



Sunday, November 22, 2020

The Feast of Christ the King

Christ reigns as King of the Entire World Forever

"When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit upon his glorious throne, and all the nations will be assembled before him. "

Matthew 25:31

Week At A Glance

Monday, November 23

5:30 pm—MASS

Tuesday, November 24

11:00 am—Bible Study -

4:00 pm—Adoration & Confession

4:30 pm—Women's 4th Day

5:30 pm—MASS

Wednesday, November 25

5:30 pm—MASS

Thursday, November 26

OFFICE CLOSED

10:00 am—MASS of Thanksgiving

Friday, November 27

OFFICE CLOSED

11:00—12:00 Adoration & Confession

12:15 pm -MASS for Samuel Scott on the anniversary of his Baptism, by the Berninger Family

Saturday, November 28

4:00 pm—Confessions

5:00 pm—MASS for Buckley Johnson by Donald & Virginia Oleson

Sunday, November 29

8:30 am—MASS for All Parishioners

11:00 am—MASS for Michael Ascione by Christ the King Parish

IMPORTANT:

In response to the MDHHS Emergency Order and the memo from Bishop Hurley, all indoor non-liturgical gatherings are suspended November 18 through December 8.

Masses and liturgical activities continue as planned.

Faith Formation for Elementary and Middle School children will continue.

Faith Formation for High School and Adults is suspended during this time also.

We continue to pray for an end to this pandemic!

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Pat Beckwith	Kendall Travis	Dave & Susan Burke
Diane Hardwick	Fran Courtade	Frank Samborski
Irene Kilcherman	Alice McGahey	Polly Martin
Michelle Konstanzer		Raymond & Beth Purvis
Mary & John Quast		Madilyn Cory

- ◆ For those who suffer from chronic health issues/ mental health challenges.
- ◆ For the safety of all our service personnel.

If you have other prayer requests or would like to become a member of the Agape Prayer Line, please call:

Marilyn Niesen (231-938-9057)



From the desk of Fr. Jarvis

Dear Parish Family,

Last week we reflected on Pilgrimage, on life and on living it to the fullest on our way to our hope, the destination of beatitude with God. In particular we discussed the short essay by Hilaire Belloc called "The Idea of Pilgrimage" in an attempt to help us notice the grace in every moment of our walk in this life. Every second is an opportunity to grow in holiness, to draw closer to our Lord, to enter more deeply into our faith. As this liturgical year comes to a close today with the great feast of Christ the King it is good for us to reflect on this. What kind of pilgrimage have we been walking in these days and weeks. How do we hope to walk with a new and lively step that focuses on Charity and on Christ as our King? More on this next weekend, but for now, I offer you the text of this short essay by Belloc so you can reflect on it yourself. Lets start Advent and the new liturgical year with the idea of pilgrimage.

Viva Cristo Rey!

Fr. Jarvis

THE IDEA OF PILGRIMAGE – By Hilaire Belloc

A pilgrimage is, of course, an expedition to some venerated place to which a vivid memory of sacred things experienced, or a long and wonderful history of human experience in divine matters, or a personal attraction affecting the soul impels one. This is, I say, its essence. So a pilgrimage may be made to the tomb of Descartes, in Paris, or it may be a little walk uphill to a neighboring and beloved grave, or a modern travel, even in luxury, on the impulse to see something that greatly calls one.

But there has always hung round the idea of a pilgrimage, with all people and at all times--I except those very rare and highly decadent generations of history in which no pilgrimages are made, nor any journeys, save for curiosity or greed--there has always hung round it, I say, something more than the mere objective. Just as in general worship you will have noble gowns, vivid color, and majestic music (symbols, but necessary symbols of the great business you are at); so, in this particular case of worship, clothes, as it were, and accoutrements, gather round one's principal action. I will visit the grave of a saint or of a man whom I venerate privately for his virtues and deeds, but on my way I wish to do something a little difficult to show at what a price I hold communion with his resting-place, and also on toy way I will see all I can of men and things; for anything great and worthy is but an ordinary thing transfigured, and if I am about to venerate a humanity absorbed into the divine, so it behooves me on my journey to it to enter into and delight in the divine that is hidden in everything. Thus I may go upon a pilgrimage with no pack and nothing but a stick and my clothes, but I must get myself into the frame of mind that carries an invisible burden, an eye for happiness and suffering, humor, gladness at the beauty of the world, a readiness for raising the heart at the vastness of a wide view, and especially a readiness to give multitudinous praise to God; for a man that goes on a pilgrimage does best of all if he starts out (I say it of his temporal object only) with the heart of a wanderer, eager for the world as it is, forgetful of maps or descriptions, but hungry for real colors and men and the seeming of things. This desire for reality and contact is a kind of humility, this pleasure in it a kind of charity.

