there was a very earnest Jewish student who had a burning desire to see the prophet Elijah, so he pleaded with his father to show him to him. His father replied, "If you study the Torah with unceasing devotion, I promise you that you'll become worthy of seeing Elijah."

The son applied himself ardently to his studies, pouring over the sacred books by day and by night for several weeks. Then he went to his father and said, "I've done what you asked me to do, but Elijah has failed to reveal himself to me. "Don't be so impatient," his father replied. "If you deserve it, he will surely reveal himself to you."

One night the son was sitting at his desk when a man came in. He was dusty from the road and his clothes were torn. He had a rough face, and carried a heavy pack on his bent back. He was about to put the pack down, when the son said to him angrily, "Don't do that. What do you think this place is a tavern?" "I'm very tired," the wayfarer pleaded. "Let me rest here a while, then I'll look for lodgings."

"No. You can't stay here. My father doesn't allow tramps to come and settle themselves here with their dusty packs." So the stranger sighed, lifted his pack to his shoulders, and went away.

About an hour later the father came in. "Well, have you seen the Prophet Elijah yet?" he asked. "No, not yet," the son replied. "Did nobody come by here today?" the father asked "Yes," the son answered. "A tramp carrying a heavy pack was here a short while ago." "And did you make him welcome?" "No, I didn't." "Why didn't you? Didn't you know it was Elijah? Now I'm afraid it's too late."

From that day on the son took upon himself the sacred obligation to welcome the stranger, no matter how he looked or what his station in life might be. And in doing so, he believed that he was in fact welcoming the prophet Elijah.

We can find Christ and serve him in our neighbors around us. However, we have another task, namely, to make Christ 'visible' to doubters and non-believers. We are Christ's witnesses in the world. The witness which the world finds most appealing is that of concern for people and of charity towards the poor, the weak, and those who suffer.

As you probably know, Christ the King parish has a special program called the Angel Tree. All those gifts will be delivered to children whose parents are incarcerated. I am aware that our parish is very generous to unfortunate neighbors in our town through Black Bag second collection every month, but I hope that many people will be able to make those children smile during this wonderful season of the year.

Fr. John Kim

WELCOME TO CHRIST THE KING!

FOON YING
SALVE G'DAY MATE
BIENVENUE WOLKOM
WELKOM AHLAN'WA SAHLA
WELCOME CROESO
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

- Eva Bright
- Verlon Browning
- Rosalie Brunkenhoefer
- Robert Burns
- Betty Canava
- Edna Castillo
- Jose Collazo
- Mark Edwards
- John Forney
- Fr. Edward Frazer
- Silvia Garcia
- Ernesto Guardiola
- Pura Guardiola
- Steven Guzman
- Hanna Haisler
- William Harlow
- Mary Huckabee
- Bobby Hutchins
- Sarah Kroll
- Easton Lopez
- Josh Loving
- Anna Marie Lozano
- Marianne Luby
- Ken Murray
- Jesus Olivarez, Jr
- Elena Ornelas
- Anna Paruzinski
- John Paruzinski
- Isabella Ramirez
- Irene Reyes
- Agrippin "Rod" Rodriguez
- Azusena Rodriguez
- David Rodriguez
- Leon Savard
- David Schiefelbein
- Lena Trevino
- Robert Trevino
- Virginia Vasquez

MASS INTENTIONS

- Saturday, November 28**
5:00pm † Larry Steven Guzman
- Sunday, November 29**
8:00am † Concepcion & Rebeca Aguirre
10:30am Pro Populo
5:00pm John Paul II Healing Center
- Monday, November 30**
8:00am † John Richard Aguilar
- Tuesday, December 1**
6:30pm † John Richard Aguilar
- Wednesday, December 2**
8:00am † John Richard Aguilar

† Deceased

STEWARDSHIP



Thank you for your generous pledge to Catholic Services Appeal. If you have not returned your envelope, please do so this week. Blank envelopes are available in the Narthex.



CHRISTMAS FLOWER DONATIONS



Envelopes are located in the pews and in your monthly mailing. Proceeds will help purchase poinsettias for the altar and sanctuary. Place your envelope in the collection basket or return to the Parish Office.

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.

PROJECT ANGEL TREE



Project Angel Tree will begin soon. The tree will be in the Narthex beginning November 28 & 29. Each angel on the tree represents a child of an incarcerated parent. Please consider helping these children have a wonderful Christmas!



FAITH FORMATION

YOUTH

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**St. Nicholas Day - December 6th**

Please join us to celebrate St. Nicholas Day, December 6th in the Christus Center after the 10:30 a.m. Mass. Cookies and cocoa will be served. Bring your camera for a photo op with St. Nicholas!

