

FROM FR. JOHN KIM

Gandhi tells how when he was fifteen he stole a little piece of gold from his brother. However, he felt so bad about it that he made up his mind to confess it to his father. He wrote out his sin on a piece of paper, asking for forgiveness and punishment, while promising never to steal again. At the time his father was in bed, sick. Gandhi handed him the note and sat by the bedside waiting for his judgement. His father sat up in bed and began to read the note. As he read it, tears came into his eyes. Gandhi himself also cried. Instead of getting angry and punishing him, the father hugged his repentant son, and that was the end of the matter. The experience of being loved while he was in sin had a profound effect on Gandhi. He said later, "Only the person who has experienced this kind of love can know what it is."

This is the kind of love the younger son experienced when he came back home. There is no question but that he behaved badly. Yet when he came back home, what happened? His father didn't merely receive him back; he welcomed him back, and it was no half-hearted or grudging welcome either. It was a warm, whole-hearted, and prodigally generous welcome. In the welcome the younger son got, Jesus shows us God's attitude to repentant sinners. If we are sinners - and which of us is not a sinner? - then God loves us not less but more. It doesn't do us much good to be loved for being perfect. We need to be accepted and loved precisely as sinners.

The parish wide penance service will be held on Tuesday, March 8th at 7:00 p.m., and there will be more than eight priests available to hear confessions – both English and Spanish. It is time for us to go back the Father's home once again. No matter whether we felt back to the same sin, no matter how much we feel unworthy of God's love and mercy, no matter if we just go through the motion, God the Father will take us back. No wonder why the psalmist says, "God's mercy endures forever" (Psa 136). All we have to do is to bring ourselves to this amazing Sacrament of Healing.

See you there!

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 vibrant 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

Cheryl Bass
 Gaylan Bishop
 Estaban Brawn
 Verlon Browning
 Betty Canava
 James Carlile III
 Edna Castillo
 Melanie Cox-Bittner
 Rosie Dominguez
 Mark Edwards
 Sally Espinoza
 Fr. Edward Frazer
 Berta Fulwiler
 Carmela Garcia
 Ernesto Guardiola
 Pura Guardiola
 Pat Hathaway
 Bobby Hutchins
 Fred LeNay
 Wilbert Leune
 Marianne Luby
 Maria Rosario Magdaleno
 Patricia Morris
 Ken Murray
 Elena Ornelas
 Jake Petter
 Jack Polo
 Isabella Ramirez
 Agrippin "Rod" Rodriguez
 Teodoro Salinas
 Leon Savard
 Maria Solis
 Ruben Solis
 Alfredo Sotelo
 Robert Trevino
 Stephanie VanSickler
 Elva Villareal
 Diane Waite
 Rick White

SERVICE MEMBERS

Phillip Aiello
 David L. Gomez
 Deana S. Gomez
 Matt Jakircevic
 Reggie Jamo
 R.J. Jolly
 Christopher Kroll
 Jason Piper
 Curtis J. Walters II
 Wilbert Witt

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

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, March 5
 5:00pm † Joe R. Castro

Sunday, March 6
 8:00am † Federico Reyes
 10:30am John Rehak
 5:00pm Pro Populo

Wednesday, March 9
 8:00am † Fred Dreher

Thursday, March 10
 6:30pm † Danny Coppin

Friday, March 11
 8:00am † Cosme Rios

Saturday, March 12
 5:00pm Pro Populo

Sunday, March 13
 8:00am † Javier Maldonado
 10:30am † Becky Deaver
 5:00pm † Mary Treviño

† Deceased

STEWARDSHIP

February 28

Received	\$12,944
Goal	\$14,500
Difference	(\$1,556)
Loan Balance	\$131,612

This week's second collection:
Catholic Relief Services

Next week's second collection:
Black Bag
 Helping Hands of Belton
 Salt & Light Food Pantry
 Body of Christ Community Clinic

Thank you for your generosity!



EASTER FLOWER ENVELOPES
 ARE IN THE PEW POCKETS
 THIS WEEKEND
PLEASE RETURN BY MARCH 13

LENTEN PENANCE SERVICES

Killeen/Temple Deanery

All services are at 7:00 p.m.

