

**CHRIST OUR REDEEMER PARISH PICNIC 2019  
AFTER-ACTION REPORT/LESSONS-LEARNED**

**OVERALL:**

1. We had 300+ people attend, beautiful weather & lots food, fun & fellowship. The water slides were a big hit with the kids and the way to go (vs dry slides.). The new tent company (Fun 4 All Inflatables,) saved us \$200 and the 20' x 40' tent worked well. Great volunteer participation...especially CCW, KoC and Parish Council. Many others also helped in set-up and clean-up. Danny & Norely Soto were a big help again!

**FOOD & DRINKS:**

2. For this amount of people, we had the right amount of:

- 25lbs of Chicken
- 160 Hamburgers
- 160 Hot Dogs

3. We had a bigger pig this year (78lbs vs 65) and sent a lot home in take home boxes. Next year we should shoot for 65-70lb Pig

4. For next year we need to adjust our buy amounts to:

- 144 hamburger buns
- 144 hot dog buns
- 4 heads of ice burg lettuce
- 5lbs of popcorn

5. Also - add to the buy list:

- plastic or paper cups for sno-cones
- paper bags for popcorn (lunch bags work)
- a few bottles of salad dressing: Italian, Ranch and Thousand Island.

6. ¼ barrel (pony keg) of beer (\$73) was just right – though we should make an announcement sooner that there's beer available back by the KoC grilling area. Also, the Class VI store no longer provides keg ice barrels so we borrowed one. Recommend Parish or KoC purchase a keg ice barrel to have on hand for our use in the future.

(see \$25: [https://www.amazon.com/Miller-Little-Giant-Muck-Tub/dp/B00GRSZRES/ref=pd\\_sbs\\_60\\_19?encoding=UTF8&pd\\_rd\\_i=B00GRSZRES&pd\\_rd\\_r=f767f951-784b-4b92-9066-ed24fc7ef1b6&pd\\_rd\\_w=SRT2b&pd\\_rd\\_wg=xzI8L&pf\\_rd\\_p=d66372fe-68a6-48a3-90ec-41d7f64212be&pf\\_rd\\_r=6AFJPZQVHPZZY95M7T3Z&psc=1&refRID=6AFJPZQVHPZZY95M7T3Z](https://www.amazon.com/Miller-Little-Giant-Muck-Tub/dp/B00GRSZRES/ref=pd_sbs_60_19?encoding=UTF8&pd_rd_i=B00GRSZRES&pd_rd_r=f767f951-784b-4b92-9066-ed24fc7ef1b6&pd_rd_w=SRT2b&pd_rd_wg=xzI8L&pf_rd_p=d66372fe-68a6-48a3-90ec-41d7f64212be&pf_rd_r=6AFJPZQVHPZZY95M7T3Z&psc=1&refRID=6AFJPZQVHPZZY95M7T3Z))

7. The mix of desserts and side-dishes was much better this year since we adjusted the ratio to: 2/3<sup>rd</sup>s bring sides & salads, and 1/3<sup>rd</sup> bring desserts. For next year we'll continue with:

A-R: Side Dishes/Salads/Casseroles / S-Z: Desserts

8. Put on checklist to put out the take-home boxes on the serving tables so people will know they can take some of the food home.

9. We need to buy all new syrup for the sno-cone machine... All of our syrup is down pretty low and a couple years old. Here's a link to buy it \$65 for 4 x Gallons:

<https://www.1-800-shaved-ice.com/blue-cotton-candy-shaved-ice-syrup.html>

<https://www.1-800-shaved-ice.com/pink-bubble-gum-shaved-ice-syrup.html>

<https://www.1-800-shaved-ice.com/cherry-shaved-ice-syrup.html>

<https://www.1-800-shaved-ice.com/green-apple-shaved-ice-syrup.html>

#### ACTIVITIES:

10. The outdoor water slides (vs last year's dry slides) were a big hit with the kids. The kids all wanted to stay at the picnic till past 2pm – and when the kids stay, the adults stay! The location out front worked well because "Lake Christ Our Redeemer" was dry. Recommend we keep it there for next year if the area /rainfall permits. On the outdoor slides, there were so many kids that there was the potential for injury. There is now "Slide Supervisor Instructions" to be given to each of our adult volunteers to keep things safe & in control. Also, we had a youth group member volunteer to be at the top inside of the bigger of the two water slides – this really helped to keep things safe and keep the kids from running into each other in the landing area -- we definitely want to do this for future years.

11. Need a checklist item to arrange for the water meter for the hydrant for next year. This way the city will only charge us for water and not for water and sewer. (Mary Beth did this for us in 2019.) Unfortunately, this year, there was a leak underneath the fire hydrant when we turned on the water – so we ended up using the water faucet by the kitchen. I have passed this (leak issue) on to Ralph and Mary Beth so that it can get fixed.