During RE that morning, the children will leave their shoes outside their classroom; St. Nicholas will leave treats for all the kids!

HIGH SCHOOL**World Youth Day Fundraiser**

Leave the cooking to us on Sunday evenings! Please come and join in fellowship over food at the Tacqueria Mexicano Grill on Sparta Rd (across from the Walmart) Sunday evenings after the 5:00 p.m. Mass. The owners have agreed to give the World Youth Day participants 10% of all food bought by CTK parishioners and friends each week after the 5:00 p.m. Sunday Mass, from now until the kids fly to Poland in July 2016! Ensure that you write Christ the King on the receipt when paying, and save your copy.

Service Project - December 12

Our next Service Project Saturday will take place on Dec. 12th from 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. at Park Place Manor Assisted Living Facility, 810 E. 13th Ave., Belton. Lunch after.

SNL Christmas Party - December 13

The John Finch band will play a concert for our SNL Christmas party! We ask students to bring a "love offering" of at least \$2 to help offset the band's expenses. Teens are encouraged to bring their friends! It will be a family friendly event, so everyone is invited to join the youth group in celebrating Advent.

DCYC - January 29 thru 31

Diocesan Catholic Youth Conference registration is now open! The youth conference will be held in Waco the weekend of Jan 29th- 31st. Registration is \$60, which covers meals, supplies and entrance fees. Details and consent form are on the CTK website under **Youth/Young Adult**. Reserve your spot early!

CRU CATHOLICS

The Cru Catholics' annual Christmas party is Dec. 1st at 7 :00 p.m. at the Cube! Join us for food and fellowship! Just as a reminder, if you put your name in the drawing for secret Santa gifts, we will have the gift exchanging the day of the party. We hope to see you there!

ADULT



It's Coming! "Year of Mercy"

**Year of Mercy Events
Using Dimensions of Our Faith**

Prayer

Divine Mercy Chaplet
Fridays 12:00 p.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Liturgical Life

Parish-wide Penance Service
Advent: Tues., Dec. 15, 7:00 p.m.
Lent: TBA

Missionary Spirit

Complimentary Book - "Rediscover Jesus"
December 24th & 25th

Knowledge of Faith

Dives in Misericordia (Mercy of God)
Sundays, Jan. 3rd and 10th at 9:15 a.m.

Communal Life

"One Book/One Parish" (Church of Mercy)
January 2016

Moral Formation

Presentation by Fr. Charlie Garza
Spiritual and Corporal Works of Mercy
Sat., Feb. 13, 2016

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

God's sending of Jesus is an act of mercy for the world, and so the season of Advent is a perfect time for reflection upon themes of mercy and hope. Pope Francis has called upon all Catholics to be a living sign of God's love for the world. By embracing the call to mercy, we will know the full grace of the season.



AROUND THE PARISH

Guadalupanos TAMALES - This Weekend

The Guadalupanos will be selling delicious homemade tamales after all Masses this weekend. Please stop by the patio and pick up a dozen or two!

NO Religious Education - Nov. 29

Due to the Thanksgiving holiday, there will be no Religious Education classes on Sunday, Nov. 29. Have a blessed and safe Thanksgiving!

Annunciation Maternity Home - Nov. 28 & 29

The baby crib will be placed in the Narthex this weekend to receive any donations for The Annunciation Maternity Home in Georgetown. This is a shelter created especially for young (teen) mothers as a long-term facility to help them not only with their pregnancy and birth, but also to help them become fully functioning adults when they leave. Their needs include gently used or new baby or maternity clothes, diapers and wipes, monetary donations or gift cards to HEB or WalMart, and personal toiletries for mothers and babies.

**Adoration - Dec. 4**

Adoration is Friday, Dec. 4 beginning with mass at 6:30 a.m. through Benediction at 8:00 a.m. Saturday. The sign-up board is in the Narthex. It doesn't matter if the hour that you would like to fill has a name in it. Please add your name.

"So, could you not watch with me one hour?"
- Mt 26:40

**Ornaments & Tamale Sale - Dec. 5 & 6**

Mary Queen of the Rosary's Christmas ornament and tamale sale will be held after all masses on Dec. 5th & 6th. Guadalupanos

Parish-wide Penance Service - Dec. 15

Our parish-wide Penance Service will be Tuesday, Dec. 15 at 7:00 p.m. There will not be confession at 6:00 p.m. or Mass at 6:30 p.m.