It is surely in the essence of a pilgrimage that all vain imaginations are controlled by the greatness of our object. Thus, if a man should go to see the place where (as they say) St. Peter met our Lord on the Appian Way at dawn, he will not care very much for the niggling of pedants about this or that building, or for the rhetoric of posers about this or that beautiful picture. If a thing in his way seem to him frankly ugly he will easily treat it as a neutral, forget it and pass it by. If, on the contrary, he find a beautiful thing, whether done by God or by man, he will remember and love it. This is what children do, and to get the heart of a child is the end surely of any act of religion. In such a temper he will observe rather than read, and though on his way he cannot do other than remember the names of places, saying, "Why, these are the Alps of which I have read!

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Here is Florence, of which I have heard so many rich women talk!" yet he will never let himself argue and decide or put himself, so to speak, before an audience in his own mind--for that is pride which all of us moderns always fall into. He will, on the contrary, go into everything with curiosity and pleasure, and be a brother to the streets and trees and to all the new world he finds. The Alps that he sees with his eyes will be as much more than the names he reads about, the Florence of his desires as much more than the Florence of sickly-drawing-rooms; as beauty loved is more than beauty heard of, or as our own taste, smell, hearing, touch and sight are more than the vague relations of others. Nor does religion exercise in our common life any function more temporarily valuable than this, that it makes us be sure at least of realities, and look very much askance at philosophies and imaginaries and academic whimsies.

Look, then, how a pilgrimage ought to be nothing but a nobler kind of travel, in which, according to our age and inclination, we tell our tales, or draw our pictures, or compose our songs. It is a very great error, and one unknown before our most recent corruptions, that the religious spirit should be so superficial and so self-conscious as to dominate our method of action at special times and to be absent at others. It is better occasionally to travel in one way or another to some beloved place (or to some place wonderful and desired for its associations), haunted by our mission, yet falling into every ordinary levity, than to go about a common voyage in a chastened and devout spirit. I fear this is bad theology, and I propound it subject to authority. But, surely, if a man should say, "I will go to Redditch to buy needles cheap," and all the way take care to speak no evil of his neighbour, to keep very sober, to be punctual in his accounts, and to say his regular prayers with exactitude, though that would be a good work, yet if he is to be a _pilgrim_ (and the Church has a hundred gates), I would rather for the moment that he went off in a gay, tramping spirit, not oversure of his expenses, not very careful of all he said or did, but illuminated and increasingly informed by the great object of his voyage, which is here not to buy or sell needles, or what not, but to loose the mind and purge it in the ultimate contemplation of something divine.

There is, indeed, that kind of pilgrimage which some few sad men undertake because their minds are overburdened by a sin or tortured with some great care that is not of their own fault. These are excepted from the general rule, though even to these a very human spirit comes by the way, and the adventures of inns and foreign conversations broaden the world for them and lighten their burden. But this kind of pilgrimage is rare and special, having its peculiar virtues. The common sort (which how many men undertake under another name!) is a separate and human satisfaction of a need, the fulfilling of an instinct in us, the realisation of imagined horizons, the reaching of a goal. For whoever yet that was alive reached an end and could say he was satisfied? Yet who has not desired so to reach an end and to be satisfied? Well, pilgrimage is for the most a sort of prefiguring or rehearsal. A man says: "I will play in show (but a show stiffened with a real and just object) at that great part which is all we can ever play. Here I start from home, and there I reach a goal, and on the way I laugh and watch, sing and work. Now I am at ease and again hampered; now poor, now rich, weary towards the end and at last arrived at that end. So my great life is, and so this little chapter shall be." Thus he packs up the meaning of life into a little space to be able to look at it closely, as men carry with them small locket portraits of their birthplace or of those they love.

If a pilgrimage is all this, it is evident that however careless, it must not be untroublesome. It would be a contradiction of pilgrimage to seek to make the journey short and rapid, merely consuming the mind for nothing, as is our modern habit; for they seem to think nowadays that to remain as near as possible to what one was at starting, and to one's usual rut, is the great good of travel (as though a man should run through the *Iliad* only to note the barbarous absurdity of the Greek characters, or through Catullus for the sake of discovering such words as were like enough to English). That is not the spirit of a pilgrimage at all. The pilgrim is humble and devout, and human and charitable, and ready to smile and admire; therefore he should comprehend the whole of his way, the people in it, and the hills and the clouds, and the habits of the various cities. And as to the method of doing this, we may go bicycling (though that is a little flurried) or driving (though that is luxurious and dangerous, because it brings us constantly against servants and flattery); but the best way of all is on foot, where one is a man like any other man, with the sky above one, and the road beneath, and the world on every side, and time to see all. So also I designed to walk, and did, when I visited the tombs of the Apostles.

Our Traverse City Perpetual Adoration chapel welcomes Adorers!!

St. Teresa of Calcutta said "A Holy Hour of adoration before the Most Blessed Sacrament opens up the floodgates of God's merciful Love upon the world and helps to bring everlasting peace to earth!" During this difficult time is Our Lord calling you to spend an hour with Him for the benefit of all?!

Please prayerfully consider signing up by going to:

www.stfrancisadoration.org

or call: Colleen Lewis 231.883.6081 for more information.

Thank you and God Bless

"Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brethren, you did it to me."