12. The indoor inflatable area did not get used as much this year because so many kids were using the outdoor waterslides...but still was a great event...especially for the smaller kids. I forgot to bring out and put the little round plastic balls inside the enclosed inflatable – so I'll put it as a checklist item for next year. Two of the indoor inflatables blowers can't keep up with the inflation requirements they are designed to have two inflator's on them instead of one...

Recommend we buy two more inflator's here is the data they're pretty cheap at ebay:

<https://www.ebay.com/c/28004475293>

13. Soccer Challenge is a great event but KoC needs to get more kid involvement – recommend more flyers, a bulletin announcement and more announcements at the picnic for starters.

14. Patti Wolfrom had the great idea to set up a family photo area... Which was awesome. We need to publicize it better though – through picnic announcements. Several families used it but more would have if they had known it was there.

15. For next year, we could consider hiring an inexpensive band – (like Purple Monkey or Rockers for Life) if the budget allows.

16. Corn hole and the kids' coloring station both got used this year -- which was great because they didn't last year. I think it is because we placed the corn hole next to the soccer challenge where it was easier to find. Not sure how much the horse shoes got used. The coloring area was up on green tables this year instead of down on the floor -- which made it easier for the kids too. Face paint was a big plus again this year though less kids came because the waterslides were such a big draw.

**BUDGET:**

17. We went slightly over budget (\$37 over.) We had \$2000 allotted, estimated \$1995 and then expended \$2037 as depicted below. The biggest increase was Pig & Food costs -- partially due to the bigger pig Danny bought this year (78lbs vs 63lbs.) Also, our inflatables cost went up nearly \$100 -- but was offset by the smaller and cheaper tent we rented from a different company than last year which saved us \$200. We'll be going back to them again for 2020 (850-582-5003 / [info@fun4allinflatables.com](mailto:info@fun4allinflatables.com) .)

<b>COR PICNIC BUDGET 2019</b>			
<b>ITEM</b>	<b>AMOUNT BUDGETED</b>	<b>AMOUNT EXPENDED</b>	<b>VENDOR</b>
Tents	625	420	Fun-4-All
Inflatables	650	700	Spacewalk
Food & Drink	375	367	SAMS CLUB
Pig & Rico Cuisine Food Costs	325	550	Danny Soto
Beer	KoC	(\$73-KoC)	Eglin Class VI
Misc Supplies	20	donated	donated
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1995</b>	<b>2037</b>	

**FACILITIES**

18. The new tent company -- Fun 4 All Inflatables and their 40 x 20 tent worked out great... it still fit 12 long white tables and 96 chairs with no problem -- and saved us \$200 2020 (850-582-5003 / [info@fun4allinflatables.com](mailto:info@fun4allinflatables.com) .) The tent setup worked out great as well -- rectangular tent setup long ways going out from the main Parish Hall entrance (East-to-West.)

19. With many people bringing chairs from home, we had the right amount of seating inside and out. We used all the round tables, all white rectangular tables, a few blue/green rectangular tables, all the padded chairs, most of the black & chrome chairs and many of the orange/gray/black plastic chairs. We did not have to use any of the chairs out of Shed #2.

20. For 2020, bring a mallet to pound in the horseshoes stakes.

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 850-549-8510/ [rodriguezkf@aol.com](mailto:rodriguezkf@aol.com)

**COR PICNIC "DAY-OF" CHECKLIST**

Meet Spacewalk Inflatables guys at ~ 0930 - give them check (850) 683-5867  
 Set up outside inflatables  
 Adult supervisor in place by 1130 for outdoor inflatable area  
 Collect Picnic sign-up sheets from Narthex  
 Get extra chairs from the youth shed  
 prep volley ball set, horse shoes and corn hole set  
 Get plates and prepackaged silverware & napkins  
 Post set-up diagram and set up tables & chairs  
 Set up tables under the awning -- assemble snow cone machine, syrup, and popcorn machine in the Front porch area, fill cooler with ice for the snowcone machine.  
 2 face painters and paint supplies (Shari Adams + 1)  
 set up kids coloring station inside Parish Hall  
 KoC Man Grills & beer keg  
 Set up Music & Microphone (Sarah)  
 Mix & Set up Lemonade, Water, Sweet & Unsweet Tea  
 Brew up coffee and set up with sugar, cups, stirrers, creamer, etc.  
 Get tub for the beer in place full of ice...move keg to driveway and tap.  
 Ensure condiments and side items are ready to go.  
 As people start dropping off side dishes/salads/desserts, have food tables ready...kitchen ovens can be used for items requiring heating/warming (CCW handles all this wonderfully)  
 Set up Inflatables Room -- don't forget the plastic balls that go in the bouncy enclosure.  
 Adult volunteers in place to supervise indoor inflatable area  
 youth group volunteers for outside slide (and indoor if enough volunteers)  
 Fill & move tea, water, lemonade coolers in position under tent/awning. Refill coolers with ice & beverages as needed.  
 Assist Daniel Soto as needed, with BBQ set-up  
 Have Deacon or Father Bob do Blessing at beginning  
 Make Announcement-Welcome, plenty of food & don't forget Danny Soto Pig, Chicken & Caribbean treats outside. Indoor & outdoor activities inc Soccer Challenge at 12:30.  
 Also announce beer keg by KoC Grills and take home boxes to bring food home if desired  
 FrBob-Thank: CCW, KoC, youth group, parish council, Danny & Norely Soto/thank all for coming