March 8 ... Christ the King, Belton: English, Spanish, Vietnamese, Korean
 March 9St. Stephen, Salado: English, Spanish, Vietnamese, Korean
 March 9Sts. Cyril and Methodius, Marek: English, Spanish
 March 10Holy Family, Copperas Cove: English, Spanish, Korean, Vietnamese
 March 15St. Joseph, Killeen: English, Spanish, Korean, Vietnamese
 March 16St. Luke, Temple: English, Spanish, Korean, Vietnamese *
 March 16St. Monica, Cameron: English, Spanish.
 March 17Our Lady of Guadalupe, Temple: English, Spanish, Vietnamese
 March 17St. Joseph, Cyclone: English, Spanish.
 March 20Church of Visitation, Westphalia: English, Spanish
 March 21St. Paul Chong Hasang, Harker Heights: English, Spanish, Korean, Vietnamese *

**Confessions also that day from 10:00 am to noon.*



LENTEN ACTIVITIES

**Gabriel Project**

Thank you for supporting Gabriel Project, a local support program for women in crisis pregnancies. The baby crib is in the Narthex to receive your donations.

(The monthly donations for Annunciation Maternity Shelter will resume after Easter).

Thank you so much for your generosity!

DON'T
GIVE UP
chocolate
THIS LENT

BEST
LENT
EVER

What are you doing for Lent this Year? What if you were told: "Don't give up chocolate. Instead, do something life-changing!"

Lent isn't just about giving something up; it's about transformation. It's about doing something bold to become a better version of yourself.

This Lent, join Christ the King for the Best Lent Ever, a free email program from Dynamic Catholic that is based on Matthew Kelly's "Rediscover Jesus" that we gave out on Ash Wednesday. Sign up online, and each day you will receive an inspirational e-mail with a short video. Throughout Lent, you will be guided through each of the 40 chapters in Rediscover Jesus and share simple ways to bring Jesus into your everyday life.

Sign up for free at DynamicCatholic.com/Lent

FAITH FORMATION

ADULT**Year of Mercy****A Generous Spirit**

Reading I: Joshua 5:9a, 10–12
(rites at Gilgal)

Reading II: 2 Corinthians 5:17–21
(a new creation)

Gospel: Luke 15:1–3, 11b–32
(the prodigal son)



Key Passage: "Then the father said to him, "Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. But we had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and has come to life; he was lost and has been found." (Luke 15:31–32)

Adult: Like the younger son, when have you been lost and were found by the merciful and compassionate Father who loves you?

Youth: What are some ways people have been merciful and forgiving toward you? How can you practice forgiving others?

YOUTH**Spring Schedule**

We will not have SNL youth ministry nights on March 13th due to spring break, or March 27th due to Easter Sunday.

Godstock - April 16

The youth will be attending Godstock April 16th at Eagle's Wings Retreat Center! If you would like to go, please contact Miss Abby to see if we can get you a spot. We are still looking for chaperones willing to drive teens and camp overnight, so if you are interested please contact Abby at ariley@ctkbelton.org.

High School Confirmation Classes

High school students who are going to be confirmed in May are required to attend confirmation classes on Thursday nights at 6:30 p.m. in the RE Building! Students are only allowed **two** absences to receive credit for the course. If you have questions, contact Abby Riley at 254-939-0806 or ariley@ctkbelton.org.



AROUND THE PARISH

Columbian Squires - March 6

The next Squires meeting is March 6 Squire meeting after the 10:30 a.m. Mass in the Christus Center. All young men from ages 10 to 18 are invited to attend.

Prepare the Way - March 12

Volunteers are needed on Saturday, March 12 at 9:00 a.m. to cover the statues in the church. If you have questions, please contact Colleen Saxon at 254-290-0174.

Baptism Class - April 2

The next English baptismal class is scheduled for Saturday, April 2 from 9:00 a.m.- 12:00 p.m in the Christus Center. Parents/Godparents should contact the parish office at 254-939-0806 or email sacraments@ctkbelton.org to register and obtain additional information.

Crusillo Group

We invite all Cursillistas and not Crusillistas to Ultrella every Tuesday in the portable building of the parish at 7:00 pm. For more information call the Lady Lorena Sarinana at 254-774-7891.

Se les hace una cordial invitacion a todos los Crusillistas y no Crusillistas a la Ultrella todos los Martes en en el edificio portatil de la parroquia a las 7:00 pm. Para mas informacion llamar a la Señora Lorena Sarinana al 254-774-7891.

Mary Queen of the Rosary Gift Shop

Mary Queen of the Rosary Gift Shop has great gifts for every occasion, such as bibles, prayer books, rosaries and jewelry. We are open before and after the 5:00 p.m. Saturday Mass, the 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Sunday Masses, and after the 5:00 p.m. Sunday Mass. Contact Eva Bright at 254-939-6263 or Marie Harley at 254-933-0608 if you need to purchase a gift on weekdays.