Bella Sona Christmas Concert - Dec. 11

Bella Sona invites you to a Christmas Concert on Friday, Dec. 11 at 7:00 p.m. This is a wonderful opportunity to get in the Christmas spirit! Admission is free. Reception to follow. Holy Trinity High Catholic High School, 6608 W. Adams Ave., Temple.

Joyful Hearts Mothers Group

Dec. 2 - Mom's Night Out, 6:00pm

Dec. 9 - Nativity craft, 10:00am

Dec. 16 - Arusha's Coffee and book discussion, 7:00pm

For more info, contact Sarah Spellman 540-845-0215

CHRISTMAS CAROL CONCERT

DECEMBER 24

Please join the King's Chorus
for a Christmas Carol Concert and Carol Singing
11:30 p.m. to midnight
Then celebrate the Birth of Our Savior with
Christmas Midnight Mass

AROUND THE DIOCESE

Day of Scripture, Prayer and Sacraments - Dec. 5

Join us for a day of scripture, prayer and sacraments dealing with the wonderful mystery of the Mercy of God at Holy Family Catholic Church. Follow the course of salvation history, from Eden to the present with Our Lady and the saints as our guides. Learn why "now, more than ever, is the time of mercy" and how we are all called to and can participate.

The retreat will begin at 8:45 a.m. and end at 5:00 p.m. Presented by Dcn. Jim DiSimoni and Dcn. Tim Dorsey. Location TBD. Cost is \$2 per person and includes a light breakfast and lunch. Register by Dec. 1. Call 254-547-3735 for more information.

David Kauffman in Concert - Dec. 8 at 7:00 p.m.

David Kauffman is a prolific artist whose works touch and inspire people worldwide. He is the founder and creative director of Good For The Soul Music, based in San Antonio, Texas. Kauffman is a songwriter and recording artist, screenwriter and movie producer, and husband and father whose creations are described as "good for the soul."

Join us on December 8th in the church sanctuary at St. Luke Catholic Church and sing along to favorites like BEHOLD, BE STILL and SEE WHAT YOU ARE as we prepare our hearts to receive the New Born King, Emmanuel. All are welcome! A Love Offering will be collected during the concert and CDs will be available for sale.

St. Luke Catholic Church, 2807 Oakdale, Temple, TX



EN ESPAÑOL

**Calendario para el mes de Diciembre
Guadalupanos Cristo Rey**

Diciembre 3 Primer dia de la novena para la Virgen de Guadalupe. 7:00pm

- Diciembre 3 - Santuario
- Diciembre 4 - Christus Center
- Diciembre 5 - Christus Center
- Diciembre 6 - Christus Center
- Diciembre 7 - Parish Hall
- Diciembre 8 - Christus Center
- Diciembre 9 - Life House
- Diciembre 10 - Christus Center
- Diciembre 11 - Santuario a las 10:30 pm

Diciembre 5 (Sabado) viaje a Kyle Tx para la celebración Diocesana para la Virgen de Guadalupe. Autobus saldrá de Cristo Rey a las 7:00am y vuelve a la Iglesia a las 5:00pm

Diciembre 10 Decorar el altar de la Virgen de Guadalupe a las 6:30 después de la misa

Diciembre 11 Viernes: Misa de Media Noche para la Virgen de Guadalupe con Matachines y Mariachi.
 10:00 - 10:30pm Coro de Cristo rey
 10:30pm Rosario
 11:00pm - 11:40pm Mariachi
 11:40pm - 11:58pm Matachines

*** Habrá un recepción después de la Misa en el Christus Center.

Diciembre 12 Decorar el Salón Parroquial para los eventos del Domingo. 4:00pm a 6:00pm

Diciembre 13 8:00am Misa en espanol para La Virgen de Guadalupe. Después de Misa, se presenta "La Aparición", Matachines y el Coro en el Salón Parroquial. Se servirá comida después de los eventos.

*** Matachines bailaran afuera después de la Misa de 8:00 am y en seguida la procesión al salón parroquial.

*** Miembros de los Guadalupanos renovaran los votos a la Virgen de Guadalupe durante la Misa de 8:00 am.

Diciembre 15 Primer Posada a las 7:00pm Habrá un total de 9 Posadas. Tendremos información de los locales donde se presentarán.

CTK OFFICE DIRECTORY

OFFICE HOURS

Monday 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
 Tuesday - Friday..... 9:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
 Wednesday - Friday 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
 Closed for lunch..... 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.
 Saturday - Sunday closed

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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.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

The Parish Office will be closed
December 8
 In honor of
 The Feast of Immaculate Conception
 (Holy Day of Obligation)

The office will also be closed
December 23 - January 3