**BRING LIST**

- 2x Ice Coolers (Saturday)
- Keg Ice Tub (Andy Baldwin's tub)
- Facepaint supplies
- Setup Diagrams x 2
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- Day of Checklist, Vol List/Jobs List
- Duct Tape & clear tape
- Mallet to pound in Horse Shoe Stakes
- Announcement Words for Fr Bob
- laminated/plastic sleeve copy of inside & outside slide supervisor instructions to give to volunteer at picnic

**CLEAN UP**

clean up inside & outside eating areas



**Christ Our Redeemer**

**FAMILY  
PICNIC**

**Sunday, Sept 15th after 10:30 Mass  
Parish Hall and Grounds - Rain or Shine!**

***ON THE MENU: Danny Soto's famous  
Caribbean Cuisine, Roast Pig plus  
Gourmet Burgers & Hot Dogs!***

***Last name A-J -- Bring Dessert***

***Last name K-Z: Bring salad or side dish***

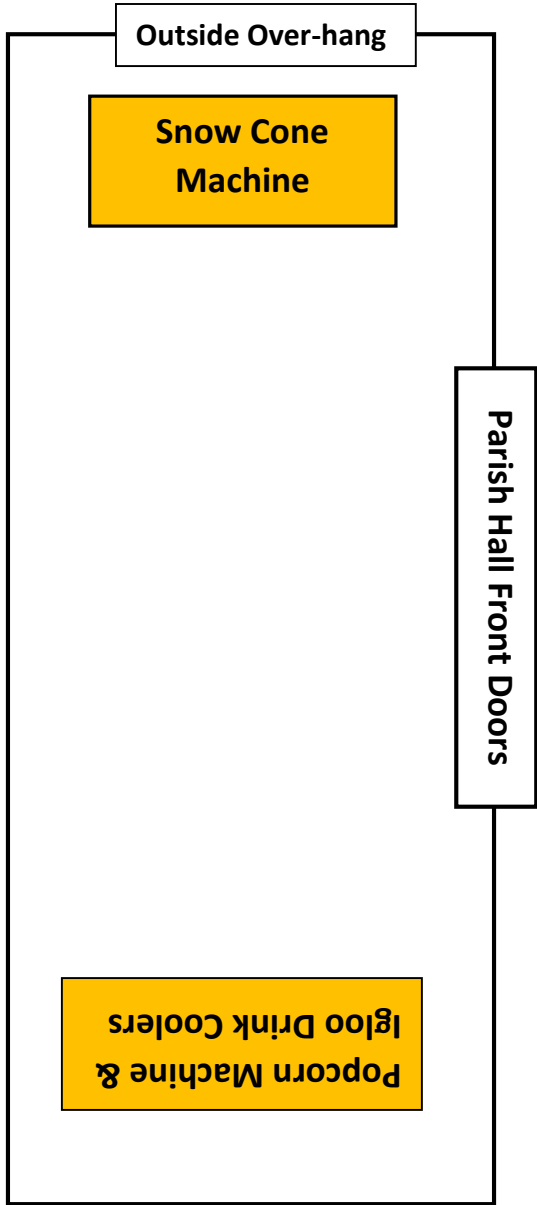
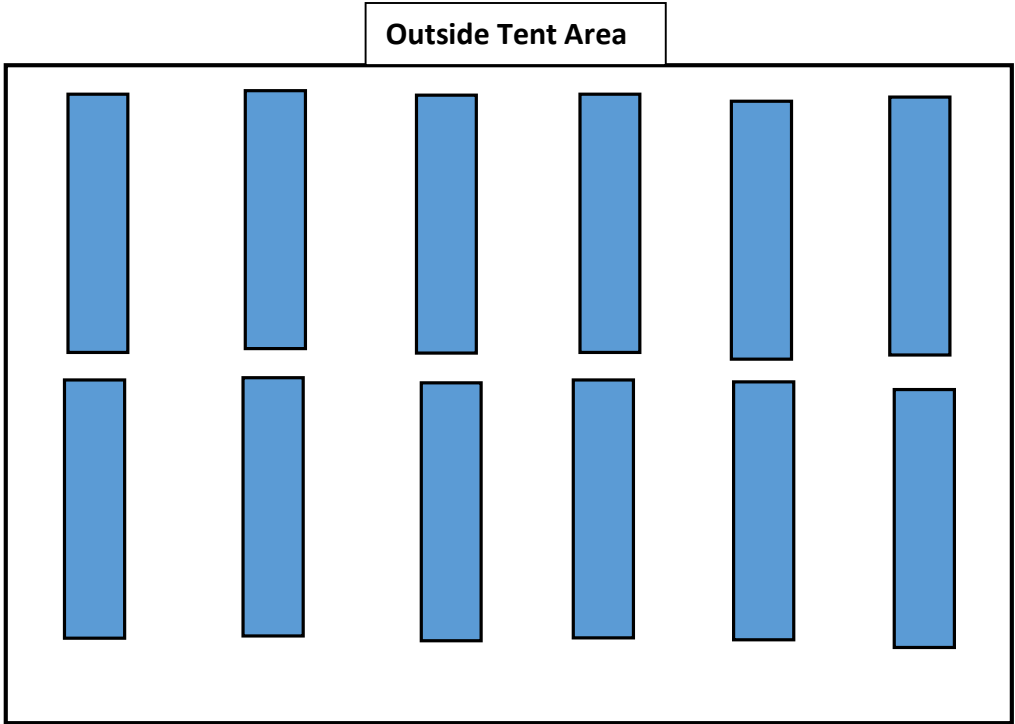
**➔ INFLATABLE SLIDES, KOC SOCCER CHALLENGE, FACE PAINTING  
AND MORE!**