JClub Book Orders

JClub book orders ready for pickup this weekend after all Masses. Look for us on the patio!

**Fridays During Lent**

Stations of the Cross, CTK Sanctuary
6:00 p.m. English
7:00 p.m. Spanish

Soup Suppers, 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Mar. 11 - Sponsored by KCs: Fish Fry (Parish Hall)
Mar. 18 - Sponsored by Women's Ministry

EASTER EGG HUNT

The 3rd Annual Easter Egg Hunt will be on Easter Sunday, March 27 immediately following the 10:30 a.m. Mass. It will take place in the field next to the Parish Hall. Please remember to bring your Easter basket to collect your eggs. There will be a nice spot to take a family photo, too. All kids are welcome to join us!

We need donations of plastic eggs and candy. Items can be dropped off in the "Easter Bucket" in the Christus Center. Egg Stuffing Party details to be announced soon!

**St. Mary's Catholic School**

Families are invited to Welcome Wednesdays every week from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. You can visit classrooms, meet the faculty and staff, and take a tour of the school. St. Mary's is located at 1019 South 7th St., Temple. For more information, call 254-778-8141 or visit www.stmarys-temple.org.

Fundraiser for World Youth Day Teens

Come and enjoy good food and great fellowship after the 5:00 p.m. Sunday Mass, at Tacqueria Mexicano across from Walmart on Sparta Rd. The restaurant will donate 10% of your food purchase to our teens attending World Youth Day this summer in Poland. Write CTK on your receipt when paying your bill. Blessings!

Grief Recovery Group

The CTK Grief Recovery Support Group meets in the gift shop at 7:00 p.m. every 1st, 2nd and 3rd Wednesday of the month. Focus is on growth, identity issues, coping with change, reassessing needs and dealing with grief. For more information, contact Janice Nelson at 254-760-5008.

Joyful Hearts Mother's Group

This ministry is open to all moms. We meet weekly on Wednesdays. Contact Sarah Spellman at 540-845-0215 for more information.

SAVE THE DATE!**May 22, 2016**

AROUND THE DIOCESE

Rosary Rally

On Saturday, March 19, the Feast of St. Joseph, there will be a Public Square Rosary Rally in honor of Our Lady of Fatima. The rally will begin as a peaceful gathering in defense of the sanctity of marriage at 11:00 a.m. At precisely 12:00 noon, we will begin the rosary along with 3,000 other rosary rallies across the nation. It will end by 1:00 p.m. Please join other faithful Catholics at Holy Trinity Catholic High School on West Adams to pray for our country. For more information and details, please email Matt Gokingco, at mattlg4anf@gmail.com. For information about America Needs Fatima, visit www.anf.org

Marriage Encounter Weekend

A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend is like spring-time. It's a weekend of fresh air, the rebirth of romance and new beginnings. If you'd like to make your marriage even more special than it already is – call now! Upcoming weekends are scheduled for April 15-17 at Cedarbrake Renewal Center in Belton, and September 23-25 at Wingate Hotel in Round Rock. To apply online visit: www.wvme.org. Or, contact Steve & Linda Jaramillo at 512-677-WWME (9963) or email wwmeaustin@gmail.com. Call early to ensure a space. Para información en español llamar al 512-844-0785.

Warrior Awakening #3 Retreat

Are you a young adult looking to grow in your Christian faith? Are you longing to strengthen your relationship with Jesus? The mission of the Warrior Awakening retreat is to "awaken" the hearts of young adults to The Lord and their role as a Christian. The retreat is Catholic-based, but is open to everyone. The retreat is a response to the Lord's commandment to "go to all peoples and make them my disciples" (Mt 28:19). Register for our upcoming retreat hosted by the Warriors in Faith from Texas A&M - Central Texas and be moved by the spirit. The retreat will be an opportunity to meet new friends, learn more about your faith, and have a weekend of fun! Registration and payment is currently open to all; the cost is \$45. (Includes lodging and all meals)

THEME:

Alive Again

WHEN:

APRIL 22-24, 2016 (Friday-Sunday)

WHERE:

Copperas Cove, TX at Holy Family Catholic Church

REGISTER:

Visit WarriorsInFaith.com/warrior-awakening/ for more information, or email warriorawakening@gmail.com

CTK OFFICE DIRECTORY

OFFICE HOURS

Monday 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
 Tuesday 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.

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Great Jubilee Year of Mercy
 with
The Divine Mercy Chaplet
 Fridays at noon
 in the sanctuary
 (except first Fridays)