**SAFE
HARBOR**



Hosted by Christ the King (CTK) Catholic Church

Saturday, December 12th through Saturday, December 19th, 2020

As we have the last 3 years, our parish will be hosting Safe Harbor at their shelter at 517 Wellington Street, Traverse City.

Safe Harbor is a faith-based ministry extending love and service to the homeless in the Traverse City area by offering emergency shelter, meals, and hospitality.

The following are ways for you to participate:

1. Dinner Leader & Hosts: help provide for, prepare, and serve dinner (4:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m., dinner served 6:15 p.m. to 7:15 p.m.). Need a lead coordinator and helpers for each day. A new change this year - it will be possible to prepare the dinner in our own CTK kitchen if you so choose, but it would still be served at the shelter.
2. Evening Leader & Hosts: assist Goodwill Staffer with guest check-in, share dinner with guests, visit and play games with guests (5:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.)
3. Overnight Hosts: no overnight hosts are needed this year.
4. Breakfast/Morning Leader & Hosts: put out a simple continental breakfast and light clean-up after guests depart (5:30 a.m. to 8:00 a.m.). Normally we would need volunteers all week, but this year they will only be needed on the weekends.
5. Cleaning Volunteers: no cleaning volunteers will be needed this year.
6. Cash donations to help cover the costs of food that CTK parishioners will prepare and serve.

Please consider serving those who need our support during upcoming cold nights in Northern Michigan. We are attempting to fill the volunteer slots now. Please contact John Ehardt at (231) 392-9550 / jaehardt@me.com or Katie Bobrowski at (616) 460-6622 / kbobrowski@charter.net

Holy Cross Children's Services— Sweatshirt/Hoodie Drive



In this time of uncertainty we are praying for your help. Temperatures are getting colder and the Christmas Season is fast approaching. The Knights of Columbus are again partnering with Holy Cross Children's Services to provide a sweatshirt or

hoodie for teens for Christmas. The following guidelines will help you make your purchase if you wish to donate.

- New, ADULT SIZES (L, XL, XXL, XXXL)
- Respectful logos or emblems
- NO BLACK please, (represents gangs)
- Unwrapped
- Donation Box in the Usher's Room
- Drop off by Thanksgiving

Thank you for your generosity and support in helping to make Christmas for a teen at Holy Cross Children's Services!

Jim Keedy, Grand Knight K of C #9979

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Hope for Michigan families



**Advent begins next Sunday,
November 29th, 2020**

SUNDAY MASS DISPENSATION EXTENDED

Bishop Walter Hurley, Apostolic Administrator of the Diocese of Gaylord, has announced the extension of the dispensation for all Catholics within the Diocese of Gaylord from the obligation of attending Sunday Mass until further notice.

The granting of this dispensation is not to discourage those who are able to attend Sunday Mass from doing so, but rather to enable anyone who needs to stay at home to protect the common good (their own or that of others) may do so confidently and in good conscience.

The protocols for Mass that have been established during this pandemic for the well-being and safety of all remain in place for parishes within the Diocese of Gaylord, namely: the **required** use of masks; limited singing; limited attendance to maintain social distancing and cleansing of the churches according to CDC guidelines;

"All are asked to carefully observe these protocols because we care for each other and love each other as the Lord has called us to," said Bishop Hurley. The celebration of the Eucharist/Sunday Mass should be at the very core of our faith life, and we are all called to keep holy the Lord's day. We must each seek to find time for prayer and spiritual Communion with the Lord, even if we cannot be present for the celebration of Eucharist.

Please continue to pray with me for consolation and relief from the pandemic. May we look forward to the day with fervent hope when we may be able to return to Mass together.



Please join us in welcoming our new parishioners...

- Robert & Mary Jo Ferguson, Samantha and Grace
- Dean & Kelly Stuhmueller Jr., Deano and Meghan
- Mark & Ashley Pierson, Samuel and Kate
- Jeff & Aprille Truskowski, Harry and Alice
- Matthew & Kirsten Scott
- Kenneth & Bonita Sekenske
- Mrs. Margaret Fornier
- Jennifer Pedroza, Cecilia, Isabelle and Maximus
- Matthew Diann Tharp, Madelyn and Brayden
- David & Margaret Kjedkgaard, Dana and Aaron

We are blessed by your presence!

The Immaculate Conception of the

Blessed Virgin Mary

Tuesday, December 8, 2020



4:00 pm Marion Procession

4:30 pm Mass

5:15 pm Adoration with
Rosary & Confessions

A Holy Day of Obligation



Special Mass Time: 10:00 am

Thursday, November 26th

Are you catching Fr. Jarvis and Deacon Kevin as they present their “Fireside Chats’ and talk about “Catholic Stuff”?



This is a great opportunity to explore our faith, get to know our clergy better and to keep up to date with what is going on in our parish! Watch for the Weekly Newsletter from Christ the King in your email box. If you are not receiving the newsletter in your email, please go to the ChristKingChurch.org website to sign up.

St. Francis High School is looking to hire a girls and boys Varsity bowling coach. Interested parties should contact Aaron Biggar at abiggar@gtacs.org or 231-995-8423.

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