**EVERYONE WELCOME!**

PARISH PICNIC THANK YOU: A very big thank you to all the volunteers who planned and helped out with our awesome family picnic last Sunday! We had beautiful weather, over 300 parishioners attending and a great time was had by all. I'd like to especially thank our Council of Catholic Women, our Knights of Columbus, our Youth Group, and our Parish Council members for all their hard work. We also thank Danny and Norely Soto for the fabulous roast pig and Caribbean culinary delights. Finally and most important, our thanks to Almighty God -- because all good things come from Him!

Father Bob



Outside Table Layout for Parish Picnic  
12 Rectangular Tables with 8 orange/gray/black chairs ea = 96

# Kitchen

Hot Food Items  
w/plugs

Condiments Table #2 Ketchup,  
Mustard, Relish, Lettuce, Tomato

Condiments Table #1 Ketchup,  
Mustard, Relish, Lettuce, Tomato

Water, Lemonade,  
Sweet & Unsweet Tea

Desserts, Coffee,  
Sugar & Creamer

Face  
Painting

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Painting

Food, drink, utensils &  
plates layout on this  
diagram is suggested only –  
set up the tables according  
to what works best!

Desserts & Salad  
Overflow

Desserts

Pasta & Salads

Fruits & Veggies

Hot Dogs &  
Hamburgers

Utensils, Napkins,  
Plates & Rolls

Inside Layout for Parish  
Picnic: 16 Round Tables  
with 8 padded chairs  
(128 seats); 11 large  
white rectangular tables  
& 4 small blue/green  
rectangular tables

Small Coloring  
Table & Kids Chairs

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PICNIC BUDGET				
ITEM	2019 EXPENDED	AMOUNT BUDGETED	AMOUNT EXPENDED	VENDOR
Tents	420			Fun4All
Inflatables	700			Spacewalk of VaIP
Food & Drink	367			SAMS CLUB
Pig & Rico Cuisine Food Costs	550			Danny Soto
Beer	KoC	KoC		Eglin Class VI
Misc Supplies	Donated			Donated
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2037</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	

FOOD, DRINK & SUPPLIES BUY LIST					
ITEM	2019 PRICE	QUANTITY NEEDED	PACK SIZE	TOTAL PIECES REQUIRED	2019 EXPENDED
MM Burgers	22.31	4 Packs	40 patties/pack	160	89.24
MM Beef Hot Dogs	20.98	2 cs	80/cs	160	41.96
MM Hamburger Buns	2.78	10 packs	16/pack	160	30
MM Hot Dog Buns	2.78	10 packs	16/pack	160	28
Am Cheese	11.38	1 pack	120 slices/package	120	11.38
Iceburg Letuce	1.76	2 packs	2 heads/pack	8	7.04
Beefsteak Tomatoes	4.68	2 Packs	4 tom/pack	16	18.72
Condiments Picnic Pack	5.97	2 packs	4 bottles per pack	12	17.91
Lemonade	6.98	2 cans		2	13.96
Popcorn		5lbs			30
Popcorn Oil	10.46	COR on hand		1	10.46
Iced Tea Mix	10.78	Box	48CT/Box	1	10.78
Chicken		30lbs tot			53.05
Sugar	4.76	1 Pack	10lbs/pack	1	4.76
Popcorn Bags & Sno-cone cups (small clear plastic)		a/r			donated
Salad Dressing	3.33	1 each of Ranch, Italian & Thousand Island	1 Bottle		n/a
facepaint, brushes, bubbles, sidewalk chalk	20				donated

<b>TOTAL</b>					<b>367.26</b>
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Beer	73+115 deposite	1 Pony Keg (1/4 Barrel)	7.75 gal	1	<b>73 (KOC)</b>
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Eglin Class VI - 850-651-2085

<https://www.kegworks.com/blog/guide-to-beer-keg-sizes/>



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wipe and stack tables & chairs	
return tables & chairs borrowed from various classrooms	
clean out all various beverage containers/dispensers	
Clean up & put away popcorn machine	
Clean up & put away sno-cone machine...make sure syrup pump assemblies get cleaned and not	
deflate indoor inflatables and put back in shed #2	
put horse shoes/bocce ball/volleyball/corn hole back in shed #2	
Put the keg and tap in the COR refrigerator or return to vendor	
Look inside shed #2 to make sure everything is in there neatly	
Do walk around of inside and outside to make sure nothing was missed	

**POST PICNIC ITEMS**

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Give office any tent & inflatables paperwork you have

Send out thank yous

Send thank you announcement on behalf of Fr Bob to the office to put in the bulletin

Solicit participants to send you their suggestions, after-action comments/lessons learned

Write up AAR

update 2DU list and Budget estimate for next year

Submit buy recommendations (2019: sno-cone syrup, keg ice barrel, 2 more inflatables blowers)

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ITEM	STATUS
<b>BASIC</b>	
Review last year's After Action	
Discus with Fr Bob & Parish Council	
Select Date and get in on Parish Calendar	
Weather Decision	
<b>PUBLICITY</b>	
Picnic Flyer for posting and Bulletin insert	
Submit Bulletin announcements (see templates in continuity folder)	
Check with Gretchen to create an event for the Parish Picnic on Facebook, post it on the home page of the website and send a message on the myParish app.	
Include information about the Knights of Columbus Council 13527 Youth Soccer Challenge with the picnic announcements.	
Post picnic sign-up sheets in Narthex (AO has template) For 2020: Families with last names A-R: bring Side Dishes/Salads/Casseroles // Families with last names beginning S-Z: bring Desserts	
Get on schedule to make Mass announcements 4 weeks prior to picnic	
Get volunteers to do announcements at 5:30, 7:30 and 10:30 masses (see templates)	
Sunday Announcement...BRING CHAIRS	
Submit announcements to be made by Deacons 3, 2, 1-week out and weekend of the picnic (see templates)	
<b>BUDGET</b>	
Check on Picnic Budget	
Draft Budget	
Coordinate with Mary Beth Krenek (COR Bookkeeper)	
<b>ACTIVITIES</b>	
Ask Sarah Dietrich if she can take care of setting up the indoor & outdoor music & music	
Lisa & Norely about coloring sheets/books & crayons for Kids coloring station	
Find and prep volley ball set, corn hole, horse shoes and/or bocce ball set	
<b>FOOD</b>	
Review food Buy list	
go with Gretchen to pre-buy burgers, dogs, pork, chicken, condiments,	
Coord with Danny Soto to provide Roast Pig, Chicken & Caribbean-sides	
Order Beer Keg from Eglin Class VI - 651-2085	
Get a Keg Ice Barrel -- (Check with Lenny Smales)	
Who/when will pick up Keg?	
Pre-pay Eglin Class VI for beer, tap deposit & keg deposit	
Collect Picnic sign-up sheets from Narthex - Sunday Morning before Picnic	
<b>SUPPLIES</b>	
Coord with Gretchen to order utensil packets.	
get facepaint, brushes, bubbles, lemonade, 10 packs of sidewalk chalk	
check plates and prepackaged silverware & napkins	
<b>FACILITIES &amp; SETUP</b>	
Fr Bob or Deacon to say Prayer at 1145	
Check with inflatables & tent company 1-week out	
Get with Ralph for general talk-through -- hoses for water slides	



Get with Mary Beth to arrange for a city water meter to be put on the fire hydrant -- so that	
get 2 x coolers for ice (KoC or Danny Soto)	
bring in coolers and fill up with ice on Saturday (use up 1/2 to 3/4 of the ice machine)	
get shed key, PH key, alarm card, and slides & tent Checks	
Locate our COR 3 x indoor inflatables and other kid's activity equipment	
Get volunteers (x2) for the face painting station (Shari Adams in 2019)	
Ask face painters to look on internet for facepaint templates	
call tent guys, arrange meet-time Saturday – (2019: Kelly, Fun-4-All; 850-582-5003	
Let tent company know which direction you want the tent set up (recommend: setup long	
Contact Dave Mason of "Spacewalk of Crestview and Ft Walton Beach" -- spacewalkcvf@herecomesfun.com -- (850) 683-5867; <a href="https://herecomesfun.com/CVF/space-walk-of-crestview-and-fw">https://herecomesfun.com/CVF/space-walk-of-crestview-and-fw</a>	
Arrange meet-up time with Spacewalk guys for Sun morn setup	
Get Mary Beth to order the tent	
Ask Mary Beth to do purchase orders for tent & water slides	
If using a water slide outside, arrange with office to get a water meter installed so we can avoid the "sewer charge" that is normal	
Check with Danny Soto if he is going to bring his generator as back-up electricity	
Review set-up diagram for Parish Hall Inside & Outside	
Parish Hall Table & Chair Count	
review/update "day-of" checklist	
review "bring list"	
Arrange for Fr Bob to address the Parish briefly around 1200 -- check microphone	
Recommended words for Fr Bob printed out (see template)	
<b>VOLUNTEERS</b>	
need adult volunteers for inside & outside inflatables	
send slide supervisor instructions to each volunteer	
make laminated/plastic sleeve copy of inside & outside slide supervisor instructions to give to volunteer at picnic	
need youth volunteers to assist with outdoor slide (and inside too if you can get enough) having one youth volunteer posted in the top of the big water slide to control the kids and space them out helps tremendously.	
Alert KoC about Soccer Challenge—set up day prior	
Coordinate with the CCW for their assistance in set up, preparation, and clean up	
Youth Group Coordinator - get youth volunteers to assist with kid's activities; shaved ice machine, sidewalk chalk, popcorn, facepaint, inflatables supervisors	
5 x 30 min shifts - Adult supervisor for Outdoor inflatables	
2 face painters and paint supplies (Shari Adams + 1 )	
Need KoC to help set up and take down	
Coord with KoC to man the grills and guard the beer and do Soccer Challenge	

<p>KoC - 1000 Grill setup and last minute setups - 4 Knights ... 1030-1230 Cook hamburgers and hotdogs. 3 cooks at a time (1 for boiling the hotdogs and 2 for manning the spatulas); 2 runners to take the cooked food to the warmers. 1 Knight to monitor the beer keg. 1230-End: 5 knights to assist in picnic cleanup.</p>	
<p>Photographer duties</p>	
<p>Send KoC POC list of KoC vols</p>	
<p>email instructions to all vols</p>	






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## **BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **Bulletin Announcements for (5 & 4 weeks prior to picnic)**

Hooray! It's time for the Annual Parish Picnic, Sunday, September 15th after the 10:30 Mass. We will have food, fellowship, and fun – including activities for all ages! Plan on bringing a dessert, covered dish, vegetable or salad to share. The Knights of Columbus will have their grills fired up, and Daniel Soto of Rico Cuisine will again bring us his tasty Caribbean-influenced specialties. You don't want to miss it!

### **Bulletin announcement for (3 & 2 weeks prior)**

"The Annual Parish Picnic is fast approaching, it will be held Sunday, September 15<sup>th</sup> immediately after the 10:30 Mass. We will have activities and games for kids of all ages, food, fellowship, and fun! If your last name begins with an A through J, please plan on bringing a dessert to share. If your last name begins with a K through Z, please bring a covered dish, vegetable or salad. The Knights of Columbus will have the grills fired up, and Daniel Soto of Rico Cuisine will again bring his tasty Caribbean-influenced specialties. Please plan to attend this fun-filled event with the whole family!"

### **Bulletin announcement for (1 week prior)**

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## **MASS ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **Mass Announcement 2 weeks out (DEACON)**

### **Mass Announcement 4 weeks out (PICNIC POC & ASSTs)**

Good Morning! I am \_\_\_\_\_ and my family and I are members of Christ Our Redeemer parish. I'm here to tell you about our Parish Picnic less than a month from now on Sunday, September 15th after the 10:30 Mass.

It is a great opportunity to meet with your fellow parishioners, make some new friends, and connect with folks who attend different Masses. We will have games, activities, and treats...and great food and drink for all...and we always get a big turn out!

Your Pastoral Council and the Council of Catholic Women will have the parish hall ready, while my Brother Knights of Columbus will be skillfully grilling hotdogs and hamburgers. As a special treat, Daniel Soto, of Rico Cuisine will be serving up his delicious Caribbean cuisine including his famous roast pig which you do not want to miss!

You may want to bring a beach chair or two, and please bring a side dish or desert. If your last name begins with A through J, please bring a dessert. Those with last names beginning with K

through Z, please bring a side dish, casserole or salad. Food sign-up sheets will be out in the Narthex beginning next week to make sure we don't end up with 25 Green-bean casseroles! So, please join us Sunday, September 15th for great food, fun, games, activities, and wonderful fellowship. Thank you, God Bless you and see you at the picnic!

### **Mass Announcement 3 weeks out (DEACON)**

Our awesome Parish Picnic is only three weeks away -- Sunday, September 15th immediately after the 10:30 Mass. Come on out and enjoy the fun, food, and fellowship! Lots of delicious food including Danny Soto's amazing roast pig and other culinary delights. Lots of activities too for the young -- and the young at heart. We can't wait to see you there!

### **Mass Announcement 2 weeks out (DEACON)**

"Our much anticipated Parish Picnic is only two weeks away -- Sunday, September 15<sup>th</sup> immediately after the 10:30 Mass. We'll have activities and games for kids of all ages, food, fellowship, and fun! The Knights of Columbus will have the grills fired up, and Danny Soto of Rico Cuisine will again provide roast pig and other culinary masterpieces. If your last name begins with an A through J, please bring a dessert. Last names J-Z, please bring a side dish or salad -- sign up sheets are in the Narthex. Lawn and beach chairs are welcome additions -- you don't want to miss this event of the year!"

### **Mass Announcement 1 week out (DEACON)**

"Our Parish Picnic is next Sunday, September 15<sup>th</sup> right after the 10:30 Mass. Come out and enjoy food, fellowship, and fun! Delicious roast pig, Caribbean culinary delights, gourmet hamburgers & hot dogs, savory side dishes and more desserts than you can eat -- but you may try anyway. We'll have wet slides for the kids out back (so bring swim suits) and dry slides inside. We'll have the KoC Soccer Challenge, face painting, horse shoes, sno-cones, popcorn and...lots, lots more! If your last name begins with an A through J, please bring a dessert. Last names J-Z, please bring a side dish or salad -- sign up sheets are in the Narthex. Lawn and beach chairs are welcome -- we can't wait to see you there!"

### **Mass Announcement Weekend of/Day of Picnic (DEACON)**

It's finally here! Our Christ Our Redeemer family event of the year -- Rain or Shine, our fun-filled Parish Picnic is...

*(for Saturday Vigil Mass announcement):* tomorrow, right after the 10:30 Mass, over at the Parish Hall!

*(for Sunday 7:30 Mass announcement):* today, right after the 10:30 Mass, over at the Parish Hall!

*(for Sunday 10:30 Mass announcement):* today, right after Mass, over at the Parish Hall!

Come out and enjoy delicious roast pig, grilled chicken, burgers & hotdogs, Caribbean culinary delights, savory side dishes and tons of desserts. Also, music, corn hole, horse shoes, snow-cones, popcorn, big wet & dry slides, face painting and...the Knights of Columbus Soccer Challenge! And don't worry, if it rains, we'll just bring the party inside. You don't want to miss it!

**PARISH PICNIC VOLUNTEERS NEEDED for SUNDAY, SEP 15th**

**PARISH HALL SET-UP (Sat Sep 14 and/or Sun Sep 15)**

*Knights of Columbus & Council of Catholic Women*

**GRILL SET-UP, COOK HAMBURGERS & HOTDOGS (Starting 10 AM)**

*Knights of Columbus*

**BEER KEG MONITOR/DISPENSER (Starting 11:30 AM)**

*Knights of Columbus*

**CLEAN-UP**

*Knights of Columbus*

**SUPERVISE OUTDOOR INFLATABLE SLIDES**

11:30-12:00

12:00-12:30

12:30-1:00

1:00-1:30

1:30-2:00

**SUPERVISE INDOOR INFLATABLES ROOM**

11:30-12:00

12:00-12:30

12:30-1:00

1:00-1:30

1:30-2:00

**COR PARISH PICNIC  
OUTDOOR SLIDE SUPERVISOR INSTRUCTIONS**

Your job is to ensure the safety of the kids. Slow things down, or stop if you feel something is unsafe.

Make sure the kids are going down the slide in an orderly fashion and spaced far enough apart so they don't run into/over each other...especially at the bottom of the slide in the landing area.

Kids should remove shoes, eyeglasses and any sharp objects before going on the slides.

Do not allow flips, horseplay, wrestling, or roughhousing – and no “head first” sliding.

Kids must exit immediately after reaching the bottom of the slide -- and kids at the top of the slide cannot go down the slide until the landing area is clear.

One method to control the flow is to hold the kids at the bottom of the slide before they climb the ladder. After the landing area is clear, then allow the next two kids to go.

Another way (if we have enough youth volunteers) is to position a youth volunteer inside in the top of the big water slide to control/space the kids on the slide (like they do at the big water parks.)

If there are smaller children, help them up and out of the landing area after they've gone down the slide. Make sure the bigger kids don't overpower/or play too rough with the littler kids.

If it starts raining, it could cause electric shock – stop the activity, remove the kids from the slides, unplug the blower and extension cords.

If we have lightning within 5 miles, we'll shut down the slides and bring everybody inside.

In case of winds higher than 25 miles an hour, we'll remove the kids, unplug the blower and deflate the slides. Do not allow anyone to jump or play on a partially inflated inflatable.

Keep the blower and cord away from the water as much as possible.

Take a five-minute break every hour to allow the kids, adult supervisors and youth volunteers to rest, and communicate any problems.

<b>PARISH PICNIC VOLUNTEER SUPERVISORS FOR INFLATABLES/SLIDES</b>		
<b>OUTDOOR</b>	<b>NAME</b>	<b>CELL</b>
11:30-12:00		
12:00-12:30		
12:30-1:00		
1:00-1:30		
1:30-2:00		

**KoC PARISH PICNIC VOLUNTEERS NEEDED for SUNDAY, SEP 15th**

**PARISH HALL SET-UP (Sat Sep 14 and/or Sun Sep 15)**


**GRILL SET-UP, COOK HAMBURGERS & HOTDOGS (Starting 10 AM)**


**BEER KEG MONITOR/DISPENSER (Starting 11:30 AM)**


**CLEAN-UP**


**SUPERVISE OUTDOOR INFLATABLE SLIDES/APPARATUS**

- 11:30-12:00
- 12:00-12:30
- 12:30-1:00
- 1:00-1:30
- 1:30-2:00

**SUPERVISE INDOOR INFLATABLES ROOM**

- 11:30-12:00
- 12:00-12:30
- 12:30-1:00
- 1:00-1:30
- 1:30-2:00

**COR PARISH PICNIC  
INDOOR SLIDE SUPERVISOR INSTRUCTIONS**

Your main job is to ensure the safety of the kids. Make sure they are not getting too crazy and/or playing too rough.

Don't allow too many kids at one time on each apparatus – we have 3 different indoor inflatables, so use your judgement about how many kids and what is safe or unsafe.

Don't allow "big kids" on the inside slides...they should be outside on the big slides. "Big kids" are probably over 50 pounds – but your call.

Kids should remove shoes, eyeglasses and any sharp objects before going on the slides.

Do not allow flips, horseplay, wrestling or roughhousing.

If a kid repeatedly won't listen or doesn't follow the rules, then he loses his privilege to play in the inflatable room.

<b>PARISH PICNIC VOLUNTEER SUPERVISORS FOR INFLATABLES/SLIDES</b>		
<b>INDOOR</b>	<b>NAME</b>	<b>CELL</b>
11:30-12:00		
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AT 12PM: Make Announcements

**Ken:** Welcome – and thank you for coming. We’ve plenty of food & drink -- don't forget Danny Soto's World famous Pork, Chicken and Caribbean treats outside...and if you want to bring some home with you, we have take-out boxes over by the food tables. There’s plenty to do too -- indoor & outdoor slides, face-painting, horse shoes, corn-hole, and the KoC Soccer Challenge at 12:30! Also there’s ice cold beer on tap on the side with the KoC grills – and there’s a family photo area out in front!

**Father Bob:** Hello and welcome everyone to our annual Christ Our Redeemer family picnic! We’re very glad all of you are here to enjoy the food, fun and fellowship! I’d like to thank all the many volunteers that put together this year’s picnic including the Council of Catholic women, the Knights of Columbus, Norely Soto and our Youth Group members, Danny Soto for his fabulous roast pig, grilled chicken and Caribbean delights. Also I’d like to thank our Parish Council for their volunteer work in putting this all together. Finally and most important, our thanks



to Almighty God for our Parish, for all of you, and for this wonderful time to come together! Thanks be to God!